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CALL AND EXAMINE.

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It is in Smith's handwriting. Mr. King goes on to tell of an admission made by Smith, but the evidence is ruled out, because a threat was made, previously. I find entries of letters addressed to the same persons between June 1st and June 10th. These letters seem to have all the requirements with the exception of the obliterated date stamp of the Newcastle office. I have seen this envelope, addressed to Kirtland Bros. & Co. before. It was sent to me from the inspector's office in New York. I notice that the Newcastle stamp is obliterated. The date stamp was the same when I received it from New York, as it is now. I received this envelope, addressed to Prof. F. C. Fowler, from the Boston postal division. The Red Bank stamp and the Newcastle stamp are obliterated. The letter bill is No. 266 and the letter 266. This is acknowledgment of receipt of registered letter. I can't say who wrote on it. There is the handwriting of the dispatching officer and of the receiving officer. This is a certificate of the registration of a letter. It is signed by M. P. Smith.

[Letter addressed to Wm. Ewing & Co.] This is a record of registered letters mailed at Newcastle. There is no entry of such a letter under date, May 5th. There is a letter on May 23rd 1896, addressed to Wm. Ewing & Co., Montreal, No. 172, in Smith's writing. The number on the envelope corresponds with the number on the book. I can only tell the Newcastle stamp the mail clerk stamp is May 23rd.

JARED TOZER,
Postmaster at Red Bank; mailed the Kirtland Bros. & Co letter and the Prof. F. C. Fowler letter to Newcastle Post Office on May 13th, and May 25th respectively, received acknowledgments from that office.

Mr. Carleton here closed case for the Crown.

MEDDIE P. SMITH.

I was in the Post Office from March 1894 to June 1896. I was Mr. Fish's clerk. This is the record of registered letters. Some days there would be fifteen and twenty registered letters. The letters would generally get in between four or five from up river. I would write in the book while Mr. Fish called them out. He would put the letters in the safe. Mr. Fish would always enter the Town registered letters. When he was out, I would put down the number, and sometimes give the receipt, or leave the letter and he would give the receipt. Some entries are in Fish's writing, and some in mine. The first recollection I have is when Mr. King asked for the letter. I did not detain the letter to Kirtland Bros The letter appears to have come in on May 13th, but did not go out until June 2nd. I told Mr. King that I did not detain the letter. Outside of writing on the letter bill I knew nothing of it. I don't know how the letter was detained. I can't say how the letter to Prof. Fowler was detained, I should think they would be in the safe. As soon as I received it I would call out and Mr. Fish would tell me the last number. I would write the receipt and hand the letter over to Mr. Fish. I take it for granted that he would enter it on the book. Mr. Fish would say sometimes "Here are some Registers, you write them down." I did not detain the letter intentionally or otherwise. I entered that as Mr. Fish called it out. I told Mr. King, that in the evenings Mr. Fish would take them out of the safe and call them out to me and I would write them down. Mr. Fish would generally sign the bill. I heard Mr. King say that I lost the letters in the safe. I did not say that to him, I was called as a witness on the part of the Crown against Mr. Fish.

Cross-Examined by Mr. Carleton: After the registers were taken from the bags, I would write them in the book and he would call them out. I never had my hand on them. I made out the bill. He would fold them up and usually sign them. Mr. Fish dictated to me a letter to Mr. King, explaining the Ewing letter.

This closed the case and after addresses by counsel the Judge charged favorably to the prisoner.

The Jury after ten minutes deliberation, rendered a verdict of "Not Guilty" and the accused was discharged, the second indictment remaining over till September Circuit.

This was Judge McLeod's first Circuit in Northumberland, and everybody appeared to entertain the highest opinion of him for his courtesy, fairness and his promptness in deciding upon all questions with which he had to deal. At the close of the business of the Circuit, he was presented with the following address, to which he replied in fitting terms,—

To His Honor, the Honorable E. McLeod, Judge of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick.

May it please your Honor:

We the members of the Miramichi Bar cannot allow your Honor to depart from this, your first judicial visit to Northumberland County, without a formal expression of the sentiments with which your bearing on the Bench has inspired us.

Your courtesy to the members of the Bar, and all others connected with the administration of the Law, is evidently born of kindly feeling and broad human sympathies.

You have presided over the Court with a dignity consistent with the due administration of the Law, and with an impartiality that none would question.

As lawyers, we appreciate the promptness with which you have ruled on all points that have arisen in cases before you, and recognize the thorough grasp of Law and Practice that enabled you to do so.

We are, of course, at all times happy to appear in Court on behalf of our clients, but we will do so with pleasure, whenever your Honor is to preside.

We congratulate you on your elevation to the Bench after a long and honorable career in your profession and in Provincial and Dominion politics, and beg to express our profound conviction of your worthiness for the high position, and of your ability to adorn it.

Sgd. SAM. THOMSON,
on behalf of the Miramichi Bar.

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

EASTER BEEF! Cheap, at W. J. Eikin's.

NEW HIGHWAY ACT:—Forms under the new Highway Act are for sale at the ADVANCE OFFICE.

RESIDENCE FOR SALE:—An attractive Chatham residence, with ample grounds for farming or other purposes, is to be sold by auction on 5th May next. See Mr. Wyse's advt.

LEPROUS PATIENTS:—Dr. Smith, superintendent of the Dominion Lazaretto at Tracadie, left Winnipeg on Saturday last with three Icelandic leprosy patients. The victims brought the disease with them from Iceland, where it is common.

THE "ADVANCE" is for sale at Johnson's Bookstore, and the Circulating Library, Desmond building, next door to the Telephone Exchange.

MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS:—No experiment in buying from us. We always send out the best stock and work that can be obtained. No order too small, none too large. We are watching the mails for your correspondence on the subject of cemetery work.

J. H. LAWLOR & Co., Chatham.

EASTER BEEF:—Mr. Jas. Vanstone has a large quantity of fine beef, also an extra pair of steers, imported specially for the Easter trade, fed by William Richards, which will be sold at reasonable prices.

THE TEMISCOUATA RAILWAY Company is applying to Parliament to enlarge the time for commencing the work of extending the railway from Edmundston to a point on the Intercolonial Railway, and also to authorize the company to build a railway connecting such proposed extension with the Central Railway at Chipman, in Queen's county.

PERSONAL:—Rev. Father Murdoch is being warmly welcomed home by his parishioners of India ntown, and indeed by a much wider circle of friends of all classes in Northumberland, on his return from Bermuda, where he had been spending the winter for the benefit of his health, which, we are glad to hear, is much improved.

Hon. J. B. Snowball arrived home from Ottawa on Saturday night, the Senate having adjourned for Easter holidays.

NETS AND STEAMERS:—An Ottawa despatch says: "Every year there are numerous calls made upon the government for claims for nets destroyed by the dominion fishery cruisers and lighthouse steamers. To avoid complications the government has issued an order that unless there are attached to the set nets painted red buoys three feet long, no claims for damages to nets will be entertained by the marine and fisheries department."

Most nets that are destroyed by the steamers referred to are set at night, when the proposed red buoy would be of little service.

AN ATTRACTION to buyers of family groceries, provisions, dry goods and general household supplies is offered by Mr. Roger Flanagan at his well known store on St. John Street, Chatham, in the form of silver knives and forks, silver spoons, silver cruet stands and boxes of tea. He issued tickets which are presented by customers every time they make purchases, and no matter how small the amount, it is punched off, and when the purchases aggregate either $15 or $30, as the case may be, one of the articles specified viz.—a cruet stand, or a dozen of silver knives or forks for a $30 ticket or a 5lb. box of tea, or 1 doz. silver spoons for a $15 is given free.

LOST HIS HEAD.—A beautiful moose head recently shown in the window of Mr. Charles S. Bailey attracted considerable attention. The animal was shot last October by a Mr. H. Church, of New Bedford, Mass., and the head was said to be the finest ever seen in the province. It was seized because shot out of season, and is now in the government buildings at Fredericton. A New Bedford despatch gives Mr. Church's version of the story as follows; "Mr. Church left the head to be dressed when he returned home, but found afterward that the man he left it with had endeavored to steal it from him. He secured legal advice and made a strong fight to secure the head. Finally the attention of the government was called to the matter and it being the finest specimen ever shot in New Brunswick, the antlers spreading out over five feet and having twenty prongs, the head was confiscated on the grounds that the animal was illegally shot, and it was thus prevented from leaving the provinces. The moose weighed 1,600 pounds." [Globe.

The Globe knows very well that the moose in question was killed in violation of the game law of New Brunswick. As usual, however, it prefers to take the Yankee side of the case.

Holy Week, Good Friday and Easter Day Services in S. Mary's and S. Paul's Churches.

The usual daily services of Holy Week are being held in S. Mary's Chapel this week. There will be a Celebration of the Holy Eucharist this (Thursday) morning at 7.30 o'clock. On Good Friday there will be morning service at 11 and evening service at 7.30 o'clock. The 1st Evensong of the Easter Festival will be at 7.30 on Easter Even. On Easter Day there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at S. Paul's at 8 a. m. and Evening Prayer with sermon at 3 o'clock. There will be Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and sermon at S. Mary's at 11 and Evening Prayer and Sermon at 6.30 o'clock. The offerings on Good Friday will be for Bishop Blyths' Missions in Jerusalem and the East, and on Easter Day they will be for the sick and needy.

Moncton and the Jubilee.

A Moncton despatch of Monday says:—"The refusal of the electors to vote the sum which the jubilee celebration committee asked for has dampened the ardor of those taking part and unless fresh interest is aroused, it is doubtful if the celebration will be carried out on the original plan. The effort to raise $500 by popular subscriptions has not met with much success so far. The hotel men who are always depended upon to subscribe liberally towards such demonstrations, are, it is said, unwilling to contribute in the present condition of affairs, and there does not seem to be anybody to take their place. It is not likely, however, that the city will allow the occasion to pass without some public observance."

An Important Survey.

Mr. W. C. Mitchell, C. E., formerly of Newcastle, is second assistant engineer of the government survey of the Fraser River B. C. There are twenty men in the survey party and their work includes a complete triangulation survey of the river. It is the intention to first of all make a survey of the whole of the Lower Fraser, to establish a basis, a survey also being made of the nature of the river banks, and also the various tributaries of the Fraser. After that considerable time will be devoted to examining the river by cross-sections from the basis already established. The various points will also be recorded, the depths, bed formation, etc., will also be carefully noted; as also those of the numerous streams and lakes tributary to the Fraser. The work is expected to take two years.

Newcastle Board of Trade Meeting

NEWCASTLE, N. B., April 13, 1897.

MR. EDITOR:—The Board of Trade for this town held a very important meeting last evening.

The meeting was called for the purpose of inducing tourists to come here and the meagre report of the meeting given in the Advocate of this place impels me to write this.

Mr. Ira Cornwall, Secretary of the St. John Board of Trade was present and Mr. William Murray now of Boston, who was there by request, was invited to give his views as to the best means of promoting the object for which the meeting was held. He said that in his opinion the prime essential was better hotel accommodation. The hotels are already overtaxed, and the primal need was a first class commodious hostelry.

This was met with the statement that sporting men were always willing to rough it, and were glad to accept the accomodations afforded by settlers, farmers, etc.

Mr. Murray answered this by saying that under the ancient educational regime which formerly obtained in Nova Scotia, the school teacher was compelled to board at the people's houses whose children attended the school, and the result was that the itch prevailed to a great extent throughout the province. To-day, the teacher lives "like people," and itch is unknown, moreover, no sporting man could feel comfortable in a private family, and any literature which might be circulated which failed to show that hotel accommodations was lacking, would be both futile and barren of results. He believed that if the town was incorporated hotel property could then be exempted from taxation and then the hotels and railroads would co-operate and the attainment of the object assured.

The meeting by unanimous vote requested Mr. Murray to prepare a paper for circulation pointing out the advantages offered by the Miramichi and its tributaries to those who are desirous of engaging the best fishing and hunting grounds in the world.

Sincerely yours,
MIRAMICHI.

Tuesday Evening's Meeting.

In response to notice given by the Mayor for a public meeting to consider the most befitting steps to be taken in celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria a fairly large audience met in Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening.

The meeting was called to order by His Worship, Mayor Benson, who stated it was for the purpose of celebrating in some manner the 60th anniversary of the ascension to the throne of our beloved Queen. The Town was one of the oldest in the Province and was called after an illustrious Englishman, and we should not be behind in paying homage to our gracious Sovereign. He suggested that the meeting nominate different committees to carry on the work.

On motion of Mr. W. B. Snowball, Mayor Benson was appointed chairman.

Mr. Geo. Watt was elected secretary.

The Mayor first called on Judge Wilkinson, who said he had come to hear and learn what was being done to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of our gracious Queen—the longest reigning Sovereign in the history of our empire. Through the whole of her reign she was always interested and endeavored to learn the modes of constitutional government, which through her good character and integrity has always in a remarkable way influenced the views of her ministry. He traced the different lines from the time of William the Conqueror down to the present day who were instrumental in making the Empire what it is to-day. We have much to honor and cause for thankfulness in the reign we are about to celebrate. He thought the suggestion of the Mayor was wise in the forming of committees to think over plans, etc., that could be adopted. We all should do our utmost to make this a lasting remembrance of our honored Queen.

Ald. Nicol said some public-spirited citizens had already made arrangements to have a flag pole erected in the public square, and the flag could be hoisted while the children sang "God Save the Queen." He had prepared a list of names which he suggested as a suitable committee for making arrangements, as follows: Mayor Benson, Ald. McIntosh, Ald. Watt, F. E Winslow, Hon. J. B. Snowball, R. Flanagan, D. G. Smith and R. A. Lawlor. He moved accordingly, seconded by James Johnston.

Mr. McCulley thought the meeting was called to consider this matter and not to have the committee formed by one man. Something more of a tangible nature than the erection of a flag pole and the singing of the national anthem, in commemorating this great event was necessary. There was enough public-spiritedness in us to have some landmark, something that our children could refer to in after years as what we had done to commemorate the occasion we are now about to celebrate.

Mr. Warren C. Winslow said he was glad that the Mayor had called this meeting to show that our people were not behind in commemorating this event. It was a fitting time for the people of our newly incorporated town to show to the outside world what we were doing. It was a great lumbering centre and supplied in no small way different parts of the world. He wished to see all the laboring men in parade and show who were producing the wealth of our country and willing if necessary to assist in defending our empire.

Mr. Alex. Robinson thought the meeting as a whole should name the committee and the best course first would be that a committee for the purpose be formed, and he asked Mr. Nicol to withdraw his motion.

Mr. W. B. Snowball said while he was largely in accord with the remarks of Messrs. Winslow and McCulley, he thought our town was too small to attempt anything on a large scale, such as the establishing of a public library. We were on the eve of building a town hall and perhaps a larger sum might be subscribed and added to the amount already granted by the Council and make this a lasting memorial of the event.

Rev. Geo. Steel thought the suggestions made were excellent, but for his part he favored a public library. It might be possible to get the old Post Office from the Dominion Government for this purpose. Whatever was done he hoped it would prove a public benefit.

Mr. Nicol withdrew his motion.

Judge Wilkinson moved for the appointment of a committee for the purpose of making arrangement to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.—Carried.

Ald. W. S. Loggie said there was always much difficulty in forming a committee in a large meeting and thought it best for the Mayor to appoint three gentlemen from the meeting as a nominating committee and moved accordingly.—

The Mayor nominated Messrs. J. L. Stewart, W. C. Winslow and W. B. Snowball.

Mr. Jas. F. Connors thought the plan adopted in St. John was best and moved that there be a committee of five appointed, and this committee to ask different societies to appoint three delegates to act with them, and with the clergy and a representative from the Yacht Club, to be known as the Jubilee Committee.

Mr. McCulley was in favor of representatives from every section. We might have a public park laid out and he thought the Lobban property would be suitable. In course of time we would have an excellent park and thought the committee should be composed of citizens generally, and a smaller representation from the different societies.

As an amendment to Mr. Connors' motion, Mr. W. B. Snowball moved that the committee be composed of 10 gentlemen and a representative from the different societies as follows: 1 from a society of 20 members, 2 from a society of 30 members, and 3 from a society of 40 or over. Carried.

Rev. Joseph McCoy thought we were spending too much time over this committee. The meeting was called by the Mayor and he considered we had no authority to nominate anyone outside of the town.

Ald. Watt said Rev. Mr. McCoy was mistaken. The meeting, he said, was not called by the Council as a body. All the citizens of the parish were called upon to participate, and he thought there should be a representative from the upper and lower ends of the parish.

An intermission was granted in order to have the nominating committee name the general committee.

While the committee were at work Rev. Mr. McCoy introduced a plan that he thought might be considered. It was the establishing of a fund between now and Jubilee Day, say $500, and this would yield a profit sufficient for prizes for the best essays written by the school children on the Victorian Reign.

Judge Wilkinson thought this would be well to keep in view, but could not be dealt with until the committee appointed for this purpose had reported.

Mr. J. L. Stewart reported for nominating committee as follows:

Mayor Benson, Hon. J. B. Snowball, Hon L. J. Tweedie, J. J. Stuart, R. A. Lawlor, F. E. Winslow, J. D. B. F. Mackenzie, Ald. Watt, J. D. Creag han and Michael Keoughan.

Mr. McCulley moved that the report be adopted. Carried.

Ald. W. S. Loggie thought the committee should have in view the Town Hall, and have the corner stone laid on Jubilee Day, and be named Victoria Hall.

Mr. W. B. Snowball said it would be necessary to have a large sum of money subscribed to have a creditable building, and thought it well for the public to thoroughly consider the matter in the meautime as in the event of the Town Hall being selected as a suitable memorial, they would be called upon to vote an additional amount to aid the council and the matter of site might also in this case be a debatable point.

The Mayor said the Council never thought of asking the town for the funds necessary for the celebration but thought any monies needed would be provided by voluntary subscription.

Mr. Jas. F. Connors moved that subscriptions be taken by this committee.

Rev. Canon Forsyth considered this motion a little premature. It would be better to hear the report first from the committee.

Mr. J. L. Stewart said it would be necessary first to find how much money was required and thought it best to leave the matter in the hands of the committee.

Mr. Connors' motion was carried.

Mr. W. B. Snowball informed the meeting that there was a flag, poles, with different appliances, etc., already promised by some public-spirited citizens for the Public Square.

The meeting adjourned. Another meeting will be called by the committee when they are in a position to report.

Mr. R. Fairey's Firm.

[London Timber Trades Journal, March 27.]

Fairey & Humphrey, timber merchants, lately trading at 56, Bishopsgate Street Within, E. C. Under this failure the adjourned first meeting of creditors was held on Friday before Mr. G. W. Chapman, Assistant Receiver. Accounts were filed showing liabilities £6,875, and an estimated surplus in assets of £935, subject to realisation. The following is a list of the principal creditors as now scheduled.

	£	s.	d.
Anglo-American Telegraph Co. (Limited,) Old Broad Street, E.C.	144	6	6
Eisenmann, E., timber agent, Amsterdam	175	17	7
Jeffery, Jas., George Yard, E.C.	42	18	0
Krafft, Hugo, timber agent, Hamburg	51	11	2
Rideal, A. W., timber agent, Gracechurch Street, E.C.	20	9	8
Timber (Limited), Bishopsgate Street, Without, E.C.	26	11	6
Welch, George & Co., Newcastle-on-Tyne	207	15	11
FULLY SECURED.			
Deacon, Gibson, Medcalf, & Goddard, Great St. Helen's, E.C.	187	15	0
PARTLY SECURED.			
Foy, Morgan, & Co., Bishopsgate Street, Within, E.C. (security valued at £1,100)	1,918	4	3
Hamilton, S., & Co., Glasgow (security valued at £262 6s. 10d.)	745	15	3
Ruffer, A., & Sons, Lombard Street, E.C. (security value1 at £151 4s. 6d.)	2,751	3	6
CONTINGENT LIABILITY.			
Donald & Co. timber shippers, Mobile, Alaoama,	2,285	5	7
PREFERENTIAL.			
Brass, W., builder, Abchurch lane, E.C.	75	12	3

In reply to the chairman the debtors stated that they were unable to make a proposal, as they had intended, and consented to an adjudication. Mr. H. W. Bayne, of 101, Leadenhall Street, E.C., was thereupon appointed trustee of the estate, together with a committee of inspection consisting of Mr. W. L. Foy (Foy, Morgan, & Co.), Mr. Heath, and Mr. Herbert Gibson (Deacon, Gibson, & Co.) The security to be given by the trustee was fixed at £2,000. The public examination is appointed for April 1st.

Recent Superannuations.

The statement of superannuations submitted to Parliament last week by the Minister of Finance, showed that R. A. Lawlor, of Chatham, Northumberland county, who had $1,200 a year as collector of inland revenue, and $300 a year as inspector of gas, has been retired with a yearly allowance of $420. His office has been abolished. Mr. Lawlor was fourteen years in the government service.

W. B. Scovil, of Sussex, inspector of weights and measures, who is 73 years old and had 18 years' service, salary $800, has been superannuated on $288 a year.

The allowance of James Woodrow, ex-deputy postmaster at St. John, is $1,120. Mr. Woodrow was 38 years in the postal service.

Charles Kearney, preventive officer at Florenceville, Carleton Co., since 1882, at $200 a year, has been retired at $60 a year and the office abolished.

Mrs. Catherine O'Doherty, matron at the quarantine station, Partridge Island, for twenty years having $300 a year, receives a superannuation allowance of $132 a year.

The Timber Supply of the British Empire.

Dr. Schlich, C. I. E. Professor of Forestry at the Royal Indian Engineering College read a paper at the Imperial Institute London, recently on "The Timber Supply of the British Empire." The lecturer said the average annual imports of timber into the several parts of the Empire during the years 1890-94 amounted to £19,135,000, while the exports averaged $5,114,000, showing that the net imports into the Empire reached the enormous sum of £14,021,000, an increase of £2,293,000 in six years, or a mean annual increase of $382,167. The United Kingdom was by far the greatest importing country within the Empire, having taken timber to the amount of $17,595,000 out of the total of $19,135,000. During 1894 the timber imported into Great Britain and Ireland from British colonies and dependencies was valued at £4,274.485, and from foreign countries at £14,149.055. By far the larger portion of the timber imported into the United Kingdom came from Russia, Sweden, Norway, Germany, France, and the United States, Canada being the only British dependency which at all equalled the export countries on the Baltic. Canada was estimated to contain 1,248,798 square miles of woodlands, but enormous tracts of that area did not contain any useful timber, while the remainder was by no means so well taken care of as it ought to be. Fires were frequent and disastrous, and the quantity of timber thus lost to the colony was calculated to be many times more than that cut down and exported. Notwithstanding those drawbacks, however, he believed that with proper management and careful reservation of the forests, Canada might, at a moderate relative expenditure, supply the whole world for many years to come. He advocated the creation of a Forest Department in this country, the careful conservation of existing and the creation of new forests by planting vacant lands, the establishment of schools of forestry, and model plantations for the guidance of private owners, and Government grants in aid of those objects.

A Gigantic Lobster.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Fishermen captured about forty miles off the Highlands a giant lobster weighing 21½ pounds. It measured three feet nine inches from the tip of the tail to the outstretched fencing claw. The antennæ are fourteen inches long and the distance around each of the claws at the thickest part is one foot eight inches. The legs are a foot in length and the body measurement is two feet. The lobster, which has been named "Sullivan," will be presented to the Aquarium.

"A Close Call."

A narrow escape from a serious accident occurred on the Dalhousie Branch of the I. C. R. on Thursday last. The train, consisting of the engine and tender, and first class and second class cars, was proceeding along at a good rate and when about two miles from Dalhousie left the rails, with the exception of the tender. There was a steep bank about twenty feet deep at the place, and the cars stopped just on the edge, and hung slanting over. The only persons in the cars were the conductor; Mr. M. W. Maher, building inspector, and Mr. Cecil Mitchell, of St. John. Mr. Maher was thrown violently against the side of the car and received several painful bruises on the face. Mr. Mitchell managed to hang on to his seat and, with the conductor, was unhurt. The accident was due to the spreading of the rails. Messrs Maher and Mitchell arrived in St. John on Saturday and said their escape from serious injury was most miraculous.

The Nfld. Seal Fishing.

The sealing steamer Aurora has returned to St. John's from the North Atlantic with a full cargo of 27,000 seals secured after the most severe experience of many years. Tremendous storms were encountered, often lasting days at a stretch. The ship was driven by the ice floes three hundred miles southeast of Cape Race, and the men were almost always in peril of their lives. Nine hundred seals were carried away by the waves and lost. Four of the crew died. The Aurora reports that the other ships have had a most discouraging expedition, the Neptune taking only 5,000 seals, the Hope, Ranger, Algerine, Dina and Greenland only 2,000 each, the Kite and Labrador 1,000 each, the Panther only 800, the Terror, Nova, Esquimaux, and Walrus about 500 each. This is the worst outlook which this fishery has had for the last twenty years.

Deaconesses.

At the Church of the Ascension, at Toronto, on Monday night of last week Miss Tilley, daughter of the late Sir Leonard Tilley, and Miss L. Thomas were ordained deaconesses of the church. The Bishop of Huron preached the sermon, and was assisted by Rev. Principal Sheraton, Rev. Canon Sanson, Rev. Canon Sweeny, Rev. Bernard Bryan and Rev. G. A. Kuhring.

The Bishop spoke from the text: "God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this that power belongeth unto God." The ceremony proper consisted of the imposition of hands, with this charge: "It belongeth generally to the office of a deaconess to assist the clergy in all such good works as shall be committed unto her, especially visiting and tending the sick and needy, teaching the ignorant and the young and promoting the work of moral reformation."

Miss Tilley will continue to labor in the parish of the church where she was ordaindained, but Miss Thomas will be a missionary to the Aricanian Indians of Cali.

Presbytery of Miramichi.

This Presbytery met at Newcastle on the 30th March. The ministers present were Revds. J. K. McLean, Moderator, T. G. Johnstone, Dr. McKay, Wm. Aitken, J. D. Murray, John Robertson, M A, A. F. Carr, M A, A. F. Thomson, Joseph McCoy, M A, George Fisher, B D, G. F. Kinnear, B D. J. M. McLeod, M A, W. C. Calder, F. W. Murray, B D, and Messrs. R. N. Weeks and Wm. Robinson.

Rev. Jas. Murray and Rev J. R. McDonald were invited to seats as associate members.

Grants in aid of weak congregations were agreed upon as follows: Escuminac, $250.00; Black River, $150.00; Red Bank, &c., $100.00; Harcourt and Mill Branch, $150.00; Loggieville, the balance due of last year's grant of $100 00; New Carlisle, $150.00; Tabusintac, $175.00.

The clerk submitted a draft petition to the General Assembly craving leave to put the name of Rev. Jas. Murray upon the roll of Presbytery. Draft adopted and ordered to be signed by the Moderator, and Clerk and sent to the Assembly.

Rev. T. G. Johnstone, who has been pastor of Blackville and Derby for nearly forty years, submitted an application for leave to retire from the active duties of the ministry at the end of the current year, by which time he will have entered upon his seventieth year, and to become a beneficiary of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund. He submitted a medical certificate intimating that rest from mental labor is imperative necessary to him. The Presbytery received this application, and especially the intimation accompanying it, with deep regret. It was agreed to ask leave of the Assembly as requested and a deputation consisting of Messrs. McCoy, Aitken and the Clerk was appointed to visit Blackville and Derby and intimate to the congregation their pastor's intentions and make such arrangements as may be found practicable for the event, and to report to a special meeting of Presbytery hereafter, to be appointed for the ordination of a missionary at New Bandon.

Commissioners to the General Assembly were appointed as follows: Rev. A. F. Thomson, Rev. John Robertson, Rev. Geo. Fisher, Rev. F. W. Murray and Rev. G. F. Kinnear. The clerk was authorized to commission lay commissioners in the usual order.

Mr. Murray was appointed Treasurer of the fund for travelling expenses, and was authorized to collect at the same rate as for last year and to pay the travelling expenses of commissioners *pro rata* to the extent of the funds.

The Rev. K. McLennan, of Levis was nominated for the Moderatorship of the General Assembly. Representatives on the principal committees were appointed as follows: Committee on bills and vouchers, Rev. F. W. Murray; committee on Home Missions, Rev. Joseph McCoy; committee on Augmentation, Rev. Wm. Aitken.

Mr. George Sutherland was reappointed to the Upper Miramichi mission field for next summer.

In compliance with a very numerously signed request, Mr. W. R. Robinson was appointed to Kouchibouguac.

It was agreed to appoint Mr. G. F. Johnston as missionary to New Bandon and aquetCar for one year from May 1st, and to meet for his ordination at New Bandon on May 11th at 11 o'clock.

The Home Mission Board was requested to supply catechists for Hardwick and Miscou Island.

The appointment of Mr. MacIntosh to Douglastown and Nelson was confirmed and his name placed upon the roll.

The clerk submitted a reference from the Board of Foreign Missions regarding the Korean mission, and addressed the Presbytery in regard thereto. The leading facts are these: A young Presbyterian minister, Mr. McKenzie, being most anxious to establish a mission in Korea, went thither on his own responsibility. Though his going was not sanctioned by the church, many of the Presbyterian people were interested in him and $2500.00 were speedily sent in, unsolicited, for his support. In eight or nine months he had acquired enough of the Chinese language to enable him to talk with those around him. He made good use of his opportunities and taught the Christian religion with great energy. In a few months more he fell a victim to fever, and, being alone and uncared for, he died in the midst of his usefulness. Soon after his death nineteen converts offered themselves for baptism and after due examination were received into fellowship by a missionary of the American Presbyterian Church who visited the fallen missionary's field. These converts and many of the heathen with them have sent a pathetic appeal for another Canadian missionary. Two young men, both theological graduates, and one of them a graduate in medicine as well, are very anxious to proceed to this field. But the Missionary Board hesitates to assume the support of two more missionaries while the funds at their command scarcely suffice to meet present liabilities to older missions. The Board therefore decided to ask the advice of the Presbyteries. The Women's Foreign Missionary Societies which already raise some $8000.00 a year offer to become responsible for the salary of one of the proposed missionaries to Korea. Mr. Carr and Dr. McKay made a strong plea in favor of Korea; and the Presbytery unanimously agreed to urge the Mission Board to assume the responsibilities of the new mission, believing that refusal or serious hesitation in the matter, would operate to neutralize a powerful impulse now indicating increased interest in missionary effort; to divert missionary funds into irregular channels; to alienate and discourage many of the most zealous and self-sacrificing missionary workers in our church, and to ignore the providential indications which point to Korea as one of the most promising and economical fields open to our efforts.

Leave of absence for three months was granted to the Rev. Jas. McCoy, and the Presbytery agreed to give him pulpit supplies during his absence.

Reports on Statistics and Sabbath Schools Re submitted by the clerk. There are 104 Sabbath Schools in connection with the Presbytery, 80 of which have sent in returns. Of the delinquent schools 8 are in the congregation of Kingston and Richibucto which at present is without a pastor. Doubtless some of the defaulting schools will yet report within a few days.

Mr. Kinnear submitted an excellent report on 'Church life and work.' One of the three recommendations appended to it, all of which were adopted by the Presbytery, was the following: 'That in view of the approaching plebiscite sessions be asked to keep the question of Prohibition before the people, and to urge them to give a strong vote in favor of Prohibition.'

Mr. J. M. McLeod gave an interesting report on Young People's Societies, after which the Presbytery adjourned having fixed the next quarterly meeting at Newcastle on the last Tuesday of June at 10 o'clock (standard time.)

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Corbett Makes a Speech.

At a sparring exhibition in Philadelphia on Monday, Corbett made a speech, in which he said:—

"Gentlemen, I thank you for this reception. I want to say to you all that I was whipped honestly and fairly by Mr. Fitzsimmons. I don't intend to go and drink myself to death worrying over my defeat. It was the first set-back of my life. I'm young yet and I hope within the next year or so to prove to you that I am still the champion of the world."

Millionaires as Engine-Drivers.

"John Jacob Astor's exploit in acting as the engineer of an Illinois Central train recently is but another illustration of the peculiar fascination that a railway locomotive has for rich young men who inherit, or acquire interests in, railroads. Mr. Astor has for several years been a director of the Illinois Central Railroad, and on the previous official inspection trips he has run the engine. He has a natural taste for mechanics, and his love of railroading is much like that of Dr. W. Seward Webb. In the Adirondacks, Dr. Webb and his personal traits are known to every native, and his passion for driving a locomotive at a high rate of speed is regarded with complacent pride all along the line of his road. When a one or two car special dashes through the mountain region from Old Forge to Malone, at a fifty-mile gait, the simple mountaineer will turn placidly to his summer boarder and remark: 'Dr. Webb is running that train.' Occasionally the trackmen, on their morning rounds, will find the wreck of a hand-car lying at the bottom of a railroad embankment, or several yards from the track at the edge of the woods. Their variable comment will be. 'The Doctor must have been along here last night.' It is seldom that anybody is hurt on such occasions, for the Adirondack railroad men are experts in jumping from hand-cars. George J. Gould was able to handle a locomotive long before he became a railroad president. Like Dr. Webb, he is a genuine sportsman, and enjoys the sensation of going fast. While making his periodical inspections of the several lines in the Southwestern system, President Gould frequently relieves the locomotive engineer for hours at a time. Frank Thompson, vice-president of the Pennsylvania lines, knows how to 'run the engine' almost as well as any veteran. Two of the sons of James J. Hill, the president of Great Northern, are said to be as much at home in a cab of a locomotive as they are in the dining-room of their father's house. S. H. H. Clark, president of the Union Pacific, has taken all of the degrees of railroading, and he can 'brake' a train as well as handle the engine." [Railway World.

Greek and Turk.

LONDON, April 12.—The Turkish garrison of Baldine, numbering about eighty men, beseiged by the Greek insurgents, has cut its way through the Greeks with a loss of thirty men killed. It is added that the fighting was stubborn. It was only at the fourth attempt that the Turks were able to issue from their barracks. The insurgents continued their march into Macedonia and have captured the town of Krania. Further they pursued the Turks close to Cypria, which is only two hours distant from Grevena. Throughout the operations which have hitherto been so successful for the insurgents, the latter lost only three chiefs killed and had only four men wounded. It is reported that Turkish frontier detachments, yesterday, fired on and killed a Greek private and a peasant who were carrying despatches to Caloeliviri.

LONDON, April 12- A despatch to the Evening News from Larissa says the fighting at Baltino lasted throughout Saturday, and late that afternoon the Turks were reported to have capitulated.

The total loss on both sides was under one hundred. There is no news regarding the Turkish prisoners.

The insurgents, according to the Evening News despatch, are without commissariat, and are not supported by the Greek regulars. The idea of the insurgents, it appears, is to cut the Turkish communications between Macedonia and Epirus.

If it is true that the insurgents have pursued the Turks to within a short distance of Grevena, they are in a fair way to accomplish this object.

The Arta correspondent of the Evening News telegraphs that the preparations of the Greeks there are being finally perfected.

Troops have been advanced to the frontier and the military depots have been moved back to positions of safety in the rear.

Thirty English volunteers have arrived at Arta. They include, among their number, young Harris, the son of the British admiral in Cretan waters.

The Daily Chronicle's special correspondent at Athens, Mr. Henry Norman, says: "As the result of interviews which I have had today with King George, M. Delyannis and M. Skouzes, it seems to me that the situation could not be much worse short of actual war. The last words of the premier to me last night were: 'I have but little hope.' The Servian government has summoned all the officers of the reserve militia and national guards. The Servian insurgents are now on the Macedonian frontier and the Servian government is sending ammunition there constantly."

LONDON, April 12.—A Times despatch from Athens says: "The Porte, in protest to powers against the Greek invasion, says that the regular Greek army entered Turkish territory near Geneva and committed acts of hostility by destroying three posts. The protest further declares that these acts virtually constitute an act of aggression and a casus belli, and denounces Greece as an aggressor in the affair. The choice of the moment to begin the war does not rest with King George or with the government, but with the Ethnike Hetairia. The activity of this organization has been centered mainly in Macedonia and only incidentally in Crete.

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