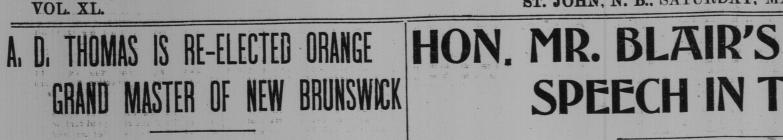
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ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 1902.

The Semi-Arekly Telegraph.



Proceedings of Grand Lodge at Fredericton Wednesday --Opposition Effort To Have P. S. Archibald as "Coach" in the Secretary Neil J. Morrison's Interesting Report--Proposes New Plan of Division for Better Work.

Fredericton, March 19.-(Special)-The Grand Orange Lodge convened at 10 o'clock this morning and 110 delegates were in attendance, including 30 from St. John. County Master H. F. McLeod read an address of welcome which was reester.

read an address of welcome which was re-plied to by A. J. Armstrong, P. G. M., and Deputy Master Philip Palmer. Neil J. Morrison, grand secretary, sub-mitted a lengthy and interesting re-port. In the introduction he referred to the fact that this was the 59th annual session of Grand Lodge, congratulated the lodge on having selected Fredericton as its meeting place and told of the loyal manner in which members of the Orange order joined in the welcome ex-tended to the Duke and Duchess of York on the occasion of their visit to the provoccasion of their visit to the prov

During the year the order was called upon to mourn the loss by death of two of its most eminent leaders, John W. Bell, M. P., and Hon. N. Clark Wallace.

New Lodges.

Four new primary lodges were organized during the year—King Edward, No. 92, at Pennfield; Earle, No. 82, at Cole's sland; Bocabec, No. 116, at Bocabec; New Cen-tury, No. 107, at Sunny Brae. A warrant was also issued to establish a second county lodge in York county to be known as York (west).

Resuscitations.

Lincoln, No. 30, Sunbury county; Star in the East, No. 85, Queens (west), and Kinnear, No. 44, Kings, were resuscitated

Section 4 Kings and Albert. Section 5. Westmorland and Kent. Section 6. Northumberland and Glou-

(3). That the Grand Lodge pay all ex supplies, including a set of books to all Pictou) moved that the report of the supplies, including a set of books to an new lodges but the supplies shall be paid for on the application for the warrant. (4). That Grand Lodge memoralize the Grand Lodge of British America to allow this province its share of the sum voted ublic accounts committee be referred back or propagation work.

ter, grand treasurer and Brothers A. J. Armstrong and Scott E. Morrill for assistrun as a political machine. Mr. Cowan-Are you speaking from exance given, and expressed the hope that the Grand Lodge would have a pleasant Mr. Bell-I am not going further not

Grand Treasurer Philip Heine's report howed a balance on hand of \$682. Telegrams of greeting were sent to the Grand Lodge of Ontario East, now meet-ing at Smith's Falls.

A proposal to establish an orphans home for children of deceased Orangement vantage to the Tory party at present. Mr. Johnson-Hence the sore spot. was discussed at length, and referred for special consideration to a committee con-sisting of H. H. Pitts, C. N. Skinner and

have no difficulty in showing that the honorable member (Bell) who makes this motion has furnished us with no suffi-W. H. Wadman, to report at the next cient reason why his motion sho At this afternoon's session the report of I do not intend, however, to be drawn inmitted to a discussion of the general policy of and adopted. The finance com the government and of

Ottawa, March 19-(Special)-In the degree for the expenditure of public ministration of the government railway. use, on orders of the day, Mr. Bell money, not a man who had any direct connection with the railway and who for ble accounts committee be referred back that P. S. Archibald, engineer, of porton, might be summoned to give evi-Moncton, might be summoned to give evi-dence before the committee. He argued that the greatest latitude should be given it is of the discretion with which it has on, but who knew about auditing the ac ounts as well as anyone could be ex-

SPEECH IN THE HOUSE.

In presenting the recommendations the grand secretary urged their consideration upon the Grand Lodge and emphasized the desirability of lodges adopting a uniform system of book-keeping. In conclusion he thanked the grand massive and Brothers A. d. in pursuing investigations before that committee. It was to produce any facts which would justify the management of the railway and conendowed the committee, parliament ought ommon repute that the Intercolonial was un as a political machine. "What is the business of the public ac-

Public Accounts' Committee Brings Stinging Address

from the Minister-Government Supported-

Mr. Borden Gets Angry.

counts committee? Its business is to exthe expenditure, to ask ex- the administration. The honorable gentleplanations from the officers as to how, than to say that common repute says it was used as a political engine. Mr. Johnson (Cape Breton)—For. the when and under what circumstances and by what warrant any expenditure was this gentleman has not the information by what warrant any expenditure was made. And if, as a result of the inquiry which they make, they think that there is any doubt of the integrity of any per-son connected with the government or any of its officials, any doubt that they have not acted in accordance with their duty, where they according the accordance with their duty, or the they according the accordance with the rest of the set of the se Tory party. Mr. Bell-It could not be of much ad-Mr. Blair-I think, Mr. Speaker, I should

or that they have committed any corrupt act, then it would be proper enough for those gentlemen to go outside to get further light upon the matter and to ob-referred to when the honorable gentleman tain any evidence that can be gathered to bring home this wrongdoing to the par-Mr. P. S. Archibald be summoned as a

to the possible fate of the bridges there The ice between Fredericton and Spring hill, a distance of five miles, was report ed solid at 11 o'clock Thursday night bu the big ice jam at Hartland broke about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and at that point alone the water is reported to be falling.

A Record Rainfall. The total precipitation in St. John, from the time the storm began at 11 a. m., Monday, until Thursday evening registered 44 inches of rain. The lowest temperature during the month lowest temperature during the month of March so far this year was 10 degrees above on the 9th inst., and the highest 50 degrees above Thursday. The highest during March last year was 49 degrees on the 22nd inst., and the lowest 1 degree above on the 3rd. There was good sleighing until the 17th last year but no snow at the end of the struing as far as he could an unfavorable impression of the men who were manthat road and of the officers unde man desired to proceed in that investigation when he knew thoroughly well that ast year, but no snow at the end of the month. Three inches of snow fell during March, 1901, and 64 inches have fallen so far this year, but this practically all came at once. During April last year the high-est temperature was 65 degrees on the 20th inst., and the lowest was 25 on the 12th inst. The total rainfall was 31 inches, showing that more rain ha

tion one session. He had scarcely touched he had scarcely been allowed to touch the fallen in three days in the m this year than fell during the whole of April last year. There is

The freshet situation in New Brunswick steadily last night and today until noon increased in seriousness Thursday as the river continued to rise and what ice re-mometer 40. mometer 40. Grand Falls-Rained a little today and mains is gradually becoming weaker. Con siderable anxiety is felt in Fredericton a

THE ST. JOHN RIVER IS ON THE RUN.

Started at Many Points Wednesday-Country is Flooded-

Logs at Westfield Go Adrift--Boating in Norton--Nearly

THE DANGER IS AT HAND; ICE IN

Record at Fredericton.

is raining now. The river has risen about two feet since last right. The ice will likely hang for a few days yet. Florenceville—The river is not

high as it was yesterday. The ice ran clear from here. It has not rained any since 3.30 today but the weather looks like more rain now. Wind is qui from the northeast.

NO. 53.

Hartland-The big jam of ice broke about 4 o'clock this afternoon amid great excitement. The ice ran against the piers of the new bridge and made that struc-ture tremble violently at times. It was feared that the bridge was doomed on acfeared that the bridge was doomed on ac-count of the height of the ice jam, which was the most ponderous thing ever wit-nessed in the history of Hartland. The bridge withstood the fearful strain and came out of the fray with but little damage. Shortly after the jam broke the water fell rapidly and the belated trains will continue on their way after a delay of 28 hours. The weather is cool with a little sleet. Wind northeast. little sleet. Wind northeast

Woodstock-The ice is running very thick. The water is pretty high but is not rising any today. It is raining a little

Fredericton-The water has risen eight inches today, but the general supposition is that it has reached its highest point. The ice is solid and unless there is a connth of March tinuation of the rain no movement is an-ticipated. At Hawkshaw, about half way to Woodstock, the ice made a start and ing on the official records that tells of a rainstorm carired away the New Brunswick Telee Company's line. For this no late developments can be learned. Re-pairs will begin as soon as possible. It is learned from the North Shore that Doaktown is under water and the Miramich. district is flooded. Miller's mill at Miller ton has been badly damaged. Kilburn, March 19-The ice began to Senior grand mater, J. A. Lindsy, North, Jung the past year it was a most more for parliament to investigate or to enourise the the honorable gentleman who has the stores are monited that the committee on intruct the committee on intruct. It ecounties to the stand or to invest it more all of the stand product that the increasing. The officers were afterwards intalled by Past Master A. J. Armstong.
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The officers were afterwards intalled in to investigate or to enourise the total sum were estimated that the committee on the isone mater on the isone Kiburn, March 19-11e ice began to run out at 11 o'clock this morning, and has been running all day. The water is high and is still raising. It was raining hard all morning and part of the afterand in some places the banks are over-flowed and much land covered. About 30,000,000 of logs are hung up in the ice near Springhill and while the ice there is solid at the present time grave consequences are feared if this immense quantity of logs should be started by the Hartland ice jam in its course down river. quantity of logs should be started by the Hartland ice jam in its course down river. Should they start it is feared that both bridges at Frederieton would succumb. Special despatches received by The Tele-graph telling the condition of the freshet up to 8 o'clock Thursday evening are as Blows: Edmundston-It has been raining about from the ice there. The Kennebaccasis continues to rise and some slight damage has been reported in the vicinity of Hampton and Norton. Quite a lot of lumber was carried away at Kingston. A correspondent at Lower Mill-stream writes under date of Mar. 20: "This is the biggest freshet we have had since 1867 and considerable damage is reported. PREMIER TWEEDIE PRESENTS HIS BUDGET. A new bridge near Hiram Sharpe's mill pond was destroyed. The mill dam burst nd the torrent of water carried the bridge down with it. The high road above the Millsteram bridge is under water and rafts are being used as a means of com-munication. Many families have been iso-lated aind John McAuley's grist mill was A Surplus of Close to Fifty Thousand Dollars for the Current Fiscal Year-The Services Explained-Year's flooded considerable damage being done. Logs are running freely and at present Operations Told Of-Facts Strongly Presented Showing New Brunswick's Prosperity. the water is receding slightly." From Hillsboro comes the following: "A' large bridge on the carriage road just above the Osman lake has been carried away by the floods, but the washouts on the line of the Salisbury and Harvey Railroad have done little damage. St. Martins ,March 20-The Salmon us any harm. While we have beel circles the abtorney general and myself for neglecting the public interest and letting the lands department of agriculture, I feel that this is one of the things for which the government is to be most highly commended. The results of its policy speak for themselves. we to be used before the wharves can be rebuilt. The foundation of the mill was that it would be cancelled. The land was sold again at a later period and the government got \$12,000 or \$15,000 as a result of this sale. Yet the newspapers which hed attacked the covernment again.

"Now, Mr. Speaker, let me call the at-tention of the house for a moment to the way in which this inquiry was being con-ducted. The honorable gentleman first called the auditor general, who did not very much about what was going

Annear, No. 44, Kings, were resuscitated during the year. Charlotte county lodge and the Royal Scarlet Chapter connected ported favorably on the accounts and the therewith, were also revived, making a total of seven primary lodges, two county lodges and one Scarlet Chapter added to the register. Skinner lodge, No. 107, re-turned its warrant and the number was issued to a lodge in Westmorland county.

County returns of primary lodges show as follows: Albert county, nine lodges; Carleton, eight, and two to hear from; Charlotte (north), seven, three to hear from; Charlotte, four; Kings (east), three; Kings (west), five, nour; akings (east), three, Kings (west), five, and one to hear from; Northumberland, three; Queens, six, and one to hear from; Queens (west), five, and two to hear from; Sunbury, four; Resti-gouche, four; St. John, twelve primary lodges, one district; St. John (west), five; Vietonic trac. Wattweedand, tere; Vort Victoria, two; Westmorland, ten; York, eight, and four to hear from; York (west), four; Kent, three; Gloucester, two, mak-ing a total of 104 primary lodges return-ed and 13 to hear from. ST, JOHN SCHOONER ON HANDKERCHIEF

From the returns, statistics were gath-ered showing 424 initiations, 59 joined by certificate, 98 reinstated; 82 withdrawn by certificate; three expelled and 53 died. Charlotte, Westmorland, Northumberland and Queens were the counties showing most activity.

Visitations.

A large number of lodges in the jurisdiction were visited during the year and in every case were found working in constitutional order and in harmony. A. new hall was dedicated at Petersville when the hall was dedicated at retersive when the ceremonies were very largely attended. The anniversary of July 12th was celebrated by the Grand Lodge in Moncton and other celebrations were held in centres of the jurisdiction, all being well attended.

The grand secretary referred feelingly to the fact that 53 members had joined to the fact that is members had joined the great majority during the year, the largest mortality in the history of the lodge. Prominent among the names re-ported as dead was Senior Deputy Grand Master Joseph H. Morrison, M. D.

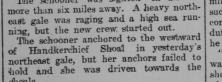
Propagation.

This work was carried on to some ex-This work was called on to both as suc-tent by the grand officers but not as suc-cessfully as might be and, in order to lay a sure foundation for this year, the grand secretary recommended (1) that the prov-ince be divided into sections, each section to be composed of two or more counties and to be under the direction of a grand officer who, with the county masters, would be responsible to Grand Lodge for the proper visiting and organizing of new lodges and that if a grand officer cannot be found to grand the start of the sta lodges and that it a grand oncer earlier be found to give the time and take the responsibility of such territory as may be assigned to him, that a past grand officer or some other who will do the work and be responsible to Grand Lodge be appoint-ed and that a certain sum be apportioned for such section and paid over to the as follows. for such section and paid over to the officer when requested, for which the officer shall give an itemized account at the end of the year; (2) that the division for the above purposes be as follows: Section 1. Carleton and Victoria coun-

Section 2. York, Sunbury and Queens (west). Section 3. St. John, Charlotte and Queens (east).

report of the committee on corespond-ence was read and adopted. Considerable time was consumed in discussing several reports. At this evening's session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: exceeded by the administration; and I take it that if there was an outrageous

seven men from the stranded lumber schooner, Elwood Burton, St. John, N. B., for New York, which struck on Handkerchief shoal. The schooner was sighted in distress



Estimated Receipts, 1902.

ing the appropriations it has hitherto au-

duty to summon the person whose name he has mentioned in this resolution.

thorized for the improvement of the I C. R. The amounts which have been authorized in these appropriations have not, as the public accounts will show, been

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exceeded by the administration; and I body who has a sore head and who has been spying around in order to find some thing derogatory to the administration of the department. (Cheers.) "Nir who is this is the control of the department to "Nir who is the isother was a most mon-

which the committee has arrived at and quence of the action of this house, will the men who have paid out this money, which the committee has arrived at and before he can ask parliament to pass any resolution of reflection upon the action of that committee, he is bound to satisfy the mind of parliament that that com-mittee has failed in its duty, and has had such evidence presented to it as would compel it in the proper exercise of that compel it in the proper exercise of that (Hear, hear.) I take it that he will come the purpose of having them exonerated if here with a little prejudice in his mind there is any ground at all for suspicio against the officers and men in conse- is it for the purpose of preventing them against the others and men in consection is it for the purpose of preventing them "Sir, I say unhesitatingly that no cause was shown to that committee why we should go outside the line and the course of procedure which the committee was taking a no portion is it for the purpose of preventing them quence of whose action he is no longer in the employ of the government and no longer chief engineer of the government and railway. He is not coming here with any taking a no portion is it for the purpose of preventing them the off the government and no longer chief engineer of the government taking a no portion is it for the purpose of government and no longer chief engineer of the government the purpose of casting reproach upon their the purpose of casting reproach upon their

shoals. Those on board were powerless to save to the schooner accompanied by Under-writers Agent Mallows, and after raising sail succeeded in floating the vessel, wunch proceeded apparently uninjured.

ties guilty of it. "It would be time enough when a charge has been preferred for these honorable gentlemen to go outside and to cast about the country to find if they can find someto equal this. The opening of the river this year is also the earliest on record, the best previous record being on April

A Norton correspondent writes: Norton, March 19 .- The rain storm (Continued on page 4.)

CAN'T CRITICISE AGRICULTURAL POLICY.

"Whatever the opposition may say against the government, they cannot attack its agricultural policy successfully, for we know, and they know, that the farmers of the province are in favor of it. Whenever we have gone to the people, in King's county or elsewhere, we have never lost an election for the past two years. . . . While we have been criticised for spending money in creating a department of agriculture, I feel that this is one of the things for which the government is to be most highly commended. The results of its policy speak for themselves."-[Premier Tweedie's budget speech.

Fredericton, March 19.—In the house to-hay Hon, Mr. Tweedie presented the esti-balance at credit of current revenue account Oct. 31, 1901..... 26,356.55 day Hon, Mr. Tweedie presented the estimates for the current fiscal year. They are .\$855,676.74 Balance.....\$ 49,909.56 Estimated Expenditure, 1962.

Eastern Extension claim balance. 6,500,06 Territorial revenue. Administration of justice..\$ 17,050 Verritorial revenue..... Pees, provincial secy's office... Private local bills.... Agriculture. Auditor general. Boys' Industrial Home. axes incorporated companies... 8.000.00

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ity. The past year was a fairly pros-perous one in all lines of industry, in humbering and mining and with regard to agriculture, it was also a successful year except on the north shore where the dry weather for it was the druget or for weather, for it was the dryest season for a quarter of a century, interfered with some of the crops. The farmers of New Brunswick are to be congratulated on the 2400.00 1,000.00 14,000.00 14,000.00 14,000.00 200.00 14,000.00 14 Lumber Policy Equally Successful. "With regard to lumber, the policy of the government has been equally success-ful. The past year has been favorable to the lumbermen. Markets have been good 204,544.48 their present condition and that whice their present condition and that which existed a few years ago is indeed re-markable. No one could have contem-plated that the market should become so extended that they would be sending hay to South Africa. We have seen agti-cultured development, ming on in avery and their condition is greatly changed from what it was a few years ago when some of them were having a hard time 23,000,00 8,000,00 0,477,50 direction, and I am sure the goversment

Some people say that we have unduly favored the lumbermen but the lumber industry was one that deserved good have good reason to be proud of its agricultural policy, which has been so thoroughly successful. treatment because it gave the country a great deal of revenue. Last year I esti-mated that the territorial revenue of the province would be \$185,000, but it went up to \$200,000. The government while giving the lumbermen every reasonable ad-vantage had been most careful to guard ithe public interests.

Didn't Stand for Combination.

"Some time ago we had a crown land sale at which the timber areas offered has come into the house to oppose us has been the amiable and genial gentleman were sold for the upset price. This was the result of a combination such as the

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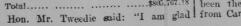
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bitration.... Royal reception.... Sportsmen's show, Boston. Agent general for N. B.

