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SAINT JOHN, THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 12, 1910

A SIGNIFICANT APPOINTMENT.

The appointment of Alexander Johnston, ex-M.P. for Cape Breton to the position of Deputy Minister of Marine, will confirm the public in the opinion that this decentment of a position of Deputy Alexander Johnston, ex-M.P. for Marine, will confirm the public in the opinion that this because the position of the opinion that this the grand Trunk traffic manager is officially re-Cape Breton to the position of Depuity minister of Marine, will confirm the public in the opioion that this department has not been reformed and is not on the road to reformation. We may assume that Mr. Johnston has his good qualities. But as a public man his record is one which should disqualify him for the office which he is assuming. He was in parliament when the marine Department scandals began to appear in large numbers. The Merwin contracts, the Strubb deals, the Falconer operations, the Montcaim's equipment, the Will son contracts, the fog signal scandals, the Arctic ex-pedition, all came up in his day. Mr. Johnston was shut out the information that was sought. They were of course aided and abetted by ministers and a majority Then we have the statement of Mr. Wainwright of shut out the information that was sought. They were of course aided and abetted by ministers and a majority of members who encouraged this obstruction, though used of they members who encouraged this obstruction, though most of them would not have cared to lead in it as most of them would not have cared to lead in jt as Mr. Johnston did. By various devices and expedients, with what Sir Richard Cartwright used to call the "brute majority" behind them, they were successful in protecting the department from complete exposure for several sessions, the plunder continuing with perfect impun

At length a civil service commission of three Lib-

The appointment of Mr. Johnston to the position of Deputy Minister of Marine is a challenge to all who have tried to expose the Marine Department graft and to bring about a reform. It is a notice to the reformers that they may as well quit so far as the marine service is concerned. Unless Mr. Johnston may repented of his share in the postpoment of the public crudities of his hosts, while it is still insisted on the protocolession of fault has come from him. After two terms of service with the group of blockers, he met defeat in the last election. Otherwise he would to far as one knows, be still at the old trade.

person whatsoever, and without any hope of any such dispensation from any person whatsoever, and without thinking that I am or can be acquitted before God of man of any part thereof, although the Pope or any othe person or persons or power whatsoever should dispense with or annul the same or declare that it was null an vold from the beginning."

THE CASE OF PROVIDENCE.

The prospect of the diversion of Grand Trunk Paci-fic freight to Providence is not to be brushed aside with the general statement that the government will pro-tect Canadian ports. Nothing has been done by the government or parliament to discourage the diversion of freight that has been promised to the port of Providence. It is perfectly lawful. More than that, the government caused to be defeated the motion which would have made it unlawful. It is a matter of official record that the President

It is a matter of official record that the President Hays and Vice President Fitzhugh of the Grand Trunk are incorporators of the proposed railway making contion with Provid

It is a matter of official record that the attorney fo the Grand Trunk Company, who appeared before the Rhode Island legislature committee, explained that the proposition would give the state a connection with West ern Canada. He fold the committee that this outlet was sought by Charles H. Hays, who had conceived the idea of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and had obtained the required government aid for it, and that this road opened up a territory which Mr. Hays believed to be the granery of the world.

"I am authorized to state," said this attorney, Mr Murdoch, "that if the improvement now projected in "the harbor (Providence) are carried to completion, "that when this line is built we will have a transcontinental Atlantic service running from Provid

Vice-President Fitzhugh is officially reported as stat-

"sider Providence the best place between Nova Scoti "and Florida for our purpose."

On the eleventh day of last March the London direct ors endorsed the plan of the extension to Providence.

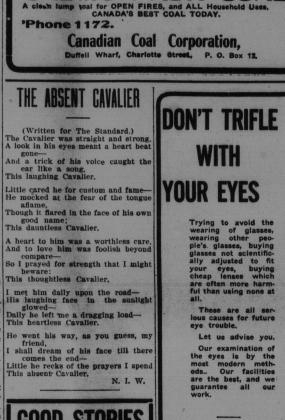
THE NORWEGIAN EPISODE.

impunity. At length a civil service commission of three Lib ratis, appointed for another purpose, found in the course of their inquiry that the Marine Department administra-tion was thoroughly rotten. Their report, convicting the marine officials of lack of conscience, and show in the course of their inquiry that the Marine Department administra-tine marine officials of lack of conscience, and show in the sene of momoplace way. The episode is a vigorous misun-terstanding with Mr. Knudsen vice-president of the group out of business as protectors of this branch of the public service. What followed is public history, but the facts that came before the public as the result of the civil service commission inquiry, and of the Cassels investigation were known years before to mem-bers on both sides, but were not formally proved because of the obstraction. When the facts were established a few dismissand no reform. The minister who allowed all these inquitties to go on under his yess remains at the head of the partment. Nearly all the same officials continuen-tersamed on the patronage list. The appointment of Mr. Johnston to the position It appeared at one time that Colonel Roosevel



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We do not know what girls as an administration may posses. But his public record is much like himself than if he had departed in peace. against his selection in this particular position.

A CHRISTIAN BURIAL.

A CHRISTIAN BURIAL. Some confusion of thought has occurred over a state ment made by Councillor Elkin in respect to the burial of certain paupers. Captain Elkin did not mention the Municipal Home and his statement that burials had that has had sore trouble in following the peculiar operations of Mr. Pugsley in respect to his power transmission bill. When that measure, which the minister promoted in van all one night, had been found out and kicked out, shich made it necessary for the public to burry them. Even in the case of an absolute stranger who is destitut there is no reason for neglecting the decent observance which prevails in a Christian country. A clergyman tells The Standard that he has officiated at the burial of mary auch strangers, and has frequently puld the burial of marses. Even a tramp of the most degenerate type has which prevails in a Christian councy. The Standard that he has officiated at the burial of many action strangers, and has frequently pild the burial ex-penses. Even a tramp of the most degenerate type has ad usually some sort of church relationship. But if no nuch connection can be discovered it will always be pos-sible in St. John to find a clergyman willing to perform the last offices which the community's religious instincts or training, or both, suggest. THAT OFFENSIVE DECLARATION. THAT OFFENSIVE DECLARATION.

At the beginning of the last reign it was predicted that no British sovereign after King Edward would be compelled to subscribe to the declaration which Catho-ics find offensive, and which most Protestants do not

PUT THEM IN THEIR JOBS. PUT THEM IN THEIR JOBS. PUT THEM IN THEIR JOBS. We have a subscription of the declaration which Cathorizes find offensive, and which most Protestants do not pretend to justify. Nothing has been done about it, and now King George and his ministers must face the ituation. Following are the words of the declaration which King Edward do solemnly and sincerely and in the presence of God profess, testify and declare that I do believe that in the sacrament of our Lord's Supper there is not any transubstantiation of the elements of brance. Mr. Hawes had objected to this arrangement, but the consecration thereof by any person whatsoever, if any other saint or the sacrifice of the mare supersti-jous and idolatrons, and I do solemnly, in the presence of God, profess, testify and declare that I do make the hey are now used in the Church of Rome are supersti-jous and idolatrons, and I do solemnly, in the presence of God, profess, testify and declare that I do make the scatter are now used in the Church of Rome are supersti-jous and idolatrons, and I do solemnly, in the presence of God, profess, testify and declare that I do make that performed to justify. The ministers whom and exist of the words read unto me as they are nommonly understood by English Protestants, without my evasion, equivocation or mental reservation whatsoever, my evasion, equivocation already granted me

AN UNSAFE GUIDE.

"Show me another, papa." JOSH WISE SAYS.

"Liars when they die, will lie still."

Mother (reprovingly)-Bobby, I told you distinctly if Mrs. Jones asked you to have a second piece of cake, to say, No, thank you. Bobby-I know, ma; but she didn't say would I have, she said would I like another piece, and if I'd er said no, I'd er ,told a lie,

She-Wouldn't you like to own an He-With you aboard I have n earthly use for one.

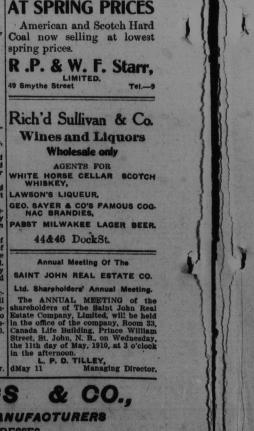
Mrs. Blunderby-John, I'm going out calling this afternoon I wish you would order me an equipance. Blunderby-Very well, my dear; a taxicab or a brougham? Mrs. B.-No; tell them to send up the best cart-de-visit they have.

What a hiddous creature, Jack What is it? An orang-outang from Sumatra. Oh? the delicious darling? Same place as those delightful rubber shares came from—the ones you bought me last month!

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