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THE KING ILL
Coronation Postponed.

The intelligence elsewhere published, of the serious illness of His Majesty, King Edward VII. will be received with feelings of the deepest regret, not only throughout the British Empire, but in every portion of the civilized world, and in no quarter of the Imperial Dominions, we feel sure, will this regret be more deeply felt than among the loyal people of this Province.

Ottawa Weekly Letter.

IN MINISTERIAL DREAMLAND.

On June 16th, 1897, Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, speaking in the Commons, on the extension of the Intercolonial Railway to Montreal, said: "People have pointed to the annual deficit recurring from time to time, and have drawn the inference that there was something wrong in the system of owning and operating government railways. The idea has gone abroad and has sunk deeply in the people's minds, that because the Intercolonial Railway has not been a paying property—or, in other words, has scarcely in all its history been able to show a balance on the right side of its accounts—there was something inherently vicious in the government ownership of railways, and that the less a government had to do with them the better. But I think, I am able to show this committee that if there is one thing more than another that led to this state of affairs, it is that the Intercolonial Railway has been cribbed, cabined and confined. I will give this committee before I get through, good reasons for believing that after this extension shall be concluded and after it shall have an opportunity of getting into successful competition, the days of deficits will be over, and we shall be able—I do not say to pay interest on the capital invested, but by the business arrangements which we shall be in a position to make, and by the facilities which will be secured to us in Montreal, to show a balance on the right side of the account, and to reverse the record which has been exhibited in the running operations of this railway in times past."

SOME CENSUS POINTERS.

One of the government institutions that is still flourishing at Ottawa, months after its work should have been completed, is the census bureau. It is interesting to watch the small army of employees who enter and leave the building twice each day, knowing that their services cost the country \$10,000 per month. And in addition to this the building in which they are housed is owned by a party friend, Mr. Seybold, who draws a yearly rental of \$6,500 and had \$10,000 spent by the government in improving it. Now it is suggested, that the census bureau should be made a permanent institution, for the good reason, no doubt, that it will be some years yet before the Minister of Agriculture is able to complete a work which was done by the Conservative government in

one year, and at a cost of \$500,000, whereas the census now in course of completion has already cost \$1,152,000. The advantages of a permanent bureau are many, from the government's standpoint, and from the viewpoint of the taxpayers. If permanence is added to the bungling that has characterized the management of the taking of Canada's population, Mr. Seybold will continue to draw \$6,500 for a building (assessed for \$40,000) and the army of clerks under Mr. Blue's direction, will be made a "standing force" at a cost of \$120,000 per annum. The taxpayer will meet the bills, but that is an incident of the "growing time."

MUTUAL PREFERENCE IS EXPECTED. The Toronto Globe is "making mad" to show that this country does not require or look for a preference in the British market. The leading Liberal organ is heroically endeavoring to anticipate the flood of criticism which will be showered on the Government, if the coronation conference does not result in some material gain for Canada, in return for the concessions we have already granted to British goods. On the other hand the British press is warming towards the idea of a mutual preference between the motherland and the colonies. The current of public opinion has not only turned but is running rapidly in the direction of an inter-empire trade agreement. Here in Canada, too, despite the efforts of the Liberal press, citizens are asking for a quid pro quo. The Laurier utterance of 1897, in which Canada was represented as not requiring any return for her preference, has long ceased to be taken seriously. The sooner the government and its subsidized press awaken to this fact, the better. It is time for both to realize that their duty is that of gaining support for and not animosity towards a mutual preference.

OFF NO A PICNIC.

The annual ministerial European picnic is already under way. This year it will be on a scale in keeping with the coronation ceremony. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Hon. Wm Mulock, Hon. Wm Paterson, Hon. F. W. Borden and Hon. Mr. Carroll will form the advance guard. Later in the season Hon. J. I. Tarte, Hon. A. G. Blair, and Chas Fitzpatrick will cross the pond. The first ministerial contingent is going to cost \$20,000, but there will probably be a large supplementary vote required for that purpose. The Premier is travelling in befitting luxury and his party's passage alone will cost the country in the vicinity of \$1,500. Then the other members of the cabinet, whose sight (previous to 1897) was so offended by private cars and free trips, will do their best to spend the thousands at their disposal. The sending of a second contingent is not to facilitate the business to come before the Coronation Convention, because that will have been concluded ere they reach the motherland. And besides, Sir Wilfrid has left the Canadian representatives little to discuss. On the whole the movement leads one to believe that the ministers are in for a really good time at the expense of the overburdened taxpayer, who will in due time be called upon to pay, what Sir Wilfrid considered, (previous to 1897,) the Ottawa high-waymen.

HOW NORTH GREY WAS STOLEN.

Link by link the chain of evidence connecting the Liberal "machine" with the crimes of North Grey and the temporary defeat of the Conservative candidate Mr. Boyd is being forged. Mr. Boyd has discovered in polling place number 9-St Vincent, thirty men of sterling character who have all made affidavits that they voted for him, yet only twenty-nine votes were recorded for the Conservatives. The deputy returning officer in charge of the poll, together with the Conservative and Liberal scrutineers have sworn that there was only one spoiled ballot rejected. This was placed in an envelope and sealed, while all the other ballots were placed loose in the box. When the ballot box was taken before Judge Morrison for recount, it was found that five ballots were spoiled and four of these were put in an envelope after the night of the election. The presiding officer admits that the ballot box was out of his possession for four days, previous to its delivery to the returning officer and this explains the plot to place a Liberal in Mr. Boyd's seat. The "machine" is losing its head in its reckless effort to save its life, but the courts will see to it, that in future, stealing votes will be an unprofitable calling.

The Herald's Scoop-Net.

Fast men are generally very slow in paying debts. Some say that a short man may be a tall liar. Not a tall! The trusting shoe dealer is very liable to be beaten out of his boots. It is queer that a railroad frog is never known to jump the track. What is the use of men worrying over the fear of dying in poverty? It is living in poverty that bothers us most. It is said that a great many of the members of our Legislature look upon a morning today as a constitutional amendment. General DeWitt said that the day passed was proclaimed as the happiest since he left school. Wonder does he mean that he had a lot of fun the day he left.

The story is truthful and old. For ages has man mourned his lot. When it isn't too hot to be too cold. When it isn't too cold it's too hot. Some of our Island dentists ought to try their skill removing the decayed stumps which adorn the side of the railway track at places between here and Summerside. The Halifax Chronicle man has been doing a lot of whining on account of the British press terms. He probably hasn't been feeling well. If he keeps it up they better change the spelling of the heading over the editorial column and call it "The Halifax Chronicle III."

Most all the patent medicines advertised nowadays claim to be able to cure eruptions. If they want to get up a good ad. to prove it they might try some on Monte Pellee and Souffriere. Just dump a lot of it down into the crater and if it doesn't do any good, it will do no other poor "orators" any harm. Twelve New Yorkers recently learned that it is not always well to spring a job on a Supreme Court justice. They formed a jury to try a damage suit and returned a sealed verdict which was found to be a disagreement. The jurors took this as an excellent joke and smiled broadly when the judge opened the envelope. The smiles ceased, however, when the judge imposed fines of \$32 apiece and told them to produce the money or go to jail. The money was forthcoming and the gloom was so thick in the Supreme Court during the day that it could be cut with a knife.

An unsophisticated young minister in rural Pennsylvania, recently ordained, not long ago wrote to a theological professor in Philadelphia as follows: "I am a poor speaker, and find it hard to utter any thoughts clearly and forcibly. I have decided therefore to take a course of instruction in speaking, and, learning from the papers that there are a great many speak-easies in your city, I would be obliged if you would recommend me to one." The professor broke the news to him as emphatically as possible that a "speak-easy" is merely an unlicensed drinking place.

The weather for the past several days has been very noisy indeed. The weather bulletin man is having a tough time of it. Somebody has dedicated the following lines to him in hope that if not already washed away he may read and profit by them: I wouldn't be the weather man for Morgan's golden pile; I couldn't stand the cuss words that fall on him each day. For from all quarters of the land where skies are black or smoky They're a-swearin' awful at him—and it ain't right, I say. "Will it never grow more cold?" "Will it never grow more hot?" "Will the bloomers' skies stop leakin'?" "Will the hot sun never sink?" These are questions they are firin' at the poor cuss who has got A grip upon the weather vane—but it ain't right, by jink!

Bot, weather man a question. Why the dickens don't you stop A-pourin' down the water on our backs both night and day? Do you think that we are crosses or a bloomin' cabbage crop? Why man you'll surely drown us if you don't let up, I say. Why the blankety blanks don't you turn off your hose, Or take it to some desert where the red sand meets with heat? Why not pour your surplus water where 'twell fall in swirling mist? And give us time just once this year to dry our socks and feet? No, I wouldn't be the weather man for anybody's gold. I couldn't stand the swear-words that bombard him every day— They're a-fallin' like the rain drops and that's a few, I'm told— They're a-swearin' at him awful—and it ain't right, I say. H. P. McCabe.

Pilot Finlayson, of Point Prim, for years pilot of the "Princess of Wales," was in the city on Monday, says the Patriot, looking hale and hearty, despite his three score years and ten. Forty-two years ago Pilot Finlayson had the distinguished honor of guiding safely into this port H. M. S. Flying Fish, one of the three ships that accompanied the then Prince of Wales, now Edward VII., to this Province.

KING OF SAXON DEAD. King Albert of Saxony died on Thursday night. He was over 74 years of age. The King of Saxony was the last but one of the princely masterbuilders of the German Empire.

Mens felt hats at Week's & Co. We are having a splendid sale of our Christy Hats this year beating all other years hollow. We give the best value and have a big stock of the latest styles to choose from. We will glad to show them to you Weeks & Co. The Peoples Store.

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CORONATION POSTPONED

On Account of King's Illness, Undergoes an Operation.

LONDON, June 24.—The coronation is postponed indefinitely on account of the illness of King Edward. At 1.06 p. m., today an operation on the King was performed. At 2 p. m. it was privately admitted that His Majesty's condition was more serious than represented by the medical bulletins. At 12.46 Sir Francis Knollys, the King's private secretary, issued an official medical announcement as follows: The King is suffering from priapitis, (appendicitis). His condition on Saturday was so satisfactory that it was hoped with care His Majesty would be able to go through the Coronation ceremony. On Monday evening a recrudescence became manifest, rendering a surgical operation necessary today.

The news that the King's illness was so serious as to cause the postponement of the Coronation festivities first came from the House of Commons and the news spread over London like wildfire, causing consternation everywhere. The King's condition had been progressing so satisfactorily that his physicians believed him to be able to go through the Coronation ceremonies or at least the most important ones, but he took an unfavorable turn, and an operation became necessary. Dr. Fieve, assisted by Drs. Lister Smith, T. Fieve, and Barlow at 2 o'clock made an incision, finding a large abscess which was evacuated. The King bore the operation well and at 6 o'clock was fully recovered from the chloroform. The doctors pronounced his condition satisfactory.

The abscess in the tissues around the vermiform appendix and with favorable conditions the King will recover in three or four weeks, but the Coronation cannot go on till some time after that, as he must get strong.

The King on regaining consciousness, asked for the Prince of Wales. His Majesty has ordered that the dinner to the poor of London shall go on as arranged.

The foreign dignitaries are all shocked at the terrible news. It is believed they will return home as soon as conditions show the King's progress satisfactory. Enormous crowds await the bulletins issued from hour to hour. In the house of Lords, Salisbury announced that the surgeons entertained a most satisfactory view of the progress of the distinguished patient, but most definite language was impossible.

LONDON, June 24, 11 p.m.—A bulletin issued at 11 says: The King's condition was so good as could be expected, after so serious an operation. It will be some days before it will be possible to say that he is out of danger.

A despatch received early this (Wednesday) morning says the King rested easy last night.

Result of the License Examinations.

The following is the result of the License Examinations issued Monday I CLASS. NECESSARY TO PASS 900—POSSIBLE 1,500. John B. Turbide, St. Dunstan's Col., 1,064. Nellie McCallum, Lower Bedegue, 971. F and A, Stewart McArthur, S'ide, 928. F and A, Arthur Hacker, N. B. Bedegue, 900. Students who competed for 1st Class License, but having failed to obtain 1st Class, have gained a 11 Class License. Necessary to pass 750. Reginald McLean, St. Dunstan's Col., 889. Irene Clark, Bay View, 888. Bohan Cameron, Charlottetown, 883. John J. Kenny, St. Dunstan Col., 854. Mand Knox, Souris, 851. Wm. King, St. Dunstan's College, 827. Lina McLeod, Long River, 823. Lois Hooper, Charlottetown, 808. Lottie Newcome, Crapaud, 793. Florrie Whitney, Crapaud, 777. Roy Hooper, Milton, 770. Jas. F. McLeod, Bridgetown, 769. Sadie McLeod, Ocean View, 768. Helen Whidden, North Bedegue, 763. Sadie Lyle, Belmont, 762. Alex. Montgomery, Valleyfield, 757. Peter F. McDonald, Blooming Point, 756. J. Albert Taylor, Charlottetown, 750.

NECESSARY TO PASS 900—POSSIBLE 1,500. Geddis Spencer, Montserrat, 1,021. L. Nellie Atiker, Lower Montague, 1002. John B. Brown, St. Dunstan Col., 994. Euphrosina Chaisson, Little Tignish, 954. Neil McCannell, Long Creek, 954. A. Daniel McLean, Montague, 918. L. John McCormack, Newport, 912. Ada Bryerton, Charlottetown, 907. A. J. D. McEachern, St. Dun. C.J., 900. Emily McIntyre, Brantford, 900. N. B.—F. L. or A. opposite some of above names means that License is not granted on condition that the candidate indicated pass the examination in French, Latin or Algebra at the examinations in June, 1903.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

FOLLOWING is the order of tea parties and picnics thus far announced: July 1st, Head St. Peter's Bay; July 3rd, St. Ann's, Hope River; July 5th, Morell; July 10th (picnic), St. Andrew's; July 16th, Souris; July 21, Fort Augustus; July 22, St. Margaret's, at Bear River Station.

The new Catholic Church at Lot 85 was dedicated to divine worship on Sunday last by his Lordship Bishop McDonald. In the celebration of Solemn Pontifical Mass, his Lordship, the Bishop, was assisted by Rev. D. B. Reid as arch-priest, Rev. Dr. Morrison and Rev. J. J. McDonald as deacons of honor, Rev. James A. MacDonald as deacon of office, and Rev. T. Campbell as sub-deacon. The sermon of the occasion was preached by Rev. Dr. Morrison. A collection taken up during the service amounted to \$155.

In this issue will be found the advertisement of the tea party and fancy fair, in aid of St. Joseph's church, Morell, to be held at Morell Station on Tuesday July 5th. It is intimated that this may be the last tea party to be held under the same auspices, for some time to come. This, of itself would be a strong reason why you get going should it every day, special or surpass its predecessors, so proverbially successful. But the charming locality in which the gathering is to be held can scarcely fail to draw together an immense gathering on July 5th. The Morell River is far famed as the home of the speckled beauty and the Meocs of the anglers and fish attend this tea party will be offered an opportunity of indulging, if they feel inclined, in the exciting amusement of tempting to lure the silvery trout from his lurking place. A rare day's enjoyment is in store for all who attend this gathering.

The Prices.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Butter (fresh), Beef (small per lb.), Eggs, etc.

DIED

At Charlottetown on the 30th, inst., Mrs. Catherine Hughes in the 89th year of her age, relict of the late Edward Hughes. May her soul rest in peace.

Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court at Summerside closed Thursday evening. The trespass case of John Hickey vs Allen McLeod and John McLeod was concluded at the morning session. Judgment reserved. J. E. Wyatt applied for a rule nisi to quash a conviction of Frank Perry for violation of the C. T. A. and the Judge requested that Mr. Wyatt send his ground of application to him at Charlottetown and he would consider the matter and deliver judgment at the next term of the Supreme Court at Charlottetown, to be held next week. An appeal case, Frank McKenzie & Co. against H. A. Compton, was the last case disposed of. The matter was argued and judgment reserved. In the afternoon the criminals were sentenced. Claud Gallant and Bus Perry found guilty of housebreaking with intent to steal. The prisoners in this case were both under 14 years of age. His Lordship gave them some strong advice pointing out the gravity of their crime and what it would lead to if they did not reform. He considered that a separation from their evil companions and surroundings would be beneficial to them, and sentenced them to two years in Dorchester Penitentiary. Richard Elliott, guilty of housebreaking and larceny was sentenced to three years at Dorchester, and Harry Richards for the same offence was given three years and six months in the institution. Richards had already served a term at Dorchester but had not profited by it. The Judge hoped it would teach him a lesson this time. George Gillian for manslaughter. The prisoner on being asked if he had anything to say, replied that as far as he himself was concerned he had nothing to say, but in as much as the jury had seen fit to recommend mercy, he would ask that mercy for his family. His Lordship in passing sentence upon him spoke feelingly and eloquently. During his term of office he had never felt more keenly for a prisoner. The jury had recommended mercy and their recommendation had not been considered. It was a fortunate thing for him he had not been tried on a more serious charge. He (the judge) had spoken to the jury on the sacredness of human life. The court had heard of the condition in which Graves was when by the prisoner's hand he had been, in a moment, sent into the presence of his God. Whether he (Graves) may have been had a human life and a human soul. The jury had considered the prisoner's reputable life, the thirty years in which he had done his duty as an officer of the law. He (the prisoner) was now 55 years of age. It was sad that this cloud should fall upon him, that the shame and the suffering should fall upon his children. He (the judge) had since the verdict was given thought much about the motherless children and the little girl upon whom the weight of the verdict should fall, and whose lives now lay between the mother's grave and the father's living tomb. He (the prisoner) was the cause of it all; he owed the reparation which he had demanded. The sentence of the court was that he would be imprisoned in Dorchester penitentiary for seven years.

The Trinity Term of the Supreme Court opened in Charlottetown yesterday morning at eleven o'clock. Mr. Donald McKinnon was sworn in as an Attorney of the court. Neil McQuarrie, K. C., moved for leave to appeal in the case of the King vs. Gillan. Motion allowed. Day for hearing appeal to be set down later. Angus A. McLean vs. Alexander Stewart, an absent debtor. Judgment for plaintiff for \$80. Frank R. Hariz vs. John Prught, action for debt. Judgment for plaintiff for \$72.22. McKenzie for plaintiff.

Minard's Liniment Cures LaGrippe.

GRAND

Coronation Tea!

Head St. Peter's Bay, ON DOMINION DAY, Tuesday, July 1st.

The first and greatest Tea Party of the season will be the Coronation Tea, to be held at Head St. Peter's Bay, Tuesday, July 1st. On no portion of this Province have the beauties of nature been more lavishly bestowed than on St. Peter's, nor is there any other place on the Island so inviting for a day's outing. The beautiful waters of the Bay sweep round nine miles from the harbor's mouth, winding between gently rising banks on either side, where well-tilled farms slope down to the water's edge. On the first of July these fields will be amply clothed in a mantle of rich verdure, meadows and grain fields lying close to the water's edge. The beautiful Church Grounds, from which the charming village of St. Peter's, the object that first attracts the attention of all visitors approaching St. Peter's is a beautiful Catholic Church. It is situated on the crest of the rising ground on the north side of the Bay, a little west of the village, and its massive tower and lofty cross-crowned spire are visible from afar. It stands out in bold relief as if sentinelling all around. The scene here presented, at this season of the year, when nature is at its best, is such an artist would love to reproduce. The Tea Party will be held near the beautiful Church Grounds, from which such a magnificent view can be had on all sides. Who can resist the invitation to this charming spot, extended to the public by the parishioners of St. Peter's for Dominion Day? Everything possible will be done to minister to the comfort and pleasure of all who come to the Tea Party. Dinner and Tea tables abundantly supplied with the choicest edibles will be set out in the most inviting style. Refreshment Saloons, with all the delicacies of the season will be provided, and games and amusements galore will be supplied. Dancing booths with the best of music will be a feature of the day. In order to convince yourself that you can have a rare day's pleasure at small cost read the Special Reduced Fares and Train Arrangements as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Station, Fare, Train Dept. Includes Charlottetown, Royal Junction, York, etc.

Passengers return by regular evening trains. Passengers from stations on Georgetown Branch go by regular morning train, and return by regular evening train on July 1st. Returning trains will leave St. Peter's for Souris, Charlottetown and Georgetown, at 6:30 p. m. BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE. June 18, 1902—21

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We aim to supply our customers with the best of everything in our line and at the right prices. This accounts in a great measure for our growing trade.

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In no part of Canada is there more Tea consumed in proportion to population than in P. E. Island, and in no other part of Canada is Tea sold as cheap. We pay particular attention to this branch of our business. Our "Eureka Blend" is having a very large sale. This Tea we have blended especially for our retail trade, and we claim that there is no better Tea on the market at 25 cents per lb. Our customers speak highly of it.

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