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IPORTANT MATTERS

at the Government Did at Fredericton.

IE CHIPMAN RAILWAY

Be Helped--Dr. J. M. Smith pointed License Commissioner St. John -- The Succession ; -- No More Combines at Land Sales.

meeting of the local government and Wednesday at Fredericton deal of important business was sed of. The Telegraph learns that he government had under consideration the report of the sub-committee appointed o visit and report upon the coal fields of ucens and Sunbury. The report was acompanied by a report of an expert who ompanied the committee and was very sfactory and satisfied the government t the deposits are sufficiently extensive d valuable to warrant vigorous steps for eir development. Recognizing that the nstruction of a railway from Chipman Fredericton is essential to this, the overnment decided to act under legislative authority, granted last session, to aid the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company in the construction of the line. It is understood that work will be commenced in a short time, and it is expected that on the completion of he railway, the company will have the coal mines sufficiently developed to give an output of 500 tons per day.

There has been a good deal of adverse criticism in opposition papers based on the theory that, by reason of there being a combination of the lumbermen at the recent crown land sales, timber limits in Gloucester and Restigouche had been disposed of much below value. The surveyor general, however, reported that immediately after the sale, being convinced that such combination existed, the sale was, with the consent of the applicant, declared off and the limits had been again advertised.

The action of the surveyor general was approved and in all cases in future, where here is evidence of such arrangements, eps will be taken to prevent the timber nits being sold below their real value. It is understood that, on the urgent quest of the Fredericton Exhibition Association backed by the solicitation of the epresentatives for York, the government ecided that in addition to the grant already given the exhibition to be held at redericton this fall, they would guarantee o the association to make good any deficit to the extent of $500.

Dr. John M. Smith, of the North End, was appointed liquor license commissioner in place of Geo. A. Knodell, late chairman of the board, whose term of office has expired.

Strong representations were made to the government from priests and others in Gloucester and Madawaska against the granting of licenses in certain districts. It was decided to investigate and to direct commissioners to withhold licenses in the meantime.

During the recent session of parliament reference was made by a member of the government to the fact that the province of New Brunswick had declined to give its consent to the bringing into operation, so far as this province is concerned, a treaty recently agreed upon between Great Britain and the United States relative to the property of deceased citizens of either dying within the domains of the other. It is understood that the ground of objection taken by the government of New Brunswick is that the effect of the treaty would be to prevent the exacting of the double succession duty from non-residents of the province who are subjects of the United States. The matter was again considered by the provincial executive at the recent meeting and a minute of council was passed in which the view is forcibly presented that it would be unjust to the province to require it to abandon this source of revenue.

The Telegraph was informed that the provisions of a treaty recently agreed to en the United Kingdom and Japan to the disposition of property of ed persons and to which the con of the provincial government was sked, was approved of.

Another matter considered by the government was an application from the government in Ontario for a grant of peat bogs within the province for the purpose of making fuel by a new process. It is proposed to engage in the work on a large scale. This matter and also an application of the Shediac and Coast Railway Company to enter into a subsidy contract were referred to a sub-committee of council to report at a subsequent meeting.

bandonment of Double Tariff Idea.

n, June 6.—As one of the results rday's tariff discussion the Associ ress learns reliably that Prussia mber of the larger German states ldened the idea of so-called iff, that is to say, maximal and hich commercial circles consid n obstacle in concluding new ly satisfactory commercial Von Miquel, former minister was the creator of the tariff.

MORE JUNE BRIDES.

Weddings in Various Sections of the Province.

The marriage took place at Centerton, N. B., on Wednesday of Mr. John Law and Miss Annie Jenkins, Rev. Mr. Laird officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Law will make their home in Milford.

At Nashwaak Village, York Co., Wednesday evening, Rev. Mr. Cosman united in marriage his son, Mr. Lawson Cosman, and Miss May Manzer, daughter of Mr. C. Manzer. Mr. and Mrs. Cosman, who will reside in this city, arrived here yesterday.

The David Weston was gay with bunting when she arrived at Indiantown with the bridal party.

Last evening a cordial reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Cosman at the residence of the groom's father, 257 Prince William street, where they will reside.

Mr. Thomas A. MacFarlane and Miss Sarah Hutchinson were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. M. E. Grass, Adelaide street. Later Mr. and Mrs. MacFarlane left for their future home in Waasis.

John E. Barry, a popular young resident of Durham, and Miss Kathleen Gallen, daughter of Chas. Gallen, of the same place, were united in marriage at the St. Mary's R. C. church Thursday morning. Rev. J. J. Ryan performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Ada Sweeney, and James P. Barry, a brother of the bridegroom, was best man. The happy couple will make their home at Durham. The bridegroom is a nephew of J. H. Barry, K. C., of Fredericton.

The marriage took place in Newcastle on Monday of Mr. R. T. D. Aitken and Miss Jean Thompson, daughter of Mr. Samuel Thompson, K. C. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, Rev. Wm. Aitken, in the presence of immediate relatives only. The bride was attended by Miss Annie Aitken, while the groom had the support of Mr. Allan A. Davidson. Mr. and Mrs. Aitken are spending their honeymoon in Buffalo.

At Boston on Tuesday two former St. John residents were united in matrimony. The groom is Frank M. Olive, brother of Isaac Olive, government inspector of hulls, while the bride was a Miss Martin, a native of this city.

At McAdam on Wednesday Joseph Clinton, of St. John, C. P. R. flagman at the Bentley street crossing, and Miss Maggie Evans, daughter of John Evans, of the C. P. R., were united in marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton arrived in the city last night. They will reside on Main street.

Sussex, June 6.—A quiet wedding took place today in the home of Rev. A. and Mrs. Lucas, when their eldest daughter, Clementina S., well known in Sunday school work, was united in marriage to Rev. E. Wesley Halpenny, of Montreal. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, assisted by Revs. G. C. Palmer and C. W. Hamilton. The hour of marriage was 1 p. m. and after a luncheon the newly married couple left by the afternoon express for a brief visit to the bride's grand-parents in Massachusetts. Mr. Halpenny is the general secretary of the Quebec Sunday School Association. Mr. and Mrs. Halpenny will take up their residence in Montreal at 372 St Antoine street.

Moncton, June 6.—(Special)—A. J. Stevens, of the I. C. R. engineering staff, was married at Pictou yesterday, to Miss Troop, one of the popular young ladies of that town. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Henry Ives. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens passed through the city last evening, on the maritime express en route to Montreal, Niagara Falls, Buffalo and other points of interest, on a wedding trip.

DELPIT IN NEW YORK.

Has Left Canada to Seek a Divorce in Maryland.

Jean Edouard Delpit has left Canada, the scene of his marital troubles behind him, and has come to the United States for the purpose of obtaining a divorce, says the New York Herald. He is now in the city and is holding frequent consultations with his lawyer, Allan Caruthers, of No. 231 Broadway. As soon as he can make his arrangements to leave here he will go to Baltimore to engage in business and incidentally to take advantage of the divorce laws of Maryland.

Mr. Caruthers says that Mr. Delpit will sue as soon as he shall have lived in Maryland a year. In Maryland the marital ties may be severed on account of extreme cruelty. As Mrs. Delpit lives in the province of Quebec, the proposed divorce could not be binding upon her unless she appeared voluntarily to submit to the jurisdiction of the court. Her husband hopes that she will consent to this, but according to Mr. Caruthers he intends to proceed against her under any circumstances, so that she shall have no claim against him in his new home.

Mr. Caruthers has just returned from a trip to Montreal, where he made inquiries about the status of the case in the Canadian courts. He professed yesterday to have no knowledge of Mr. Delpit's address in this city, declaring that he could not communicate with his client. Mr. Delpit called at his office in the morning.

Lord Grimthorpe, who recently completed his 85th year, is an amateur clock and watchmaker of great skill. The manufacture of time-pieces has been a hobby with him ever since his youth.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.

Tuesday, June 4.

Stmr State of Maine, 618, Thompson, from Boston via Portland and Eastport, W G Lee.

Schr Harvard H Havey, 91, Sabean, from Boston, F Tufts, bal.

Stmr Truma, 979, from Louisburg, A Cushing & Co, bal.

Schr Maggie Miller, 92, McLean, from Boston, J W McAlary Co, bal.

Coastwise—Stmr Beaver, 42, Potter, from Wolfville; schrs Glenara, 71, Kennie, from Joggins; Thelma, 48, Milner, from Annapolis; Wanita, 42, Apt, from Annapolis; Leo, Moffat, from River Hebert; Lavinia, 50, Sweet, from Yarmouth; Helen M, 62, Hatfield, from River Hebert.

Wednesday, June 5.

Ship Trojan (It), 1581, Lavagna, from Cape Town, J H Scammell & Co, bal.

Barque Luigina, from Genoa, Wm Thomson & Co, bal.

Schr D. J. Melanson, LeBlanc, from Porto Rico, L G Crosby, molasses.

Schr Frank T Stinson, 876, Wallace, from Portland, Wm Thomson & Co, bal.

Schr Utopia, 98, McLeod, from North Sydney, A W Adams, coal, R P & W F Starr.

Schr Lotus, 98, Granville, from Boston, A W Adams, bal.

Coastwise—Schrs Nina Blanche, 30, Crocker, from Freeport; New Home, 31, Thibedeau, from Church Point; Gazelle, 47, Whidden, from Londonderry; Trilby, 31, McDormand, from Westport.

Thursday, June 6.

Stmr Cumberland, 864, Allen from Boston, via Portland and Eastport, W G Lee.

Schr Alice Maud, 124, Haux, from Boston, N C Scott, bal.

Schr H B Homan, 299, McNeil, from Savannah, R C Elkin, pitch pine.

Schr Temperance Belle, 76, Tufts, from Portland, F Tufts, lumber.

Schr Georgia E, 88, Erb, from Beverly, J W McAlary & Co, bal.

Schr Clifford C, 96, Pedersen, from Boston, D J Purdy, bal.

Schr Joseph Hay, 365, Phipps, from New York, Merritt Bros & Co.

Schr Margaret, 49, Bezanson, from Castine, F Tufts, bal.

Schr Frank and Ira, 97, Whittaker, from Plymouth, N C Scott, bal.

Schr Fanny, 91, Sypher, from Boston, J W McAlary Co, bal.

Schr Otis Miller, 98, Miller, from Providence, A W Adams, bal.

Schr Blomidon, 72, Hines, from Boston, F Tufts, general.

Tug Springhill, 96, Cook, from Calais, master, bal, and cleared for Parrsboro.

Stmr Aurora, 182, Ingersoll, from Campobello, master, bal.

Schr Sea Bird, 80, Andrews, from Eastport, A W Adams, bal.

Schr Rewa, 122, McLean, from Boston, D J Purdy, bal.

Schr Miranda B, 79, Tufts, from Eastport, J E Moore, bal.

Coastwise—Schrs Yarmouth Packet, 76, Shaw, from Yarmouth; Silver Cloud, 44, Post, from Digby; Fleetwing, 53, Goucher, from St Martins; Dove, 19, Ossinger, from Tiverton; Buda, 20, Stuart, from Beaver Harbor; Maudie, 25, Beardsley, from Port Lorne; Citizen, 46, Woodworth, from Bear River; stmr Centreville, 32, Graham, from Weymouth, and cleared.

Schr Southern Cross, from —.

Cleared.

Tuesday, June 4.

Stmr Indianapolis, Black, for Limerick, W M Mackay.

Coastwise—Schrs Clarisse, Sullivan, for Meteghan; C J Colwell, Leonard, for Advocate; Little Annie, Pollard, for Sandy Cove.

Wednesday, June 5.

Stmr State of Maine, Thompson, for Boston, W G Lee.

Coastwise—Schrs Trilby, McDormand, for Westport; Maitland, Hatfield, for Windsor; Susie N, Merriam, for Windsor; Annie Pearl, Starratt, for River Hebert; Morning Star, Priddle, for Hopewll Cape; Nellie G Grey, Smith, for Quaco; Rex, Sweet, for Quaco; Nina Blanche, Crocker, for Freeport; Forest Flower, Ray, for Margaretville; Annie Gale, Best, for River Hebert.

Thursday, June 6.

Schr Lizzie B, Belyea, for Thomaston, master.

Stmr Dongola, English, for Cape Town, Government of Canada.

Schr Bessie Parker, Carter, for City Island, f o, Stetson, Cutler & Co.

Coastwise—Schrs Silver Cloud, Post, for Digby; Blomidon, Hines, for Noel; I H Goudy, Comeau, for Salem; Thelma, Milner, for Annapolis; Buda, Stuart, for Beaver Harbor; Maudie, Beardsley, for Port Lorne; Packet, Gesner, for Bridgetown; Wanita, Apt, for Annapolis; Maggie, Scott, for Wolfville; R P S, Hatfield, for Economy; Citizen, Woodworth, for Bear River; Jessie Lent Stinson, for West Isles.

Sailed.

Stmr Indianapolis, for Limerick.

Stmr Dongola, for Cape Town.

CANADIAN PORTS.

Halifax, June 4.—Ard, stmr Pro Patria, from St Pierre, Miq; schrs Josie, from Arroyo, P R; Britannia, from Fajardo, P R.

Sld—Stmrs Olivette, for Boston; Silvia, for New York; barque Lorenzo, for Granville Dock.

Baie Verte, May 31—Ard, ship Revolving Light, from Liverpool; barque Agat, from Dublin; Inga, from Preston.

Sld—Stmr Petunia, for Manchester.

Newcastle, June 3—Ard, barque Arizona, Jorgensen from Madrid.

Cld—Barque Mersel, Hermansen, for Sligo.

Chatham, June 3—Cld, stmrs Cairo, Clyde, for Bordeaux; Ramlah, Dustin, for Manchester; barque Alma, Jensen, for Trallee.

Bathurst, June 3—Sld, stmr Leuctra, Mulcahey, for Manchester.

Halifax, June 4—Ard, stmr Orinoco, from Demerara, Windward Islands and Bermuda.

Chatham, June 3—Ard, stmr Everenghan, Moore, from Hull; barqtn Lennok, Danbe, from Cardiff.

Cld 3rd—Barque Alma, Jansen, for Tralee.

Fredericton, June 4—Ard, schr Jennie C, from New York, and cleared again for Vineyard Haven.

Hillsboro, June 3—Ard, bqutn Enterprise, Calhoun, from Bordeaux.

Cld 3rd—Sschr John Proctor, Hawes, for Baltimore.

Halifax, June 5.—Ard, stmrs Chicklade, from Madeira; Sicilian, from Glasgow and Liverpool via St John's, Nfld, Charlottetown and Hawkesbury; barques Amodeo, from Trapani; Lucinde, from Lisbon; brigs Somerset, from White Haven E; schrs Hattie P, from Jajardo, Pit; Marshal L Adams, from Banks via Canso, for bait, and cleared for Banks.

Cld—Stmr Sicilian, for Philadelphia.

Sld—Stmr Prince Rupert, for St John.

Halifax, June 6—Ard, stmr Diamond State, from Ogdesburg for Philadelphia and sailed; barque Waaland, from Hamburg; schrs Kippling, from Porto Rico; Silvia, from Porto Rico via Kingston, Ja.

Sld—Stmrs Evangeline, for London; Sicilian, for Philadelphia; Orinoco, for St John.

Hillsboro, June 4—Cld, schr Spartan, Allen, for Chester.

Newcastle, June 4—Cld, barque Romance, Graff, for Lorne.

Halifax, June 6.—Sld, stmr Halifax, for Boston.

BRITISH PORTS.

East London, June 4—Sld, stmr Mantinea, Kehoe, for Musquash via Louisburg.

In port, June 4—Stmr Pharsalia, Smith, from St John via Cape Town.

Sharpness, May 31—Ard, stmrs Verbena, from Halifax via Louisburg, CB; June 1, stmr Platea, from Newcastle, NB.

Preston, June 2—Ard, stmr Helma, from Sheet Harbor, NS.

Manchester, June 3.—Ard, stmrs Songa, from Parrsboro, NS; Vizcaina, from Boston and Hopewell Cape, NB.

Cardiff, June 4—Sld, barque Leifa, for Halifax.

Liverpool, June 5—Stmr Ottoman, for Portland.

Dublin, June 4—Ard, stmr Semantha, from Chatham, NB.

Malin Head, June 5—Passed, stmr Bangor, from Newcastle, NB, via Sydney, CB, for Belfast.

Liverpool, June 5—Sld, stmr Ulunda, for St John's, Nfld, and Halifax.

Brow Head, June 5.—Passed, stmr Hutton, from St John for Manchester.

Brow Head, June 6.—Passed, stmr Damara, from Halifax via St John's, Nfld, for Liverpool.

Liverpool, June 5—Sld, stmr Tresco, for Halifax.

Belfast, June 6—Ard, stmr Bangor, from Newcastle, NB.

Aberdeen, June 5—Sld, stmr Ekliptika, for Yarmouth.

London, June 3—Ard, ship Macedon, Pye, from Manila.

Greenock, June 5—Sld, barque Eidsva, for Campbellton.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Cape Verde, May 31.—Ard, stmr Usher, Cann, from St John, and sailed June 1 for Cape Town.

City Island, June 4—Bound south, schrs C B Clark, from St John; Abbie & Eva Hooper, from St John; Rosa Mueller, from St John; S A Fownes, and Kioka, from St John; Rebecca W Huddell, from Dilligent River, NS.

New York, June 2—Ard, brigt G B Lockhart, Sheridan, from Curacoa; schr Fred Brewster, from San Domingo.

Sld 2—Schr Ravola, Forsyth, Forsyth, for St John.

New Bedford, Mass, June 4—Sld, schr H M Stanley, for St John.

Vineyard Haven, June 4—Sld, schrs Annie Laura, Therese, Garfield White, Reporter, Victory, Genesta.

Ard—Schrs Charlie, from Hillsboro for New York; J M Martin, from Port Daniel, BC, for orders.

Sld—Schr Bonnie Doon.

Passed—Schrs Mattie J Alles, from New York for Portland; Ravola, from Port Johnson for St John.

Gloucester, Mass, June 4.—Ard, schr F Richards, from Meteghan for Boston.

Boston, June 4.—Ard, stmrs Cumberland, from St John via Eastport and Portland; schrs G Walter Scott, from St John; F Richard, from Meteghan, NS.

Sld—Stmrs Mystic, for Louisburg, CB; Prince George and Yarmouth, for Yarmouth; schrs Fanny, for St John; Edmund, for Meteghan.

Cld—Schr Harry, Knowlton, for St John.

New York, June 4.—Cld, schrs Phoenix, for Windsor; Eric, for St John.

Boothbay, June 4.—Sld, schr Hattie E King, for New York; Nellie Carter, for Salem; Alice Maude, for St John; Georgie E, for St John; Harry Morris, for Quaco.

City Island, June 5—Bound south, schrs Eltie, from St John; Emeline G Sawyer, from Pocologan, N. B.

New York, June 3—Ard, barque Glenrosa, Card, from Rosario—Jan 29, lat 29 S, lon 40 W, was struck by a terrific pampero squall and carried away foremast, lost gaff and sails; put into Rio Janerio for repairs. Schr Florence R Hewson, Patterson, from Curacoa.

Sld 3rd—Schr Sarah C Smith, Wood, for Calais; ship Bowman B Law, for Anjer.

Cld 3rd—Schr Viola, Ward, for St John.

Mobile, Ala, May 31—Schr Bartholdi, Amberman, for Cienfuegos.

Bath, Me, June 3—Sld, schr Ann Louisa, Lockwood, for Hillsboro.

New Haven, June 3—Sld, schr Eltie, for New York.

New York, June 5—Ard, schr B L Eaton, from Port Reading for Eastport.

Sld—Barque L W Norton, for Manzanilla, etc.

New Haven, Conn, June 5.—Ard, schr Bessie Whiting, from Calais.

Lynn, Mass, June 5—Ard, schr Progress, from Fredericton.

Eastport, Me, June 5—Ard, schrs Eastern Light, from Boston; Abner Taylor, from New York.

Sld—Schr Miranda B, for St John.

Boston, June 5—Ard, stmr Olivette, from Halifax; schr Helen Shafner, from Annapolis, NS.

Sld—Stmr Cumberland, for Portland, Eastport and St John.

Vineyard Haven, Mass, June 5—Ard and sailed, schrs Alaska, from Sands River, NS, via Boston for New York; Wm L Elkins, from St John for New York; Charles L Jeffrey, from Hillsboro for Philadelphia.

Ard—Schrs Frank L P, from St John for Fall River; Mary C, from Parrsboro for Providence.

Sld—Schr Alma, from Nova Scotia for New York.

Norfolk, Va, June 6—Ard, schr Herbert E, from St John.

City Island, June 6—Bound south, schrs Lizzie D Small, from St John via Vineyard Haven; Tay, from St John via New Haven.

Portland, June —6Cld, schr Major Pickands, for Yarmouth, NS.

Sld—Stmr Arroyo, for London.

New York, June 5—Cld, schr Phoenix, Newcombe, for Windsor.

Bangor, Me, June 4—Ard, brigt Aquilla, Sencebaugh, from Boston—to load for St Pierre, Miq.

Mobile, Ala., June 4—Ard, schr Sirocco, Bodlen, from Cuba.

Genoa, June 1—Sld, barque Providence R, for Halifax.

Salem, June 6—Ard, schr Bessie A, from Five Islands f o.

Vineyard Haven, June 6.—Ard, schrs Prudent, from St John for New York; Nellie F White, from Quaco for New York; Three Sisters, from St John for New York; Clara E Rogers, from Eatonville for New York; Swallow, from St John for Bridgeport; Tansey, from St John for Fall River; E M Porter, from Calais for Newport; Nettie B Dobbin, from Calais for Tiverton.

Passed—Schrs Eric and Viola, from New York for St John; W H Waters, for St John; Phoenix, from New York for Windsor.

Calais, June 6—Ard, schrs Henry Addison, Julia & Martha, Freddie Eaton, Vila Y Hermano, from Boston; Viola May, Alice T Boardman, from New York; C W Dexter, from Gloucester.

Sld—Schrs Emma McAllam, for Bridgeport; Lucknow, Wm V Hutchins, for Boston; Kennebec, for New York.

New York, June 6—Ard, schr Walter Miller, from St John; Earl of Aberdeen, from Yarmouth, NS.

Perth Amboy, June 6—Sld, schr Lewis K Cottingham.

Providence, RI, June 6—Ard, schr Geo A Lawry, from Calais.

New Bedford, Mass, June 6—Ard, schr Clara Jane, from Calais; Forest Belle, from do.

Boston, June 6—Ard, stmrs Prince George, and Yarmouth, from Yarmouth; State of Maine, from St John via Eastport and Portland; schrs Annie, from Salmon River; Neva, from Bear River; Abbie Verna, from Fredericton; Lena Maud, from Eatonville; Jennie Palmer, from Annapolis; Annie Harper and Myra B, both from St John; Athol, from Advocate Harbor, NS; Abbie K Bentley, from Raritan River, NJ.

Sld—Schr Harry, Knowlton, from St John.

Portsmouth, NH, June 6—Ard, schrs T W Allen, from Calais for Dover; Cora B, from St John.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS TELLS OF HARD FIGHTING AND SOME LOSS.

London, June 4.—The war office tonight published the following despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, June 4:

"Jamestown (Cape Colony) surrendered to Kritzsinger's commando on the morning of June 2, after four hours' fighting. The town guard and local volunteers were overpowered before our pursuing columns could come up.

"Our casualties were three killed and two wounded. The Boer loss is said to have been greater.

"The stores were looted but the garrison was released.

"Have placed General French in charge of the operations in Cape Colony."

London, June 5.—Details received regarding the fighting at Vlakfontein show that it was one of the most desperate engagements of the war. General Dixon's column was traversing the district and establishing posts when it was attacked by 1,200 Boers under Commandant Kelp. The Boers were so close that 50 British fell at the first volley.

The Yeomanry held the position, protecting the guns until they were nearly decimated; and then, finding it impossible to save the guns, the artillerymen shot the gun horses to prevent the Boers moving the guns. The column recovered from the shock of the unexpected attack. The Derbyshires charged with bayonets and, after a short desperate fight, drove off the Boers and recovered the guns. The Derbyshires and Yeomanry both lost very heavily. It is asserted that while the Boers had temporary possession of the guns they shot two artillerymen and in cold blood for refusing to work them against their own comrades.

London, June 4.—Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Pretoria today, says: Dixon's report of the fighting at Vladfontein on May 26 just received. On our side 1,450 men with seven guns were engaged. The force was returning to camp at Vladfontein when the enemy, under cover of a veldt fire, rushed the rear guard, consisting of two guns of the 28th Battery and 330 men of the Derbyshires and Yeomanry. They temporarily captured the two guns. When the remainder of the force came into action the Boers were driven off and the guns were recaptured.

The Boers' position was then occupied. Our casualties were 6 officers and 51 men killed, 6 officers and 115 men wounded and one officer and seven men missing. One officer and four men have since died of wounds. Forty-one Boers were killed on the grounds. The further Boer casualties are not known. Reinforcements are being sent.

LIST OF VESSELS BOUND TO ST. JOHN.

Steamers.

Orinoco, from Halifax, June 6.
Cheronea, at Manchester, June 1.
Dahome, at London, June 3.
Domingo de Larrinaga, from Barry, May 23.
Arciduchessa Maria Teressa, from Algiers via Delaware Breakwater, May 14.
Alsatia, from Gibraltar via New York May 26.
Loyalist, from London, May 31.
Pandosia, at Manchester, May 30.
Erctria (new), at Clyde, May 17.
Tantalion, at Barrow, May 21.
Tanagra, from East London, May 17.
Bernard, at Bremen, May 13.
Cunaxa, at Algoa Bay, May 1.
Leuctia, from Bathurst via Clyde, June 3.

Ships.

Astrachana, at Flushing, May 10.
Euphemia, at Genoa, April 11.
Norge, from Papenburg, prior to May 22.

Barques.

Monte Moro, from Savona, May 6.
Alliance, from Liverpool, May 9.
Spind, from Alloa, April 27.
Maria Laura, at Marseilles, Jan. 12.
Lina, from Genoa, May 24.
Giambatiste, at Genoa, March 6.
Dilbhur, at Genoa, May 3.
Hawkesbury, Pensacola via Amsterdam, May 4.
Virginia, from Malaga, April 22.
Bice, from Genoa, May 21.
Prospero-e-Davide, from Amsterdam, April 4.
Lancefield, at Philadelphia, June 3.
Wildwood, at Port Elizabeth, April 27.
Alliance, at Liverpool, May 4.
Amal, at Ireland, May 15.
Anna, at Conna's Quay.

CHATHAM'S TOWN COUNCIL.

$25 License for Foreigners in the Laundry Business--Waterworks, Lighting, the Scott Act.

Chatham, June 4—Last evening the monthly meeting of the town council was held. Alderman McIntosh reported that work in connection with the water works was progressing satisfactory, and that the well at Morrison's Brook was now 100 feet down and the flow extended to the surface.

Alderman Murdoch reported that electric light plant had been taken over by the town; also that Scott act inspectors had been given special instructions to suppress the liquor traffic. Adopted.

Alderman Murray recommended that the bye-laws be amended, making license $25 for foreigners operating a laundry in town. Adopted.

Alderman Nicol moved that $25,000 be paid to the Electric Light company on their handing over the plant. Carried.

Alderman Nicol moved that bonds to the amount of $110,000 for water works and sewerage be printed. Carried.

Alderman Nicol moved that $4,000 be paid James Robinson Company for pipe. Carried.

Alderman Murray moved that the council record the high appreciation of Bishop Rogers refusing to accept anything but nominal sum for lands sold to the town. Carried.

Mr. J. M. Ruddock's tender for gate boxes and ladder steps was accepted.

Mr. Alexander McKay was appointed to superintend the water works and electric light and collect rates for the same.

Similar But Different.

Jack—Well, did you succeed in making her father toe the mark?

Tom (sadly)—Yes; but I was the mark.—Chicago News.

MARRIAGES.

PRITCHARD-MUNRO—In this city, at the residence of the bride's parents, on Wednesday, June 5th, by the Rev. R. W. Weddall, Agnes, daughter of James S. Munro, to Joseph H. Pritchard, both of this city.

DIDEN-KILLAM—At Christ Church, Amherst, N. S., by the Rev. A. J. Creswell, Helen, only daughter of Edmund Biden, Esq., to Oscar Journeay Killam, of Yarmouth, N. S.

MacFARLANE-HUTCHINSON—At 83 Adelaide Road, St. John, N. B., by Rev. W. W. Rainnie, on June 5th, Thomas A. MacFarlane, Waasis Station, Sunbury Co., to Sarah J. Hutchinson, of St. John.

ANDERSON-SCRIBNER—At Welsford, N. B., on June 5th, by the Rev. W. B. Armstrong, rector of Petersville, Ezbon Myers Anderson, of Sydney, C. B., to Annie Eliza, daughter of the late George A. Scribner, of Welsford.

GILLILAND-FLEWELLING—At the residence of the bride's aunt, on June 5th, by the Rev. H. S. Wainwright, Edmund Gilliland to Grace Flewelling, both of Kingston, Kings county.

DEATHS.

HALAHAN—In this city, June 5, Fannie Etta, wife of John Halahan, aged 24 years and 10 months, leaving a husband and two children to mourn their sad loss.

WHITESIDE—Suddenly, in Montreal, on June 1st, Charles A. Whitside, of pneumonia, aged 64 years. Funeral private.

COOPER—In this city, on the 5th inst., Ernest, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper, in the 16th year of his age.

Court News.

Supreme Court of Canada.

Ottawa, June 4—(Special)—In the case of Gurney Foundry Company vs. Morris, the supreme court this morning, after hearing counsel on both sides, gave judgment dismissing the appeal with costs.

Dunn vs. The King was next called. The appellant in this case by petition of right seeks to recover from the government of Canada monies illegally exacted by the government of New Brunswick before confederation as fines and penalties for cutting and carrying away timber from lands under control of the province without license. When the case opened the chief justice intimated that New Brunswick should be represented and after the discussion the case was ordered to stand over to enable the appellant to notify the attorney general of New Brunswick of the hearing.

Roaf appeared for appellant; Hogg, K. C., for respondent.

The case of the Grand Trunk Railway Company vs. James was next called. The facts of this case were that horses belonging to plaintiff (respondent) got off his land through a culvert on defendant's railway and from thence to the highway, where they were killed on the railway track. The only question to be decided was whether or not a railway company is bound to fence culverts or under passes so as to prevent accidents like this. The argument was concluded today and judgment reserved. Nesbitt, K. C., and Osler for appellant; Teetzel, K. C., and Thompson for respondent.

Soper vs. Littlejohn, to be taken up tomorrow, will be the last appeal argued this term.

Westmorland County Court.

Dorchester, N. B., June 4—(Special)—The Westmorland County Court opened here at 2 o'clock this afternoon. There was only one case before the court, the King vs. A. Sonier. Sonier is charged with stealing $475 from the Intercolonial Hotel, Sackville, on May 19th. The grand jury found a true bill against him.

York County Court.

Fredericton, June 4.—The June term of the York county court opened this morning, Judge Wilson presiding. There was no criminal business.

The following civil docket was made up:

Jury cases—Wm. Crawford Ingraham vs. Temperance and General Life Assurance Co. of North America—Phinney & Crocket file record.

Frank H. Long vs. Alfred Williams—H. F. Teed files record.

Non-jury cases—Robt. W. McLellan vs. Peter S. McNutt—R. W. McLellan files record.

In the case of Chas. A. Painter vs. John Macpherson, J. H. Barry, K. C., for defendant moved for judgment as in case of non-suit; granted.

The case of Ingraham vs. Temperance and General Life Assurance Company, an action for false imprisonment, is now on trial; O. S. Crocket for plaintiff and E. R. Chapman for defendant.

Fredericton, June 4.—At the supreme court this morning the following common motions were made:

Ex parte Annie Quirk—R. LeB. Tweedie moved for a rule for a certiorari to quash two convictions made on May 1 before two justices of the peace of Kings for selling liquor contrary to the C. T. A.—two convictions between 12th and 26th December last and two between 27th December and 17th January last: Court considers.

Ex parte Edmund Simpson—Mr. Jonah made a like motion on the conviction before Justice Cahill on the 24th April for sales between January 4 and April 3. Rule absolute on the ground of no jurisdiction or no proper service of summons or notice of complaint.

Ex parte John A. Wever—R. W. McLellan moved for a rule for a certiorari and a rule nisi to quash a conviction under the liquor license act of 1896: rule refused.

Court adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

The chief justice announced that several cases in which the Restigouche Salmon Club are defendants would be placed at the end of the docket and all argued together.

County.

William Manson and William Rourke, charged with indecent assault, were before Judge Forbes yesterday morning. Manson elected to be tried under the speedy trials act and Rourke will be tried by a jury on Thursday.

The case of Beatty vs. Walton was before the court; Hon. H. A. McKeown for plaintiff and A. A. Stockton, K. C., for defendant.

Hendrik Van Zijl, a Boer by birth and a man whose sympathies are with the Boers in their struggle with England, has been elected president of Cambridge University Union.

Mr. H. A. Doherty, one of the Royal Hotel proprietors, returned yesterday from three weeks' recuperation at Ronkonkoma, a Long Island health resort. Mr. Doherty is much improved in health. He also spent a few days at Poland Springs and came home via boat from Fredericton. Mrs. Doherty accompanied her husband on the trip.

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