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TARIFF REFORM.

The shard to see where Mr. Asquith finds evidence for the second which the tariff has been the most popular feature of the opposition policy. Nothing else in the Conserva-tive programme except Imperial defence awakened en-thusiasm. The great industrial city of Birmingham, the gation of seven tariff reform members. Liverpool, which represents more than any other city the commercial element, elects seven tariff reformers out of nine. Re-times the Conservatives have made great gains there in the Conservatives have made great gains there in the tariff question was the only issue on which the party made headway. Nottingham, Kidderminster, Leamington, Coventry, Wolverhampton, Walsall, Brittol,

THE PROSPECT.

Yesterday's returns from the British elections are

The St. John Times and Mr. Hazen agree on one point. The Times thinks Mr. Hazen should go and see Sir Wilfrid about the Valley Railway. Mr. Hazen thinks so too, and has tried to arrange a meeting. But Mr. Pugsley has objected.

The Copenhagen authorities, after further investiga ion of Dr. Cook's notes, have issued a final statement They find no proof that Dr. Cook has reached the pole But they have the explorer's word for it.

The opinion is growing that Canada is not givin he Empire much defence for the money she is spending

The scandal seems to be that Mr. Pugsley bought the Richibucto wharf too cheap. There is no public man in Canada less likely to repent the mistake.

The people have read the telephone report e. They are wondering what will happen next.

A. B. C. THE COURTS

SUPREME COURT CHAMBERS.

is hailed as giving hope for the fu-ture. The clergy are to be allowed to of ficiate in their ecclesiastical robes at the service for the dead usually hold over the body before it is despatched to Hamburg or elsewhere for crema-tion. Up to this the clergy were per-mitted to hold such service, but not in their ecclesiastical robes. The Gen-eral Synod is now willing to abolish the restriction on the ground that the sight of a pastor officiating in his or-dinary garments may hurt the feelings of the relatives of the desceased. The bodies of many Americans who die in Germany are cremated and the ashes sent for burial to America.

PROBATE COURT.

NEWS SUMMARY.

By direct private wires to J. C. Mac-

the dead save earth burial. Hitherio the chief opponent of cre-mation in Prussia has been the Pro-testant courch, and twice of late years the General Synod has refused to lis-ten to petitions on the subject. This year a concession was made, and though it is only a small advance it is hailed as giving hope for the fu

Mr. James P. Brooks

Mr. James F. Brooks. The death occurred in Watertow, Mass., on Friday, Jan. 14, of Mr. Ja P. Brooks, of the late Joshua an Jane Brooks, of this city and a fo mer sailmaker here. He leaves on brother, John, of Somerville, Mass and three sisters, Mrs. Charles W Coleman, Waitham: Mrs. F. W. Do man and Mrs. Rudolf Wottrich, of the city. Mrs. Filza Ebbett.

Mrs. Eliza Ebbett.

Mrs. Eliza Ebbett. At Gagetown on the 4th inst., the death of Mrs. Eliza Ebbett occurred at the residence of Mr. George Fox, Mrs. Ebbett was 77 years of age. The im-mediate surviving relatives are two sons, Warren and William, and a daughter, Miss Nellie; a brother, J. W. Penry, of Upper Hampstead and two sisters, in St. John, Mrs. Ruth and Mrs. Alice French.

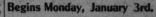
and Mrs. Alice French. Mr. James Smith. Mr. James Smith, a well known re-sident of Millitown, died at his home on Saturday, Jan. 15, at the age of 8 years. He is survived by a widow and two sons, Charles and Willard. Deceased was a veteran of the Am-erican civil war. He was a painter by trade and was well known in the bor-der communities. Miss Sarah Chapman, aged 38 sister of Police Officer Anthony Chapman, Fredericton, died suddenly yesterday morning. Mrs. Hannah Fox. Guaranty Trust Co. meeting today o increase stock from \$2,000,000 to Time for deposit of National Starch onds with Speyer & Co. expires to-Resumption of telephone hearing

Druggists, 104 Prince Wm. St.

Mrs. Hannah Fox. News of the death of Mrs. Hannah Fox, of Fox's Reach, or Lower Gage-town, was received by relatives in indiantown, yesterday. The deceased who was the widow of the late Wan-fox, was in her 89th year and for some time has made her home with her son-in-law. Mr. Wilfrid Vanwart, of Hampstead. Bhe was a native of Kings county and after her marriage resided in St. John for some years before going to Lower Gagetown, where she resided until the death of son, Abraham C. Fox, of Queenstown, Queens county and five daughters. Mrs. James I. Davis, of St. John: Mrs. Jas. Penry, "Opper Hampstead: Mrs. Duncan Slipp and Mrs. Wilford Van-wart, Hampstead, and Mrs. Geo. C. White, of Charlestown, Mass. There are also a large number of grand-children. The deceased was well known and highly respected and her-death will be heard with regret by a large circle of Friends. The funeral will be held on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock from the Upper Hampstead church.



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