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NEWCASTLE, August 5th, 1908.

HONOR PETER MITCHELL

The large, thoroughly up-to-date, three story dwelling house, pleasantly situated on the bank of the Mersey in the lower part of Newcastle, formerly occupied by the late Samuel Thomson, is for sale. If not sooner disposed of privately, it will be sold at public auction on the 22nd instant. Now is the opportunity for Newcastle to honor the memory of its illustrious citizen, the late Hon. Peter Mitchell, by establishing as a memorial of him a public hospital in said building. Let the house and its two acres of ground be purchased by the public, named after the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, and fitted up for the care of the sick and wounded. Such a monument would be much more sensible and appropriate than would be one of stone or bronze erected in our public square. Those natives of Northumberland County who truly admire the life and work of Peter Mitchell should subscribe at once to a fund to buy the Thomson premises and create thereon a first-class hospital. Money could not be put to a better use.

The Union Advocate guarantees \$25 to head the list.

A GOOD IDEA.

Late dispatches indicate that the Fredericton express over the Canada Eastern may, next fall, be run to Newcastle, connecting at Blackville with fast train for Chatham and Loggieville. This will, while not at all interrupting Chatham's service, be a great gain to Newcastle and points north, passengers from which often miss the express for Fredericton at Chatham Junction and have to go to the capital by the freight train. The proposed change would also greatly benefit all the villages along the line between Blackville and Derby Junction. The change, if effected, will be a decided step in the right direction.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

While warlike preparations are the order of the day, yet the cause of peace steadily gains ground. The seventeenth session of the Universal Peace Conference has since the 27th ultimo, been meeting in London. 16 nations were represented. The influence of this Conference is slowly but surely extending. It owes its origin to the Society of Friends.

THE LORDS ACCEPT IMPORTANT MEASURES.

The British Parliament adjourned on the first instant for the summer vacation. Of twelve important measures foreshadowed in the King's speech in January, only two have passed the House of Lords and become law—the acts providing for an old age pension scheme and the establishment of a Roman Catholic university in Ireland. Neither measure received any appreciable opposition in the House of Commons; but pensions were opposed by the Lords and the act amended out of shape. The Commons, however, refused to accept any amendments, and the Peers finally agreed to the bill as first sent them. The new university satisfies the demand of the majority of the Irish for higher education under the auspices of their own church.

These two questions so happily settled, the arena is cleared for the battle over the remaining reforms contemplated by the British government.

NORTHUMBERLAND'S RECORD.

The political record of Northumberland County in federal politics is as follows:

	majority
1867—Johnson, Lib.	469
1872—Mitchell, Con.	461
1874—Mitchell, Con.	492

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1878—Snowball, Lib.	201
1882—Mitchell, Ind.	Accl.
1887—Mitchell, Ind.	740
1891—Fams, Con.	473
1896—Robinson, Con.	207
1900—Robinson, Con.	499
1904—Loggie, Lib.	285

A NEW ERA FOR TURKEY.

On the 24th ultimo, the Sultan of Turkey restored to his subjects the short-lived Constitution of 1876, which provided for the indivisibility of the Empire, with the Sultan as its supreme ruler; for individual liberty, and freedom of religious worship, of the press and of education; equal legal taxation; irremovable judges; a senate and chamber of deputies, and elections by ballot every fourth year. The Turkish parliament met in 1876 and again in 1877 and seemed on the point of establishing a real responsible government; but insurrection among the Greek populace gave the Sultan an excuse for dissolving parliament, which he conveniently forgot to reassemble. Abdul Hamid is wiser now, however, and the probability is that the concessions he made a few days ago will be permanent. His surrender was due to a general revolt of the army in his European provinces. When his trusted Albanian troops followed the lead of the Turkish soldiers in singeing the Marseillaise and demanding a constitution, the haughty ruler concluded that the days of absolute rule in his dominions were over, and most promptly and gracefully yielded to the inevitable.

If the Sultan and the revolutionary young Turkish party, which by raising the army in revolt brought about the crisis, prove sincere, the Turkish problem is solved. With a parliament in which Mohammedans and Christians, Turks, Arabians, Greeks, Bulgarians and Armenians have equal rights, Turkey should be able to manage her own affairs without any dictation, or the need of any dictation, from outsiders. The new parliament, which is summoned to meet on November 1st, should be able to settle the affairs of Macedonia and Armenia on a basis satisfactory to everyone except, perhaps, the government of Bulgaria and the wild Kurdish robbers of Armenia. A patriotic Turkish army can, however, easily settle with the Kurds, and keep the plundering bands of Bulgaria on their own side of the boundary.

The most interesting and encouraging sign of the revolution is the revolt of the Mohammedan women of European Turkey against the injunction of the Koran forbidding them to appear on the streets unveiled. When the news of the coming parliament reached Monastir, the revolutionary centre, women at once threw off their veils and a Moslem priest publicly cancelled the command of the Koran thus boldly flouted. Women of other European cities soon followed the Monastir example and Armenia, and ultimately those of the Arabic provinces were likewise. The Moslems, once awakened, will in all probability advance as rapidly as any other White people.

WHO ARE PHILANTHROPISTS?

(Toronto Hardware and Metal.)
Patrons of catalogue houses should realize that they cannot get something for nothing, except in a few rare instances, and even then not from the successful mail order houses whose profits make millionaires. If something must be gotten for nothing it may be had from the small store which has not perfectly systematized its selling cost, but certainly not from the large corporation. They do not know the meaning of philanthropy any more than any one else.

SOMETHING MUST BE DONE

(St. John Globe.)
Temperance men do not propose to allow the question of provincial prohibition to be shelved. The supreme body of the Good Templars has served notice on the local government, as have other friends of the prohibition cause, that prompt and decisive action is expected. The last government staved off the question from time to time by many expedients, but it looks as if the new administration must grapple with the matter in a more direct manner. The temperance men seem to be more united than usual in the demand for prohibition on the P. E. Island plan.

LOST CONTROL OF ENGINE.

And Was Aroused With Difficulty When the Shock Was Over.

On Friday evening, Robert Adair was left on the working train engine at Newcastle and had instructions to run the loco motive from one part of the yard to another. He started the engine and then fell back in the cab. One of the switchmen saw him go by and called out receiving no response, and the locomotive continued on its way out of the yard. As it reached a curve a mile west of Newcastle the driverless engine stopped for lack of steam.

Driver Cool on number forty eight orders to run cautiously at this point and on coming around the curve at a reduced rate of speed saw the locomotive on the track in front but a short distance away. He applied the emergency brake but the pressure on his train of a number of cars without air brakes made it impossible to stop in a short space and his locomotive struck the other engine driving the latter back several yards. The train crew seeing no one about in the other locomotive ran quickly to the spot, fearing that the crew had met death but in the cab they found Adair still unconscious. He was aroused only with considerable difficulty.

NEW HEALTH ACT COMING.

Provincial Board of Health Regulations Now Apply To All Incorporated Towns.

At a meeting of the Provincial Board of Health, held at St. John recently, a resolution was passed making the provincial regulations apply to all cities and incorporated towns. The resolution must be approved by the lieutenant governor-in-council before becoming law in Fredericton. The regulations referred to are the same special provisions which were made to apply to St. John and Moncton at the time of their enactment and which among other things give the local board of health power to appoint sewerage and plumbing inspectors and to make it compulsory for any property in the city to be connected with the sewerage system. Some time ago the regulations were made to apply to the town of Campbellton and several weeks ago the local board made application to have the regulations come into force in Fredericton. The provincial board has also determined that it is time to have another public health act for the province. The present act has been in force since 1880 and is inconsistent in parts as well as being far from up-to-date.

OBITUARY

Isaac Isaacson, the 8-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Isaacson, of Loggieville, died on Saturday night. Funeral on Monday in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

LIONEL MAC TAVISH

At Cassilis, July 28th, Lionel MacTavish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan MacTavish passed away in the twenty-sixth year of his age after a lingering illness of sixteen months. Besides his father and mother, he leaves the following brothers and sisters to mourn their sad loss: Hazen, at home; William, of Lytleton, Weldon, at home; Maud and Sophia, at home; Mrs. Alex. Macdonald, Black River; Mrs. John W. Russell, South Brewer, Me.

The funeral was held Thursday morning. Interment in St. Stephen's cemetery, Red Bank, N. B., Rev. G. S. Mitchell officiating.

PERJURY CASE FELL THROUGH!

GUYSBORO, N. S., July 29.—The trial of Rev. H. R. Grant on a charge of perjury brought by E. E. Aitkens, of Mulgrave, was proceeded with yesterday before Stipendiary Magistrate A. H. DesBarrs. The case arose out of a seizure of liquor made at Mulgrave about two weeks ago under the Canada Temperance Act. The stock seized was composed of rum, brandy, gin and wine nearly seven hundred bottles and flasks among which were a few bottles of ginger wine which is non-intoxicating. It was alleged that Rev. Mr. Grant when testifying at the trial at Mulgrave stated that all the liquor was intoxicating and because of the ginger wine being non-intoxicating the allegation was that he had committed perjury. It was proved that the ginger wine was not included in the list of liquors sworn to and the case was forthwith dismissed.

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POLITICAL NOTES.

(Contributed.)

Perhaps in no department of the Government has there been a more marked change for the better, since the Liberals assumed office, than in the Post Office Department. There had been nothing but deficits during the long tenure of office by the Conservatives. In 1880 the last year of Conservative administration of the Department the deficit was \$781,132. At that time the rate for a letter was three cents in Canada and to the United States, and five cents to Great Britain. The Liberal Government reduced the rate from three cents to two and on letters to Britain and old countries with postal union from five cents to two. In the year 1897 there was a turn in the tide. The deficits which were the usual thing when the Conservatives were in office, though not wiped out began to get less. In 1897 there was a deficit of \$398,540. In 1898 of \$47,002. In 1899 of \$308,918. In 1900 of \$461,032. In 1901 of \$416,184. In 1902 the deficit gave way to a surplus of \$5,100. In 1903 the surplus was \$305,208. In 1904 \$ 304,184. In 1905 490,845. In 1906 1,011,785. and during the years from 1896 to 1906 hundreds of new post offices were opened; the mail routes extended thousands of miles; and the way of letter carriers increased. Money orders increased from \$3,000,000 in 1896 to \$10,000,000 in 1906. The revenue of the Post Office in eleven years.

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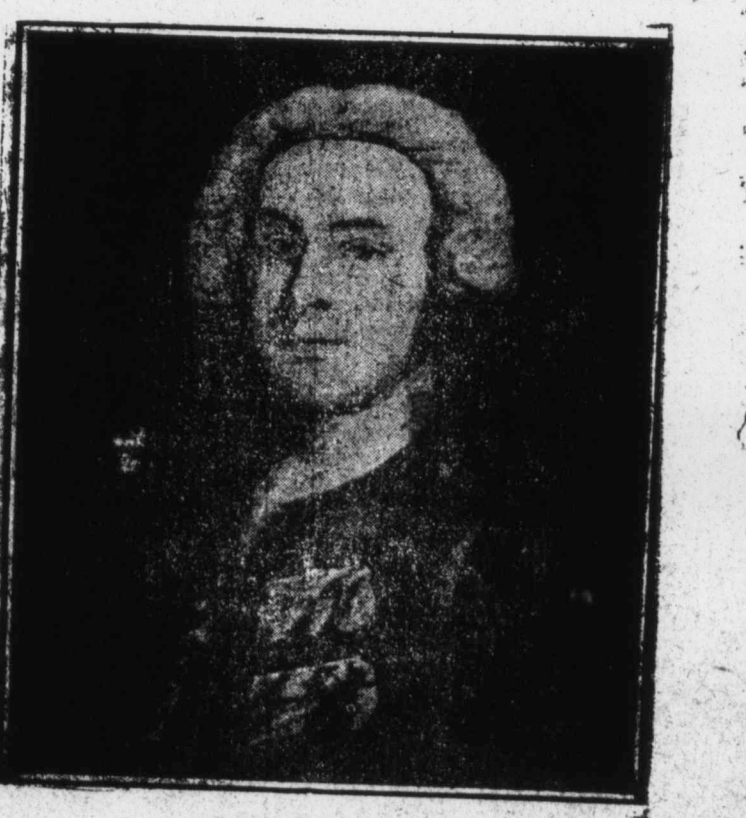
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