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## ST. JOHN STAR.

ST. JOHN, N. S., FEBRUARY 16, 1901.

## HAVE YOU SUBSCRIBED?

It is proposed to erect at St. John a monument in honor of the New Brunswick men who fell in South Africa. The Star, over five months ago, started a Quarter Dollar Fund, and the mayor has also opened a subscription list. The movement is endorsed by the press, and besides the contributions by individuals and by firms and their employees, as already acknowledged in this paper, one of the churches has devoted a large offering to the purpose. But as yet only a comparatively few of the citizens have contributed. The Star makes no apology for continually reminding its readers of these facts, and calling upon them to join in bringing to a successful issue so worthy an undertaking. It would be but a poor acknowledgment if the people of St. John did no more than cheer the men who went away and who came back again. Some will never come to us again, because their bodies lie under the sod their eager feet traversed in the struggle which, in bringing freedom to others, brought death to them. Do we honor their memory? Do we glory in the cause for which they died? Then let us erect in the city of the loyalists a memorial worthy of their sacrifice and of our devotion to the empire. Shame be upon us when we shout for the flag, if at the same time we forget the men who went out from among us and died for the freedom which it represents. It would be a singular commentary upon the wild enthusiasm with which we cheered the departing heroes if the only memorial to those who fell should be the rough slab that marks their resting place on the battle field or in the South African cemetery. Does anyone hesitate because the Star was the first paper to take up the question of a monument? Then let them give their subscription to the mayor or to some other newspaper. This journal will as cheerfully acknowledge their contributions. The memorial is to be a memorial erected by the people. There should be no delay or hesitation. The fund should grow rapidly. The idea of this paper in starting a Quarter Dollar fund was to give all a chance to contribute, and as yet no better suggestion has been offered. If any desire to contribute many quarters they are not debarred. Make the fund grow. That is the important thing. Every quarter counts one.

## THE NEW DRILL HALL.

The agitation in favor of a drill hall in a central location is one that should receive the sympathetic consideration of the city council and the federal government. The necessity for a new building is beyond question, since the government architect has condemned the present structure at the Barrack Square. It is certain that a new drill hall will be erected, and the only question to be decided is that of its location. One great objection to the present structure has been that it was so far from the centre of the town. Men do not care to walk so far before and after drill, in all kinds of weather. The shed was, moreover, inadequate to the requirements of the militia, and far behind the drill halls provided in other cities.

## THE NEW DRILL HALL.

An armory in the centre of the city would be a resort for all the militia, and would tend very much to popularize the service and attract the best class of recruits. The Star is informed that the militia force in St. John is over six hundred strong, including eight companies of the Fusiliers, four of the Artillery and a Bearer company. The officers of these companies have to pay at present for their band rooms, officers' rooms and sergeants' rooms, and thus incur an expense of at least three hundred dollars. The Artillery have no place for big-gun drill, nor have the Bearer company any place for their waggon. When the new drill hall is erected it will, of course, be large and of modern design, worthy of the city and of the purpose to which it will be devoted.

If no other arrangement is made, and the hall is built on the present government grounds at the Barrack Square, it will greatly interfere with the exhibition grounds; and would not be as well located for military purposes as if established farther up town. There is yet another consideration. It not infrequently occurs that a hall is required for the purpose of a public dinner, or a bazaar, or some such purpose, and none satisfactory in every way is available. A drill hall

built up-town would admirably meet this want. It would also be of advantage in drilling cadet corps and school companies, if such were organized. There would also be great advantage to the Exhibition Association if that body could secure the present government property as part of the exhibition grounds.

From every standpoint, therefore, it seems desirable that the city and the militia department come to some satisfactory arrangement whereby the city can take over the property at the Barrack Square and the department be provided with a good site up-town for the new drill hall. The petition of the militia officers has gone before the city council, and has been referred to the general committee. This committee should soon be convened, so that if any agreement can be made the necessary appropriation might be included in the supplementary estimates at the present session of parliament.

## PAUL KRUGER.

There is a pathetic note of despondency in the interview which Paul Kruger has granted to the Fall-Mall Gazette. The old man has lost his defiant spirit, and his assurance that he still has faith in Providence is not borne out by the general tenor of his remarks. One is disposed to think charitably of the old man in his dark hour, far from home, and so utterly disappointed in all his hopes of European intervention; yet we cannot forget that no more intolerant despot has ruled any people in recent years than was Paul Kruger before he, by his own act, precipitated this war. That the old man, separated from his family and his people, and suffering in health, is a pitiful figure, admits of no doubt; but he has himself to blame; and, unfortunately, the same course that has brought him to this state has desolated the hearts and homes of many more deserving people.

## LIVERPOOL LUMBER MARKET.

Farnworth & Jardine's lumber trade circular, of Feb. 1st, says there were no sales of St. John deals to report in January. Lower port deals sold at 27 1/2 to 27 3/4 per standard. Birch planks sold at 27 1/2 to 27 3/4. The stock of N. B. and N. S. spruce deals held in Liverpool and near-by ports on Feb. 1st was 18,860 standards, compared with 11,220 a year before, and 13,990 two years before. Consumption during January was less than in the corresponding weeks of 1900, and about the same as in January 1899. The circular says: "The stock is still excessive, and values are difficult to maintain."

## THERE IS NO DANGER.

It will be observed by the Star's readers that the enterprising London correspondent of the Associated Press has discovered cause for grave public concern in the recent "kinky" functions in that city. It is necessary in reading these cable letters to remember that they are written primarily to be read by the people of the United States, in whose minds a king or an emperor is regarded as a most dangerous person. Will the king rule as well as reign? This is the question asked. The valued correspondent of the Associated Press must have lived long enough under the British flag to know that the people rule; and there is no more danger of King Edward becoming a despot than there is of President McKinley calling around him the army for which congress has just provided, and declaring himself an emperor.

At a civic election in Charlottetown this week for the selection of water commissioners two propositions—the municipal ownership of a lighting plant and the abolition of the ward system—were put before the people. There was a majority of votes against both questions.

## TWENTY-SIX SKELETONS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—A special to the Tribune from Austin, Texas, says: "W. VanSickle, member of the house of representatives from Brewster County, has returned from a visit to his western Texas home, and brings the report of the discovery in the Chisos Mountains, ninety miles south of the town of Alpine, of a cave heretofore unknown. In this cave were found the skeletons of twenty-six human beings. The skulls were submitted to an examination. Surgeons say they are not skulls of Indians. It is the impression of Judge Van Sickle and of others that the bones are those of members of the expedition of Cabezo De Vaca. The De Vaca expedition was in the 16th century. De Vaca started out to find an Eldorado, and his route was across Texas from east to west and into Mexico. They are said to have perished with the exception of the leader.

## THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—Moderate to fresh westerly to northerly winds, fair, moderate westerly winds, fair and moderately cold on Sunday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Forecast—Eastern states and northern New York—Partly cloudy tonight; Sunday fair, fresh northwesterly winds.

## WHY NOT ALL.

(Philadelphia Record.)  
"I think," said the man who was growing bald, "I'll have a hair cut." "Why not have the whole done or so cut?" queried the funny barber.

## PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The commons only sat today for fifteen minutes. The report of the committee on select committees was submitted and passed. A committee was then appointed to assist the speaker in the management of the library.

Mr. Lancaster introduced a bill to compel railways to maintain cattle guards, and providing for the recovery of damages in case of neglect. The auditor general's report was laid on the table, and Mr. Fielding moved the house go into supply, but Mr. Borden of Halifax objected on the ground that the report had not been placed in the hands of the members. Mr. Maclean announced that he would not press his motion re nationalization of railways until next week owing to the absence of a number of members who wish to speak on it. The house adjourned until Monday.

## NOTES.

A deputation walked on the cabinet today and asked for a bounty of one cent per pound for three or five years on beet sugar grown in Canada. The principal argument in favor of the bounty was that the cost of coal would be an important item in producing sugar. As Premier Laurier was not present no inducements were held out. The tuberculosis executive today decided to make Ottawa the headquarters of the organization, and Dr. Eby was appointed general organizer and secretary.

On Monday Mr. Fowler will interrogate the government in regard to the erection of a station at Passasekas, and will ask how work begun, and if not, why not. Mr. Fowler also seeks information regarding the dismissal of John E. McAuley, postmaster of Lower Millstream, Kings county.

A deputation of cattlemen holding opposite views on the tuberculosis test and other regulations affecting tuberculosis stock, interviewed the minister of agriculture today, with a view to having made some regulation more acceptable to all.

Mr. Edwards championed the present regulations requiring a rigid tuberculosis test in quarantine of all imported cattle, while David McCrae of Guelph advocated the abolition of the test, not only in quarantine, but all over the country.

Hon. Sydney Fisher is not in favor of abolishing the test, but a compromise was agreed on, whereby changes in the method of administering the test will be made. It was agreed that legislation should be introduced abolishing the law that now prohibits the selling of hides of tuberculosis stock.

The house will not sit on Ash Wednesday. Mr. Clare on Tuesday will introduce an "act to restrict the importation and employment of aliens."

## BOUGHT A VELASQUEZ FOR \$80,000.

The Boston Museum of Fine Arts Gets a Celebrated Spanish Painting.

The trustees of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts have bought a large painting by Velasquez, "The Prince Baltazar Carlos and His Dwarf," a characteristic example of the great Spanish master. It comes from the private collection of the Earl of Carlisle, in whose residence, Castle Howard, at York, England, it has hung for many years. The work belongs to Velasquez's second or intermediate period, and was painted soon after his return to Madrid from his first visit to Italy, when the Prince Baltazar Carlos was almost 12 not quite 3 years old. The picture was bought from Knicker & Co. of New York on the recommendation of several American artists who have made a special study of the works of Velasquez, including William M. Chase of New York and Frederick P. Vinton of Boston. It is exhibited in the Lawrence room of the museum for the present. The price paid is said to have been \$80,000.

## REV. MR. KELLER'S CASE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The Herald says: Legal counsel of the highest order will be employed to defend the Rev. John Keller, of Arlington, N. J., who was recently shot and seriously wounded by Thomas A. Barker, the latter believing that he was avenging a wrong done to his wife. Funds for this purpose will be supplied by Dean Hoffman, of the General Theological seminary. Occultists of the first rank will also be employed for the purpose of saving Mr. Keller's sight, which he is in danger of losing. These specialists will also be paid by Dean Hoffman, who has sent to the wounded clergyman a message of confidence and assurance that money will not be lacking to protect his rights in every way.

## ANOTHER POLAR EXPEDITION.

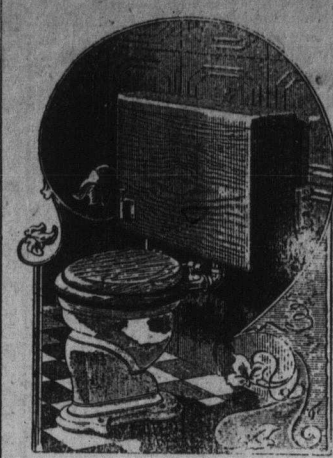
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 16.—Four portable houses, two steam launches, a complete photographic apparatus, fifty tons of dog food—this comprises the list of supplies which Baldwin, Arctic explorer and meteorologist, expects to purchase in Philadelphia for the use of the Baldwin-Zeigler polar expedition. Mr. Baldwin registered at the hotel Walton last night and opened negotiations with local merchants.

"Everything points to the middle of June as the date of our sailing from New York," he said. "The America is the permanent expedition ship, and will carry thirty men in her crew. We shall go around the North Cape, Norway, to some point in Russia, from there we shall strike northward, past Nova Zembla to Franz Josef land. Here the vessels will part company. The America will continue northward, and the members of the expedition will struggle to attain the north pole by land or sea. We will carry provisions for two years."

QUEBEC, Feb. 15.—The legislature today adopted a resolution of condolence on the death of the Queen. Speeches were made by Premier Paré and Hon. E. J. Ryan, the opposition leader, after which the legislature adjourned.

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St. John's church, Rev. J. deSoyres, rector—Services tomorrow at 8 (Holy Communion), 11 and 7. The Rev. H. J. Hamilton of Gifu (Japan) will preach at the morning service on behalf of Foreign Missions; preacher at the evening service, the rector. On Monday evening a public missionary meeting will be held, when Mr. Hamilton will lecture upon Japan.

Centenary Methodist church Sunday Services—11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Rev. R. W. Weddall in the morning, and in the evening the pastor, Rev. John Read, D.D.; Sunday school, 2.30 p.m.

Trinity church, Rev. J. A. Richardson, rector; Rev. W. W. Craig, curate—Quinquagesima; morning service and celebration of the Holy Communion at 11; congregational Bible class at 2.45; Sunday school at 3; evening service, when all seats are free, at 7; Rev. W. W. Craig will preach in the morning, and the rector in the evening.

Main street Baptist church—Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. White; morning subject, Expect and Attempt for God; evening, Weighed and Wanting; Evangelist John M. Whyte of Toronto will sing at both services. Pleasant Sunday afternoon meeting at 3.30; speaker, Rev. Ira Smith; subject, Seeking a Bride; spirited congregational singing, led by Mr. Whyte, who will also sing at this service.

Brussels street Baptist church—Preaching by the pastor, H. F. Warling, at 11 and 7; subject for morning, Harnessing the Church's Niagara; subject for evening, The Sources of Ability; Sunday school at 2.30; pastor's class for men, same hour; subject, The Rock of Moses.

Queen square—Morning service, Rev. Dr. Read; evening service, Rev. R. W. Weddall; Sabbath school, 2.30 p.m.

Zion Methodist church, junction of Wall street and Burpee avenue, Rev. Dr. Wilson, pastor—Rev. George Steel will preach at 11; Sabbath school at 2.30; pastor will preach at 7. Service at Millidgeville at 2.30.

Carmarthen street Methodist church—Rev. Wm. Penna will preach at 11 a.m., and the pastor, Rev. G. A. Sellar, at 7 p.m.; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m.; special services continued through the week.

Reformed Baptist church, Carleton street, Rev. M. S. Trafton, pastor—Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sabbath school, 2.15; prayer meeting, 3.15; Sacrament at the close of the evening service.

Leinster street Baptist church, Ira Smith, pastor—Services tomorrow as usual; Y. P. meeting, Monday evening; prayer meeting, Friday.

Mission Church St. John Baptist, Paradise row, Church of England—Quinquagesima Sunday; Holy Eucharist, at 8 a.m., and choral with sermon at 11 a.m.; evensong and sermon at 7 p.m.; Rev. C. B. Kenrick will preach in the morning on Charity, and in the evening on The Eucharistic Sacrifice. Wednesday, next being Ash Wednesday, will be observed in this church as a quiet day or Retreat; the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7.30 a.m., and there will also be services at 9.30, 10.30, 12 o'clock, and at 4 and 8 p.m.; at these services short addresses will be given.

Coburg street Christian church, Dr. R. Bentley Ray, pastor—Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday school at 2.30; young people's meeting Monday evening, 8 o'clock; prayer and social meeting Thursday evening, 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

Douglas avenue Christian church, J. Chas. B. Appel, pastor—Preaching at 11 o'clock; subject, Word and Work; evening at 7 o'clock, choral sermon; special services every evening next week at 8 o'clock. All are invited.

German street Baptist church—Preaching on Lord's day at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. by Rev. J. D. Freeman of Fredericton; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m.; prayer meeting on Monday and Friday nights at 8 o'clock.

Baptist Tabernacle, Haymarket square, pastor, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse—Preaching services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; morning subject, The Sins of the Tongue; evening subject, The Waiting Saviour; special evangelistic services every night of the week at 7.45.

Portland Methodist—Rev. Dr. Wilson, morning; Rev. Geo. Steel, pastor, in the evening; Sunday school at 2.15. Christian Science services Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; subject, Mind; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m., Wednesday at 8 p.m.; reading room open daily from 2.30 to 5 p.m., in Oddfellows' building, corner Union street and Haven avenue.

Unitarian church, Rev. Wayland L. Beers, minister—Sunday school and adult study class at 11 a.m.; regular service of worship at 7 p.m. only; sermon topic, Prayer, Its Nature and Efficacy.

The Rev. Ira Smith will give an address at the boys' meeting in the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, on the subject, Doing One's Best. All boys will be heartily welcome.

Exmouth street Methodist church—Rev. C. T. Phillips will preach on Sunday morning, and in the evening Rev. T. J. Deinstadt will preach a temperance sermon. The members of Glad Tidings Temperance Society will attend in a body.

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TO LET—Flat No. 138 Orange street, six rooms, separate entrance, rent \$50 per year. Apply to E. W. PAUL, 166 Waterloo street.

TO LET—Lower flat, No. 170 Duke street. For particulars apply to A. GILMOUR, 65 King street, or J. S. ARMSTRONG, 37 Charlotte street.

TO LET—From 1st of May, upper flat of house 275 Prince street. Apply to Thomas Bustin, 275 Prince street, or Basil & Porter, Prince Wm. street (Chubb's Corner).

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

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## FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 15.—The supreme court was to have met this morning to deliver judgments. Only Mr. Justice Gregory was present, and he announced that owing to the illness of the chief justice and Mr. Justice Barker, and the inability of the other judges to attend, the court would stand adjourned until Friday next.

Eight Scott Act fines were paid at the police court this morning. They totalled \$400.

It is rumored about town that Dr. W. C. Crockett is to be a candidate for the majority at the approaching civic election.

## HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 15.—Colin Chisholm of Sydney, one of the best known barristers of Nova Scotia, died today. He represented Cape Breton in the house of assembly between 1858 and 1890 in the conservative interest. He was a member of the firm of Chisholm, Crowe & Burchell.

Two hundred people accepted invitations from Furness, Withy & Co. today and visited their new steamer Loyalist. She sails for London tonight with 12,500 barrels of apples as part of her cargo.

## AN ENCOURAGER OF TEMPERANCE.

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