SAINT JOHN, N. B., MARCH 17, 1886

THE PROVINCIAL DEFICIT.

The local government statement of ac counts sets forth that the revenue for the past year exceeds the expenditure by the sum of \$33,000. In the legislative debates the government admitted that many bills including large sums due for public works had not been paid, and that a portion of the interest charge for the year was left over for settlement. It was made clear in the course of the debate that there was no surplus at all. It must not be forgotten that \$50,000 paid on the Fredericton bridge account, and the \$26,598 expended for the purchase of Mr. Quinton's farm and the erection of lunatic asylum buildings is not included in the government's statement of the year's expenditure. Even the hay, grain, and potatoes, costing \$1,200, which were purchased with the farms from Mr. Quinton and Mr. Gregory, and used at the asylum, were paid for with borrowed money and not charged to the maintenance of that institution, nor was the price of the two mares purchased for the asylum, nor the snug sum paid to members of the local government for looking at the land. All this makes no appearance in the accounts which go t make up the balance sheet. Ne doubt there is no surplus but a deficit.

Now we come to a feature of the accounts which we have mentioned before but which h snot received the attention which it des aves. Mr. Crocket states in his school rethat the sum of \$93,805 was paid out in princial grants to teachers, for the term of eight months. The provincial grant for the other four months has not yet been paid, by reason of a change in the date of the end of the team. The sum due for these four months is \$46,902, which must be added to the provincial deficit on current account. Let this thing be fairly understood. The unpaid portion of the provincial grants to teschers amounts to more than one-third of the provincial revenue from all sources except Dominion subsidies. It amounts to mare than half the sum received for stumpag . It is nearly double the sum annually exp did for running both branches of the Is also ure. It is nearly three times the amo n anually expended for the promotion of griculture. These comparisons will abox Gow successful the Blair government have been in increasing the expenditure in all are ctions, except in the direction of paying th bills of the province.

THE SCHOOLS. the statistics of the year with those of other railway companies in the shape of subsidies, educational progress. So far as a compari- which were in some cases spending no money son can be made it appears that there is a at all of their own. Nearly half a million fair increase in the total attendance and no was spent in subsidies to a line of railway of failing off in regularity. There is an in- which not a mile has ever been completed crease in the number of teachers employed and on which work has years since practigreatly exceeding the probable increase in cally stopped. It was by this process that population. It appears that there a growing the province reached its present financial tendency to hand the work of education over position. After four years in which the to the women, as 1,151 of the 1,601 teachers are females. The number of female teachers well husbanded and no new obligations was 92 more than in 1884, while there is a were incurred the present government sucdecrease of 17 in the number of male teachers. The reason of this is clear, viz., that in the disappeared for railway subsidies the provpresent condition of the market in teachers ince appeared on the money market as a better value can be had for the sum of borrower, and debentures have been issued money which country sections are disposed within the last two years to the amount of to expend in schools by engaging young \$700,000. It is not a pleasant record for wemen than young men. The greatest ex- Mr. Fielding to bring before the people on cess of female teachers is in the third class, the hustings, and so Mr. Fielding is a realthough they are a majority in the first and pealer. The indications are that the New second classes. The average rate of teachers' Brunswick government if again returned salaries per annum, as given in the report of to office will shortly be before the country this year, is lower than that of last year, but on the same issue and for the same reason. the reduction in the provincial grants to The Fielding and Blair governments are both certain classes of the teachers perhaps grit, and it is a peculiarity of grit local govaccounts for this. A fuller analysis of the report will appear in THE SUN.

THE BAILWAY RETURNS.

The annual report of the minister of railways deals with the government railways and subsidized lines. The Canadian Pacific line is now open for traffic, but pending the completion of all work required by contract. \$455,000 of the subsidy and \$850,000 of the supplementary advance was yet in the hands of the government at the end of the year. The temporary loan of \$5,000,000 made last winter to the company was repaid during the year with interest, \$3,000,000 having been returned on the 2nd of September, and \$2,000,000 on the 2nd of November.

The government railways in operation amount to 1,185 miles, including the Intercolonial with its extensions and wharf branches. The expenditure and earnings for the last fiscal year were as follows:

Total\$2,749,711 \$2.624,243
Total loss on working\$2,749,711 In 1884 the receipts were \$2,521,160, and the expenditure \$2,603,148, leaving a deficit of \$84,064. The receipts of the Intercolonial proper were about \$15,000 more in 1885 than in 1884, and the expenditure \$97,000 more. The surplus of \$9,000 in 1884 was changed to a deficit of \$73,000 in 1885. The Eastern Extension from Truro to Pictou was operated at a slight loss in both years. The P. E. Island railway was worked at a less expenditure by \$25,000 than in the previous year, and yielded \$14,000 more. The loss in working was \$92,000 in 1884, and \$53,000 in 1885. The profit on the Windsor branch was \$878 in 1884, and \$5,669 in 1885. The increased expenditure on the Intercolonial was largely due to an unusual snow blockade. The clearance of snow cost

The gross tonnage of freight carried over the Intercolonial was 970,000 tons. which is about the same as the quantity in 1883, and 31,000 tons less than or less that of the old English ballads.

1884. But the quantity of freight carried long distances increased so that the receipts were somewhat larger than last year. The passenger traffic was slightly below that of the previous year. This railway gave more service to the public in 1885 than in 1884. The miles run by engines increased by 10 per cent. and that of cars 12 per cent. There is a decrease of five per cent. in the cost of operation for each mile run by engines as against the previous year. The earnings of the Intercolonial have more than doubled in nine years, and the tons of freight carried are as near as may be double the quantity

The capital account of the government railways has been increased by sums expended on the Halifax extension, the new passenger station at St. John and the extension to connect with the bridge here, sums awarded by the arbitrators on claims connected with original construction, the St. Charles branch, Dartmouth branch, Dalhousle branch, River du Loup and Indiantown branches, a sum expended for an additional supply of coal cars for the conveyance of coal to the west, and the construction and equipment of the Cape Traverse branch of the P. E. I. rallway. It is claimed by the chief engineer that the loss in working expenses is more than made up by the additions, extensions. and improvements made in the stock and charged as regular working expenses, .The

Additional Sidings.	\$19,000
New Station bul.dings.	4,000
Fencing part of the line for the first time	10,500
Increased water supply	4,200
New iron overhead bridges	3,760
Raising bridges	4,508
Completion building at Moncton	29,000

This expenditure it is claimed was made in addition to maintenance and renewal of existing works and was for improvements to the property. In addition to this 571 miles of old steel rails have been replaced by rails weighing 11 pounds more to the lineal yard.

WHY HE IS A REPEALER.

It is said that the Nova Scotia Local Government propose to make an appeal to the country next summer on the question of the repeal of the Canadian anion. If such a decision has been reached by Mr. Fielding, it is conclusive evidence that the prospect before him is rather clouded. If the government were not pretty certain of condemnation on their own record they would scarcely venture to declare for the destruction of the union. It has been the misfortune of our sister province to fall among thieves. Three successive reckless governments reigned in Nova Scotia eight months it is not safe to compare all swiftness. They handed over \$2,000,000 to y ars, in order to make conclusions as to paying some \$10,000 a mile to companies resources of the province were pretty ceeded to office. The surplus having ernments that they are inclined to use up

eration for the scarcity of money.

the provincial funds and then blame confed-

HOW THE DEFICITS ARE MADE. With the object of providing for the jour nals supporting the local government contracts for printing were given to parties who had no facility for doing the work. The extraordinary cost of the board of works report is probably due to the fact that two profits were paid on the work. The contract was given to the proprietor of a weekly paper supporting the government, who armed the job out to parties in St. John.

By reference to the accounts it will be seen that the name of the party to whom the bill was paid is suppressed. The Moncton Transcript received \$600 for printing a school manual. The job was not done at the Transcript office but was farmed outat a profit of course—to printers in this city. The following facts furnished by the Moncton Times furnishes a basis by which the profits of the Transcript proprietors may be ascertained. In 1882 the Landry-Hanington government paid Barnes & Co. for printing school manual \$383.65. Barnes & Co. probably would take care that they had a fair profit, but Moncton contractors saw them and went \$216 better on a \$600 job. In 1879 the manual was published by Wm. Elder for \$393, and in 1880 it was printed in French for \$325. The Times further points out that in the accounts for 1885 an mount of \$178.50 appears to have been paid to the publishers of the St. John Tele graph for printing the lunatic asylum report In 1882, under the Landry-Hanington government. THE SUN Company received only \$75 for printing this report. For printing the educational report of 1884 the sum of \$730 50 was paid the Telegraph; THE SUN received in 1882 only \$630, and in 1883 only \$613.55. So also the agricultural report cost to print last year exactly one hun-

dred dollars more than in 1882, Wm. Morris, poet and socialist, has nearly LOCAL MATTERS.

THE ALBERT Southern railway stockholder at their annual meeting voted to issue \$50,000 debenture bonds to aid in pushing the construction to a close this year. Capt. Henry A. Calhoun was elected a director, vice Pringle Kelly resigned.

INFORMATION WANTED. -Attention is di rected to the advertisement under this heading in this morning's issue, wherein information is desired of Rosa Field who emigrated to New Brunswick in 1870 and lived with David Mackenzie, Nerepis, Kings County.

A HINT TO BUTTER MAKERS - A Maine paper states that a company has been formed at Monson to manufacture slate lined butter boxes, to hold twenty, forty and one hundred

INFORMATION WANTED, - A young woman named Elizabeth Wilson, left Moncton about two years ago. Her last known address was Newburyport, Mass., but her friends have for some time been unable to get any intelligence of her wheresbouts. Several letters sent from here to Newburyport have apparently failed to find the young woman, and her friends are naturally very anxious as to her fate. Any information will be glady received by the girl's relatives, or if sent to this office will be forwarded to them .- Times.

A GOOD OFFICER.—The successful effort made by John Stewart, superintendent of the northern division, N. B. R. to keep open during the recent snow blockade that part of the line under his management has called forth the following expression from General Man-ager Cram: "As a matter of simple justice, I charged as regular working expenses, .The following sums are included in working expense:—

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the following expenses. The ager Cram: '12s a matter of simple justice, I wish to thank you, and through you, your men, for the energy and good judgment displayed in opening our main line north, after the recent heavy snow fall. I appreciate it,' -St. Andrews Pilot.

> Scott Act Convictions. - On Friday the following parties were convicted before the police magistrate of violation of the Scott Act and fined \$50 and costs each : A. Carpenter John McPartland, Peter McClusker, George McDonagh. A notable feature of these trials McDonagh. A notable leature of these trials was the presence in the court room of a large delegation from the W. C. T. U., the ladies thus showing their determination, in every way possible, to give countenance and encouragement to those who are trying to make effective the law.—Woodstock Sentinel,

GREENWICH. - A tea meeting will be held in the Episcopal church at Brown's Flat, Green. wich, on Thursday, 18th inst. Tea will be served at four o'clock. The distance via Millidgeville and the Reach is only eighteen miles, and should the sleighing be good it is presumed that many from the city will be present. Readings, etc., will enliven the evening. FRESH SALMON. - Harris Gavel, at Gavelon, this week caught a salmon, which weighed 21 lbs. He disposed of it to Wentworth

Brayne, for \$21 - \$1 per lb. The first salmon of the season was shipped to Beston per Dominion last Saturday. The Tusket river is now free of ice. - Yarmouth Telegram, 13th. CENTREVILEE, CARLETON, Co .- Our correspondent writes: On Monday morning, 5th inst., the youngest son of John F. Williams. and grandson of Isaac P. Williams, councillor after Confederation. To sustain them- for Wilmot, departed this life at the residence A he report of the chief superintendent of schools for 1885 only covers a period of assets of the province with wonderful military school. Fredericton, when he received telegram to hasten home. The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, when a great number of sympathizing friends were present. Rev. J. E. Flewelling buried the child in the

Methodist burying ground, Williamstown, Nor TRUE. - A sensational despatch has been going the rounds of the Canadian and American press to the effect that the schooner A. E. Horton, which escaped from Guysboro many years ago when under seizure for violating Canadian fishery laws, and was recently sold to parties at Digby, had been seized by the collector there, in connection with the old offence. The Digby Courier says: "We are informed that the report which has been circulated through the press that the schooner A. E. Horton, lately purchased by Capt. Joseph Snow, had been seized by the collector or customs, is quite untrue."

For the I. and C. Exhibition. One of the finest exhibits that will be sent from this city to the Indian and Colonial exhibition is that of T. S. Simms & Co., consisting of brushes and brooms of various kinds, The goods are of the very best manufacture and per reflect great credit on the firm. They are well finished and are handsome goods. The brushes are especially fine and include almost every kind used. The goods are now on exhibition at Simms & Co's factory, Smythe street. They consist of painters' brushes, oval and chieel varnish brushes, wall brushes, round, chisel and flat brushes, and whitewash brushes of various kinds, calsoning brushes with brushes of various kinds, calsomine brushes with bras of various kinds, casomide brushes with brass bindings, paper hanger's brushes, seam brushes and brick liners, iron handled glue brushes, painters' dust and lamp chimney brushes, facpainters' dust and lamp chimney brushes, fac-tory dust, hearth, window, cloth, jewellers, wire casting, tailors, billiard table, shoe, stove, scrubbing, deck scrubbing, machine and tar brushes, thirteen varieties of whisks and hearth The woods used in these brushes and brooms are chiefly birch and spruce, but black walnut nahogany, birds' eye maple and rosewood have also been utilized. The goods will be exhibited on a blue ground work and will show to ad-

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) Monoron, March 15.—Seven persons were added to the membership of the First Baptist church in this town yesterday. There have been additions almost weekly since the Rev. Mr. Hinson assumed the pastorate. The Moncton curlers speak in high terms of the treatment they received in St. John on Saturday.

Saturday.

Mr. Stewart, an English gentlemen, has been in Moncton for several weeks prospecting in regard to the establishment of a tannery.

Mr. Stewart is one of a firm of large tanners in England, and it is currently reported will em-ploy 100 hands in the industry here. He alked of purchasing the old lock factory build ng, also the old tannery property on the corthern line, but finally selected a site near the cotton tactory. It is stated he has pur-chased a lot of three acres, and his advertise nent for tenders for the erection of foundatio

walls, etc., has been issued.

Moncton does not intend to lay on its oan in other directions, and a petition will soon be forwarded to the Hon. George E. Foster, minister of marine and fisheries, and asking for an extension of Stoney creek breakwater, the erection of a lighthouse at Fort Folly point at the entrance to the Petitcodiac and point at the entrance to the Petitoodiac and Dorchester rivers, and a light at Hall's creek in the harbor here. In 1885 upwards of 100 cargoes were forwarded from this pert to the American market and a large coasting trade was also done. The petition is being generally signed by the business men of Moncton, Dorchester, Hillsboro and other points interested, and no doubt will be respectfully considered.

A Big Lumber Deal.

(Special Despatch to the Boston Herald.) OTTAWA, Ont., March 10 .- An American irm, it is stated, has closed with Chaudiere umbermen for the entire cut of the lumber of next season at an advance in ruling prices.
The estimated cut of next season is in the vicinity of 170,000,000 feet and should the United States government remove the duty on lumber, the firm will make a small fortune out Temperance Notes.

Hampton Division, S. of T., No. 278, paid a visit to Spring Division, S. of M. Monday evening, 8:h inst. After spending a very pleasant evening the meeting broke up as out eleven

ant evening the meeting broke up about eleven o'clock.

Hampton Division, S. of T., visited St. Martins Division, S. of T., Thursday, 11th inst., it being the 24th anniversary of their (St. Martine) organization. Arriving at the hall the party were seated to asumptuous spread of good things, after which the following programme was given: Chorous by divisien; remarks, Mr. Colpitts; quartette, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Crandall; reading, Mr. Sherwood; Mr. Caeidy, remarks; Miss Weedens, music; Miss Kelly, reading; the Misses Henry, duet; trio, Miss Casidy and Messrs. Brown and Black; remarks, Chas. Frost; Rev. Mr. DesBrisay, reading; Miss Bessie Mabee, music; recitation, Capt. Swattige, Messrs. Brown and Titus, cornet duet; recitation, Charles Frost; recitation, Mrs. Sherwood.

CLIFTON.—A public temperance meeting was

CLIFTON.—A public temperance meeting was held at Cifton, Kings County, on the 10th inst. It was addressed by Messrs, E. Kirkpatrick. A. P. Wilson, J. Logan and R. W. Wetmore after which A. P. Wilson, assisted by some of after which A. P. Wilson, assisted by some of the members of Garfield Lodge I. O. G. T., organized Arbutus Lodge I. O. G. T. The following are the officers for the present term: Richard W. Wetmore, W. C. T.; Miss Marion Wetmore, W. V. T.; Ormon Wetmore, W. S.; Clarence Fiewelling, W. F. S.; James E. Wetmore, W. T.; Austin Wetmore, W. C.; James L. Gray, W. M.; Drake Mabee, W. G.; Frank W. Pitt, W. S; Mrs. James L. Gray, W. R. H. S.; Purdy Wetmore, W. L. H. S.; John Melick, W. A. S.; Allen Wetmore, W. D. M.; Rodger Wetmore, P. W. C. T., James E. Wetmore is the lodge's deputy.

Hayferk Jones Once More

(Albert Maple Leaf.) Judgment was delivered last Friday by the upreme court at Fredericton in a number ases in which persons in Albert county are nterested. McCatherin v. Lewis, appeal dismissed with costs. The defendant is John Lewis of Hillsboro, and one of the victims of E. E. Jones & Co. McCatherin belongs to Fredericton, and is the party who cashed, or Fredericton, and is the party who cashed, or pretended to cash, the note given by Lewis to the hayfork swindlers. He sued Lewis in the York county court, and an appearance and plea was entered for defendant by C. A. Peck. Messrs. Vanwart, attorneys for McCatherin, moved to have the plea set aside on technical grounds. Judge Steadman dismissed the motion, and the plaintiff appealed to the supreme court with the result as above stated. Other parties in this country are the country of the country parties in this county have suits brought by McCatherin pending against them.

Where they Stop.

The private addresses of the New Brune vick senators and members of the Common now at Ottawa, are as follows:-Senater Botsford-70 Gloucester St. Senator Dever-Windsor Hotel. Senator Ferguson—170 Queen St. Senator Glasier—Grand Union Hotel. Senator Lewin—Russell House. Senator Odell—70 Gloucester St. Senator Wark—188 Lisgar St.
Dr. Barker, Q. C.—Russell House,
K. F. Burns—Russell House, Chas. Burpee—163 Maria St. Hon. J. Castigan—232 Cooper St. C. A. Everett—Russell Heuse, Hon. G. E. Foster—127 Blank St. A. H. Gillmor – Windsor Hotel. G. G. King – 163 Maria St. P. A. Landry-101 Elgin St. Robt. Moffatt-Grand Union Hotel. Thos. Temple—Russell House. C. W. Weldon—Russell House, Josiah Wood—Russell House, Peter Mitchell—Rideau Club. David Irvine-163 Maria St.

The Country Market.

The supply in the country market during the week has been above the average, a great deal of produce arriving from along the main river. The great bulk of the produce consisted of country beef, smoked meat and potatoes Eggs have become quite plenty and have dropped in price to 17c. and 18c. Butter was well supplied all week at the quoted price, but with the exception of one small package none of it was fit for table use. This one package brought 26c. per lb, which goes to prove good butter can find a ready sale at a high price. Poultry has been scarce all week, only frozen turkeys coming in. Smoked hams have fallen slightly, owing to the large supplies on hand.

The quotations are: Country beef, 4 to 6½; butchers' beef, 4 to 7½; lamb, 6 to 8; mutton, 5 to 7 per lb; pork 7; seel 4 to 9. butchers' beef, 4 to 7½; lamb, 6 to 8; mutton, 5 to 7 per lb; pork, 7; veal 4 to 9; butter, 18 to 20; roll do., 22; lard, 12 to 13 per lb.; eggs, 17 to 18; chickens, 40 to 60 per pair; turkeys, 14 to 15 per lb; green hams, 8 to 9; smoked do., do., 10 per lb.; green shoulders, 7; smoked 8 to 9 per lb; rabbits, to 8 per pair; carrots, 95 to \$1 per barrel; beets, 90 to \$1 per barrel; turnips, per barrel, 65 to 70; parsnips, \$1.50 per barrel; potatoes, early rose, per barrel, \$1.25; kidneys, \$1.70 to \$1.80; other varieties, \$1.40 to \$1.50; buckwheat, rough, \$1.70 per cwt.; grey do., \$1.90 wheat, rough, \$1.70 per cwt.; grey do., \$1.90

Sudden Death of Jas. W. Peters.

While proceeding to his residence in King street east at 5.30 o'clock Thursday afternoon and when nearly opposite the dead house, Jas, W. Peters, an old and well known resident of St. John, fell down on the street. Some persons who saw him fall hastened to the spot and finding he had been seized by some weakness sent word to his regular physician, Dr. Travers, sent word to his regular physician, Dr. Travers, and in the meantime procuring a team had him taken to his residence, Miss Purdy's, 174 King street east. The doctor who was promptly on hand, found Mr. Peters very weak, but his mind tolerably clear. There was not the least sign of paralysis of the extremities, although the action of the heart was failing. Restoratives were applied and for a few minutes they appeared to revive him. On feeling a little better Mr. P. partock of a cup of tea and walking to his bedroom went to bed. The relief he experienced, however, was very brief, for he had not been in bed five minutes before he passed quietly away, at just six o'clock. for he had not been in bed five minutes before he passed quietly away, at just six o'clock. Paralysis of the heart was the cause of Mr. Peters' death. The deceased, who was an uncle of Capt. Peters of B battery, Dominion artillery, will be remembered by many of the older residents of St. John as having a fine farm and property cut the Marsh, which he sold some years age, and took up his residence in the city. He went out of the house yesterday in good health and had been unusually well all winter. His sudden death will be heard with surprise and regret by the comheard with surprise and regret by the com-munity. Mr. Peters who was about 80 years of age and unmarried, has a brother residing at Gagetown, to whom the sad news was for warded soon after his death.

Ralph Crooker, well known for more than fifty years as a manufacturer of iron, died suddenly at his home, Boston Highlands, on the second day of March. He was born in Bridge water, Mass., in 1801, and had nearly completed his 85th year. From his youth until within few years of his death, he was actively engaged in the manufacture of iron, and he was an authority upon all matters pertaining to iron and steel, and his judgment was highly valued not only in this country, but also in Europe, which he several times visited for consultation with eminent manufacturers, and on other matters connected with his business. He made matters connected with his business. He made the rails for the first railway built in the United States, and was for more than thirty years superintendent (and a large proprietor) of the celebrated Bay State iron works, in South Boston. Although devoted to his business, he was also interested in civil and social life. He was a public-spirited citizen, a faithful friend, a genial companion. He had a kind heart and a generous hand, and held the

steem of all who knew him.

He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Borden of the well known Fall River family of that name. His second wife was Miss Sibyl M. Jones, daughter of the late Edward Jones of St. John. The funeral services were attended (on Friday, the 5th) at the late residence of the deceased on Parker Hill, by the Rev. Wm. Lloyd Himes, rector of St. John's church, Wakefield, N. H. Besides the family, there were present many old friends of Mr. Crooker, including some who had been in his employ nearly half a century ago. He was buried at Mt. Auburn, many of those present following him to his last resting place, which was heautified by numerous tokens of esteem and affection laid upon the grave. After a long life of usefulness to the world he finds are

usefulness to the world, he finds rest. THE Reilites in Parliament including of course the grits have suddenly discovered that they want more information. They had quite enough information some months ago to enable them to pronounce the execution a judicial murder, and to enroll Riel in the army of martyrs. If they had their way they would get clear of a straight vote on the question forever. This however is one of the times when they do not get their way.

If the vote taken last night is a fair indication of the final vote on the Riel question the Rielites are the regular Grit members and six Bleus. This is the political complexion of the gentlemen who voted in favor of shirking the vote.

Charlottetown.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., March 9. - High Sheriff Longworth received a despatch from the secretary of state, Ottawa, yesterday afternoon informing him that the death sentence of Gillis, the murder of Patrick Callaghan, had been commuted to imprisonment for life. The gallows had been erected and everything in readiness to carry out the execution on Thursday next.

THE FISHERIES. Senator Frye's Programme as Given by Correspondent.

(Special to THE SUN.) TORONTO, March 15 .- A Washington correspondent states that Senator Frye is in receipt of a letter from a prominent member of the Dominion parliament asking that the Canadian Dominion be included in his, Frye's bill, for a congress of American nations. The writer said that Canada would be ready to enthe bill, and that if the English government refused consent then Canada would ent loose from Great Britain. Frye thinks that in time it will be necessary for Canada to have close trade relations with the United States but that such an arrangement. but that such an arrangement would be one sided in its effect, the United States gaining ne corresponding advantage. Frye expects to have a unanimor report from the foreign affairs committee in his bill, and a like favorable consideration in

the senate.
His fisheries resolutions were unanimously reported and will probably be adjusted withto have remarked in Canada that there was no hopes for a treaty while the republicans control the senate. Some of the democratic senators are disposed to resent the imputation that they are inclined to be "English, you know," even though 4 the; administration does incline that way. Senator Frye is almost daily in re-ceipt of Canadian papers making scurrilods at-tacks on him for his opposition to a renewal of the fishery treaty. the fishery treaty.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

London, March 15 .- Mr. Henedge authorizes a contradiction of the statement that he has resigned the office of chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster,
Gladstone occupied his usual place in the commons this afternoon in the house. A num-ber of motions looking to rehabilitation of the silver currency standard, of which notice had been given, were postponed. A. J. Mundella, president of the board of trade, announced that different British consuls in the U. S. had been instructed to inquire into the alleged frequency of the crimping of British seamen in America, and to take necessary steps to protect them from the practice in future. Gladstone stated that the government had decided to decline to appoint a special commission to enquire into the advisability of transferring the surplus oppulation of Great Britain to the colonies.

LONDON, March 15.—Gladstone authorizes the statement that he will take no notice of the various versions of his Irish plans, recently given to the public. He says all stories published regarding his intentions with respect to Ireland are entirely baseless. The premier hopes to be able to present his Irish programme in the house of commons on Monday next.

Trevelyan denies he has tendered his resig-

Lord Charles Beresford moved that, in view of the large number of working men out of employment, and the cheapness of labor, the present time seems opportune to suspend the sinking fund in order to place the navy in a state of efficiency. The motion was defeated.

IRELAND.

A Pitiful Tale of Famine and Starvation.

LONDON. March 10.—The governm LONDON, March 10.—The government has placed gunboats at the service of Mr. Tuke in his work of relieving distress among the inhabitants of the islands along the western Irish coast. Indescribable distress has developed among the people inhabiting the Arran islands, off Galway, who, besides having hardly anything but moss and sea-grass left to eat, are without fire, and often without clothing and shelter. It is not rare to find girls of 17 and 18 years kept in enforced hiding during the another. It is not rare to had girls of it and its years kept in enforced hiding during the day because bereft of every thread of clothing, long ago bartered for seed potatoes or roots to feed the smaller children with. Fishing ined the smaller children with pector Brady recently went among the miserable people of Arran to distribute relief furnished by the organization of the Irish police. His funds ran short today, and he still had so much pitiable wretchedness to relieve, he appealed to Mr. Busby, who is charged with the distribution of the fund raised in America, through the New York Sun for the improvement of Aphill and Reference poverished fishermen of Achill and Boffin Islands, and begged him to divert part of his store for the benefit of the Arranese. This Busby was permitted to do, and he reports, in order to prove the liver of the store of the sto in order to save the lives of scores of people now dying of starvation in these weatern islands, it is imperative that relief on a large scale be at once organized.

FRANCE.

Jules Verne Figures in an Actual Sensation. AMIENS, France, March 10.-An attempt was made today to assassinate Jules Verne. Two shots were fired at him from a revolver by a young student, who turned out to be the author's own nephew and who came down from Paris for the express purpose of killing his uncle. One of the bullets missed the novelist altogether; the other struck him in the leg, inflicting a slight wound. The nephew has for some time been a student in Paris and is thought to be a monomaniac.

Paris, March 10.—The quarters of the city which are most largely occupied by working. which are most largely occupied by working men were placarded last night with incendi ary appeals to the unemployed. They were urged to rise up in their might and by sunreme effort annihilate the bourgois. The police have occupied themselves today tearing down the placards.

The Higher Education

The Correspondence University of Chicago, incorporated by the state of Illinois, confers the college degrees of B. A., B. S., B. L., B. Ph., on all worthy students completing any of its courses in arts, science, literature, or philosophy. Its faculty, composed of some of the most distinguished scholars and specialists of the United States are professors engaged in leading universities, such as Cornell, Brown, Wisconsin and others. Two members of its faculty are Benjamin Williamson, F. R. S., examiner in the University of London, and Thomas Muir, F. R. S. E., examiner in the University of Glasgow. Its aims are not to University of Glasgow. Its aims are not to supplant other universities, but to aid them in making the higher education more general by

assisting young men and women to pursue their studies and obtain a degree. This it does by directing their private studies, and giving by directing their private studies, and giving instruction if accessary by correspondence. It is designed to assist the following classes:

Students and teachers pursuing any course of study or investigation who need further information or assistance in any subject; graduates and professional men who wish to pursue postand professional men who wish to pursue postgraduate courses of study, or to review former
studies; all who desire to pursue any branch,
whether science, letters, or art by home study;
young people who desire to secure a higher
education and cannot attend colleges or similar
institutions of learning; all literary and scientific circles; all who are preparing for any
special examination, as the civil service examinations, post-graduate examinations, &c.
All courses leading to degrees require at least
four years of work in the various departments
embraced by them, or their cavilletters embraced by them, or their equivalents, but students are allowed freedom in the selection students are allowed freedom in the selection of studies, and may shorten the time of study on passing examinations satisfactory to the faculty. But no one will be allowed to graduate who has not been connected with the university of the state of the s ate who has not been connected with the university at least one year, in order that intimate knowledge of his scholarship may be obtained by the faculty. Examinations are held periodically in all subjects leading to degrees at least twice a year. Professors are appointed to give instruction in special branches, and these act also as local examiners for a very moderate fee. Geo. U. Hay of the Grammarschool, has been appointed examiner for this city, and invites all who wish to pursue a course at this university to meet at 306 Princess street, on Tuesday evening, March 23rd, when, if desirable, a students' association will be formed. Those in distant sections of the province who are interested in this movement are invited to be present or communicate by letter stating the course they wish to pursue.

To avoid any misapprehension as to the work expected of students it may be said that a sound elementary education is indispensable on the part of those who expect to pursue successfully any of the courses above referred to, and that the requirements for matrigulation to

the part of those who expect to pursue successfully any of the courses above referred to, and that the requirements for matriculation to the university are essentially the same as those which admit students to the regular universities and colleges in the Dominion and the United States.

Post-graduate courses leading to the advanced decreas of master of science, master of

vanced degrees of master of science, master of arts, and doctor of philosophy, may be taken on the following conditions: 1. The candidate some department of the university, at least one year just prior to graduation. 2. He must present a meritorious thesis upon some subject included in the prescribed course of study, based on special investigations a convent which shall become the vestigations, a copy of which shall become the property of the university. 3. He must pass satisfactory examinations in all subjects of the pre-

scribed course. Literary or scientific circles may be formed among those who do not possess the requirements necessary to matriculate. Such circles may connecessary to matriculate. Such circles may con nect themselves with the university by the pay down and examinations held, on passing which certificates are granted. Persevering students may make the work of these circles preliminary to matriculation into any of the regular courses of the university, or to fit them as specialists in any branch of literature or science.

Obituary.

A correspondent writes: Your excellent paper, in December last, contained an account of a painful accident which befel a highly respected citizen of Grand Manan, W. Winchester. Mr. Winchester fell from his hay loft on to the wheel of a wagon. After three weeks of intense suffering, he died January 10th, 1886, in the 60th year of his age. He suffered in the 60th year of his age. He suffered patiently and met his end in the full assurance patiently and met his end in the full assurance of a resurrection from the dead, and was fully resigned to the will of God. He retained in full vigor his mental faculties up to the very last moment, and was speaking quite clearly a few minutes before he took his departure from his "earthly house." So quietly did his spirit wing its flight from its clay tenement that his loved ones hardly knew he was gone. Mr. Winchester proudly related to the writer, the last time he saw him, his honored connection with that brave and hardy race which made New Brunswick of such good steel, and also other parts of our Dominion—the Loyalists. His grandfather, on coming from the states, had a grant made to him of the "Round Hill had a grant made to him of the "Round Hill farm," N. S. This grandfather was the son of General Winchester, who married the daughter of Colonel Winchester, who came out in the Mayflower and landed on Plymouth rock, 1620: Religiously, Mr. Winchester was for many years a member of the Baptist!church, but lately a member of the Methodist church and in his accustomed place, the class meeting, his voice was raised in testimony for Christ the night before his accident. In the absence of a regular Methodist minister the funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. F. Corey, assisted by Rev. W. S. Covert. Rev. Mr. Cosman, Baptist, and Mr. Wood of the Gospel Army were also in attendance. The rev. gentleman were also in attendance. The rev. gentleman chose as his text Gal. vi., 2. The ceremonie were well conducted throughout and were a means of consolation to Mr. Winchester's friends and relatives. He leaves a wife, one daughter and several sons, who have the deep sympathy of the entire community in their great loss and grief. Mr. Winchester will be missed not only at home but also in the com-munity, in the large social circle in the midst of which he moved so long, and in the church.

BUSINESS CHANGES - CONCERT - BRIEFS,

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT,) SPRINGFIELD, Kings Co., March 15 .- At Norton station, several business changes will take place on or about the first of April. E. L. Perkins, the genial and obliging store-keeper wholoccupies the store near the I. C. R. depot, will retire from business. He has rented the store to Jas. Price, Norton, and Sherman Johnson, Springfield, who will conduct business under the name of Price & Johnson. Mitton McLeod will resume business at his old stand, which has lately been occupied by Jas. & Allan Price.

On Wednesday evening, 17th instant, at Springfield Corner, there will be a repetition of the corner that are the 3-d inst

Springheld Corner, there will be a repetition of the concert held en the 3rd inst.

Departed this life at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Hayes of Belleisle creek, Mrs. Jane Case, relict of the late Mitchell Case, who was killed a few years ago by a dairy falling upon him whilst it was being moved. The obsequies were conducted by the Rev. F. Babcock. The sermion was preached from the words, "Blessed are they that mourn." Matt. v. 4. Her remains were interred in the Matt. v. 4. Her remains were intered in the Midland F. C. B. burial ground.

During last week special services were held in the Belleisle creek Methodist church, under the leadership of F. A. Wightman. Rising Star division, lately organized at Belleisle creek, have chosen Wednesday eve as their night of meeting. Every night a number has been initiated into the order. Next Wed-nesday night there will be election of officers, Beautiful weather.

> (Halifax Herald.) Died at 103 Years of Age.

Kenneth McKenzie died at Wallace, N. S., on the 7th inst., aged one hundred and three years. He was undoubtedly the oldest man in the maritime provinces. March

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