sent what the real loss will be.

It is not yet clear, however, that the effect of the law will be quite so sweeping. It may be that the worst class will only come as additions, while all who are in business now will remain there. The liquor interest is strong in St. John, and it does not propose to yield without a struggle. A Licensed Victuallers Associations, while all who are in business, but there is a wish amqing the liquor interest is strong in St. John, and it does not propose to yield without a struggle. A Licensed Victuallers Associations, while been organized this week, and of the field in Prince being will again be in the field in Prince being will again be in the field in Prince being will again be in the field in Prince beath by directing that, in such event, a suitable coffia be procured and the remains properly buried. The suitable coffia be procured and the remains properly buried. The suitable coffia he possible contingency of his aged ward's death by directing that, in such event, a suitable coffia he procured and the remains properly buried. The suitable coffia he possible contingency of his aged ward's death by directing that, in such event, a suitable coffia he procured and the remains properly buried. The suitable coffia he possible contingency of his aged ward's death by directing that, in such event, a suitable coffia he procured and the remains properly buried. The suitable coffia he now in the decion of the time the duties take from his opinion, should not be an expensive one.

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and it will have what is a potent weapon in and assessed as personal property, is be-lieved to amount to about \$400,000. It is not less than that, and it may be more. At the present rate of taxation, \$15 on the \$1,000, the civic revenue from this is \$6,000. Under a system of prohibition this stock would not be assessable, and

PROGRESS.

ST. JOHN N. B., SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1896.

WILL HAVE NO LICENSE.

A PROBABLE STATE OF AFFAIRS

Try so much that he was willing to sacrifice all his wife's relations in defence of it.

In addition to this clear loss, the city will be put to increased expenses. The liquor dealers, combined as one man, will not take out licenses, but they will continue to sell, and under this state of affairs probably and under this state of affairs probably double the number of small dealers will go into business, as they did in Portland under the Scott Act. The prohibitionists say they want to drive the liquor traffic into the slums. They will probably have it there, and everywhere else. This may mean increase of the police force to cope with the increase of drunkenness, and increased sums for the maintenance of prisoners in jail. All this time the city will be piling up law expenses, put upon them by the action into business, as they did in Portland nnder the Scott Act. The prohibitionists say they want to drive the liquor traffi; into the slums. They will probably have it there, and everywhere else. This may mean increase of the police force to cope with the increase of drunkenness, and increased sums for the maintenance of prisoners in jail. All this time the city will be piling up law expenses, put upon them by the action of a few of the citiz; she who have not been content to leave an already good law severely alone.

This may seem a dark picture, but it is not believed to be overdrawn. It is the view taken by most of the citiz; she who have looked at the matter from an impartial point of view. It is a view founded on the experience of other cities when the same misdirected zeal has been shown under the idea that the intrests of temperance would be advanced.

The trials and tribulations of a good man have been exciting the people of St.

### fartins for the last six weeks or so, and they have not yet got done talking about at them. The good man is Rev. W. J.

Thompson, pastor of the baptist church, and as usual there is a woman in the case, though not in the sense which the use of the term generally applies.

Pastor Thompson is young, about 25 it is believed, while the woman is understood to be about 80. She is Mrs. McComb, nee Giffin, as sister of Mrs. Bradshaw of the celebrated Bradshaw will fame. Another sister is Mrs. Scott, with whom Mrs.

McComb lived until the middle of January last, when her business affairs were committed to the minister's care.

Mr. Thompson is an Englishman who has been engaged to stay the advanced. small number of the electors of St. John, and in opposition to the wishes of four of the representatives from this constituency, the place most affected by the measure, and despite the protest of such recognized friends of prohibition as Dr. Alward and others, whose legal minds readily saw the danger of such a step. The attorney-general presented a judicial view of the situation in vain, and an analysis of the vote

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the Prohibitionists Carry Their Point, and the City of St. John Will Have to Pay for the Fun—The Liquor Dealers Will Fight— Some of the Results.

week, the legislature, by a vote of 24 to 18 passed the amendment to the Liquor Lic-

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views against theories which unfortunately 3 not likely to be harmless in their

surprise, especially in the case of Mr. Lockhart, who belongs to Carleton where

with reference to what was needed by the city as a whole. On Mr. Lockhart's behalf, however, it may be urged that he is a new member and as yet rather green in legislative matters. As for Mr. Stockton, he probably thought the occasion a favorable one to make himself solid with the

As the law now stands, the applicant for

Incense is required to procure the signatures of one half the persons assessed on real or personal property in his district. This does not apply to the present year, but it will apply to the year 1897, and then the trouble

clearly shows that what may be called the horse sense of the Legislators was fully opposed to the step proposed. It was not a question of temperance principle fighting with the liquor interest, but of practical

the people are so strong against license. He seems to have voted to suit the people in his immediate neighborhood, rather than with reference to what was needed by the

The candidates for civic honors are coming forward slowly this season, and they are coming as individuals with no issue on which to fight, as there has been

During the last week there has been talk of two other candidates, but neither of them but not in fact, or in other words the curse of a law which will not be enforced. It will be out of the question for many of the present licensees to obtain an ant that he is not so far, in the field. The other candidate is a probably they will not waste their time in the attempt. One of them, a man who keeps a most orderly place, who has never been known to violate the law in any respect, says that he will not be able to apply, for the reason that many of the ratepayers in his district are non-resident. He could easily get half of the residents, but that will not do, and so the contraction of the residents, but that will not do, and so the contraction of the contraction of the residents, but that will not do, and so the contraction of the residents, but that will not do, and so the candidates, but neither of them many to the read any further property than the two that the is understood that Mr. Jores himself does not wish to run any the field. The other candidates, but not of George W. Jones, but it is understood that Mr. Jores himself does not wish to run any the head any further property than the money in question.

Having handed over her fortune, she went to the minister's house to live. It may have been her idea to thus find a home or is put up he will probably be W. D. Baskin. The name of A. A. Stockton has been mentioned as an alternative, but it is hardly likely Dr. Stockton would consent to come to the front, especially as the chances of success are, to say the chances of success are, to say the least, doubtful. Mr. Baskin, on the courter of them dany further property than the money in question.

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a candidate either for Queens or Dukes, but it will probably be the latter if he de-

No new names are mentioned in any wards of the north end except Vi toris, and there is no intimation of any contest on the west side. The election all around promises to be a quiet affair this year, though possibly the advant of a prohibition candidate for mayor may make matters lively for a time.

Will Copy the Names.

The prohibitionists have at last succeeded in getting access to the applications for liquor license and the petitions of the racepayers in favor of the respective applicants. It is understood that copies of these names are being made with a view to their publication as a horrible example of the depravity of many of the leading citizens. There does not seem any reason why a man who signs a petition for license should be ashamed of the fact in a free country, and the publication of the mames do no injury except to the temperance cause, for it is likely to make opponents of prohibition where otherwise they might have been friends.

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It is was too late to reconsider the question, but he was apparently quite willing to discuss the question from an equitable stant, or the and court of the matter in their own good deus the proposed would have been tolerated anywhere on the line between Maine and Washing-on the license where very determined to get the money back. Some of the people wanted the church to investigate the natter, but the pastor 'declared there was no need to an investigation, as he could settle it all himself. So the idea of an investigation of the names do not injury except to the temperance cause, for it is likely to make opponents of prohibition was dropped.

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St. John has had a singularly clear record in regard to the liquor question, considering its size and that it is a seaport. It is to be feared that as much cannot be said a year or two hence, if the present unwise amendment to the law is allowed to remain in force.

The Crop of Candidates Increases Little by Little Each Week.

The candidates for civic honors are coming forward slowly this season, and

hand over all her property to hm. Just why she wanted to does not appear, but it may be interred that she is of a somewhat issue on which to fight, as there has been for the last two years.

Mayor Robertson hiving positively declined to be nominated again, Ald. Mc-Lauchlan is the recognized candidate for the office of the mayor, and as matters now stand his chances of success are excellent.

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non-resident. He could easily get half of the residents, but that will not do, and so he is likely to be shut out. "Serves him right," is probably the comment of the prohibitionist, but that is a one sided way of looking at the fact that the best class of dealers may be put out of business and a greater number of the worst class will come the right.

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The name of Dr. Daniel is mentioned as a candidate for mayor, there will be a vacancy in Queens goos of her mental coudtion, for the document of the worst class will come the right. dealers may be put out of business and a greater number of the worst class will come in their place.

The outcome of the matter will possibly be that when the time for granting licenses comes, in 1897, no applications will be made. This will be no saving of money to the dealers, for each man may be called on to contribute the amount he would otherwise have paid for licenses into a defensive fund. In other words, instead of the money going to swall the revenues of the money going to swall the revenues of the city, it will be diverted to a fund to fight the city in its attempts to have the law enforced.

The city's revenue from liqu'r licenses last year was about \$22,300. This is a The daily papers this week have dis
mavor, there will be a vacancy in Queens ward. The place, and there will be a candidate for the place, and there is also said to be a possibility that there is also said to be a possibility that Mayor Robertson will have a requisition, though he has not not himselt given any intimation that he will be a candidate, or the place, and there is also said to be a possibility that Mayor Robertson will have a requisition, though he has not not himselt given any intimation that he will be a candidate, or the place, and there is also said to be a possibility that Mayor Robertson will have a requisition, though he has not not himselt given any intimation that he will be a candidate, or that having served two years as mayor he to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had received to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had received to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had received to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had received to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had received to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. The amount of money the pastor had the pastor suggestion, it is said, made out the necessary certificate to entitle her to admission to the Lunatic Asylum. T

returned from Boston, but in the meantime some of her relatives had become very much alive, and were insisting that she should get her money back. The pastor, who had accepted it to oblige her, and virtually only borrowed it, heard all that was said and expressed himself as quite willing to do what was right. Some men in his place might have held that the transaction having been complated and the money passed it was too late to reconsider the question, but he was apparently quite willing to dis-

SHE GAVE HIM HER CASH

THE QUEER CASE OF A MINISTER AND AN OLD LADY.

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give. While the truth of this was not disputed the proposition was not accepted. Mr. Thompson also stated that before going away he had paid back some \$300 of the money, but it is presumed that Mrs. McComb, in one of her eccentric moods, gotten about it as she remembered nothing about it and did not appear to have the

balance due will be paid over in due time.

Meanwhile, the matter is in the hands of a

conversation in St. Martins for some weeks past, Mr. Thompson seems to have had the good fortune to come out of it not only without suffering in the estimation of his congregation, but with their renewed confidence in him. He has been engaged for another year with increase of salary.

The moral appears to be that ministers

whom eccentric aged ladies want to make their bankers, trustees or legatees, should satisfy themselves that those ladies and their relatives are of one mind on the subtheir relatives are of one mind on the sub-ject. Otherwise the ministers may be put to trouble and annoyance, and even have their motives questioned. In a world too ready to carp at and criticize the actions of good onen, all may not come out of the ordeal so free from adverse comment as Pastor Thompson appears to have

KOT BOOM ENOUGH FOR BOTH. Either Col. Egan or Capt. Dixon Will Leave the 62nd Rifles.

HALIFAX, March 5.-The long and bitter fight between Colonel Egan and the officers of the 63rd Rifles, particulars of which Progress alons of all the papers in Canada ever gave the public any informa-tion, has at last came to a head. Lieutenant-Colonel Maunsell, D. G. A., and com-mandant of the Infantry school at Fredericton, was in Halifax this week holding an investigation into the internal management of the regiment. The colonel was sent here as an unbiased outsider, over the head of D. A. G. Irving stationed at Haliax. Captain Dixon charges Colonel Egan with favoritism inefficiency and near-ly everything that is bad in a commanding officer. All the old sores were opened up and probed to the bottom. Adjutant C. D. Macdonald ranges himself on the colonel's side, but most of the officers, like Captain Dixon, are his enemies. Colonel Egan had his innings, t.o, at the investigation, for he brought a charge of insubordination against Dixon. The immediate cause of the investigation is the

possible contingency of his aged ward's death by directing that, in such event, a suitable coffia be procured and the remains will have to go without standing upon the

It may be that the United States postal warding the mails through Maine during it does look as though something better could have been done. To have the Sunday mail not reach St. John until Thursday savors of half a century ago.

It may be that the fact that day savors of half a century ago. It may be that the fact that the delay was away down east in Maine did not make much impression on the authorities, who left the railways to worry out of the matter in their own good time. It is hardly probable that such a delay would have been tolerated anywhere on the line between Maine and Washington. To have seventeen tons of mail matter piled up in the St. John office in one day, with more to follow, is something new in postal experience here.

HALIFAX, March 5.-The bitter hatre that exists between the factions interested personally in the Halifax fire department city. Perhaps it would be more correct to say that the hatred on those occasions was money.

After some further discussion of the matter, however, Mr. Thompson made a payment on account by handing over a bank book in his own name, with \$264 to his credit. No doubt the remaining balance due will be naid over in due time. department about to be organized.

The first outbreak of hostilities occurred

St. John lawyer, who is considered a pretty good collector.

While the affair has been a live topic of conversion in St. Martins for some weeks we:e there. The trouble was between the Union One Company and Captain Connolly. Orders were given by the One men which they openly and defiantly ratused to which they openly and defiantly ratused to obey. "Who is this who tells us what to do? Away with him!" they in effect cried.

do? Away with him!" they in effect cried. ugly appearance of the hairless moose head so energed him that he flatly refused, after do? Away with him!" they in effect cried. The building blazed away, while firemen argued the matter out, and men angrily ranged themselves on opposite sides prepared to use their fists if other means of settling matters of prerogative failed. Other means, happily, did not fail, and the would be combattants were accepted without the be combatants were separated without the striking of blows.

At the Gordan & Keith fire which de-

stroyed \$175,000 worth of property, while the fire was at its height, two leading men the fire was at its height, two leading men among the fire fighters were engaged in deadly combat between themselves. The encounter took place upon the roof of the far-famed Orpheus club building. Lieut-tenant J. E. Burns was there with two others, holding the nozzle of a hose and others, holding the nozzie of a hose and directing a stream of water through one of the side windows of the burning building. Captain Connolly was in command on Barrington street, and Chairman Ryan on Granville. A portion of the walls had just fallen, and it seems that Captain Connolly habited a select the Ryan on the street was a select the select t shouted an order to Burns to change the location of his hose in order to make it more effective. Burns either did not, or pretended he did not, hear the order. By the way, though Burns is one of the Union Engine Company, he is neutral as regards the election of Connolly as chief.

Seeing Burns' opponent disregard of Captan Connolly's orders, J hn T. Murphy, who has no official position in the H. F. D, but is a branch man on the Chemical and is fire alarm electrician, hastened from Connolly's side and mounted the roof of the Orpheus hall. Murphy had no special reason to espouse Connolly cause, but his love was by no means in tense for Burns. He strode up to the lieutenant and told him in arbitrary tones to charge the hose in obedience to Captain Connolly's orders. Burns in most energetic mediate cause of the investigation is the retusal of Colonel Egan to re-enroll H. D. Hallaway as quarter-master sergeant, an act for which most people think he might well have good reasons. Why he should refuse to re-enroll Pickford it is not so easy to see, but the Pickford matter shows how desirable it is often for people the think has the beauth of the professional states of the state of the color of the others holdheavy right-hander straight over the left eye, cutting it badly. Burns went reeling to the roof, and Smith. one of the others hold-

ants.

Shortly after this, arous the 20th of 3all papers this week have disperently heavy gun to be taken away and pointed back at the pockets of the rate-papers. It does not, however, fully represent what the real loss will be.

It is put uncertain whether Ald. M.Rob-life in the real control of the common council, it is put uncertain whether Ald in Prince in the following seems to be sure, that if one wins about \$22,300. This is a the future, only can tell, but one thing seems to be sure, that if one wins about there was another the read gracoigne, and the future, only can tell, but one thing seems to be sure, that if one wins about \$21,300. This is a the future, only can tell, but one thing seems to be sure, that if one wins about there was another the recognized sect when the recogn stunner in the neck, so that the electrician and Dr. W. W. White and George E. Day

\$175,000, were going up in smoke, and a whole block was in imminent risk of sharing in the destruction of the conflagration? Stipendiary Fielding was asked for a warrant on Monday by Burns for the arrest of

only a summons.

On the root of Orpheus hall thus, there was a fight, but elsewhere around that fire there was talk of "assault and battery," and more than one fireman said he was keeping his eyes about him not merely to do what was possible to stay the progress of the flames, but to resist the attacks of

enemies.

Notwithstanding this state of affairs, the general opinion is that the Halilax fire fighters managed the operations they carried on with skill and success. Except for the destruction caused to an adjoining building by the falling brick walls the loss of the fire was practically confined to Gordon & Keith's structure yet effective in one sense than the firemen's display of skill and courage was the dramatic exhibiton of

PRICE FIVE CENTS

hatred and temper seen on the roof that early Sunday morning. May its like not soon be repeated! WAS A BALD-HEADED MOOSE.

That is Why the Doctor Does not Think He Onght to Pay for It.

HALIFAX, Mar. 5 .- Dr. Gow is one of pert huntsman or in any other legiti-mate way. He purchased a mosse head some months ago and sent it to Purceil to be mounted. The head was decomposed but the taxidermist undertook to make a good job of it. It had not hung out as one of his tropies of the chase, frequent calls from Purcell for money. to frequent calls from Purcell for money, to pay another cent. The taxidermist was de-fied to collect his balance of \$15. Purcel! took up the challenge, carried the matter into the city civil court, and obtained judg-ment from Magstrate Fielding for the amount. But Dr. Gow is a hard fighter, and amid the plaudits of his triends he has

Mr. MacKay's Diamond Ring.

Halifax, March 5.—Chief O'Sullivan with notice of an action that is intreatment against them for the recovery of a diamond ring. The law firm of Thompson & Rawlings are taking this initiation at the instance of a St. John man—John MacKay, Jr. It is understood that Chief and Sher iff are prepared to defend themselves and to give an interesting historical sketch of the ring when the case comes to trial. Mr. Dimock of this city, and MacKay, had some was a handsome one, fell into the hands of certain people in this city with whom it would not be creditable ordinarily to have a close acquaintance. Detective Power came across the ring, and in order that it might be available when the owner laid claim to it, became responsible for \$15 and took the jewel. The police held it sately till one day, after some legal preli-minaries, an officer came to Chief O'Sullithe taking of the ring or failing that the body of the chief. The paper was genuine and as the Chief always prefers some one else's body to giving up his own, he delivered up the ring. Now MacKay the original owner, lays claims to it, alleging that the former proceeding were irregular, and it is in connection with this case that the interesting historical sketch

snows now desirable it is often for people to think as much as they like but to say as little as possible.

Whether it will be Colonel Egan or Captain Dixon who comes out on top Colonel Maunsell, General Gascoigne, and the future, only can tell, but one thing.

This ended the first round but there was filled by the provincial government. The dropped to the roof like a fitty pound weight. There was no third round because the hall dozen men on the roof interfered and parted the combatants.

Thus this fight went on while Gordan & Keith's premises and stock, worth nearly \$125,000, were regired was no many who think the ordinary citizen, whatever his occupation, ought to be given a chance once in a while.

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At a sleighing party, the other evening one of the most promising looking articles unpacked among the refreshments at the end of the route was a very tempting looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising looking articles unpacked among the refreshments at the end of the route was a very tempting looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising looking articles unpacked among the refreshments at the end of the route was a very tempting looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising looking articles unpacked among the refreshments at the end of the route was a very tempting looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising looking articles unpacked among the refreshments at the end of the route was a very tempting looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising looking chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising chocolate pie, got up in the most specific promising

Good Bye Sleighing, Unless all signs fail, the sleighing in St.
John—that is, sleighing that is really
worth having—is over for the winter. It
lasted just one month, and was good
enough while it was here. There will be
more snow of course, and it may be, so me
heavy storms, but the era of aleghing
parties and the like may be said to be
done. The winter has been a short, i
not a marry cone.