

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1905.

### CHARGE OF CARD-PLAYING AND OTHER MATTERS IN JAIL TO BE INVESTIGATED

#### County Council Appoints Committee, Councillor Bullock Having Made Allegations--Councillor Christie's Views on Clergymen's Work in Prison--Farewell of Councillors Maxwell and Lowell.

At the quarterly meeting of the municipal council Tuesday, jail conditions were sharply criticized by Coun. Bullock and an investigating committee was appointed. In place of the proposed automobile bill to apply to St. John city and county it was decided to ask the government to pass one to apply to the province as a whole. Councillors Maxwell and Lowell, who were to move to the broader field of provincial politics, bade farewell to their fellow councillors. Warden Macrae occupied the chair and the full council was present with the exception of Councillor Andrew C. Gray. The county secretary, G. R. Vincent, and the auditor, J. A. Magilton, and Marshal Coughlan were in attendance.

#### Changes in Connection With the Jail.

Coun. Bullock made a complaint as to the prisoners in the jail not being classified. He said they were all huddled together, the first offenders with the more hardened criminals and the matter was most serious. He wanted to know if an advisory board would be an advantage. He was not after anyone's scalp but there was good ground for complaint. There was in the jail today a case of a lad of twelve who could neither read nor write, being placed with two or three others when the newer portion of the jail was to hold religious services in the institution. Such a thing was not right. He made no suggestion as to which denomination should give the matter attention, but possibly the work of the Salvation Army would meet the case. He also had evidence of loud talking in the cells and smoking and card playing. He moved that a special committee be appointed to look into the conditions of the jail and report at the next meeting.

#### The Automobile Question.

The secretary read the draft of the proposed bill for the regulation of automobiles in the city and county. Coun. Maxwell thought the scope of the bill would interfere with the rights of the city, as a proportion of the fees should go to keep up the roads in the city. It was also a question if the regulation of speed would not be ultra vires.

Coun. Christie did not see there was any occasion to hurry the matter. He said he would not be in a position to do anything until he had seen the matter. He said he would not be in a position to do anything until he had seen the matter. He said he would not be in a position to do anything until he had seen the matter.

#### Coroners' Fees.

A protracted discussion was carried on respecting a request for a reduction on the assessment of certain property at Masquash owned by F. Carmen, which had suffered from the forest fire in 1903. It was left to the assessment committee.

#### The "Book Candy Mine" Crew.

Coun. Lewis made a comparative statement of the convicts in the jail. In November, 1902, there were 50 inmates; in June, 1904, the number was 33, and today there are only 21. Of these a number were alcoholical and of these only one was a St. John man. The work of the prisoners had been satisfactory and he thought Victoria street would be in a condition next season to take the heavy heading off Main street.

#### CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.

#### Kings County Court.

Hampton, Jan. 17.—This morning the January term of the county court of Kings county opened before Judge Wedderburn at 10 o'clock. There was no criminal business and the civil cases were speedily disposed of. John T. Watson vs. Reginald H. Arnold, a claim for wages for labor performed, was undefended. F. L. Fairweather appeared for the defendant, and judgment was given for \$30, the amount of the claim. The Canada Temperance Act appeals cases against George Myers, Annie Quirk and Claud Gillies were by consent stood over until the April term. The court then adjourned sine die. The temperature on Sunday morning, Jan. 15th, was phenomenally low. In many places between dawn and sunrise thermometers ranged from thirty-eight to forty-four below zero. At 9 a. m. the register was thirty-six below, and at 9 p. m. in the same thermometer showed ten degrees above.

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#### City Must Deal With Them Before Controlling Mispick Stream

#### NO FIGURE NAMED YET

First of Probable Series--Surveyor Reports Messrs. Mooney Have Power Enough to Light Whole City, and Three Times More Than There is at the Mill.

Messrs. Michael F. Patrick and Edward Mooney have to be reckoned with before the city can utilize the Mispick pulp mill property, or more properly speaking, utilize the water power of the Mispick stream and which is everything to the mill. There was talk of claims by property owners along the stream at the time the purchase by the city was in contemplation, and it was calculated that several would have to be dealt with, but Messrs. Mooney's is the first to receive public notice.

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### COMPENSATION ACT

#### J. King Kelley Discusses Matter Before Conservative Club.

#### Reviews Legal History of Question of Remuneration for Injuries Caused Workmen, and Speaks of Present Law in New Brunswick.

J. King Kelley, B. C. L., during the course of a very instructive and high-interesting address on the workman's compensation act, in the Conservative rooms, Brown's Corner, Tuesday, advocated the adoption, by the New Brunswick legislature, of the workman's compensation act as passed in England in 1897. He also suggested changes in the present New Brunswick act, notable among which was his suggestion to have the word "steamship" in our act replaced by the word "whip," so as to make the term sufficiently general to include injuries on vessels of all characters.

A fairly large audience was present and Mr. Kelley was received with cheers. He began by assuring those present that he had the interests of the workman at heart and wished to see every man in this city live prosperously, peacefully and happily, enjoying the privileges which should be his. He looked forward, he said, to the day when St. John would be a great manufacturing centre. He then proceeded to distinguish between the civil and the statute law, remarking that only since the time of Richard II had statute law been in force.

Before the year 1846 there was no statute providing for compensation for injuries received by an employee through the negligence of an employer. Lord Campbell's act, commonly known as The Fatal Accidents' Act, was the first in this line, and it is now in force in the conservative English law. We have, further, the workman's compensation act of 1893, following upon an English act passed some twenty years before, and omitting, in addition to the most beneficial features of the earlier enactment. A baby had grown to be a man, declared the speaker, before we went so far regarding laborers as the workman of England had done twenty years before. Our act did not strictly follow the English act but probably came largely from the Ontario workman's compensation act, which was one of the reasons of the delay in taking away a judge from the supreme court until all the cases in which the judge was concerned had been disposed of.

As to the resignation of Mr. Blair, he would tell Mr. MacLean that he was not consulted. He expected Mr. MacLean to explain the matter. Mr. MacLean said that Sir Wilfrid's friends were in possession of the information. In addition to certain newspapers, Sir Wilfrid also provided that the next time he should be taken in the month of June, 1911, and thereafter every tenth year.

#### A FINE BUILDING

New Home of Emerson & Fisher's Business About Ready for Occupancy.

The new building of Messrs. Emerson & Fisher's, in German street, between King and Queen streets, is nearly completed and ready for occupancy. The building is a fine example of modern architecture, and is well adapted for business purposes. The interior is finished with the best materials, and the exterior is of a pleasing design. The building is situated in a prominent position, and is well lighted and heated. The price is a valuable addition to the list of local architectural examples.

#### THE DOCTOR'S PLANS.

Dr. Walker, speaking of the enterprise, said the "message" will first be widely circulated and with it forms of application for membership in the movement and there are also membership certificates. Then he will lecture on the project through Canada and the United States, occupying three or four months and being assisted, he said, by able men. Then he plans on a trip to England where two of three weeks will be spent and the next step, he said, would be a journey to South Africa where he would pick out the land for the colony. Returning to England, he hoped then to complete arrangements with the imperial government and also that by that time there would be heard from sufficient desirable persons to establish the colony and sail with the first party aboard would start for the dark continent.

Dr. Walker is a learned man, well versed in the classics and conversant with several languages, including Zulu, Sanskrit, and Zend, a student along various lines. He said he had for years been developing this scheme and he considered it one of the greatest of the times and believed it would be successfully carried out.

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### LAURIER QUERIED ON BLAIR'S RESIGNATION

#### Premier Says He Wasn't Concerned About the Matter

#### Estimates Will Be Brought Down Today--Rufus Curry pointed Senator Without His Consent, Refuses to Resign, and Seat Will Be Declared Vacant--Next Dominion Census in June, 1911.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—(Special)—There was a short session of the house of commons today. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that in the first week of February the position of chairman of the railway commission was to be offered to one of the judges of the supreme court. This is no doubt Justice Killam. The premier said that there was inexperience caused through the resignation of Mr. Blair, although Messrs. Bourcier and Mills had done what they could since that time.

Mr. MacLean wanted some explanation about the resignation of Mr. Blair and Mr. Foster wished to know if the western cases would have to be heard over again. Sir Wilfrid Laurier answering Mr. Foster first, said that this was likely correct and that was one of the reasons of the delay in taking away a judge from the supreme court until all the cases in which the judge was concerned had been disposed of.

As to the resignation of Mr. Blair, he would tell Mr. MacLean that he was not consulted. He expected Mr. MacLean to explain the matter. Mr. MacLean said that Sir Wilfrid's friends were in possession of the information. In addition to certain newspapers, Sir Wilfrid also provided that the next time he should be taken in the month of June, 1911, and thereafter every tenth year.

#### APPOINTED SENATOR WITHOUT CONSENT.

In the senate today the clerk reported that Rufus Curry, of Nova Scotia, who was appointed two years ago, never attended, and therefore his case will be referred to the privileges and elections committee and declared vacant. Mr. Curry was appointed to the senate without his consent, and that being the case, he naturally declined to resign. His position, it is understood, that all he is a senator and therefore cannot be removed, but under the law he has been a senator for two years.

Mr. Scott stated in the senate today that he was appointed by only postal authority. He had written Mr. Curry to his resignation, but the reply came that he had not accepted of the appointment. The address was adopted in the senate today. Besides Senator Davis, who moved, and Senator Black, who seconded, Mackenzie Bowden, Scott, and Quebec. Mr. Bowell hoped that the union government would assume control of the dock yards and garrison at Halifax. Mr. Scott said that all he is a senator and therefore cannot be removed, but under the law he has been a senator for two years.

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