

DEALS TO PREVENT STRANING OF LOGS

Attorney General Announces Govern- ment Will Dam Some Streams

Idea Is to Have Reserve When River Gets Low—Delega- tions For and Against Amendments to Liquor License Act to Be Heard Tuesday—Dr. Pugsley Concludes Budget Speech—Mr. Hazen to Reply Monday—News of the House.

Fredericton, March 2.—(Special)—Attorney-General Pugsley finished his speech on the budget at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon and immediately afterwards the house adjourned until Monday at 3 o'clock. The attorney-general spoke for upwards of four hours and his address is admitted on all sides to have been one of the most masterly heard in the legislature in recent years.

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Fredericton, March 2.—The house met at 9 o'clock. The bill relating to the towns of Campbellton, Woodstock, and Chatham were read a second time.

Mr. Hill introduced a bill to amend the act relating to levying and assessing rates and taxes in St. Stephen.

The following petitions were presented from city of St. John by Mr. Maxwell in favor of a bill amending the construction and inspection of the building act, in favor of a bill relating to levying and collection of taxes.

Mr. Robertson presented a petition in support of bill to operate an electric railway on the west side of the harbor and in Lunenburg, also in support of the bill relating to the laying of sidewalks.

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MINISTER CELEBRATES HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY

Rev. J. H. Hughes, Baptist Clergy- man, Waited Upon Last Monday by Friends.

Rev. J. H. Hughes was eighty years of age on Monday last and on the anniversary of his birth at beyond the city made a donation visit at 3 o'clock and tendered congratulatory notes. Mr. Hughes whose residence is in Casuarina street, North end, has been for fifty-two years in the ministry.

He was born in this city of Welsh parents, who came from Pembroke, South Wales, in the year 1822, and afterwards moved to Upper Jersey, when he was in his fifth year. He remembers it well. The family afterward lived in different parts of Queens county and finally settled on a new farm between the Narrows and Bellisle, now known as Mill Brook.

When Mr. Hughes was in his twenty-second year he went to Jersey and attended a parish school during the winter.

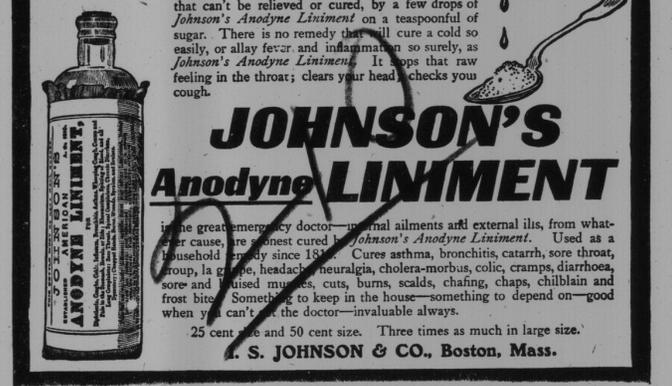
He subsequently spent four years at the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton studying under Dr. Charles Spurgeon. In January, 1844, he was ordained pastor of the Baptist church in Hillboro, Albert county (N. B.), and remained with that church for ten years. Subsequent to that he was pastor of several churches, some in New Brunswick and in Nova Scotia, and for a short time in Minnesota, also in Franklin Park and Cliftondale (Mass.).

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DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN MISSISSIPPI CYCLONE

Part of the Town of Meridian Wiped Out and Many Eved to Be Dead.

Mobile, Ala., March 2.—A long distance telephone message to the Item from Meridian, Mississippi, says a cyclone accompanied by heavy rain struck the city this evening at 6:30 o'clock. The storm center was in the southern portion of the city and particularly heavy along Front street, one of the principal business streets of the city. Nearly every house on Front street is reported to have been demolished. The Armour packing plant, from which this message was received by long distance telephone, is the only building left standing and the roof of this is gone.

Fire broke out in the ruins and despite the heavy rain the flames were burning fiercely when this report was filed. The number of bodies are reported to be in the hands and the rescuers are working by candle light. The city is in total darkness, the only light being put out by the cyclone. The cyclone did severe damage at other points adjacent to Meridian and all trains entering Meridian were delayed indefinitely. The Western Union Telegraph Company reported having lost fifteen miles of wires and the Postal Telegraph Company also suffered great damage.

The wires are down between Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis and other points and it is impossible to secure communication with the cities. A private long distance telephone message received from Meridian says the fire is raging in the devastated district. The chief engineer of the city says that he has seen a number of buildings blown away, but owing to all lights being out, lanterns and candles are being used and the work is necessarily slow. It is thought that 150 persons are being held in the city. One depot is one of the buildings blown away. The telephone wires are still down between Meridian, Mobile and other points.

A long distance telephone message from J. D. Braux, service man of the Cumberland Telephone Company at Meridian (Miss.), gives complete details of the cyclone that struck Meridian at 6:30 this evening, as follows: "During a heavy rain at 6:30 o'clock a storm cloud developed in the south and moved quickly over the city striking Front street, the business center, with full force. The wind was probably blowing 75 miles an hour. The cyclone passed over the city at 6:30 o'clock and in a period three or four hours squares were devastated. A conservative estimate places the number of buildings destroyed down at between 20 and 40. Among the heaviest losers are the Meyer and Neville hardware company; Tom Lyle & Co., wholesale dry goods and groceries; Geo. H. Moore, wholesale dry goods and groceries; the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad freight depot and other buildings. The Mobile & Ohio depot is safe as well as the Southern hotel, but the Grand Avenue hotel was considerably damaged. Three or four persons were killed, however, and no one was injured."

From the business center the cyclone swept to the east where a number of residences were blown down and others badly damaged. Mr. Brex stated that the number of lives lost is small, probably not more than three or four. One of the victims, a man named Johnson, is reported to have been killed at 10 o'clock tonight. He was rescued by his rescuers and buried and extricated him.

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SAYS WOMEN IN ST. JOHN SOCIETY DRINK TO EXCESS

Rev. Mr. Pritchard on Platform Re- peats What Was Told Him—Club Life Attacked, Too.

Rev. H. D. Marr, of Carlton Methodist church, and Rev. W. S. Pritchard, of the Congregational church, delivered strong addresses in Exmouth street Methodist church Friday night on the need of temperance and social reform. Rev. C. W. Hamilton presided. Both speakers claimed by intimation that dealers in liquor have nothing to fear from the present local government, and Mr. Pritchard in elaborating upon the necessity of letting in liquor upon the government for the purpose of so-called society, said that he had been told by one who knows that women of St. John become intoxicated through the vital consumption of strong drink.

Mr. Marr expatiated upon the evil wrought by the liquor trade and said it would be quite useless to expect voluntary reform from the government for the purpose of the liquor trade. Mr. Pritchard described the liquor trade as a slippery foe, fighting in the dark. In part he said: "There are politicians who are shaking in their shoes for fear that their connection with the liquor business will become known." He referred to what he had been told and which he believed concerning the use of liquor in fashionable St. John homes. There were too many parents willing to run grave risks for the sake of entering society. He alluded to club life. Clubs without liquor could not be entered but clubs with liquor were everywhere and which could be known as the rich man's saloon, were worse than the lowest dives in Mill or Brussele streets.

It was the policy of the government, he said, to get all possible money out of the liquor business before doing anything which might limit the liquor men's activity. Concluding, Mr. Pritchard said that the liquor trade was the violation of the liquor law and said it was worse than that an astute lawyer could find for his client numerous loopholes of escape. In the temperance party wanted was expert legal support.

Manzer Nason Went to Bed in Usual Health and Lay Six Days Asleep Till Death Ensued.

McAdam Junction, March 2.—A death, attended by peculiar circumstances, occurred here today. Manzer Nason, 104 years of age, went to sleep on Saturday evening in his usual health, but when it was found on Sunday that he could not be awakened, his friends became alarmed and summoned a physician, who tried all the means known to the medical science but in vain. The sleep continued until early Friday morning, when death occurred.

Ex-Mayor Lowther a Strong Temperance Advocate, Appointed Scott Act Inspector.

DESTRUCTIVE STORM IN NEWFOUNDLAND

One Vessel Missing With Crew of Ten—Fears for Others' Safety.

St. John's, Nfld., March 2.—During the severe blizzard which raged along the west coast of the island Wednesday night, the halibut schooner Winged Arrow, was driven ashore and proved a total loss. The cod fishing schooner Vanguard also was driven ashore and wrecked. The schooner Chester, with a crew of ten men, is missing. When the storm broke all the fishing vessels were obliged to cut their moorings and run for shelter. It is feared more craft on the outer edges suffered severely and that possibly some of them foundered.

Lynn Man Suicides.

Washington, March 2.—Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth returned to Washington today from Cuba, arriving here at 9:50 o'clock this morning. They drove immediately to Mr. Longworth's residence in 1815 street, where they have taken up their home. Mr. Longworth will resume at once his legislative duties at the capitol.

TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE PERISHED BY TIDAL-WAVE AND CYCLONE

Whole Towns Inundated by Waves That Rose to a Height of Sixty-Five Feet, and the Wind Blew 120 Miles an Hour —Disaster Occurred Last Month and Details of It Have Just Reached San Francisco by Steamer.

San Francisco, March 3.—The Evening Post states that 10,000 persons perished during the storm on Tahiti and adjacent islands, several of which its account says have disappeared. It places the damage at \$5,000,000. These reports have not been confirmed by the officers of the steamer Mariposa which brought the news of the disaster from Papeete.

Town Inundated.

Papeete, Tahiti, Feb. 16, via San Francisco, March 2.—The most destructive cyclone ever experienced in the Society and Tuamotu islands occurred on Feb. 7 and 8. The damage in Tahiti is estimated at \$1,000,000 and presumably a similar amount of property was destroyed on the Tuamotu islands. The city of Papeete was inundated and about 75 buildings destroyed, including the American consulate and the French government building. The shipping in the harbor of Papeete occupied injury, owing to the direction of the wind, but few are entertained for vessels which were cruising near the Tuamotu islands.

It is feared that there has been heavy loss of life in the lagoons of Tuamotu islands, though the death of the guardian of the quarantine station in Papeete is the only fatality yet reported. The schooner Papeete was submerged near Anaa, Tuamotu. Her captain, Philip Mitchell, estimated that the waves were 65 feet high. Mr. Marcella, a French resident at Fuanaru, Tuamotu islands, abandoned the place in a small cutter after the government buildings and dwellings were swept away. Many of the natives climbed coconut trees and others put out to sea in small boats. Bridges and roads were badly damaged on the island of Tahiti. Bread fruit, coconuts, banana and plantain trees were blown down in great numbers, which will result in a dearth of food for the natives and materially affect commerce during the next two or three years. The British consul has applied to the government for aid for 200 British subjects. Some Americans have sustained heavy losses and probably there will be a few instances of utter destitution. The Americans are hopeful of securing help from the United States. Money and food are required.

Wind 120 Miles an Hour.

The cyclone or hurricane reached the velocity of 120 miles an hour. It struck the islands about midnight on Feb. 7 and continued until about 4 o'clock the following afternoon. The island of Anaa, Tuamotu group, is believed to have been the only island to be destroyed. At Papeete, about 8 o'clock on the evening of Feb. 7, the sea began to break heavily over the reef, the waves in the harbor washing over the quay. There was no perceptible wind. Toward 10 o'clock people dwelling in the vicinity of the water front were compelled to abandon their homes, saving as a rule only a small portion of their belongings. The merchants and clerks went to stores and warehouses only to find that it was quite impossible to save goods on the lower floors. An hour later high seas broke, completely demolishing the government extension buildings, besides causing great damage to the coal sheds. The guardian of the arsenal, Tesser Adams, an expert swimmer, was in the water for many hours and assisted in warning and rescuing others. The village of Tarona, near the arsenal, was completely swept away. It consists of the mission buildings and homes of native converts of the reorganized Latter Saint Mission. A settlement about an eighth of a mile distant, inhabited by several hundred Cook Islanders (British subjects) was completely destroyed. Further east on the beach road all the houses were swept away for about half a mile.

A Thrilling Experience.

At Taunoo, the family of Herman Hennell had a thrilling experience, their fine residence, probably worth \$10,000, being badly damaged by high waves which compelled the family to flee for their lives to a native house. Frequently water was up to their necks and they were obliged to cling to trees for safety. Matters were worse in the city of Papeete than in the suburbs. To the west of the arsenal along the water front dwelling houses and commercial establishments were invaded by the high water which broke at the quay about ten feet high. I rushed through the narrow streets many feet higher. The shiplifts yards of Captain Peterson and Brown & Benchamman were destroyed.

Consulate Collapsed.

Mrs. Gooding, an aged American, narrowly escaped death, being caught by debris in her home when it collapsed. The establishment of V. L. Raoux suffered much damage. The loss may reach \$30,000. Donald and Edenberg sustained an equal loss while the Society Commercial and Oceanic, the largest mercantile establishment in French Oceania, loses about \$60,000. The Oceanic Steamship Company's wharf was badly wrecked. The customs house, the bonded warehouse and sheds, the post office, the house of the captain of the port, a club house and the police headquarters were wrecked. At about 10 o'clock in the morning the American consulate, the oldest structure in Papeete, built about 1830, collapsed. The American consul, his mother, Mrs. Doty, supervised the removal of the archives, aided by several missionaries. Beyond the American consulate several government buildings, including the treasury, school houses, sustained great damage.

The guardian at the quarantine station at Motaito island, Papeete harbor, was waving a lantern for many hours during the night as he and his wife clung to the tops of coconut trees in the midst of waves that dashed thirty feet high over the island. On shore M. Andre, the chief pilot, asked Commander Hurbin of the gunboat Zelee to let him have a boat and crew for the rescue of the man and commander Hurbin declined to send his men in what appeared to be a forlorn hope. Mr. Andre requested the French consul at the local jail and with them went to the rescue.

M. Marcella, a French resident, put to sea in a small cutter after three days out arrived from Tahiti, reporting that the government buildings, Roman Catholic church and all the dwellings had been swept away. He knew of no loss of life, but feared that many would succumb to hunger, thirst and exposure.

Much Distress.

In addition to the property destroyed at Papeete about an equal amount is believed to have been destroyed throughout the islands. The government has extended the military barracks as a temporary refuge and provide food when needed but the funds of the treasury are practically exhausted. Governor Julien will appeal to France for aid.

The islands of Moorea, Huahine, Raiatea and Tohaa of the Society group, are known to have sustained damages to the extent of about \$100,000.

The steamer Mariposa waited beyond her sailing time at the request of Governor Julien who hoped that the French consul would return from her relief trip to Tuamotu islands.

TEMPERANCE PEOPLE
MAKING A VIGOROUS
FIGHT IN ANNAPOLIS

Ministers on the Stump Nightly in
Effort to Elect Rev. Joseph Gaetz.

Middleton, N. S., March 3.—(Special)—The temperance alliance is carrying on a remarkably vigorous campaign and is hopeful that Rev. Jos. Gaetz will be elected on Tuesday next. Last night a big meeting at Bridgeway was addressed by Prof. E. W. Sawyer and Rev. Messrs. Gaetz, Saunders, Daley, Langille, McDonald and Warren.

At Springfield Rev. J. A. Ramsey and Messrs. Mulhall and Moore also held a meeting last night and at Roundhill Rev. J. B. Spidel and F. E. Cox. This afternoon Rev. Gaetz and Croft spoke at Malvern Square and tonight they are at Torbrook Mines.

The Kings county alliance at their meeting today passed a resolution of sympathy with the Annapolis county alliance and decided to hold a convention on March 28 to nominate an independent ticket of one Liberal and one Conservative to contest Kings county in the general elections.

Struck a Seven Foot Coal Seam.

Amherst, N. S., March 3.—(Special)—The Eastern Coal Company, composed of upper Canadian capitalists, who recently acquired large areas at Macra from J. I. Smith and have since been prospecting, yesterday struck a seven foot seam. They will now discontinue prospecting and proceed to development.

On Saturday at Cabuli's corner Auctioneer F. L. Polts sold the steamer Crystal Stream to D. H. Nasc for \$8,000.