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THIS PAPER HAS THE LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES...

R. T. W. RAINSFORD, Travelling Agent for the Daily and Weekly Telegraph...

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add a half million and from that amount to ten and a half million are jumps...

The record of our efforts furnished the new mayor with the brightest portion of his speech...

However, this part can be congratulated upon having reached a point where neither oversight nor partisanship can keep it back...

GETTING WORSE AND WORSE... As we approach the general election campaign...

As we approach the general election campaign the statements which appear in the Tory press grow more and more reckless...

Mr. Blair has made a contract out of which a railway company would have made over a million and a quarter on an investment of a quarter of that sum...

This statement will not bear a moment's analysis. The Drummond County Railway was shown under oath to have cost \$2,200,000...

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ultimately and the seizure of the port of Smyrna is generally considered extravagant...

There would seem also to be two sides to the matter as viewed from the American standpoint...

Under these circumstances it would seem that the probability of another conflict between our belligerent neighbors and a European power is somewhat remote...

SHORTER HOURS FOR SERVANTS... The already difficult problem of domestic help is being further complicated by an agitation in favor of an eight-hour day for servants...

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BOYS' SUITS. Our stock of clothing for the youngsters of 3 to 12 years, in all the different styles, is more complete than ever before and contains many new novelties; all the new colorings in Serges, Worsteds and Tweeds.

For Boys' 9 to 16 Years. Single Breasted Coats, Knee Trousers, Three Piece Suits, in unusual variety. Nobby Checks, Neat Stripes and Fancy Plaids in Tweeds; also Blue Serges and Black Clays. \$3.00 to \$8.00.

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Best Men's Clothing—too. We say it is the best in the world for the money, and expect you to believe what we say because it is said in good faith—and is true. But we allow that you've a right to doubt. We know you won't doubt if you'll examine it. We are gaining new customer very fast.

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GREATER OAK HALL, SCOYLL BROS. & CO., ST. JOHN, N. B.

King Street, Corner German.

PLUMBERS WILL WIN. Two Halifax Employers Have Given In. MEN ARE SCARCE.

The Master Plumbers Failed to Obtain Journeymen in St. John or in Toronto—Notified of a Death—Commander Spain Fitting out the Fleet.

Halifax, May 3—(Special)—The plumbers' strike is still on. The men met usual this morning and adjourned for the day. It was learned at noon that two of the men had been granted the increased pay demanded and will go back to work. The members of the journeymen's union declined to name the men or the shops they were employed in. Inquiries have been made through the provinces as to whether plumbers could be imported, but it was found the only man at liberty in St. John is one who failed to pass a plumbing examination there, while from Toronto and Montreal come word to the effect that even if there were men wanting to come they would not for \$10 per week. It was stated today that a conference between the masters and the men might take place tomorrow afternoon.

Lieut. Col. Irving, D. O. C., today was notified from Ottawa, by the chief staff officer, of the death in South Africa of Private A. E. Zong, of company H. His death occurred on May 1, and was due to enteric fever. He was formerly in the 66th P. L. F.

Steamer Dahome sails tomorrow for St. John and will return here to sail for London, on the 10th. Commander Spain is in the city looking after the fitting out of the fishery protection fleet. He goes to St. John tomorrow.

Boy Kills His Sister. Barrie, Ont., May 1—(Special)—A boy named Smith brained his sister with a pickaxe in play today. He said nothing of the tragedy until the body was discovered by the child's mother and the boy was accused of killing his sister.

Bulgarians Object to Taxation. Sofia, Bulgaria, May 2—Demonstrations have occurred at Widin, Irnova and other towns, as a protest against the new title tax. Martial law has been proclaimed in the Rustibuk district, where the peasants have killed the mayor of one village.

According to Salt Lake City figures, the number of Mormons now in existence is 360,000.

Citizens Engaged in the Works of Charity. Dorchester, May 3—A meeting of the citizens has been called for Monday evening to consider the question of relief for the sufferers of the India famine and Hull and Ottawa fire. A meeting of the local branch of the Red Cross Society will be held Friday with reference to sending further assistance to the Canadian troops in Africa.

A Maine Built Ship in Need of Assistance. Lorenzo Marquez, May 3—The American ship Wm. H. Macy, Captain Groth from Vancouver, is ashore at Cochrane Shoal. The British warship Forte has gone to her assistance.

The ship Wm. H. Macy is of 2,092 tons, built by J. C. Eason & Co. She was built at Rockport, Maine, in 1883. She is 254 feet 9 inches long; 43 feet 2 inches wide, and 28 feet 3 inches deep.

Charges of the most serious kind, reflecting on the honesty of ministers and other officers, have been specifically made by members of parliament in their places in the house, and investigation has been refused.—[The Sun.]

No charge has ever been made reflecting on the honesty of a minister, as our contemporary very well knows. What good can come from saying there was?

The charge is persistently made against the present government that they give favors to their friends. Of course they do. It is to be expected that, while not disregarding public interests, they will disburse patronage to those who oppose them? That is neither human nature, nor is it the practice of governments the world over. How many favors did Liberals get from the late government?

It is marvellous how the treatment of Mr. Fielding has changed since he made his budget speech. The opposition press now speak of him in terms of bitter reproach, not unmingled with a strong personal animus. This accentuates the familiar observation that the stronger a man makes himself in any government the more persistent and malignant are the attacks upon him.

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mon and responsive sympathy among the cities of the dominion. The ruins had not ceased to smoke before thousands of dollars in money, and carloads of provisions and clothing were on their way to the suffering from all parts of the country. We never know how strong is the union until some member suffers.

Whatever doubt other members may express, Mr. Henderson invites the loyal electors of Halifax to pronounce on his judgment that Canada should obtain from Britain a preference for preference or else withdraw our own.—[The Sun.]

That's it. The Tories are unwilling that England shall get anything without paying two prices for it. No allowance is to be made for the fact that England now buys three times as much from us as we do from her, and that our purchases from her last year were nearly half what they were 37 years ago. According to Tory notions of strengthening the Empire our relations with England must be made still more one-sided.

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