

A LAST WORD.

On Monday the electors will decide who is to be mayor of Fredericton for the present year, and they should have no trouble in arriving at a conclusion as to how they shall cast their ballot. On the one side is Mayor Beckwith, with his years of experience in the city council and chief magistrate's chair; and with a record against which the breath of criticism has not been raised in the present contest; the candidate of no party, class, society or faction, Mr. Jordan, on the other hand, was brought into the field by a society which, for some reason not yet disclosed, is making strenuous efforts to secure control of the city machinery. He is without experience in civic affairs, and has no special claim for the position that should outweigh all other considerations urged against him. The HERALD cannot be accused in having any particular interest in Mr. Beckwith's personal success. He is nothing to the HERALD; he is, indeed, and has been, entirely opposed to a man who might be regarded as friendly to this paper, but in the present contest we have given him support, because in surveying the field, we concluded he is best fitted for the position of mayor, having regard to his past course, and because he came into the contest independently, and has not sought to represent this or that body, but the public interest, and the electorate as a whole. THE HERALD, for these reasons, and others which it has put forward in the past few weeks, urges its friends to vote for Mr. Beckwith on Monday, and assure his election, by a good majority.

WHERE THE BLAME LIES.

When all the facts are known, it will probably be found that some of our enthusiastic conservative friends are to blame for the extinction of the Infantry school band. General Herbert has stated, that one reason why he ordered the abolition of the band was that of late it had been exceeding its functions, and this is understood to refer to the band accompanying Hon. Mr. Foster and his political friends to a tonic picnic organized by Mr. Wilmot, M. P., at Belmont. Possibly the gentlemen who engaged the band, and thus dragged it into the political arena, believed the band, school, and all, were part and parcel of the Tory machine, and not an organization which should have no place in partyism. It is very much to be regretted that the band is no more, but it is just as well to know who were the parties responsible for its extinction. If Mr. Foster, Mr. Wilmot and Mr. Temple wanted their praise blown through brass instruments without legs, they might have hired another band, and not placed the Infantry school band in a position which, according to General Herbert's interpretation, violated military rules, and resulted in disaster.

C. P. R. ENTERPRISE.

The Canadian Pacific railway company have entered upon a bold and rather novel scheme for colonizing their lands in the North West, and apparently feel that great success will attend the effort. Mr. Armstrong, manager of their colonization office at Montreal, has returned from a missionary tour of Western Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois. With a pair of horses he crossed these states with many a detour from Chicago to Detroit. Everywhere among the farmers and artisans, he preached a promised land. He told of the unrivalled pasture lands of the great North-West of Canada. Mr. Armstrong says that the people of these states realize that the time is past when their sons can find places in the cities and towns. He met scores of young men who have returned from the city to the farm, having discovered that there is no room for them in town. Mr. Armstrong says for them in the country of the American west, not the east, nor the north, nor the south. The tragic rush of 300,000 men and women to get possession of some 17,000 farms in the Cherokee Strip was a striking illustration of the land-hunger seizing the people of the Republic. Then the collapse of the silver boom, through the repeal of the Sherman Bill, has brought disaster to irrigating farmers on the arid lands of Colorado. Uncle Sam is rich enough to give us all a farm - the refrain of the glad old song, is no longer true. The time has come, Mr. Armstrong says, for Canada's claims to be heard. And heard they were respectively in a hundred school houses and town halls of the west. The C. P. R. railroad now offers to carry two delegates from every county in the states, through which Mr. Armstrong has passed, to the Canadian North-West. Every one of the delegates sent out from the Eastern States had reported favorably to intending emigrants. They said that the grass lands of the Saskatchewan and Peace River valleys are as rich as those of Kentucky, with a crop of oats thrown in. All this Mr. Armstrong told the school-house audiences, giving geographical reasons why Canada was thus favored.

A PROHIBIT I PLEBISCITE.

The popular vote in Ontario, Monday, on the question of prohibiting the liquor traffic, resulted in an overwhelming majority for prohibition, but whether this will have practical effect in futher the passage of a prohibition measure in the dominion parliament, is yet to be seen, Ontario is the third province to pronounce in this way, the question having already been carried in the same way in Manitoba and Prince Edward Island. It may also be noted here, that the New Brunswick house of assembly, two years ago, unanimously passed a resolution in favor of prohibition. Plebiscites and local legislative votes, however, will not give Canada prohibition. It is to Ottawa the people must look for practical work in the direction of prohibition.

We observe that Hon. George E. Foster has been interviewed on the result of the Ontario vote and the finance minister is reported to have remarked in this wise: "The vote on prohibition is certainly a remarkable one, the majority being large and uniform in the cities. I think we may take the actual vote as the fair relative voice of the electorate. If this be so, the call is a strong one. It, of course, does not decide the question for Ontario, as the matter voted on is not acknowledged to be within the jurisdiction of the province, but it may be fairly taken to indicate the position of Ontario on the larger question."

"How would a prohibitory law affect the revenue?" "That is no difference so far as mere revenue is concerned," replied the finance minister, "whether the tax is on tea, coffee and by direct tax or liquor. That is the people's matter for them to decide. All that is wished to do in relation to this is to clear that revenue would be raised - so that they would

THE ROARING GAME.

Matters of Interest to the Jolly Curriers - A Protracted Meeting.

The Fredericton Curling club is booming this season, and the members look to a very successful winter's sport. The membership has largely increased, and the financial standing of the club is good.

The Christmas and New Year's matches between the president and vice-presidents' rinks, started up play, and every afternoon, and often in the evening, the ice is occupied. The match on Monday resulted in favor of the vice-presidents with the following score, by rinks:

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| J S Neil.....   | 5  | J B Grievs.....   | 7  |
| T G Loggie..... | 6  | G W Hoegs.....    | 10 |
| R Barker.....   | 12 | J H Hawthorn..... | 17 |
| E H Allen.....  | 12 | H C Gutter.....   | 14 |

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POSSIBLE EUROPEAN WAR.

A usually authentic cable writer to the American press, says, that there is quite a general conviction on the other side of the Atlantic, that the present year must see a European war. He says that in looking over an expert diagnosis of the military situation for the past five or six years, it is curious to note the number of reasons they gave connected with the changing of weapons, completion of fortresses, and so on, for the belief that nobody would be ready to fight until 1894. Everybody studying Europe's vast preparations for the struggle, seems to pitch upon this as the date when they will come naturally to a head. Now that we are on the threshold of this year of prophecy, we discover that it is also a year of abundant menaces and provocations on its own account. But not the wisest of the prophets foresee the most characteristic and significant feature of all which is the mission of 1894 to develop. That is undoubtedly the fever of Anglophobia which has now taken such powerful hold on the French mind. Englishmen who habitually visit France at mid-winter, return now shaking their heads. While there has been no overt discourtesy, they have been conscious this time of an almost universal speech, amounting to a slur on their country. They say that even in the years immediately following 1871, the Germans in France never experienced such an apparent and general hostility as the English now encounter. War is not made on grounds of this kind, the writer adds, but we know well enough that national sentiment of this sort exerts a prodigious direct influence on the conduct of French international relations, and we know that practically all of France's outstanding disputes are with England. There are Egypt, Siam, Newfoundland, Madagascar, West Africa, and Morocco, to mention no more, any one of which contains the potential seeds of rupture. Before that Russian squadron steamed around into the Mediterranean, these vexed questions were at worst, difficult. As France feels now, they become dangerous.

SUNBURY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Proceedings of the January Session.

The Sunbury municipal council opened at the court house, Burton, Tuesday. All the councillors were present and introduced to the roll as follows: Geo E Armstrong and Fred Babbitt, Burton; Alby Grass and H B Mitchell, Lincoln; W Y Hoyt and Ford C Taylor, Blenville; Wesley Nason and Jeremiah H. Tracy, Burton; and G A Perley, Manguerville; T P Taylor and C J Burpee, Sheffield; William Egers and James Powers, Northfield.

Geo E Armstrong was elected warden and James W. White was re-elected secretary-treasurer at a salary of \$120. David S Duplisea was re-elected auditor, with \$40 salary.

The following committees were appointed by the warden: On secretary-treasurer's accounts - Cousins Purpee, Perley and Ford C Taylor, Banks and Power. Jall - Cousins Babbitt, Hoyt, and Rebecca Kerr, both of Williamsburg.

The bill of F B Halsey, jaller, was passed and ordered to be paid. The accounts committee report shows a cash balance on hand of over \$1,300. The motion to adopt this report carried a somewhat lengthy and spirited discussion. Councillor T P Taylor shoyed by the minutes of the last January session, that the amount ordered to be assessed for contingencies was \$1615.10, and that the assessment warden had made up by the secretary-treasurer was very much in excess of what was ordered. The secretary was unable to explain the discrepancy to the satisfaction of Coun Taylor, and after some further discussion the matter dropped.

A bill was presented for \$195.50 for services rendered by C E Duffy, clerk of the peace. Mr Duffy was granted a hearing before the board. He explained that he had spent over eleven days and one-half conducting criminal proceedings before the justice at their request, and producing certificates of the same, and that the council had in the past voted \$15 per day for like services to his predecessor. He also produced certificates from several justices to whom he had furnished legal services in criminal matters. After some discussion the bill was referred to a committee who made a settlement with the clerk of the peace for \$100, and a salary of \$80 was voted for like services next year.

A number of bills, caused by the unusual amount of criminal proceedings, created considerable discussion. The lists of different parish officers were passed with some changes from last year. Dr Camp was appointed chairman of the board of health and a bill of \$7 connected therewith passed.

Coun Taylor, of Sheffield, rebuked the secretary-treasurer for an error whereby a number of parishes free from debt were compelled to bear an undue share of the parishes that are not in debt because of the warrants of assessment not being properly proportioned. The secretary-treasurer was unable to explain satisfactorily, and a motion was made by Coun Mitchell to have the assessed amounts referred to the different parishes.

Wedding Bells.

At Kingsport, N. S., Dec. 29th, Rev. Mr. Austin, Congregational minister at Sheffield, to Lucia Tupper.

At St. Marys, Dec. 29th, by Rev. Willard McDonald, D. G. Gibson, to Rebecca Kerr, both of Williamsburg.

At Truro, N. S., Dec. 28th, David H. Coffin of Sydney, C. B., to Sadie Bubar, formerly of Nashua.

In the city, Jan. 1st, by Rev. P. C. Hartley, Richardson Boone, J. P., to Maria Alexander, both of this city.

At Fredericton Junction, Dec. 27th, John L. Maynard of Fredericton Junction, to Ada P. Tracy of the same place.

At St. Ann's church, in this city, Jan. 2d, by Rev. Canon Roberts, rector, William John Douglas of Stanley, to Tessa W. Humble of the same place.

At New Westminster, B. C., Dec. 14th, M. F. Eddy, formerly of Bathurst, N. B., to Lottie R., daughter of Martin Emmerson, formerly of Oranooko.

The Aldermanic Elections.

Some interest is being taken in the aldermanic elections which are to take place on Monday, the 22nd inst., and probable candidates in the different wards announced so far are:

Wellington - Aids. Vandine and Macpherson, and W. H. Anderson. Alonzo Staples has retired.

St. Ann's - Aids. Gilman, Elijah Estabrooke and Fred Quartermain.

Carlton - Aids. Farrell and Everett, Israel R. Golding and Walter S. Fisher. Aids. Farrell and Mr. Golding are running together and are regarded as a winning team.

Queens - No opposition is yet announced against Aids. Moore and Macnutt.

Kings - Aids. Block and Duffie and Wm. Roelborough.

Another Exhibition.

The annual meeting of Agricultural Society, District No. 34, was held Saturday afternoon at the Queen Hotel, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: John A Campbell, president; John M. Wiley, vice-president; A S Murray, secretary; W T Whitehead, treasurer; D F George, J S Neil, John C Murray, John Camber, Mayor Beckwith, M Tennant, Albert E Kilburn, Hubbard Niles, Isaac Peabody, directors; J W McCready, F B Edgecombe and A D Thomas, auditors. The meeting decided on holding the annual exhibition on September 25th, 26th, and 27th, 1894, and a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of erecting a large permanent building.

Personal Mention.

Prof Murray, of Dalhousie college, was here over Sunday.

John Anderson, ex-M P P, of the Barony, was a visitor to the city this week.

George W Allen, barrister, is in St John taking a hand in the celebrated Shaftoe case.

Mrs W T Whitehead has been called to Hampton by the death of her father, George Crawford.

Rev J R Kerr, son-in-law of Malcolm Ross, water works engineer, spent New Year's with his wife, who is spending the winter at her old home here.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The News of the World in Brief - The Cream of Our Exchanges.

Good flour is selling wholesale at Toronto for \$2.65.

The Hooper murder trial is in progress at Joliette, Quebec.

The C. P. R. have declared a yearly dividend of 5 per cent.

W. A. Patterson, conservative M. P. for Colchester, N. S., is seriously ill.

The Nova Scotia legislature opened Tuesday for the despatch of business.

Twenty-seven chemists from all over Canada have been challenged for selling adulterated pharmaceuticals.

Waring Kennedy was elected mayor of Toronto, Monday, defeating R. J. Fleming, the late mayor, by 4,524 votes.

Hon. Mr. Laurier was banqueted at Quebec Thursday night, 300 guests sitting down. Hon. H. G. Joly presided.

After this year, Montreal's mayor will be elected by the city council, which will be reduced from 36 to 24 members.

The total yield of wool last year in the United States was 394,157,666 pounds, the largest American crop ever raised.

Early Kay has been re-elected warden of Westmorland, defeating Amos Ogden, and placing the position once more in liberal hands.

Burglars invaded Conrad Durkee's private bank at Franklin Grove, Ill., Tuesday night, and got away with over \$30,000, leaving no clue.

An eight year old preacher occupied the pulpit of a Congregational church at Harlem, N. Y., on Sunday last, and delivered what is called a wise sermon for his years.

The death sentence passed on Hill, the Manitoba boy murderer whose case was recently referred to in THE HERALD, has been commuted to imprisonment for life.

At Chamath, Monday night, the action of two Salvation officers in endeavoring to eject two unruly toughs, resulted in a general melee in which several persons were injured.

There are in London, Ont., 1,099 women entitled to vote, yet only 383 exercised their privilege in the prohibition plebiscite vote on Monday, and of these 45 opposed prohibition.

At Millville, Ala., the family of Daniel Webster was poisoned by headcheese which had laid in a zinc vessel. Webster is dead, his wife is dying, and his three sons are in a critical condition.

The civic estimates of New York city for the current year, reach the enormous total of over \$3 million dollars, a sum somewhat larger than the entire expenditure of the Dominion of Canada.

Daniel Moore, a lumber boss at Trenton, N. J., committed suicide Thursday by throwing himself between two huge cogwheels in Wilson's mill. He was wounded to pieces. He had been sick for some time.

Frank Good, a prominent farmer of Jacksonville, Carleton county, and uncle of Geo. A. Hughes, barrister, of this city, was stricken with paralysis of the brain, Saturday morning, and his condition is serious.

The Boston Herald says that all the patients in the small pox hospital of that city are Nova Scotians, and that they are all found to be unvaccinated. From the source named a small pox epidemic is feared.

Andrew Carnegie offers to give \$50,000 each working day for two months, to provide for the unemployed of Pittsburg, Pa., if the wealthy people of that city will contribute a like sum. The people have responded favorably.

The spread of diphtheria in New York schools, is attributed to the use by the scholars, of slates and pencils in common. Children will put pencils in their mouths, and thus the germs of the disease are communicated from one to another.

The Democratic members of the ways and means committee, at Washington, have decided on a two per cent tax on incomes above \$4000 and additional 10 cents a pack on playing cards. The tax of \$1.50 per thousand on cigarette stands.

A Rock Island freight train crashed into a passenger train on Pacific coast near Lawrence, Kansas, Tuesday, and the Union Pacific coach, passenger coach, car load of lumber and a car load of hogs were burned. Five men were killed and many injured.

John Redmond, M. P., leader of the Parrellite party, at a meeting of the National League, Wednesday last, said the government's compromise arrangement with the opposition, by which English measures will be passed, will enable them to postpone home rule to the end of the year 1894, or at the latest to the beginning of 1895.

The wholesale dry goods business of Daniel & Boyd, Ltd., St. John, is to be wound up. A trust deed has been executed and A. H. Hannington is the trustee. There are no preferences. The firm owe very little to St. John. The heaviest creditors are English and Montreal firms. Some meeting of the creditors is called for January 12th at Montreal.

Hard times have forced Harvard college to retrench. Two professors and four instructors have been notified that their services will not be required after the close of the current academy year. Last year the deficit was \$25,000 in the college accounts, due to increased expenses and the world's fair exhibit.

The condition of things at Red Island, Placentia, Newfoundland, is pitiable beyond description. Typhoid fever is raging and people are in a fearful state. Fever is in fifteen houses and ten deaths have occurred. It has been the two parents are dead, and children lay on the floor, stricken with the same disease, with no one to help them.

A young child named Kirovac, seventeen months old, and residing near St. John's, Quebec, died Monday from the effects of rye whiskey. The Kirovac family were celebrating the day, and had liquor on the table, and the young baby tried to take a glass containing some rye, when his little sister handed it to him, and he drank a small portion of the contents, and died inside of three minutes. An inquest was held Tuesday morning, when a verdict "Asphyxiated by whiskey" was rendered.

An old widower named Loriot, living alone at Point aux Trembles, Quebec, purchased some liquor on Saturday night, and carried it home. About five o'clock on Sunday morning, a neighbor noticed smoke coming from the house and immediately tried to break in the door, but did not succeed. He aroused some of the neighbors and they succeeded in entering the house, which was in flames. When the fire was extinguished, no traces could be found of the old man, but during the day, a skull, identified as that of the old man, was found in the fireplace. It is supposed that Loriot accidentally dropped into the fire.

The Death Roll.

Mrs Samuel Hoskins died at Lake George December 27th, aged 47 years.

Leila Bailey, a well known resident of South Branch, Oranooko, died, aged 73.

George Crawford, a highly respected resident of Hampton, died yesterday, aged 55 years. He was father of Mrs W T Whitehead of this city.

On Ice - There will be skating at the curling rink on Wednesday night. Good ice.

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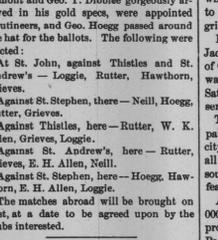
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