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We Wish All Our Readers A Happy New Year

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN'S  
ADDRESS TO MEMBERS  
OF WEST BIRMINGHAM

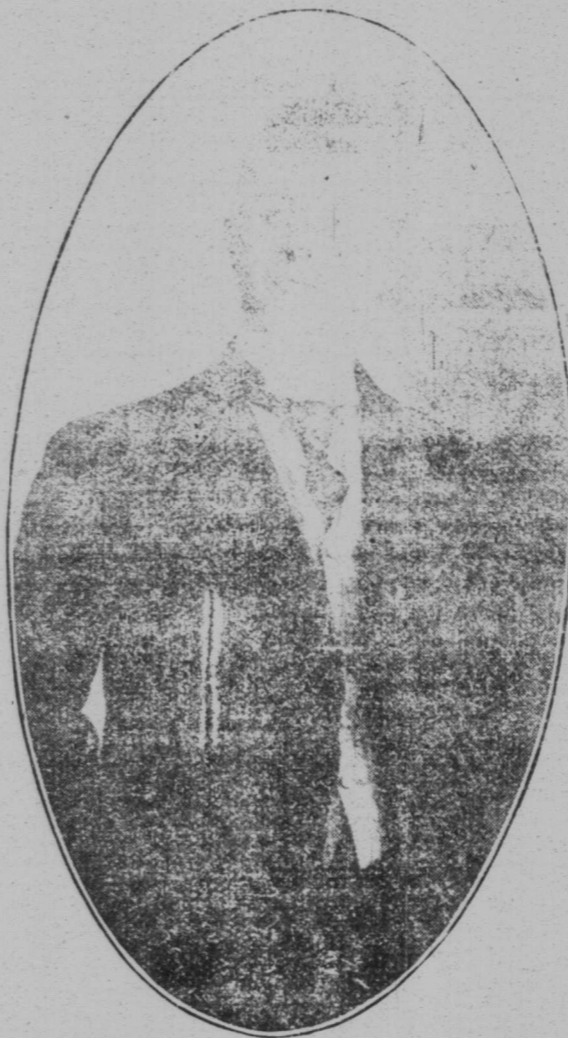
He Advocates Tariff Reform and Reciprocity With the Colonies, and Attacks the Budgets Placing a Heavy Burden of Taxation Upon the People

London, Dec. 29.—Joseph Chamberlain today issued an address to the electors of West Birmingham in which he advocated tariff reform and reciprocity with the Colonies and attacked the Budget as placing a heavy burden of taxation upon the people, and at the same time increasing the number of the unemployed.

The addresses asserted that Home Rule for Ireland as promised by the Liberals would not only injure the friends of England there whose interests were safeguarded by the present

control, but the danger to all would be great since Great Britain was now threatened by foreign nations as never before.

TEN THOUSAND MEETINGS  
The campaign is proceeding vigorously. There will be 10,000 meetings this week alone, 4,500 whereof are Unionist. The Unionists are short of canvassers, and want 100,000 of them. It is a great poster campaign, and scores of millions of leaflets have been issued. Mr. Balfour is convalescent, but Lord Milner is unwell.



MAYOR MILLER.

## NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM MAYOR MILLER

Newcastle, N. B.,  
Dec. 31—09.

To My FELLOW CITIZENS:

Again I desire to convey to you my happiest thought and most sincere wish that this will be the brightest and most prosperous of New Years, and for a continuance of these blessings during the years to come. As a town we have many reasons for feeling proud and grateful not only because we belong to the greatest Empire civilization has known, but because we are especially identified with one of the most, if not the most, important Colony under the regime of the British Empire. As has been truly said, "Canada only needs to be known in order to be great." Events have greatly strengthened my belief in the truth of these words and have impressed upon my mind the further fact that to be properly appreciated abroad, a people should be familiar with its own past, proud of its own history, filled with confidence in its own resources and strength and conscious of its own national and material development. Besides the fitness of the thing, there is also the requirement of it. The alertness of the human mind in our age, the frequency of its readings: the limitless facility for knowing and hearing whatever is doing in the whole world, have conspired to fix the attention of all people on what now is. The civilized life of man is on trial. Every civil and political institution of the world is passing through an ordeal in which it is tested as if in a furnace fire. That a new order will arise out of the cinders of the present order is as certain as the progress of the seasons, as inevitable as the astronomical changes in the skies. Therefore let our thoughts be directed upon the all-important question, "What does it signify?" rather than upon the inconsequential question, "What is it?" Temporarily if not permanently at this glad season of the year do all conditions change; the right hand of fellowship is extended from one to the other, thereby assuming that noble position as well as that admirable state of mind, subservient to humanity. As a gifted and much favored community in many respects, especially by natural facilities let us not be content with the mere massing of human forces and accept them as a signification of greatness and perpetuity. Nor as he who watches the contentions between the upper and the under man with the same interest which he feels in the contest of two wrestlers on the stage. He does not reflect upon the result which is certain to ensue from the victory of the one or the other of the contestants; he is satisfied to have been interested in the fight and to be able to talk it over with others who neither know nor care for anything but the fight itself.

Let us then be as one in strength, resolution and ambition to achieve what the inherent possibilities warrant.

In conclusion, I would ask you to join me in extending to all cities, sisters town and municipalities of Canada, our best and most sincere wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year. To our Sovereign and all other rulers and representatives, God's blessing that they may govern wisely and well for the good of the country the safety, honor and welfare of the people. That they may at all times be able to say, "I have served my God, my Country, my Neighbor and myself," or as the good St. Paul said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, and I have died in the faith."

Your obedient servant,

S. W. MILLER,  
Mayor.

## APPLICATIONS POURING IN FOR POSITIONS IN THE NEW CANADIAN NAVY

The Wages Paid Will Be Higher Than Obtains in the British Navy—Sir Wilfrid Des Voeux Invitation to go to South Africa, but He will visit Canadian West

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The Department of Marine has already received a considerable number of applications for positions in the new Canadian Navy. Several men who have served in the British Navy, who are now in Canada have offered their services again, and about one hundred Canadians have also sent in their applications for positions on the new warships. Until the new ships are commissioned, of course, nothing can be definitely done towards enlisting men.

The wages paid to the crew and maintenance will be somewhat higher than obtains in the British Navy, and will be practically the same as are paid in the United States Navy.

ITCHING PILES.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment is proof against the tortments of itching Piles. Thousands of testimonials of cures effected by its use. No case too aggravating or too long standing for it to soothe, comfort and cure. It cures in from 3 to 6 nights. Sold by A. E. SHAW'S Pharmacy. 35 cents.—37

## HEAD-ON COLLISION AT ST. ANN, QUEBEC

Maritime Express Collided with Special, but Fortunately No One was Seriously Injured: Five Passengers Slightly Shaken Up.

The Maritime express leaving Montreal Saturday night was in a head-on collision Sunday morning with a special at Saint Ann, Quebec, but fortunately no one was seriously injured. Five of the passengers on the Maritime were slightly injured. The two engines were badly damaged and the track was torn up for a distance, a number of rails being twisted and broken. There was very little damage to the rolling stock apart from the engines. That the collision was not attended by more serious results is due to the fact that the trains were running at a comparatively slow speed at the time, having just pulled out from St. Ann, while the special, which was the empty mail cars returning to Halifax, was approaching the station.

It is stated that the Maritime left St. Ann on time and the two trains met about two minutes later near the west end switch of the St. Ann yard. The engine men escaped injury by jumping. Traffic at that point was blocked for some four hours, the Maritime being delayed that length of time by the wreck.

FOR RHEUMATISM it is not necessary to go to Hot Springs. Just use "The D. A. L." Methyl Plaster and results will be satisfactory. 25c at druggists. Davis & Lawrence Co., manufacturers.

## THE CURTAIN FALLS.

Over the sorrow, and over the bliss,  
Over the tear-drop, over the kiss,  
Over the crimes that blotted and blurred,  
Over the wound of an angry word,  
Over the deeds in weakness done,  
Over the battles lost and won,  
Now at the end of the flying year,  
Year that to-morrow will not be here;  
Over our freedom, over our thralls,  
In the dark and the midnight, the curtain falls.

Over our gain, and over our loss,  
Over our crown, and over our cross,  
Over the fret of our discontent,  
Over the ill that was never meant,  
Over the scars of our self-denial,  
Over the strength that conquered trial,  
Now in the end of the flying year,  
Year that to-morrow will not be here,  
Quietly final, the prompter calls;  
Over it swiftly the curtain falls.

Over the crowds and the solitudes,  
Over our shifting, hurrying moods,  
Over the hearths where bright flames leap,  
Over the cribs where the babies sleep,  
Over the clamor, over the strife,  
Over the pageantry of life,  
Now in the end of the flying year,  
Year that to-morrow will not be here,  
Swiftly and surely from stony walls,  
Silently downward the curtain falls.

—Harper's Weekly.

## OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE MIRIMICHI RIVER SINCE 1830

YEAR	OPENED	CLOSED	69	" 23	" 3
1830	April 17	Dec. 20	70	" 13	" 23
31	" 16	" 4	71	" 18	Nov. 28
32	May 3	" 30	72	" 25	Dec. 5
33	April 14	" 1	73	" 29	Nov. 21
34	" 19	Nov. 20	74	" 20	Dec. 1
35	May 5	" 22	75	May 4	Nov. 28
36	April 26	Dec. 14	76	April 24	Dec. 9
37	" 16	Nov. 27	77	" 16	" 11
38	" 29	Nov. 25	78	" 22	" 19
39	" 24	Dec. 19	79	" 27	" 1
40	" 18	" 2	80	" 25	Nov. 23
41	May 2	" 23	81	" 21	" 28
42	April 25	" 6	82	May 5	Dec. 2
43	" 26	Nov. 29	83	April 21	" 4
44	" 18	" 23	84	" 18	" 11
45	" 30	Dec. 7	85	" 25	" 1
46	" 1	" 7	86	" 23	" 4
47	May 6	Nov. 30	87	May 4	" 1
48	April 29	Dec. 7	88	April 28	Nov. 20
49	" 11	" 11	89	" 16	Dec. 3
50	" 19	" 10	90	" 21	" 3
51	" 23	" 10	91	" 16	" 1
52	May 1	" 15	92	" 19	" 2
53	April 23	" 3	93	" 22	" 1
54	May 2	" 8	94	" 19	" 2
55	" 1	" 14	95	" 23	" 1
56	April 23	" 3	96	" 18	" 5
57	" 16	" 4	97	" 24	Nov. 30
58	" 17	" 1	98	" 12	Dec. 9
59	" 16	" 4	99	" 24	" 4
60	" 21	" 5	1900	" 16	Nov. 29
61	" 16	" 12	01	" 14	Dec. 6
62	" 22	" 2	02	Mar. 27	" 7
63	" 25	Nov. 25	03	April 11	Nov. 27
64	" 26	" 30	04	" 26	" 28
65	" 8	Dec. 6	05	" 20	Dec. 2
66	" 20	" 11	06	" 27	" 3
67	" 28	Nov. 30	07	" 29	" 14
68	" 28	Dec. 10	08	April 27	Dec. 12
			09	April 25	Dec. 24