

ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE TIMES YIELD RESULTS.

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ONE CENT.

LEGAL SERVICES ARE EXPENSIVE.

Public Accounts Committee at Fredericton This Morning Considers the Cost of Criminal Prosecutions—Lawyers Submit Heavy Bills—Much Comment Caused.

Fredericton, N. B., March 22. The Public Accounts Committee met at 9:30 this morning, and will continue its sessions each morning with the intention of making a thorough examination of the auditor general's report, and the financial affairs of the province.

Mr. Smith made the general criticism that the attorney general and solicitor general, should attend to the criminal cases before the courts.

Mr. Morrison was of the same opinion, and said that the amount paid under this head seems to be increasing from year to year. It seems to be the practice now, to engage a lawyer to attend every petty case, for which he charges the province \$20 or \$25 a day.

Mr. Osmen said that this matter was brought before the committee a few years ago, when Mr. McKeown submitted a statement, showing that the expenditures under this head are really less than formerly.

Mr. Whitehead remarked that in the fifteen counties of the province one or more of the courts are in session about all the time, and it would be practically impossible for two crown officers to attend all these courts.

The chairman had the auditor's reports of some previous years produced, when it was found that the expenditures under heading of criminal prosecutions were—1892, \$798,445; 1893, \$829,212; 1894, \$928,371.

Another Victoria bill was to enable the county valuation to be postponed until the year 1908. Both these bills came from the municipal council. It was agreed to.

Mr. Smith's bill to consolidate certain school districts in Carleton county and to authorize the consolidated districts to issue debentures to the amount of \$10,000 was agreed to with a few verbal amendments.

THE EVENING TIMES.

APPS STILL PRESSING THE RUSSIANS HARD.

St. Petersburg Clamoring For Peace--- Says It is Futile to Press War Further ---Oyama's Men Have Reached Gunshu Pass and Are Chasing Flying Russians.

NEW YORK, Mar. 22.—A St. Petersburg despatch to the Times says; Prince Ukhtomsky declares that peace is imperative because there is no bread for the Russian army, owing to the grain accumulated at Harbin having gone to Mukden or having been transported south by Chinese. The Russian press demands the abolition of the post of viceroy of the Far East and of the committee on the Far East, tacitly recognizing the loss of Manchuria and the consequent futility of the war.

A NEW ISLAND Of Volcanic Origin Comes Up From the Sea Near Japan.

New York, Mar. 22.—A Tokio despatch says that a new island 4,000 yards in circumference, has emerged from the sea near the island of Iwojima, in the Mikai Archipelago (between the main islands of Japan).

THE WEATHER. Forecast—East to north winds, strong to heavy today, Thursday, fair and a little milder.

DEATH OF W. B. DEACON. Well Known Druggist of Shediac Passed Away This Morning.

Moncton, N. B., March 22.—(Special)—W. B. Deacon, one of the most prominent and oldest residents of Shediac, died this morning after a month's illness.

THE OLD SORE HEALING. Bitterness Between Germany and France Has Passed Away and a Powerful Alliance is Now Thought Possible.

London, Mar. 22.—The Daily Chronicle this morning claims to have the authority of the German embassy at London for stating that Germany is anxious for a reconciliation with France, and that Emperor William is desirous of getting on terms of close friendship with the French government.

Word comes from the University of Chicago that the sun race is doomed to annihilation. We are requested not to worry about it this spring, as the event will probably not transpire for ten million years.

THE WEATHER. Fair and a little milder tomorrow.

WANTED—ONE VICTORY.



"He won't be happy till he gets it."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Premier Whitney Has An Extensive Programme Outlined For the Session.

Toronto, March 22.—(Special)—The Ontario legislature was opened this afternoon by Lieut. Governor Clark, with the speech from the throne.

MR. COSTIGAN IS ALONE.

Dr. Daniel, M. P., Says No One Else in New Brunswick Favors the Winding Ledges Dam Bill.

Ottawa, Mar. 22.—(Special)—The Winding Ledges power and boom bill came up before the private bills committee today.

A RUMOR SAYS THAT GEORGE ROBERTSON MAY BE MADE MEMBER OF GOVERNMENT.

Fredericton, N. B., Mar. 22.—(Special)—Eliza, wife of Charles McConnell, died at her home at Taymouth, this morning from gangrene of the foot.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER.

But wait till the 18th of April in this town, when the Citizens League rises in its might to say what it thinks of the city council.