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SCIENCE FINDS A USE FOR THE VERMIFORM APPENDIX

English Surgeon Says It Has Justified Its Existence

It is Now Declared to be of Great Service to Surgeons as a Duct for Medicine to the Lower Intestines — Appendix is Still a Danger Spot.

New York, Dec. 19—A London despatch to the Times says: The vermiform appendix, which has been looked upon hitherto as useless and even a dangerous organ has at last justified its existence, according to a statement made by the surgeon of a London hospital, where the appendix has been shown to be a great help in treating diseases of the lower intestines. "One of the greatest difficulties of medicine," said the surgeon, "is to apply medicines to the lower intestines. The appendix has now been made use of as a short cut by which we can gain readier access to this part of the digestive tract."

"The new operation is to cut down to the appendix, just as in an ordinary appendicitis operation, but instead of cutting out this organ, it is threaded through the various layers of muscles in the abdominal wall and attached to the skin. It is then opened and by a tube, passed through its lumen passage any necessary medicine may be applied directly to the mucus membrane of the lower intestines. The appendix may with safety remain open in this position for the muscles of the abdominal wall act as an efficient guard."

"This is a matter of importance, since in ulcerative conditions of the intestines, it is necessary to continue medication for weeks or months. This making use of the appendix does not lessen its danger as a favorite focus for ulceration but it removes some of the stigma which has hitherto been attached to it by the profession.

ALDERMEN AND CIVIC REFORM

Likely to be Much Difference of Opinion Regarding New Engineer.

The question of reform in civic organization is occupying considerable attention from the aldermen now. A number of the city fathers were about city hall today discussing last night's meeting and commenting on the changes proposed.

The question of recommending the name of a suitable engineer is likely to cause some trouble as there is a diversity of opinion in the matter. Some are in favor of a local man for the position while others wish to bring a new man from outside. Among the names most prominently mentioned at present are H. G. Hunter and William Murdoch. The present officials whose term expires on Dec. 31 will probably be re-appointed temporarily until the new engineer takes charge and submits a scheme for re-organizing.

A GAME OLD SPORT

Resident of Oakland, 113 Years Old, Dances at Party With Girl 100 Years His Junior.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 19—At a benefit dance tendered him last night in this city 113 year old Captain Goddard E. Diamond led the Grand March with Miss Marie Montcith, who is 100 years his junior.

Captain Diamond was born in Plymouth, Mass., and in his youth was connected with the building of the first railroad in the country. He is a vegetarian and has written a book on the subject of longevity.

GENERAL SIMON'S CABINET

Port Au Prince, Dec. 19—General Simon, the newly elected president of Haiti, today announced his new cabinet as follows:

Minister of the interior—General Hippolyte; foreign minister—M. Claude; finance minister—M. Hereax; minister of war—General Marius; minister of public works—M. Canals; minister of justice—M. Magny.

The young king of Spain was indifferent about his dress until he was married, but the queen is fond of good clothes and insists that he shall be particular. He goes to many of the King's tailors and haberdashers, and some of his friends say he imitates King Edward's style of dress.

MR. FIELDING IS NOT ENCOURAGED

Canadian Minister of Finance Doubtful About Franco-Canadian Treaty Passing French Senate.

Paris, Dec. 19—W. S. Fielding, the Canadian minister of finance, who has been in this city for several days on business connected with the Franco-Canadian commercial treaty, is not particularly encouraged regarding the outlook for ratification by the French senate. In view of the approaching general tariff revision in France French protectionists are manifesting extreme hostility to the treaty and Canada is not ready to offer further concessions.

Owing to the early re-assembling of the Canadian parliament Mr. Fielding does not expect to go to Germany before his return home, and the question of opening negotiations for a new Canadian-German treaty will consequently be postponed for the present.

HANGED HERSELF TO HER BEDPOST

Mrs. John McDiarmid Committed Suicide While Temporarily Insane.

Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 18—This morning about 11 o'clock Mrs. John MacDiarmid, of Nelson, was found dead in her room by her daughter, having committed suicide by hanging herself to the bedpost, while temporarily insane from the effects of chronic deforming rheumatism, with which she has been sorely afflicted for three years or more.

Deceased was apparently in her usual health this morning, although she passed a very restless night, suffering intensely. Dr. Desmond was notified and examined witnesses, but decided that an inquest was unnecessary. Deceased was sixty years old and leaves a husband, son and two daughters.

NO PENNIES FOR HIM

Wilkesbarre Priest Says He Will Return Any Put in the Basket.

Wilkesbarre, Dec. 19—Pennies will no longer be accepted hereafter in the collection baskets at St. Mary's Catholic church, which has the largest congregation of any in this city.

Some time ago the pastor, the Rev. R. A. McAndrew, requested that nothing less than a nickel be placed in the baskets. This request was not heeded, and yesterday he made the announcement at all masses that after this pennies will not be accepted.

"Any one who is so poor as to give the church no more than a penny at the Sunday collection," he said, "needs the cent more than the church does."

He added that if his words are not heeded he would be compelled, disagreeable as it miglit be, to accompany the collectors and personally return all pennies placed in the basket. He said that last Sunday not fewer than 1,000 persons gave pennies.

KILLED AS SHE BADE A LAUGHING GOODBYE TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

Chicago, Dec. 19—While a bevy of her school children whom she had just dismissed for the Christmas vacation, waved loving farewells to Miss Mabel Crandal, a teacher at Meyers Road, the young woman stepped in front of an express train on an electric line and was instantly killed.

One arm held a bundle of Christmas gifts made by her charges.

The other was upraised in a gesture of affection to the little group and a laughing admonition to them to "be good," was on her lips as the car struck her. The happy farewell was never finished and the young woman died without a cry.

A proclamation has been issued reserving Carmarthen and Cliff streets, Victoria and Harrison, in the North End, and Watson and Duke streets on the West Side, for coasting. From Canard to Bridge streets is the Victoria street limit. The sport is allowable from Main to Hilyard streets on Harrison. On Watson street it is between Duke and Charlotte, and Duke street between Watson and Market Place. On Cliff it is from Cobourg to Waterloo, and Carmarthen from Duke to St. James.

The Prince of Wales has given $200 to the London county council fund for providing meals for necessitous school children. About $3,000 per week is being expended in feeding 21,000 children.

BUT FOR A TIMELY RESCUE JAPANESE SAILORS WOULD HAVE PERISHED ON ISLAND

They Were Marooned on a Lonely Island in the Pacific Ocean—Lived for Three Months on Fish and Sea Birds and Drank Crudely Distilled Sea Water—Rescued by Cable Schooner

Midway Islands, Pacific Ocean, Dec. 19—Stress of weather, which compelled the Commercial Pacific Cable Company's schooner Florence Ward, to deviate from her course from Honolulu to the cable station here, and run for Lee Hermes Island for shelter, was the means of bringing about the rescue of three Japanese marooned plumage hunters from further torture and probable death from disease or starvation. Originally there were four men of the party, but one of them died. The schooner, which landed the men on the island and was to have returned for them, is supposed to have been lost.

The Florence Ward, commanded by Captain Piltz, was bringing supplies here from Honolulu, when a heavy gale broke and she was compelled to seek shelter at Lee Hermes Island, 80 miles southeast of Midway. Distress signals were observed on shore and Captain Piltz sent a small boat to investigate. Three Japanese sailors were found. Two of them were suffering from scurvy. The other man also was in bad shape.

The Japanese were immediately taken aboard the Florence Ward, where they were given food and fresh clothing. Through an interpreter one of the Japanese told a pathetic tale of their trials on the island. He said that for three months they had gone without any food except fish and the flesh of sea birds. No fresh water was obtainable and they were compelled to drink crudely distilled sea water. When a fire was needed they were compelled to light it with the rays of the sun upon small pieces of tinder through the crystal of a watch.

According to the story of the Japanese, the schooner Kioho Maru, of Himawa, Captain Sugeea, put into Hermes about July 1, and landed four men. From what could be learned the task of the men presumably was to collect the plumage of sea birds. The Kiobo Maru departed a few days later, leaving one month's provisions for the men on the island, intending shortly to return and take them off. She never did. Shortly after the departure of the schooner a terrific storm broke and huge seas swept over the island, carrying away with them most of the supplies and effects of the marooned men. On what was left, they subsisted as long as it lasted and then were compelled to live on fish and seabirds. Fukumatsu Sujiyama, one of the men, succumbed as a result of exposure and improper food, and the other three men could not have long survived. The three men who were taken off by the Florence Ward are being cared for at the cable station here and in a few days will be taken to Honolulu by the schooner.

LOST HIS LIFE FOR A SINGLE CENT'S WORTH OF CHRISTMAS

The Sad Story of a New York Newsboy Who Lost His Life Trying to Earn Christmas Money.

(New York American.)

"Over on Broadway there's a regular Santy Claus," said ten-year-old Johnnie Nugent to his chum, seven-year-old Eddie Bowler, as school let out on the East Side yesterday afternoon. "I never seen no Santy Claus—only pictures. Did you? Let's go over."

They put their books away, Johnnie in his home, No. 536 First avenue; Eddie in his, No. 326 East Thirty-second street. Then they trudged, skipping curbs and whistling across to the region of hurrying crowds, dazzling shop windows, marvellous toys and Santa Claus himself, who greeted them in a department store at Broadway and Thirty-fourth street.

"I was a kid last year," said Johnnie, the ten-year-old. "Me mother wouldn't let me come here and i dasn't go without askin'. Gee, ain't it great—that little auto 'n' all?"

"Fine!" agreed Eddie. "If we could only have just one o' them things — one apiece—any of 'em!"

They didn't have any money, of course, Johnnie's mother is a widow, who works in Bellevue Hospital, and Eddie's folks have little to spare for the children. They expected to walk back across town just as they had walked over. "A kid that ain't got a nickel," said Johnnie philosophically, "is got a swell chance o' gettin' anything."

But then the idea seized him; he would start earning money at once. He went to a newsboy, and the latter, with the freemasonry of the streets, "lent him two papers to sell. In a moment he was yelling "Extry—all about the Hains trial!" Eddie helped him to yell.

A customer beckoned from across the street. Johnnie darted toward him, just in front of the Hotel Martinique, above Thirty-second street. A Broadway surface cars, crowded and hurrying with the 6 o'clock traffic, loomed up suddenly. There was a little cry, then the forward pair of wheels ran over the boy, and his body became jammed in the rear wheels.

While a tremendous crowd of shoppers surrounded the car, some men — and Eddie — crawled underneath. The men came out with Johnnie's body; his little chum had his torn cap and the two evening papers.

In the Tenderloin station, before a group of policemen, who wept without shame, Eddie perched on the rail before Lieutenant Gilhooley's desk,told the whole story while he clung to the battered relics.

"Mr. Lieutenant," he asked at the end, "do you think Johnnie will get alive again?"

"Maybe Santa Claus will take care of him," said Gilhooley gravely and he turned quickly away.

MILLIONAIRES WENT HUNGRY AS RESULT OF QUARANTINE

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Dec. 18—For the first time in his life, Signor de Aguero, reputed to be one of the wealthiest Italians in New York, together with a party of distinguished fellow countrymen was forced to go without his dinner. It all happened as the result of the cattle and dressed meat embargo.

To the rear of rand Trunk express No. 4, leaving the Bridge Street Station was attached Signor de Aguero's private car, "Sunlight." The party was bound to Cobalt to inspect some mining property in which they were interested. Just before the train pulled out, Dr. Orchard, Dominion inspector, Customs Officers George Buckley and A. R. Robertson, put in an appearance on the rear platform of the private car. Just here is where the trouble began for the millionaires. The officials demanded to be admitted to the chef's pantry. There they found all of the choicest of viands, including dressed turkeys, chickens, ducks and a whole side of beef. All of these were ordered burned. The foreigners protested that they had not yet dined, and would have no time to procure edibles until they reached Toronto. In spite of the vehement protests of the millionaires the viands were burned in a Grand Trunk engine, and the vessels containing them were left behind to be disinfected.

LAKE MICHIGAN SHOULD ARRIVE HERE ON MONDAY

She Was Reported by Wireless 130 Miles East of Cape Sable This Morning.

The C. P. R. royal mail steamship Empress of Britain, which arrived at Halifax last evening, left for St. John at 1.30 o'clock this morning, and should reach port early this evening.

A wireless message was received at the Marconi station on Partridge Island at ten o'clock this morning from the C. P. R. steamer Lake Michigan. She was then 130 miles east of Cape Sable and should reach here about one o'clock on Monday.

JUDGE HANNINGTON'S HEALTH HAS IMPROVED

Dorchester, N. B., Dec. 19—(Special)—Mr. Justice Hannington, who has been seriously ill at his home here for the past two months is now improving and is able to be about the house. His recovery has been slow, but he is reported to be doing nicely and will probably soon be out again.

TALKS ABOUT SPLIT LOG DRAG

The Originator of This Method of Road Work is Now in Maine.

Waterville, Me., Dec. 18—At the meeting of the Maine State Grange on Thursday, D. Ward King gave a talk upon the split log drag and its use in road-making.

Concerning the way it happened to come into existence Mr. King in an interview with a Bangor Commercial representative, had this to say: "I was reared in Springfield, Ohio, but went onto the farm when a young man on account of my health. I discovered the method of taking care of the roads accidentally. My home was three miles from the post office; the roads were very muddy and bad and I experimented in various ways seeking to improve them. It was merely as an experiment that I started out one spring in 1896 with a crude implement similar to what is now called the King road drag. With this implement I drove from my own front gate to my neighbor's front gate, toward town, driving my team with one horse on each side of the right hand wheel track, turning in at my neighbor's gate, returning home over the other wheel track.

"The drag on which I rode was made to follow the team at an angle so that as it smoothed the road, any surplus earth and the larger clods were deposited in a little wind row in the centre of the roadway. Of course in going and coming a small amount of earth was brought from each side of the road. This is a short hand story of the discovery of what is now known as the King-System of road building, a system which has revolutionized the road work of the middle west, is probably in use in every state of the union and in every province of Canada.

"It is also in use in Australia and the South American states. The secretary of agriculture reports that he has received a great many inquiries from foreign consils concerning this method of taking care of the road. The King drag should be used after every rain or wet spell at the time when the soil is moist but not sticky. If used when too wet, the work is much more severe on the team than is necessary and if travel continues, it will be cut up and need further work: if too dry, while the road may be slightly improved, it will not pack and cement as it will do if the soil is slightly moist."

Mr. King in speaking further said that it would soon be nine years since he was employed in exploiting the system of road building. The local newspapers gave the half mile of road that he prepared notoriety, the state officials heard of it, and sent a man up there to investigate; the result was an invitation from the state authorities to deliver a series of lectures and the gentleman still spends considerable time for the states of Missouri, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska, and Ohio adopted the new system. The railroads of the west employed him and put him in a private car with all its appurtenances, and the outfit visited towns on the line, spending a day in a town, holding a meeting and getting the matter started. Mr. King came from North Dakota where he was Dec. 9 to Maine, arriving in the state Sunday. He spoke near Memphis, Tenn., Saturday, Dec. 5. The address before the grange was the gentleman's fourth speech since reaching the state, Auburn, Lewiston, Augusta, having been visited and Bangor and Portland being next on the list, where, under the auspices of the boards of trade of the two cities, his address will be delivered.

FELL FROM A STAGING

Patrick Mullaly Injured While Working in Winter Street School Today.

Shortly after eleven o'clock today Patrick Mullaly aged sixty-two while working on a staging in one of the class rooms of the Winter street school missed his footing and fell headlong to the floor striking on his head with terrific force and rendering him unconscious. Blood flowed profusely from a deep gash in the injured man's head and Doctors A. F. Emery and A. A. Lewin, who were passing were hurriedly summoned and supplied temporary relief. When the ambulance arrived on the scene he was conveyed to the hospital. Mr. Mullaly was in the employ of R. J. Green who is repairing the interior of the building. Owing to Mr. Mullaly's advanced years it was believed that the fall would have serious consequences but reports from the hospital indicate that two open wounds on his head and a damaged eye are the extent of his injuries.

Professor Rauschenbuck of Rochester Theological seminary says the industrial revolution of today seeks to extend to industrial and economic life the principles of the Reformation and the French Revolution. The Congregationalists, he says, are pledged by their ideals of freedom to join this revolution.

MONCTON MAY HAVE TEMPERANCE HOTELS

Present Hotels Threaten to Close If They Can't Sell Liquor

Scott Act Victory and Recent Supreme Court Decisions Upholding Judgments of Moncton Court Have Set Liquor Men Thinking.

Moncton, Dec. 19—(Special)—With the overwhelming support given to the Scott Act in Thursday's election and the supreme court upholding every judgment of the local court in Scott Act cases the outlook is a dismal one for local liquor dealers and leading hotel men state today that all the principal city hotels would close up within a very short time following the example of Amherst hotels some time ago.

Judgments handed down in the supreme court this week make it possible that several leading city hotel men who have as yet escaped the penalty will be obliged to go to jail for Scott Act violation.

The police have started a crusade against the selling of tobacco, notably cigarettes to minors. A few evenings ago a fourteen year old boy caught smoking a cigarette was taken to jail and obliged to tell where he got the forbidden weed. He named Charles Jones and in the police court this morning the latter was fined ten dollars.

ALL FOOLS ARE NOT DEAD YET

Here is an Evidence in the Case of a Man Who Will Go Over Niagara Falls in a Rubber Ball

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 19—"Bobby," Robert Leach, proprietor of the New Chippewa Hotel, at Chippewa, announces his intention of going over the Horseshoe Falls in June next, in a rubber ball.

The Bristol Rubber Co., of Bristol, Rhode Island, is now constructing the vessel in which he will make his perilous descent over the falls. There will be two balls, one within the other. The outer ball will be thirteen feet in diameter and the inner one, in which Leach will hazard his life, eleven feet in diameter. The inner ball will be held in position by four spiral steel springs, and sufficient oxygen will be pumped into it to give a man a bare chance for his life if anything goes wrong. The ball will be placed in the Niagara River at Chippewa and will float through the upper rapids down over the mighty cataract.

JACK LONDON AND WIFE AMONG HOSTILE BLACKS

Novelist and His Boat Snark Were Taken Out of Trouble by a Missionary.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 19—The arrival of Jack London, the novelist, and his wife at Sydney is reported by the Canadian-Australian liner Makura, which arrived from Australia last night. London's boat, the Snark, went ashore at Malaita Island. She missed stays and a current put her on a reef. Natives, none of whom were in sight, then swarmed about the Snark and threats to fire frightened them away. About 1,200 blacks gathered on the beach with all manner of weapons, and it seemed there would be trouble, when a missionary arrived, and with his vessel floated the Snark, which was left at the Solomon Islands while London and his wife went on to Sydney. The missionary had his house burned down by the natives in revenge for the assistance he gave. London went to Sydney to undergo a minor operation in the hospital there. Passengers on the Makura included Mrs. R. A. Alley, the well-known woman steamship manager. She expects to secure a renewal of the New Zealand subsidy, and will fit the steamers with cold storage chambers.

ELECTION PETITIONS

Application for Their Dismissal Was Made to Judge McLeod This Morning and Judgment Was Reserved.

Application was made before His Honor Justice McLeod at noon today for dismissal of the four election protests filed against New Brunswick members of parliament. The seats protested were, Hon. Wm. Pugsley, St. John county, and Dr. D. H. McAlister, of Kings-Albert, liberal members, and Dr. J. W. Daniel, St. John city, and Oswald S. Crocket, York county, conservative members. A. P. Barnhill, K. C., and Dr. A. O. Earle, K. C., represented the liberal members, and Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, the conservative members. The application was to have the protests stricken from the files, on the ground that the petitions had not been served on the respondents within the required time, and they were therefore void.

His honor reserved judgment.

POTATOES FOR NEW YORK

(New York Herald, Dec. 17.)

New York has discovered a new source of food supply, and this time it is for the humble but efficient stayer of famine, the Irish potato. Three schooners loaded with them came into port yesterday, and today there will be an abundance of potatoes on the market.

Prince Edward Island contains the fields from which the supply is drawn, all three schooners coming from Cardigan. The vessels brought a total of 17,101 bushels, consigned to Oscar Prommel & Brother.

About 3,600 cattle, the majority from Sligo and Letrim, county Derry, Ireland, were sold in one week recently for export.

WILL REMOVE HERE EARLY NEXT MONTH

Percy W. Thompson and R. S. Ewing Home from Ontario Fire Insurance Co.'s Meeting in Toronto.

Percy W. Thomson and Robert S. Ewing, of Wm. Thomson & Co., returned from Toronto at noon today. They were attending a special meeting of the Ontario Fire Insurance Company. At the meeting authorization was given for the removal of the company's head office from Toronto to St. John. It was decided that there would be no changes in the management as the result of the removal. The company will probably require three or four large rooms in one of the upper floors of the Royal Bank building. The staff numbers about [illegible] and of this number about ten of the present staff at Toronto will be brought here as they are experts who could not very well be replaced. The balance, however, will be secured here. The company have five men on the road whose respective territories are Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. The removal will probably take place in the early part of January. Robert Thomson is president of the company, and of the nine directors, six are St. John men.

THIRTEEN YEAR OLD BOY SENT TO PRISON

John Reynolds Gets Five Year Sentence for Manslaughter.

Jersey City, N. J., Dec. 19—Youngest of any prisoner to be sent to state prison from this county in many years, John Reynolds, 13 years old, who pleaded guilty to the killing of Peter Bachinella, 15 years old, in July last, has been given a five year sentence to the Trenton prison. Bachinella, who was a rag picker, was stabbed in the heart by Reynolds, the lad's weapon being his pocket knife. The court accepted a plea of guilty to manslaughter from the youthful prisoner.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Dec. 19—Today's stock trading was not broad but some strong spots were developed in the list. Dominion Textile which advanced to 60 1-8, Richilieu continued active and touched 77 3-4 and Dominion Steel pfd which was active up to 70 1-2, Montreal Power was also a strong feature at 108 1-4.

A meeting of the sub committee of the stockholders of the proposed Conservative newspaper is being held this afternoon to consider the establishment of the new paper. It is expected to make its appearance next month.

A NEW YORK BROKER SHOT WHILE IN HIS OWN OFFICE

Henry B. Suydam, a Mining Broker, Refused to Pay a Bil and His Creditor Shot Him.

New York, Dec. 19—Henry B. Suydam, a mining stock broker, member of the Curb Stock Market, and an alderman of Plainfield, N. J., was shot and dangerously wounded in his office on Broad street today by John C. Lumsden, an inventor, who claimed that Suydan refused to pay him money for an invention.

Lumsden was arrested after making a desperate struggle with George A. Downs, a young clerk employed by Suydam, upon whom the broker had called for help when he saw Lumsden reaching for his revolver. cLumsden asserted that he fired the shot in self-defence. Lumsden called at Suydam's office, which is directly over the Curb Market. The broker and the inventor stood in the front window of Suydam's office in full view of Suydam's fellow members of the Curb Market, as they traded in the street below. They were in animated conversation, it is understood, Lumsden trying to collect a bill which he claimed was due him. Suddenly Mr. Suydam called out to Downs to seize Lumsden, as he was going to shoot. Downs rushed to his employer's aid and struggled with Lumsden for the possession of the revolver, which the inventor had drawn. While Downs held him, Lumsden reached under his arm and fired two shots at Suydam, one of which took effect in his left breast below the heart. The other bullet went out of the window. Downs then seized the revolver and was threatening Lumsden with it when W. H. Collins, the agent of the building, interposed and possibly saved Lumsden's life. Collins and Downs kept Lumsden a prisoner until the police arrived. Trading in the Curb Market was temporarily suspended, as Lumsden was being taken from the building to police headquarters, and a crowd gathered threatening violence on the inventor. They were awed by the police, however.

Lumsden would only say that he shot in self-defence. He lives in this city. He would not discuss his invention or disclose what claim he had against Suydam.

Mr. Suydam was removed to a hospital where he was found to be in a critical condition.

FREDERICTON LIQUOR SEIZURE MAY DEVELOPE MUCH INTEREST

Intercolonial Railway Has Demanded a Return of the Liquor Seized, But Col. Marsh Refuses to Give It Up.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 19—(Special)—An inventory of the liquor seized at the Intercolonial railway station Thursday evening taken by Chief Winter this morning showed three barrels of brandy, four of gin and seven of whiskey. The Intercolonial authorities acting on advice from the department of justice have made a demand for return of the liquor but Col. Marsh refused to comply with it. There is much speculation as to what move the railway authorities will next make. The identity of the consignees has not yet been disclosed.

Rev. A. H. Watkins, of Campbellton, will be ordained a priest at Christchurch Cathedral tomorrow morning by Bishop Richardson, assisted by Dean Schofield, sub deacon Stret and Canons Cowie and Montgomery.

Turkeys sold in the market here this morning for 22 cents and geese at $1 each. Eggs are scarce at 35 cents.

The thermometer registered four below zero here last night.

ST. PIERRE RIOTS DISCUSSED IN THE FRENCH SENATE TODAY

Paris, Dec. 19—There was an animated incident in the senate this morning during the session of the colonial budget regarding the recent rioting by the people of St. Pierre, Miq., over the question of free schools. St. Pierre, Miquelon, is a French island off the coast of New Foundland, and one feature of the demonstration was the raising of the American flag. M. Milles Lecroix, minister of the colonies, explained that owing to the clearly defined separatist movement at St. Pierre he had given the local governor instructions to be firm, but conciliatory. Senator Delahaye protested with energy against the aspersions thus cast upon the patriotism of the inhabitants of the island and charged that the manifestations were an outgrowth of the persecution of the "free schools." M. Delahaye was interrupted by a senator who called attention to the fact that the people of St. Pierre had raised the American flag, to which he replied that this had been done because the American flag was the symbol of liberty. No such incident was ever occurred in the older colonies" declared Senator Ciceron of Guadaloupe.

"The reason is "M. Delahaye answered" That the colonies are inhabited only by negroes" Amid a storm of prostestation Senator Lintelhac shouted: "We should think of the color of the flag, and not that of the colonist."

Senator Riotteau then demanded the recall of the French warship sent out to St. Pierric Miquelon, but the Colonial Minister replied that in view of the disturbances her presence was necessary for the maintenance of the prestige of the flag.

A motion to increase the St. Pierre Miquelon appropriation by $4,000 finally was adopted by the Senate.