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MONEY AND POLITICS TROUBLING WALL STREET

(Montreal Witness, Friday.)

The depression and heavy liquidation in the security markets of Canada and the United States this week are evidently the result of operators hastening to extricate themselves from a position at once unexpected and complicated. The origin of the trouble was the unexpected action of the governors of the Bank of England in advancing the minimum discount rate to six per cent, a level that has not been attained for about sixteen years.

Money and politics are the retarding influences in the United States market situation. With these removed there will be no obstacle in the path of an advance in the prices of securities in Europe and America, but it will be at least four weeks before the return of cash from the interior will relieve the acute monetary position of the business world. The elections will take place early in November, and if Mr. Hughes is returned it will prove an exceedingly strong bull card. If he is defeated there is every probability of a severe slump in quotations, but conditions will no doubt adjust themselves even under the governorship of one who is so thoroughly despised in the money world as Mr. Hearst. The liquidation of the week in both American and Canadian stocks will place the markets in a better position for a forward movement when the irritating influences are at length removed. The fundamental condition of industry is thoroughly sound in fact the great demand for capital to carry out the world-wide schemes of business companies and individuals, is really the bogie of today. In other words, the world's industrial progress is quickly overtaking the resources of capital and labor. It is therefore a time for caution, a time when capital should be placed in the channels of legitimate business and not into speculation.

The local market has been distinctly weak, and early in the week there was some heavy liquidation in many of the leading Canadian securities. Montreal Street holders continue to unload and not until 255 was reached did the selling cease. Detroit was also heavily sold on a successful attack by the anti-franchise interests of that city, but the big holders were reported to have held tight to their stocks. This partially convinced the small shareholders, who were inclined to panic, that there was perhaps a little more stock market manipulation in the decline than they had at first imagined. The stock lost about three points since last week's closing prices, which, considering the great volume of liquidation was a very small decline. Yesterday morning there was renewed liquidation on this market, which was, however, restricted to the leaders. In the afternoon, there was a stiffening of quotations and the selling pressure was almost entirely lifted. It looks as though the bottom has practically been reached in local stocks, and further price concessions will make many of the securities here a very good purchase. Earnings are good in practically every case, and, whether market sentiment is for or against any stock, the dividend return will be the main consideration of the shareholder.

ADVANCES IN DRY GOODS

Silks and Ribbons, Knit Goods and Cotton Hosiery on the Up Grade.

Silk prices are higher, and ribbon manufacturers in the United States have agreed on an advance in prices. At a largely attended and representative meeting of ribbon manufacturers held in New York for this purpose the statement was made that, although demand was good, and the ribbon market broader than it has been for several seasons, and manufacturers universally busy, yet in many cases no money was being made and, in some instances, mills were operated at a loss, owing to the fact that prices for ribbons had been allowed to remain on the same basis they were when raw silk was nearly a dollar a pound cheaper. The meeting was unanimous in the resolution to advance one-eighth cent on all lines which have heretofore been selling at two cents per line or less; one quarter cent on all lines selling at four cents or over. It is estimated that there was represented at this meeting fully 45 per cent. of the total looms engaged in the ribbon industry in the United States.

OTHER PRICES ADVANCED.

A shortage of stocks in almost all kinds of knit goods has resulted in sellers naming sharp advances on quite a few lines. Not only have lines of cotton underwear and hosiery been advanced, but manufacturers of wool goods have also pushed their prices up. Retail buyers have been in the market for fall requirements, and have also placed good orders for next spring. Buyers who looked forward to seeing lower prices next year have abandoned their attitude since the announcement of prices on certain fall lines for 1907. One or two lines for next fall show advances from 10 to 12½ cents. The changed condition in the cotton hosiery yarn market has resulted in certain manufacturers determining to make advances on the manufactured goods. Gauze effects, which were so popular last summer, and have been purchased to quite an extent for next spring, are held at very stiff prices. Since the sharp advance in the cost of yarns, hosiery manufacturers have been in the market in search of additional supplies. These supplies have been obtainable only at extremely high prices. Lace hosiery for next spring is now moving in better shape, and sellers hope that it will prove good property. If it does, it will help to relieve the shortage in gauze effects, and give the manufacturers of lace goods an opportunity to secure business. Last summer the demand for lace hosiery was rather poor.

CASE OF DEPRAVITY IN MONCTON COURT

Moncton, N. B., Oct. 28—A case of alleged indecent assault in which a married woman was complainant and a married man the defendant, which was heard by the police magistrate Saturday, revealed rather a depraved state of morals within the precincts of the city.

According to the woman's own story she was married about seven years ago and is still living with a man who already had a wife. Her husband and first wife, it appears, separated and both married again without going through the formality of a divorce. Wife number one also married and is now living in the States.

ARE YOU A GOOD DANCER?

Carleton and Fairville people will be accommodated by a line of 'buses after the carnival and dance in Victoria Roller Rink Hallow'een night, which falls on Wednesday. This will do away with the danger of losing the last car or last trip of the ferry. The jollification on Wednesday grows more interesting as the time draws near. There will be more sharp competition for the thirty dollars in cash than most people expect. Of this amount $15 goes to costumed participants, $10 for the lucky ticket holder and $5 for the most graceful dancing couple. Everybody may dance.

WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Oct. 29—Only meagre orders for stocks were in the market for execution at the opening and fractional gains over Saturday were the consequence. Anaconda rose 1½, Union Pacific, Reading, Brooklyn Transit and Smelting a large fraction.

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, Oct. 29—Futures opened steady. Nov. 10.04; Dec. 10.14; Jan 10.23; March, 10.43; April 10.47; May 10.52; July 10.61

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

Monday, Oct. 29, 1906

Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market. Furnished by D. C. Clinch, Banker and Broker.

	Closing. Saturday's	Opening Today's	Noon.
Amalg Copper	111¼	111	111¾
Anaconda	269½	270	272¼
Am Sugar Rfg	133½	133½	133½
Am Smelt & Rfg	154⅛	153	155¼
Am Car Foundry	44	44½	44½
Am Woollen	34¾		
Atchison	101½	101⅝	101¾
Am Locomotive		74⅝	74⅝
Brook Rpd Trst	78½	79⅛	79
Balt & Ohio	119¾	119¾	119⅝
Canadian Pacific	174⅝	175	175¼
Colo F & Iron	51½	52¾	52¾
Gen Electric Co.		174	174
Erie	43¾	43⅞	44
Erie 1st	28¾	28¾	28¾
Illinois Central	173¾	173¾	173¾
Kansas & Texas	34	34⅛	34⅛
Louisville & Nashville	143¾	144	144¼
Hocking		20½	20⅝
Mexican Central	22	22¼	22½
Missouri Pacific	94	94⅛	94¼
Nor & Western	94	94	93⅞
N Y Central	123	123½	123¾
Ont & Western		45¾	46⅛
Reading	141⅞	141¾	141⅞
Republic Steel	35¾	35¾	
Pennsylvania	140	140	140¾
Rock Island	27¼	27½	27⅝
St. Paul	171½	171½	172
Southern Rly	33¾	33¾	34
Southern Pacific	91⅞	91⅞	92¼
Northern Pacific	210⅝	211¼	211½
National Lead	74	74¾	74¾
Texas Pacific	36½	37¼	37¼
Union Pacific	182	182¾	183⅞
U S Steel	47½	47⅞	48¼
U S Steel pfd	106½	106⅝	106¾

Sales in New York Sat. 240,000.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

December Corn	34	43¾	43¾
December Wheat	73	73⅝	73¼
December Oats	33½	33¾	33½
May Corn		44	43¾
May Wheat	77¾	77⅞	77¾
May Oats	34	34	34⅞
May Pork	13.77	13.75	13.72

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom Coal	64⅝		
Dom Iron & Steel		27¼	27¼
C P R		175⅞	175¼
Montreal Power	99¼	99¼	99¼
Rich & Ont Nav.		80½	81½
Detroit United	90⅝	91	91

N. Y. COTTON MARKET.

December Cotton	10.25	10.14	10.09
January Cotton	11.25	10.25	10.17
March Cotton	10.57	10.43	10.35
May Cotton	10.52	10.48	10.59

Pollards "In Town" Tonight

The Pollard Lilliputian Opera Company, tonight at the York Theatre will commence their farewell engagement, producing for the first time in St. John the delightful musical comedy In Town, which scored such a success at the Princess Theatre, London, and afterwards at the Knickerbocker Theatre, New York. This musical comedy will be presented here for the first time. The popular Teddie McNamara will portray Captain Coddington and Olive Moore will accompany him in the role of Lord Clanside. Daphne Pollard will be seen in the Duchess of Duffshire and Eva Pollard as Kitty Hetherington of the Ambiguity Theatre, who is the real prima donna. This opera is their best, containing many catchy musical numbers, and is full of bright comedy. Among the many song hits are Waiting at the Church, Flirting, Such a Funny Feeling, Rare Old Bird, and the Lambeth Walk. It also has a best entertaining plot. The first act takes place at the Caravanseri Hotel, and the second behind the scenes of the Ambiguity Theatre.

The repertoire will be as follows:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday, In Town; Wednesday, Mikado; Thursday and Saturday matinee, A Runaway Girl; Friday, Belle of New York.

SUGAR DECLINES.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29—All grades of refined sugar were reduced 10 cents a hundred pounds today.

Two ladies of the market were wrangling. Having used up all the usual names and insults one virago burst out with: "Get out of it, you Chicago canned meat."—Echo de Paris.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING

VESSELS BOUND FOR ST. JOHN.

Steamers—

Cunaxa, 2,048, Manchester Oct. 12.
Florence, 1609, London, Oct. 19.
Indrani, 2,339, Glasgow, sailed Oct. 17.
Olenda, Bermuda, Oct. 27.
Orthia, 2894, Glasgow to sail Nov. 1.
St. John City, 1412, London Oct. 14.

Barks:—

Bonny Doone, Elizabethport, Oct. 26.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

1906 October.		Sun Rises.	Sets.	Tides High.	Low.
29	Mon	7.01	5.14	9.44	3.32
30	Tues	7.03	5.13	10.31	4.22
31	Wed	7.04	5.11	11.10	5.04

The time used is Atlantic Standard, for the 60th Meridian, which is four hours slower than Greenwich mean time. It is counted from midnight to midnight.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.
October, 29, 1906

Arrived.

Bktn Ethel Clarke, 387 Emenau from Brunswick Ga. J A Likely pitch pine & oak lumber.
S. S. Halifax City, Aldridge, from London via Halifax, Wm. Thomson & Co. general cargo.
Schr Rothesay, 279, Phipps, from New York, J W Smith, ballast.
Schr Tay, 124, Cook, from New Haven, Conn. Peter McIntyre, ballast.
Schr Sallie E. Ludlam, (Am.) Pederson, from Gloucester, D J Purdy, ballast.
Schr Abbie Verner, 96, Gibson, from Rockland, ballast, in for harbor, bound for Margretsville, N S. and cleared.
Schr Roger Drury, from New York.

Coastwise

Schr Alma, 69, Dickson, Alma.
Schr Dorothy, 49, Longmire, Bridgetown.
Schr Bess, 24, Post, Digby.
Schr G Walter Scott, 75, McDonough, Albert, N S.
Schr Maudie, 25, Beardsley, Port Lorne.
Schr Glenara, 72, Starratt, Annapolis.
Schr Mattawa, 96, Corkem, Campobello and cld.

Cleared.

Schr Harry Knowlton, (Am.) 277, for Alma ballast, to load for a port in United States.

Coastwise

Barge No. 7, Wadman, Parrsboro.
Schr Alma, Dickson, Grand Harbor.

Sailed.

Stmr Senlac, 614, McKinnon, for Halifax and call ports.
Stmr Calvin Austin, 2853, Mitchell, for Boston via Eastport.
Stmr Vinland (Nor) 815, Utne, for Halifax and Jamaica.

DOMINION PORTS.

Yarmouth, Oct. 27—Ard stmr Prince Rupert, St. John.
Newcastle, Oct 25—Cld, brk Vikar, Hansen, for Liverpool.
Hillsboro, Oct 25—Cld, stmr Nanna, Naro, for Newark.
Halifax, N S, Oct 28—Ard 27th, schrs Burleigh, from Baltimore; Celto, from Richibucto (N B) for Vineyard Haven; 28th, stmr Nordkap, from New York for Havre and Newport (put in with cargo shifted).
Old 27th—Schr Gladys E Whidden, for New York.
Chatham, N B, Oct 27—Ard, stmr Renwick, from Port Hastings.
Cld—Stmrs Coronet, for Bathurst; Beatrice, for Port Morien.
Montreal, Oct 28—Ard, stmrs Tunisian, from Liverpool; Hibernian, from London.

BRITISH PORTS.

Cardiff, Oct. 25—Ard. stmr Egwanga, (Br) Gibson, Campbellton, N. B. via Sydney, C B.
Sld—26th. steamer Industry (Br) Milne, Galveston.
Malin Head, Oct 27—Passed, stmr Ionian, from Montreal and Quebec for Liverpool.
Avonmouth, Oct 27—Ard. stmr Turcoman, from Montreal via Liverpool.
Glasgow, Oct 27—Ard, stmr Yola, from Montreal via Bathurst (N B).
Sld—Stmr Cassandria, for Montreal.
Innishtrahull, Oct 27—Passed, stmr Sicilian, from Montreal and Quebec for Glasgow.
Manchester, Oct 28—Ard, stmr Brattingsborg, from Chatham (N B).
Liverpool, Oct 27—Ard, stmr Kastalia, from Montreal and Quebec.
Portsmouth, Oct 27—Ard, stmr New York, from New York for Cherbourg and Southampton (and proceeded).
Liverpool, Oct 26—Sld, stmrs Victorian, for Montreal.
Liverpool, Oct 27—Ard, stmr Cedric, from New York via Queenstown.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Antwerp, Oct. 26—Ard stmr Montrose, (Br) McNeil, Montreal via London.
Buenos Ayres, Oct. 15—Ard barks Defensor (Nor) Nelsen, Norfolk; Saga (Nor) Haavig, Tusket Wedge. Ard barks Luarca, (Br) Starratt, Bridgewater, N. S.
Saunderstown, R I Oct. 26—Ard. schr A K McLean, (Br) Richibucto.
Portland, Me, Oct 27—Ard, stmr St Croix, Thompson, from St John for Boston; schr Harry Messer, Wilson, from St John for New York.
Sld—Stmr St Croix, from St John for Boston.
Boston, Oct 27—Ard, stmr Halifax, from Charlottetown via Port Hawkesbury and Halifax.
Cld—Schrs F S Givan, for St George (N B); Howard, for St George.
Portsmouth, N H, Oct 28—Sld, schr Maggie Miller, for Windsor (N S).
Passed—Schr Mary E, from Boston for River Hebert (N S).
Boothbay Harbor, Me, Oct 28—Ard, schrs Hazel Dell, from New York; Silver Leaf, from New York.
Sld—Schrs Bessie, for St John; Beulah, for St John.
Hyannis, Mass, Oct 28—Ard, schrs Alice T Boardman, from Calais; Sarah Eaton, from Calais for New York.
Portsmouth, N H, Oct 27—Ard, schr Maggie Miller, from Boston for Windsor (N S).
New York, Oct 28—Ard, stmr Umbria, from Liverpool; schrs Seth M Todd, from South Amboy for Calais; Winnie Lawry, from Perth Amboy for Boston.
City Island, N Y, Oct 28—Bound south, schr Virginia, from Musquodoboit (N S).
New London, Conn, Oct 28—Ard, schrs St Bernard; Venturer, from St John for City Island.
Sld—Schr Manuel R Cuza, bound east.
Providence, R I, Oct 28—Sld, schr Lucille, for Parrsboro (N S).
Highland Light, Mass, Oct 28—Passed in, schrs Abbie and Eva Hooper, Three Sisters, Storm Petrel, Ida B Gibson, William Marshall.
Passed out—Schrs Edna, Ellen M Mitchell, Cora, Rebecca Shepherd, Angler, Myronus.
Portland, Me, Oct 28—Ard, schr Moama, Mahoney, from Philadelphia for St John.
Saunderstown, Oct 28—Ard, brktn Peerless, from New York for Yarmouth (N S).
Boston, Oct 28—Ard, stmr Prince George, from Yarmouth (N S); schr Earle V S, from Shelburne (N S).
Sld—Stmr Halifax, for Halifax.
City Island, Oct 27—Bound south, schrs Lillian Blauvelt, from Tusket (N S); Lakota, from Bridgewater (N S); Morancy, from St John for New Rochelle.
Bound east—Stmr Volund, from New York for Windsor (N S).
Bath, Me, Oct 27—Cld, schr Donzella, for Liverpool (N S).
Boothbay Harbor, Me, Oct 27—Ard, schr Bessie, from Provincetown.
Vineyard Haven, Mass, Oct 27—Ard, brktn Malwa, from New York for Dalhousie (N B).
Schrs Coral Leaf, from New York for Gaspe (Que); Winnifred, from New York for Halifax; Theta, from Elizabethport for Halifax; Laura, from Guttenburg for Halifax; Sarah A Townsend, from Edgewater for Halifax; Hugh G, from New York for Port Greville; Elma, from Elizabethport for St John; Harry Miller, from Elizabethport for St John; Preference, from New York for Dartmouth (N S); Vera B Roberts, from Clinton Point for Amherst (N S); Florence G Lockwood, from Nova Scotia for New York; Stella F, from Hantsport (N S) for New York; Crescent, from Maitland for New Haven; George Pearl, from St John for orders; Onyx, from Bridgeport (N S) for orders.
Returned—Schrs Abby Keast, from Port Johnson for St John; W H Waters, from Stamford (Conn) for St John; Romeo, from New Haven.
Passed—Stmr Edda, from New York for Hillsboro; schrs Lady of Avon, from Halifax for Philadelphia; Earl Grey, from Windsor for Philadelphia.
Vineyard Haven, Mass, Oct 28—Ard and sld, brktn Bonny Doon, from Elizabethport for St John; schrs Oriole, from Bridgeport for St John; Charlotte C E, from New Bedford for Halifax; Lucella, from New Haven for Nova Scotia; W H Baxter, from Philadelphia for Sydney C B.
Ard—Schrs Annie A Booth, from St John for New York; Sarah Eaton, from Calais for New York; Madagascar, from Calais for New York; Centennial, from Dennysville for New York; Ann Louisa Lockwood, from Sackville for Philadelphia; Abbie Fuller, from Shulee (N S) for Providence; Ida May, from St John for New London; Clayola, from Sackville for New Haven; Ravola, from Harvey (N B) for orders; Laconia, from Campbellton (N B) for orders; F G French, from Calais for Falmouth (Mass).
Sld—Brk Malwa, from New York for Dalhousie; schrs Coral Leaf, from New York for Gaspe (Que); Winnifred, from New York for Halifax; Theta, from Elizabethport for Halifax; Laura, from Guttenburg for Halifax; Sarah A Townsend, from Edgewater for Halifax; Hugh G, from New York for Port Greville (N S); Elma, from Elizabethport for St John; Preference, from New York for Dartmouth (N S); Vera E Roberts, from Clinton Point for Amherst (N S); Abbie Keast, from Port Johnson for St John; W H Waters, from Stamford (Conn) for St John; Romeo, from New Haven for St. John.
Passed—Stmr Edda, from Newark for Hillsboro (N B); brk Charles G Rice, from Philadelphia for Tusket Wedge (N S).

REPORTS, DISASTERS, ETC.

Victoria, B C Oct. 20—Bark Skeyit, Rose, from San Francisco, for Port Gamble, is reported wrecked at Cape Beale. Master and cook drowned. The salvage steamer Salvor with the survivors on board is on the way to this port.
Jacksonville, Fla, Oct. 26—Abandoned schr Emma Eliza, of Key West, was towed in here today by stmr Nicaragua (Nor) from Nassau. The Nicaragua also picked up a houseboat in lat 26.08, lon 78.11 but had to abandon her on account of the hawser breaking. Only a small portion of the houseboat remains above water.

SPOKEN.

Schr Fortuna, from San Juan, P R for Pascagoula, no date, lat 29 52, on 76 12 (by steamer Nicaragua, at Jacksonville 26th. from Nassau.)

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

New York, Oct. 26—Schr Mary E H G Dow from Fernandina, reports Oct. 20 50 miles E by N of Cape Charles lightship, passed a vessel of about 500 tons bottom up.

MARINE NOTES

Barkentine Malwa is now on the passage to Dalhousie from New York.
West India line steamer Olenda left Bermuda at 2 p. m. Saturday, for St. John and is due to arrive Wednesday next.
The schooner W R Huntley, lost at Ladle Cove, Bonavista Bay, Nfld., was surveyed and condemned, the hull being sold for $20.
Battle line steamship Pydna will sail from Manchester about Nov 1 for Rio Janerio, and not as before reported.

IMPORTS

From Brunswick, Ga., ex Bktn Ethel Clarke, 379,541 feet pitch pine, 4370 feet oak. J A Likely.
From London, ex S S Halifax City:—3,804 chests tea, The Anglo-Am. Direct Tea Co.; 19 bbls metal bolts, A W Adams; 1 case calendars, W E Anderson; 17 cases tea lead, B & P.; 50 cases brandy, 20 cases gin, C N Beal & Co.; 150 bags rice, G E Barbour & Co; 1 case mdse, Brock & Paterson; 65 cases brandy, B of B N A; 100 cases mdse, Comeau & Sheehan; 5 casks gin, H Dolan; 30 chests tea, H W de Forest; 60 bags rice, Dearborn & Co; 1 tea machine, T H Estabrooks; 800 casks cement S Hayward & Co; 20 packets hops, Simeon Jones.; 6 casks mdse Jones & Schofield; 1 case dry goods, London House; 91 cases brandy, McIntyre & Comeau; 4 cases mdse, Macaulay Bros. & Co.; 62½ chest tea, C McDonald; 14 pkgs mdse, M R A Ltd; 1 pkg bottles, G A H Mueller, 3 cases printed matter, E G Nelson.; 200 cases gin, John O'Regan; 5 cases mdse, H C Olive; 100 bdls straw covers, 125 bottles, Pollack Bros. 25 cases bottled beer, J. Ryan; 18 casks brandy, 300 cases brandy, 20 casks gin, 430 cases gin, R Sullivan & Co.; 67 chests tea, The Soroco Tea Co; 64 chests tea, The Smith Brokerage Co.; 3 cases mdse, D J Seeley & Son; 300 casks cement W H Thorne & Co.; 1 pkg mdse, Wm Thomson & Co.; 21 chests tea, Vim Tea Co. 8 pkgs mdse, Vassie & Co.; 35 cases gin, 2 casks brandy, 20 cases brandy, W L Williams; 5 cases mdse, 40 bags rice, J H White.
For Newcastle—1 case dry goods, J. D. Creagban & Co.
For Moncton—80 cases pickles, J H H & Co
For Sussex—15 cases pickles, S. M Co.
For Chatham—6 bales twine, W S S Co.
For Shediac—11 cases tea R C T.
For Fredericton—400 casks cement B & S H Thompson & Co; 150 bags rice, R & Son.
For St. Stephen—2 cases dry goods, Gangong Bros.
For Woodstock—35 bales hides, order.
Also goods for other points and the west.

THE COMMODORE WIELDS CAT

And Lays it on the Back of the Editor of the Sun.

(Chatham World.)

Doubt is the characteristic mental attitude of the world today and is, we believe, in the last analysis, the basis of most of this mental disease so alarmingly manifest everywhere. The human mind is not strong enough to sustain unaided the burdens sometimes heaped upon it, and the props that have stood so long are—between the sceptic scientists and the new theologians—being knocked away, one by one.—St. John Sun.

This is very sad, and very startling! Strange, passing strange, that it has been left for a newspaper man to make the discovery. The alienists and statisticians have evidently not caught a glimmer of the truth! Here, for instance, is the report of the New Brunswick Hospital for 1904, the latest one we have on hand, which make no mention of doubt as a cause for the insanity of the inmates. Eighty persons were admitted during the year, and the poor unsophisticated physicians ascribe their mental condition to loss of friends, and business troubles, 10; worry and overwork, 14; religious excitement, 3; nervous shock, 2; intemperance, 2; sunstroke, 1; traumatism, 1; heredity, 20 ,etc., etc., not one of them having made the discovery that the Sun proclaims. Strange, passing strange! The physicians have eyes, and see not! The editor sees even without looking!

Are we to believe the physicians or the editor? We can't think of doubting the editor without inquiry.

Let us see. We may get some light from the religious table of the report. Are most of the lunatics classed as free thinkers?

"No, not one of them. They are set down as Baptists, 31; Catholics, 55; Episcopalians, 19; Methodists, 9; Presbyterians, 14; etc. Six of them are classed as "unascertained." Perhaps these may be the doubters of 'the last analysis!'

Another glance at the religious column must make us pause before accepting the Sun's discovery. We note, for instance, that those Christians who have no religious doubts whatever; who accept their doctrines on authority; who, when they fail to understand any of the ways and purposes of God, past and present, in the world of spirits, or in the world to come, have only to go to their spiritual directors for light—we note that as many of these persons, in proportion to their numbers, go to the lunatic asylum, as of any of the denominations in which 'the sceptic scientists and the new theologians' may be found 'knocking away the props' that have 'enabled the human mind to sustain the burdens' of life.

Now, why, oh why, is this? If religious doubt is the cause of insanity, why is it that the religious positivists, the people who are not troubled by doubts, furnish their fair percentage of the insane?

We fear that we shall have to throw over the Sun's article as eloquent nonsense, founded not on fact but on fancy, and continue to look to the physicians for information as to the cause of insanity. Even at the risk of being classed as insane and sent to the asylum, we must doubt—we must doubt the Sun's last analysis.

The Lonely Life

The Tragic Confession of a Spinster, Who Realizes That No Fame or Wealth Can Compensate for the Solitude of Her Life.

In this article the author, whose name for obvious reasons we are not at liberty to disclose, drops for once the mask which she in common with other "Bachelor Maids," is accustomed to turn to the world.

Though no longer young, she frankly says she longs for the companionship of a husband and the care of children. The circumstances which have kept from her the happiness which these blessings bring are stated with the same directness which characterizes the whole article. It is the life-story of a "successful" woman, a drama of real life in which the last act is a tragedy.

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REV. MR. BAMFORD SAYS FAREWELL

Retiring Pastor of Ludlow St. Baptist Church Preaches Eloquent Sermon to Large Congregation.

Rev. S. F. Bamford, retiring pastor of Ludlow street Baptist church, west end, preached his final sermon prior to leaving the city, yesterday evening, to a large an attentive congregation.

The text was from the Book of Proverbs, the twenty-third chapter and the 23, 24, 25 and 26 verses.

"Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding."

"The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice; and he that begetteth a wise child shal thave joy of him."

"Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice."

"My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways."

Mr. Bamford opened his discourse with the assertion that the world's greatness was due, not so much to the result of the ruling of kings, queens and prelates as to the influence of the mothers of men.

The mothers of the last century, he went on to say, are today in the senate, in parliament, in the palaces, in the banking houses. In other words, the men at the head of affairs are they who have recognized the mothers, who understood the world's needs.

The sowing was at the cradle, the reapin are the men at the head of civic affairs, who rule in righteousness and equity, because they learned it in the home.

A man is not great by having society at the back of him; but by being influenced by a woman, who is a greater queen than ever Cleopatra could hope to be.

We are living in an age when virtue comes before blood. A man is recognized, insomuch as he recognizes the meaning of the word "manlness."

You ask a man his grandest idea of a queen, and he goes not to the throne of Russia or Egypt, not to the palace, where everything stands in gorgeous array—but he goes back to a four-room cot, with bare walls, deal table, plain chairs, meagre fare, but at the head of it all, a woman, his mother. She has no gilded chariot, the chariots of God are hers and she is related to Divine Royalty, "in which he had learned from her, wisdom, instruction and understanding."

A man's worth is recognized, not so much by his intellect, as by the greatness of his heart.

Concluding, Mr. Bamford made a strong appeal for manliness, by the recognition of the mother's influence. He had endeavored always, he said, to keep before his people the ideals of life, and he hoped his last message would be remembered by them as an earnest plea to seek after that which was good and of honest report.

The parish of Louisville, Moncton, of which Mr. Bamford is shortly to assume charge, is one of great possibilities. There were fully sixty additions last year and indications point to a bright future.

A DARING ROBBERY

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—The most daring robbery plot in the annals of the St. Petersbung police was executed today when at about noon a band of fifteen revolutionists armed with bombs and revolvers, attacked a cashier of the customs house who was proceeding in a carriage from his post at a sub-treasury with a sum variously given as $120,000 to $300,00. They wrecked the vehicle with a bomb but were driven off by two gendarmes forming the cashier's escort who made a courageous defense of the treasure.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways and canals, asked Mayor Sears Saturday by wire, on behalf of the government, if the city had purchased a dredge, and if so would the government be allowed the use of it for the dredging of the I. C. R. berths. His worship replied that a Boston dredge was looked upon favorably and possibly the council deferred purchasing it as there was no assurance relative to the Long Wharf contract. The price on the dredge and the duty on it would amount to $150,000.

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN

David Willet, Father of Ald. Willet Passed Away This Morning.

Another of the old citizens of Saint John passed to his rest in the person of David Willet, of this city. He died this morning at the house of his son-in-law, Robert Reid, 107 Hazen street, at the age of 83.

Mr. Willet had been in ill health for only a few months, but to the last he was always ready to meet old friends and willingly spent his days and evenings with his family.

Mr. Willet was born in Girvan, Ayrshire, Scotland, on the 22nd April, 1824. In early life he was associated with his father, as his helper in a blacksmith shop in his native town; but on the erection and completion of the gas house and works in his native town he was appointed manager. Shortly afterwards he was appointed to that position at Rothesay, Buteshire, and removed there in 1849. In 1857 he was appointed gas manager in St. John, N. B., and left Rothesay for his new field of labor. He arrived in Saint John October, 1857. He did not long remain in charge of the works here, but on his resignation he at once opened up a blacksmith shop at the Golden Ball corner, on the site of the Cusick property on Sydney street. In the spring of 1858 his brother James came from Girvan and they formed a partnership under the name of D. & J. Willet, and carried on a successful general blacksmith business, particularly in the manufacture of all iron agricultural implements and for these many diplomas and prizes were awarded and received by this firm at the early exhibitions in Saint John and other places. He visited his native home only once in the time he had left Scotland.

In 1875 he spent three months in travel, visiting old and familiar spots of his early manhood. About 24 years ago he retired from business and was succeeded by his nephew, John Willet, who now carries on the business established by him and his late brother James, who was the father of Mr. John. For years his figure was a familiar object on the Marsh Road, travelling as he did daily on that road, morning and evening, going to his small country house and grounds. About six years ago he took up his permanent residence at the latter place, and there lived retired with his three unmarried daughters and enjoyed his remaining days in peace and comfort until a few weeks ago.

Whatever he did, he did well, and the interest he took in his small holding and lot of land was greatly remarked, for he worked and kept it up to be enjoyed by him and those friends surrounding him. He was a man greatly respected, full of work and energy to the last, but of few words, of a quiet disposition, and unassuming nature. He was identified with Saint David's church from the first Sunday in October, 1857, when he first came to St. John, and filled many important offices in that church and congregation. He was elected and ordained an elder in that church in 1875 and continued connected with it until his demise. He was constant in his attendances on all meetings and at all services. He was a great friend of Presbyterians. He was a true Scot. He was a member of Saint Andrew's Society from the time of his arrival in Saint John, and filled the office of one of the committee of charity for years. His greatest pleasure in the evenings was reading Scotch literature and keeping in touch with every thing Scottish. His wife predeceased him ten years. He had a family of nine children, and all are alive. He had three sons, John, the alderman for Dufferin ward and well known barrister, David R., the accountant in the chamberlain's office, City Hall, and Thomas, at present of Amherst, Nova Scotia. Six daughters, Jane, wife of Robert Ledingham, Union street, merchant; Mrs. John Stewart, widow of the late John Stewart, ship builder, and Margaret, wife of Robert Reid ,of Reid Brothers, King street; Mary, Elizabeth and Annie Campbell, unmarried; with the last three of whom he resided at Brookville. The funeral will take place at 2.30 Wednesday, October 31, from the residence of Robert Reid, 107 Hazen street.

YESTERDAY IN THE CHURCHES

Rev. Canon O'Meara, of Toronto, preached in St. John's (Stone) church in the morning and St. Luke's in the evening.

Rev. P. J. Stackhouse discussed last evening in the Tabernacle church the ethics of the modern dance, the subject being the fourth in the series of Current Questions. He announced that the next question for discussion would be the Problem of the St. John Boy, which would be taken up on the evening of November 11.

Carmarthen street Methodist church celebrated their 37th anniversary yesterday. At the morning service, Rev. D. Hutchinson, of Main street Baptist church, preached a very able sermon. In the evening Rev. Mr. Lang occupied the pulpit. This evening at eight o'clock Mr. Hutchinson will give a lecture on Our Country, or From Ocean to Ocean. A congregational reunion wil itake place tomorrow evening. C. H. Hutchins, the treasurer, announces that the sum of $350 is needed to meet necessary expenses and it is hoped that the collection at the various services will make up the amount.

The Council and the Press

I have always read the papers,
Till a week ago or later,
But I'm done with them forever, I confess,
I've been noticing of late
How they try to underrate
The council's best endeavor through the Press.

When a pipe don't stand the test
They try their level best
To make our city fathers bear the blame,
If the cribwork isn't steady
'Cause the bottom wasn't ready,
The way they talk about it is a shame.

They seem to think it sport;
When the steamers reach the port,
If the berth across the harbor's incomplete
They will tell in glaring lines
How those men of many minds
Who constitute the council were asleep.

With their nagging and their chaffing,
They have set the city laughing
At the council by their witty observations
But their mirth may turn to gall
If the members one and all
In a body hand the mayor their resignations.

I'll continue to refuse
All papers to peruse,
Or listen to another man who may,
Till the press throughout the land
Has been taught to understand
They must see the council's work another way.

RUBIRD TIPPLING.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 29, 1906.

DEATHS

McCLAVERTY—In this city, on the 27th inst., Arthur McClaverty, leaving two sons and three daughters to mourn their sad loss. (Sydney and Boston papers please copy). Funeral from his late residence, 23 Portland street, Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30. Service at the house at 2 o'clock.

DOCKRILL—Suddenly, at St. John, N. B., Oct. 28, J. Fletcher Dockrill. Funeral on Tuesday at 2.30 o'clock from the residence of Jas. Anderson, 56 Waterloo street.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for classification.)

WANTED—COMPETENT GIRL FOR GENeral housework; small family. Apply 30 ORANGE STREET. 10-29-6 t.

LOST — SUNDAY AFTERNOON, BEtween Fernhill and 223 Main street; lady's gold watch, monogram "N. B. C." Finder rewarded on leaving at CURREY & VINCENT'S, 42 Princess. Owner particularly anxious to recover photo. 10-29-t. f.

WANTED — A CHAMBERMAID. APPLY DUFFERIN HOTEL. 10-29-3 t.

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