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THE WEATHER. Fair and a little warmer for tomorrow.

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N. B. TEACHERS IN CONVENTION

Low Salaries Are the Cause of the Scarcity of Teachers--Interesting Reports and Resolutions -- Chief Superintendent's Recommendations Endorsed.

FREDERICTON, April 25--The third annual convention of the New Brunswick Teachers' Association met in the High school, Fredericton, at half-past yesterday afternoon.

The executive committee, of whom were present the following: President, W. M. MacLean, St. John; secretary-treasurer, Henry Harvey Stuart, Harcourt, Kent Co.; W. J. S. Myles, St. John; E. Ernest DeLoraine, Madam, York Co.; and Miss Beattie Fraser, Grand Falls, Victoria Co., met at 10.30 a.m.

The afternoon session, there were present, besides the above members of executive, the following delegates:--Frank A. Good, Fredericton; Charles D. Richards, Woodstock, Carleton Co.; Fred A. Dixon, Sackville, Westmorland Co.; H. Burton Loepp, Chatham, Northumberland Co.; J. Frank Owens, and Thomas E. Powers, of St. John; and W. R. Shanklin, of Normal school, secretary-treasurer of Queens-Sunbury Teachers' Association. Several Fredericton teachers and Normal school students also attended.

The minutes of meeting of June 29th and 30th, 1904, were read and approved.

President's Address. The president's address followed. Much good had been done in St. John by the Association, and in all parts of the province. Much remained to be done. In the last term of the school year, 1904-1905, 46 districts had no teachers, about 18 per cent of the whole. This condition was not due to lack of trained teachers.

The Declaration. We, the undersigned teachers of county (St. John), N. B., hereby form ourselves into an Association, in subordination to the New Brunswick Teachers' Association, for mutual benefit and the furtherance of education in general, and pledge ourselves:-- First--Not to undertake any other teaching in salary.

Second--Not to accept from any Board of School Trustees in New Brunswick a salary lower than the schedule adopted by the Subordinate Association of the county or city in which we are employed, but to be employed at a salary lower than that which is provided for by the provincial committee; or its executive committee; such provincial minimum being now as follows:-- For grammar school, Superior and last class males other than principals of grammar schools--\$300 per year.

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The Burnt Cake Episode. A. D. 878.

"Soon after Alfred's accession the Danes again became troublesome and defeated the English. Alfred fled and hid himself incognito in the cottage of one Guthr--a swineherd. He was set by Guthr's wife, who of course had no knowledge of her husband's whereabouts, to watch some cakes which were baking on the hearth. In a moment of abstraction Alfred allowed them to burn. Mrs. Guthr was most indignant."

FOUND IN THE MAINE WOODS. Was John Steeves of Hillsboro Murdered, or Did He Die by His Own Hand?

John Frank Steeves, a native of Hillsboro, N. B., was found dead in the woods about two miles from Palomoth, Maine. The body was found late on Sunday by a party of flower pickers. The throat had been cut and it was believed at first that he had been murdered; but evidence indicated suicide. A large pocketknife and an upper set of false teeth were found in the pockets. The latter were covered with blood, and had evidently been removed after the cutting had been done. Two cents in money and a number of legal papers were also found in the pockets. The papers bore the name of John Steeves, which had been paid taxes in Hillsboro, N. B. Two copies of Steeves' will had been found in the pockets, and a paper bearing the name of Goss and Dawson, Moncton, were also found.

It is believed by the Portland police that the man was murdered for his money. Medical examination showed that the wound had been made with a razor and could not have been self-inflicted by a jack-knife as was at first supposed. Three men who volunteered information were detained by the police. They are Elmer Crossman of Hillsboro, N. B., and the two cousins, Edward Cole and Stevens E. Cole, employees of the Berlin Mills camp. These men told the police that Steeves had said to them that he was employed as a liquor spotter. Cole said that he had been similarly employed by Sheriff Pennell of Cumberland county. He said that as a result of his services he was assaulted last Monday night.

Another Account. MONTREAL, April 25. (Special.)--A special despatch from Portland, Me., states that John Frank Steeves of Hillsboro, N. B., whose body was discovered yesterday had been dead about a week and the murder theory is further strengthened by the fact that all his money except two cents and a gold watch are missing. He was one of Sheriff Pennell's spotter and in some quarters it is believed death was caused by men engaged in violating the liquor law.

BRETHREN IN UNITY. DETROIT, April 25.--The Great Lakes Towing Company and the Hackett Wrecking Company of Amherstburg, two companies engaged in a fierce rivalry last year at the mouth of the Detroit river, have settled their differences and have signed an agreement to work together. The Hackett tug and equipment become virtually a part of the Great Lakes Towing Company's outfit.

COTTON. NEW YORK, April 25.--Cotton futures opened easy; May, 7 1/2; June, 7 1/2; July, 7 1/2; August, 7 1/2; Sept., 7 1/2; October, 7 3/4; Dec., 7 3/4; Jan., 7 1/4.

The Times New Reporter.

Citizens having an old paper or other rubbish about their premises would confer a favor on the public by throwing it in the street. The sweet springtime has come, and the gentle zephyrs want something to play with as they sweep along the thoroughfares.

STORY OF ST. GEORGE. On St. Patrick's Day the true story of the early life of that saint was set forth by the Times' new reporter, who learned the facts from an aged citizen of Kings county, St. Patrick's native place. Two year previous he was made to St. George, who was also a Kings county man, having been born near Newswigway. He drove all the dragons out of Kings county before going abroad in search of adventure, and the people of his native country are very fond of relating his exploits, as the tale have been handed down from one generation to another. Indeed there are many who sigh for a return of the doctory warrior, that he might hurl a spear at the political and other dragons of modern times, which have crept in to mock them and lurch on their vitals. It is believed that these dragons came in from the United States, as there was, for very many years, no alien labor law to keep them out. St. George, when a young man, once stood on Fort Howe, but his footprints are not to be found there at present, nor anywhere in Kings county. He predicted, however, that there would be a dry dock at St. John in the year 2000, and that a Citizens' League would be organized in the beginning of the twentieth century, to go on a dragon-killing expedition among the various wards of the city. Tradition is silent with regard to St. George's views on the subject of license commissioners, but he may have killed a few, if any existed at that time, which is doubtful. His prediction that St. John harbor would one day be the scene of a deadly conflict between two monarchs of the deep is regarded by many as an allusion to Wun Lung and the Maje wharf. If St. George were in St. John today he would find a large field for his activities.

JAPS KEEPING SILENT VIGIL

Many Torpedo Boats Patrolling Eastern Seas Searching for Rojestvensky and the Vladivostok Squadron -- Kaiser's Representative at Tokio -- Jap Warship Damaged.

NEW YORK, April 25. -- A Shanghai despatch to the Herald, dated Monday, says: "The northern waters of the Sea of Japan, the Tuguru Straits and La Perouse Straits are illuminated every night by the searchlights of Japanese torpedo boats, whose object is to prevent the passage of the ships of the Vladivostok squadron. The Japanese fleet is now probably to the south of Formosa, awaiting Admiral Rojestvensky. Thick weather prevails and it is thought the Baltic fleet may slip northward far to the east of Formosa. Japanese spies are showing extraordinary vigilance along the entire Chinese coast."

Japan Protests Again. LONDON, April 25. -- The correspondent at Tokio of the Daily Telegraph sends the following: "Japan is vigorously protesting against the preparations for flight from Shanghai of the Russian protected cruiser Askold. It is feared that more difficulties will arise, owing to the Chinese inability to enforce her neutrality with respect to the reports that Russian ships were coaling off Hainan."

Togo Reported. A despatch from Amoy, China, to the Herald says: "Three torpedo craft, supposed to be Japanese, threw searchlights on the British ship Bulwark on Sunday night, sixty miles east of Hong Kong."

The Russian Fleet. TIENTSIN, China, April 25.--Positive confirmation has been obtained here of the statement that the Russian squadron left Kamranh Bay, April 22 and that the Russian cruiser Svetlan, the Russian hospital ship Orel and 10 transports are still off Kamranh Bay. The division of the Russian squadron commanded by Admiral Nebogoff had not joined the Russian commander by Admiral Rojestvensky up to today.

The Kaiser's Representative. TOKYO, April 25. -- Prince Charles Antonov Hohenzollern, representative of the Emperor of Germany with the Japanese army, accompanied by Prince Ketchiki of Kanis, arrived here today from Mukden, en route to Germany. Representatives of the Emperor of Japan and many nobilities greeted the two princes at the railway station. Prince Charles of Hohenzollern was escorted to the Shi-

MRS. BEST IN COURT. Case of Child Abandonment Continued This Morning -- Detective Killen's Story.

Mrs. Best and Minnie Robinson were again in court this morning. Detective Killen's evidence was taken and the prisoners remained for three days. The baby, which was brought into court, seemed anything but well. It breathed heavily, coughed from time to time, and was somewhat fretful. Detective Killen described at length the journey to St. Martins and return, and the time spent at the residence of Mrs. Best. Mrs. Best manifested no feeling with regard to the fate of her child while at St. Martins or while in the hands of the police. Mrs. Best first met Minnie Robinson at Len Smith's. Her husband told her that there was a nice little girl there who might be of some use to her, and she took her to her home in Colchester. Minnie Robinson said she had never been married, and when witnesses told the women that it was a child, she was very angry. Mrs. Best broke down and cried, but the prisoner wept, did not seem in the least disturbed. Mrs. Best will have been married two years on the 15th of October next.

POLICE REPORTS. The plate glass window in Bees' restaurant on Charlotte street was broken yesterday. The break was caused by a man falling against the window. The doors of the following establishments were found open and secured by the police last night:--The Canadian Drug Co., a warehouse off Nelson street. A bunch of skipping ropes found outside of McArthur's store, were taken to police headquarters. The hen roost of Albert Cougle, of Main street, was visited recently. It was a well-bred fowl were taken. They were notified, and found two hens and two roosters in a place near Adelaide St. They were conveyed to the North End police station, where Mr. Cougle was called upon to identify them. He was unable to claim any one of the hens.

DID NOT WANT MONEY. PARIS, April 25. -- The rooms occupied by the director of naval construction at Tonlon were ransacked last night. The journal states that valuable and money were not touched but that documents and plans were carried off.

"A GREAT CONSOLATION."

Novo Vremya Thus Speaks of the Czar's Proclamation Favoring Popular Government.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 25.--(Noon)--"My will regarding the convocation of representatives of the people is unwavering, and the minister of the interior is making every effort for its speedy realization. Emperor Nicholas, appearing in audience at Tsarskoye Selo, Sunday, the marshal of the nobility of Kostroma, a government of middle Russia, directed that the above message be communicated to the nobility of Kostroma. The message evidently was designed to be published to quiet the fears of those who are impatient at the delay, and who have grown skeptical of the fulfillment of the promises contained in the imperial rescript. It is very significant that the emperor used the words 'Convocation of representatives of the people,' thus going beyond the expression employed in the rescript, and setting at rest all doubt as to His Majesty's meaning."

HE IS KNOWN HERE. Man Who Assaulted Moncton's Chief of Police Has a Bad Record. Howard Briggs, who assaulted Chief of Police Tagley, of Moncton, yesterday afternoon, has figured in police circles in St. John. On February 6th, 1902, he was arrested by Detective Killen, on a charge of stealing a gold filled watch, valued at \$25, from C. R. Fawcett, at Ferris Hotel. On February 25, he was tried before Judge Forbes in the county court, under the speedy trial act, and sentenced to two years in Dorchester. He pleaded guilty, saying that he had no money and the only way he could raise the price of his ticket home was to appropriate Fawcett's watch. POLICE COURT. There were four prisoners before the magistrate at this morning's session of the police court. Albert Doherty, who was found lying helplessly drunk in a box car at the foot of Clarence street, was remanded. Doherty said he found a bottle partly full of liquor back of the Shamrock grounds. The police say, however, that he had been at a dance at a house on St. Patrick street and possibly got the liquor there. Thomas Barrett, drunk and begging on Brunswick street, was also remanded. Frederick O'Brien, charged with drunkenness and profanity, was fined \$4 or ten days on the first charge and \$8 or thirty days on the second. Ann Goldsworthy, drunk on Charlotte street, was fined \$4 or ten days. Four protectionists were allowed to go.

OBITUARY. Michael J. Keating. Michael J. Keating, press agent and assistant manager of Keith's Theatre, Boston, was found dead from heart disease in his apartment, 34 Worcester St., on Sunday last. Mr. Keating leaves a widow and three sons, J. S. Keating, foreman of the composing room of the Halifax Herald, a position which the late Mr. Keating held many years before; Frank, also a resident of Halifax, and George. He also leaves a brother, George P. Keating, of 34 Church street, Dorchester, Mass., and a resident of Halifax, and George. He also leaves a brother, George P. Keating, of 34 Church street, Dorchester, Mass., and a resident of Halifax, and George. He also leaves a brother, George P. Keating, of 34 Church street, Dorchester, Mass., and a resident of Halifax, and George.