

## BIG INCREASE IN COAL TRAFFIC ON CENTRAL RAILWAY

Mr. P. S. Archibald Says It Will  
Be Necessary To Secure  
More Rolling Stock—No  
Large Deficit.

So great has been the increase in traffic on the Central Railway during the past year that the commissioners have been considering means to secure additional rolling stock in order to handle all the coal and freight which is being offered. Mr. P. S. Archibald, one of the commissioners, arrived in the city yesterday to meet Mr. J. R. Stone. They will inspect the line to-day.

Speaking with a Standard reporter Mr. Archibald said he could not give figures out of the increase in the amount of coal offered had been very large owing to the larger output at the Minto mines and the recent development of the mines at Salmon Harbor by the Canadian Coal Company, headed by Mr. Shaw. At the latter place thirty cars were now awaiting shipment and it had become necessary to secure more rolling stock at once, in order to handle the coal.

**Almost Paying Expenses.**  
Mr. Archibald said that the road would now almost pay expenses but that the low freight rates established by the late government precluded the possibility of bringing out the road with an any kind of a surplus. He pointed out that the rate from Minto to Norton, a distance of 58 miles, was only 55 cents, while from Norton to St. John, a distance of 113 miles, the charge was 45 cents. The coal operators, he added, were decidedly opposed to any increase in the rate, claiming that if the freight amounted to more than \$1 a ton the coal could not be sold at a profit in St. John.

Some improvements have recently been made to the railway and a new line in very good condition. A steel bridge, 150 feet long, has replaced a temporary wooden structure over the Washademoak and three temporary trestles which were found unsatisfactory have been replaced by permanent trestles.

**Heavy Grades a Drawback.**

Asked as to the possibility of the Central being used by the U. T. P. Mr. Archibald said he thought such a project was somewhat improbable. The grades on the Central would render it most unsuitable for part of a transcontinental railway. The grades in places were as heavy as 80 feet to the mile while on the U. T. P. the heaviest grade was 22 feet to the mile. It would be impossible to take heavy trains over the hill in the vicinity of Norton.

## BARGAIN PLEA IN WHARF DEAL

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That the price paid of \$50,000 was fair and reasonable. This firm owns property at Richibucto and their certificate was apparently much relied upon by the witnesses and by Dr. Pugsley, who is conducting his own defence before the commission.

**To Dalhousie.**  
Upon cross-examination by Mr. Crockett, Mr. Stead admitted that he had gone to Dalhousie on January 6th and obtained the letter from A. & R. Loggie, who are favored contractors in the public work department, and also were dependent upon his certificates as resident engineer for the money they got from the department.

It further came out that on October 19, 1908, there was a meeting at Dalhousie between Mr. Pugsley, the Loggie firm and Mr. Stead, which resulted in the firm getting an order to do dredging to the amount of \$5,000 without tenders being called for. The understanding was that Mr. Stead should fix the prices to be paid. It further developed that Mr. Stead had an interview with Mr. Pugsley at St. John, N. B., about that wharf scandal, and that his interview was followed by his trip to Dalhousie, and the procurement of the whitewashing letter from A. & R. Loggie.

Mr. Stead also admitted that he knew the wharf had just been sold for \$10,000 at the time when he recommended the move to purchase it for \$5,000, or rather he said that he knew that \$10,000 was the consideration mentioned in the deed.

## SHARKS SURROUND UNKNOWN DERELICT

New York, Jan. 20.—The discovery of what appears to be a three masted wooden schooner supposed to have turned turtle in the gale of December 25 last, the water about which when discovered, was alive with sharks, one of them being seen to strike the torso of a man, is reported in a wireless message received here tonight from Captain H. H. Broadbent, of the revenue cutter Andromeda.

The derelict was floating bottom up and her hull seemed in excellent condition, but it was impossible to make out her name or port of call and nothing is known of how many men she carried or whether any of them were saved.

## LEWISTON CHILD VICTIM OF FLAMES

Lewiston, Me., Jan. 20.—Eva Alfred Clark, the seven-year-old daughter of John Clark of this city, lost her life in a fire which broke out at 6:15 o'clock tonight in her home. The little one had been put to bed and could not be reached, after the fire had been discovered in the main line of the Canadian Northern Railway at some point along the shores of Lake Simcoe.

## MANY VOLUNTEERS TO AID SEAMEN'S MISSION ON COLLECTION DAYS

Ladies From Four City Churches  
Already Chosen—Big Effort  
Next Week To Pay Off  
Building Debt.

Arrangements are going with a swing for the campaign which the Seamen's Mission Society intends conducting the last three days of next week for the purpose of raising money to pay off the debt on the building. Young ladies from each of the churches in the city will canvass the members of their congregation for subscriptions.

The ladies from St. John (Stone) church will be Miss Grace Bailey, Miss Muriel Sadler, Miss Givens MacDonald and Miss Grace Fleming. Leinster St. Baptist church will be represented by Miss Rhett Wilson, Miss Edith Kierstead, Miss Grace Kaye, Miss Nina Waterbury and Miss Joan Cameron. From St. Luke's the collectors will be Miss Ethel Gordon and Miss Magie Foster. The Wesleyan Court, Miss Helen Taylor and Miss Dorothy Tapley. Victoria St. Baptist church will be represented by Miss Doris Kierstead, Miss Nina Thorne, Miss Gertrude Black, Miss Kate Beatty, Miss Bertha Titus and Miss Nellie Taylor.

The names of the ladies from the other churches have not yet been submitted.

## GANG OF BURGLARS OPERATE IN DISBY

Town Across The Bay Has  
Sensation In The Doings Of  
Mysterious Visitors—Several  
Houses Entered.

**Special To The Standard.**  
Digby, Jan. 20.—A gang of burglars have been at work in town this week and have succeeded in obtaining a considerable sum of money. On Wednesday morning when Keeper Weir, entered the summer residence of Mr. A. D. Bonnell, of New York, he found that during the night one of the doors had been forced open and the house had been generally ransacked and so far as he is able to ascertain, nothing is missing. The robbers apparently were not aware that this was a private summer cottage. However, they were not discouraged by their failure and during the night they entered eleven a. m., while the occupants were out for a few moments, the home of Mr. Ross Smallie was entered and \$50 was taken from Capt. Smallie's room and \$25 from a pocketbook in the maid's room.

The thieves must have been on the watch for the robbery took place during the ten minutes in which Mrs. Smallie was at the house of a neighbor. Here again money only was sought as Mrs. Smallie's gold watch, which was hanging on the wall in her bedroom was not disturbed. Two suspicious characters have been around town for a day or two and have audited and disappeared and they are thought to be the guilty parties. Chief of Police Bowles took the west-bound express for Yarmouth but returned after going as far as Jordanville, presumably having got other clues on which to work. It is believed that the robbers will be captured.

## HAMPSTEAD IN LINE FOR VALLEY RAILWAY

Enthusiastic Meeting Endorses  
Proposal Submitted By Pro-  
vincial Government In Con-  
struction Of Road.

Hampstead, Jan. 20.—Hampstead Hall was filled to the doors this evening at the meeting in the interests of the St. John Valley railway and judging from the enthusiastic spirit which prevailed the people in this vicinity are very much aroused over the important question. There were 300 people in attendance from Hampstead and the adjoining Parishes of Wickham and Gagetown, and not a dissenting voice was raised against the resolution which was the same as that passed at the Gagetown meeting on Tuesday evening and already published in "The Standard."

Mr. S. L. Peters occupied the chair and delivered a very forceful address in support of the railway. Strong addresses were also made by Mr. H. W. Woods, M. P., W. P. Inch, Conn. W. J. Macnam, Morris Scott, Rev. G. W. Colman and Messrs. Hann and Peters. Mr. A. R. Slipp, M. P., sent regrets at his inability to attend and stated his position in a letter along the same lines as his vigorous address at Gagetown.

The meeting is said to have been one of the most successful yet held in the interests of the movement.

## MCKENZIE AND MANN ACQUIRE NEW RIGHTS

Lindsay, Ont., Jan. 20.—It is reported on fairly good authority that Messrs. McKenzie and Mann have purchased the Coburn Branch of the Grand Trunk Railway system and that it will be handed over to them on May 1st, 1910. It is also stated that McKenzie and Mann have also secured the running rights over the Grand Trunk Railway from Beaverton to Lorneville until such time as they can build connection with the main line of the Canadian Northern Railway at some point along the shores of Lake Simcoe.

## Crisis In British Elections

**Continued From Page One.**  
Unionist, 338,773; Liberal, 231,261; Labor, 35,000.

**Retains Seat.**  
J. Henniker-Heaton, the "father of penny postage," retained his Canterbury seat by only 21 votes, having an independent Unionist competing for the party's support. Sir James J. Dalziel, proprietor of the Reynolds Newspaper, keeps his Scottish seat for the Liberals by a large increased majority. Arthur H. Lee, formerly military attaché of the British Embassy at Washington, retains his seat as a Unionist for the South Farnham division of Hampshire. Captain H. Spender, C. B., Unionist, whose wife is a daughter of William Walpole, defeated the late Liberal member, Mr. P. H. Hodges. The Right Hon. Herbert Louis Samuel, under-secretary for the home office, was returned in Yorkshire, North Riding, Cleveland division.

The Right Hon. A. E. Attorney-General, who has been the most severely attacked candidate in the campaign since Mr. Balfour denounced the Conservatives would maintain the old age pensions, was endorsed by his Louth constituency by a strong vote. Lord Jones, Liberal, leader of the extreme temperance party and largely responsible for the recent licensing bill, was defeated in the Appleby division of Westmorland and the "trade" majority.

"I am quite confident of the result throughout the country," said Chancellor Lloyd George at Bangor tonight. After all, the standard of 1906 was quite abnormal, and we cannot expect to maintain it. If we judge by the standard of other general elections it will be found that the Liberals have a good working majority. The chancellor said it was remarkable that the most progressive commercial communities like Birmingham and Liverpool, had given an emphatic verdict in favor of free trade. The secretary of the Tariff Reform League issued a proclamation tonight, saying:

"Today's Unionist victories conclusively prove that free trade is lost to the country. No vote at all, tribute our success in the artisan district, not to free trade, but to the alliance of the Socialist party with the Radicals. A majority of the counties are swelling the Unionist ranks. The political fight of the future will be between tariff reform and Socialism."

Exciting scenes followed the declaration of the poll at Buckingham, where the Liberal candidate, F. W. Kent, won by a majority of 1,900. A narrow margin. The enraged Unionists chased several prominent Liberals, who took refuge in the nearby houses. A stone broke the stone in which a motor car in which Lady Verney and Miss Verney were driving.

There was rioting at Belfast where the Radical candidate, a majority, charged of impersonating. According to the English law, all persons whose names appear on the registers, may vote.

One woman and two 14-year-old boys, who were registered, voted. Numbers of American citizens residing in London were notified that their names were on the registers and they voted unchallenged.

An enormous placard was displayed at Hampton with the inscription: "If the Radical-Socialist government is retained, in fifteen years England will be under the power of Germany. May you be forced into the German Empire."

London, Jan. 20.—Though a Unionist ministry is now beyond hope, the Unionists are sticking to the fight with bulldog tenacity. This morning's results give them great hopes of throwing the ministry into the hands of the Irish and so precipitating a crisis on Home Rule. At the time of writing at one o'clock the English counties are swelling the Unionist ranks. At eight o'clock the Unionist victories were 57 against Liberal gains of only 13. This reduced the minority of the Liberal government to 24 to 342. At one o'clock more Unionist victories put the majority down to 218. Yesterday's results prove that London is substantially for free trade. It is the rural districts, the Unionists and 28 free traders with a majority of 38,118 votes for tariff reform, while the county divisions just outside London voted for Unionism with more than double the last majority. London, Liverpool, Birmingham, Sunderland, and a good part of Glasgow are consolation for the Unionists for their defeat in Manchester, Bradford and Leeds.

**Another Election.**  
This decisive election of the counties towards Unionism gives significance to Mr. Winston Churchill's warning yesterday that another general election is possible. He said, "necessary you should be resting with your weapons at your side ready so that if at any moment the trumpet is blown again, you will be able to spring to arms to strike the enemy to the ground as you have struck him yesterday evening at the polls."

Mr. Lloyd George has also Irish Home Rule clearly in view as a possible crucial issue. He pleaded for it last night as a means to strengthen the Empire just as Home Rule is strengthening the Empire among the Irishmen in South Africa.

On the other hand, Sir Alfred Lytton challenges Premier Asquith to explain "whether he intends to erect in Ireland a separate parliament and separate executive for the Irish people, also does he intend to advise his party to accept a measure of Home Rule which would keep Irish members at Westminster with a very formidable voice in the decision of English affairs or does he mean to concentrate them only at Croke Green?"

Mr. Lloyd George, Wales is no longer solid for Lloyd George as in the last Parliament. Yesterday's pollings costed two Radicals in Denbigh and Radnor, and returned two Unionists, with which today's Unionist gains reached 13 at 3 p. m.

The first Scottish county to poll, Kirkcubright, turned from Radicalism to Unionism. Linlithgow, however, remains faithful to the notorious Lord Advocate, Ure, despite what Mr. Balfour called "the frigid and calculated lie" on old age pensions.

Lloyd George's declaration that the ministry would carry legislation straight to the throne over the heads of the House of Lords, creates much uneasiness. It is feared that it will place the sovereign as a constitutional monarch in a most unfair position.

## BAPTISTS TO RAISE \$10,000 THIS YEAR FOR LAYMEN'S MISSION

Mass Meeting Of Ten Churches  
Held In Leinster St. School  
Last Evening—Eloquent  
Addresses Delivered.

The Baptist rally held under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in Leinster street Baptist church last evening was largely attended. Excellent addresses were delivered by Mr. R. W. Hobson, a well known layman of Montreal on the Underlying Principles of the Laymen's Movement, and by Rev. D. Hutchinson, who took for his subject: "The Light and Fire of Foreign Missions."

A conference was subsequently held which was led by Mr. Wm. C. Cross, and the responsibility of the Baptist churches of St. John towards the Laymen's Missionary Movement was discussed. It was decided that a total of \$10,000 should be raised this year by the ten Baptist churches of the city to aid the movement during the coming year. Last year the sum of \$5,000 was subscribed, and it was reported that the outlook is encouraging to double the amount this year.

A short musical programme was also given. Miss Cathers rendered "The Singing in God's Army, very sweetly. A duet, My Faith Looks up to Thee, by Miss Cathers and Mrs. Grant was sung with great effect. Mr. G. S. Hayes gave The Lost Chord by Sullivan. He was in excellent voice and rendered this well-known melody with much expression.

## EMERSON OUT HOT FOOT AFTER GOVERNMENT

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Mr. Emerson dealt at some length with the problem of the Intercolonial. The four provinces of the Maritime Provinces are more interested in the line than are the Maritime Provinces. New Brunswick is the only province which has a sea over the line is east-bound, showing that the western provinces are more interested in the line than are the Maritime Provinces. New Brunswick is the only province which has a sea over the line is east-bound, showing that the western provinces are more interested in the line than are the Maritime Provinces. New Brunswick is the only province which has a sea over the line is east-bound, showing that the western provinces are more interested in the line than are the Maritime Provinces.

**\$500,000 a Year.**  
In any case he recalled the fact that the Canadian Pacific loses \$500,000 a year on its section east of the St. Lawrence. In one year this loss was \$5 million. Yet the Canadian Pacific drew its traffic from the rich eastern towns and cities of the St. Lawrence valley, had almost a monopoly of the St. John Valley.

Mr. Emerson was very critical of the money proposed to be paid to a rocking-horse, all motion and no progress. If the conditions stipulated were applied to the Intercolonial it would not be bought. Anybody who travels over the Intercolonial knows it is not in good condition now. He argued that the independent lines would be taken over promptly. The Intercolonial is a sinking debt. It would be done on a basis of division of earnings. He accepted the bill so far as it adopted the principle of the conditions and the conditions and safeguards which hedged it about. The tariff tappers prescribed would delay things for months, if not years.

**Of all Canada.**  
Mr. Graham said that the Intercolonial belonged to the people of Canada and that the bill had been drawn to meet the approval of all Canada. It had required considerable courage for the government to take the matter to the House of Commons. He provided, saying that the board of management constituted the safest advisor. If the board did not know what was in the best interests of the Intercolonial, nobody did. As for the stipulation that the roads must be in good condition before being taken over, Mr. Graham said that some scheme would be worked out whereby the improvement of the line would be effected, if the board said the line would be taken over the money to improve it would be increased tenfold and admitted that the restrictions were severe, but the people of Canada must be safeguarded.

Mr. E. M. MacDonald did not agree that the board of management must be the best judge as that depended on who constituted the board and what its motives were. If its motives were to extract every possible cent without regard to the general condition of the country it would not be a good judge. He went on to criticize the draughting of the bill.

**Defended Bill.**  
Mr. Pugsley defended the bill and took occasion to say that the board of management would let the railway company that it put in repairs. The Government would add thereto the rental a sum equivalent to interest on the expenditure.

Under such circumstances the railway company would easily raise the money.

Mr. Borden advised Mr. Graham to be very careful in going into any such arrangement whereby the Government would receive the company for spending money. There were great possibilities that the public interest might suffer under such an arrangement. He agreed that the drafting of which Mr. MacDonald complained, was not artistic but thought that it made the procedure sufficiently clear.

The bill then passed.

## SEVENTY SIX BUT NEVER SAW TRAIN TILL 6 YEARS AGO

Mrs. William Nelson Buried  
Yesterday Never Fully Re-  
covered From Shock Re-  
ceived When Visiting Here.

There was buried at Summer Hill, Queens county, today, Mrs. William Nelson, aged resident of the county, who had not seen a railway train, steamboat, or street car until about six years ago when she visited St. John and at that time the unwelcome excitement had such a powerful effect, that she had been mentally unbalanced until her death which occurred on Tuesday last.

Mrs. Nelson was 78 years of age, and with the exception of the loss of her reason had been in good health until a few weeks before her death. She is survived by her husband, two sons and three daughters. One of the daughters, Mrs. Harry Lord, lives in Carleton and it was at her home Mrs. Nelson was visiting when she made her first trip by train some years ago. The funeral was held at Summer Hill Methodist Church, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. L. J. Laird of Jerusalem. Burial was made in the Nelson private cemetery.

## SIR WILFRID LAURIER VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED

Mr. Bourassa Handles Premier  
Without Gloves In Protesting  
Against Naval Policy Of  
Dominion Government.

**Special To The Standard.**

Montreal, Jan. 20.—Mr. Henri Bourassa, leader of the French Canadian Nationalist party addressing a gathering of over 20,000 people at the monument National Hall tonight made a vigorous attack on the Laurier Naval policy and at the conclusion of his address resolutions were unanimously passed similar to those already adopted by the French Canadian association of the West and the Grangers of Ontario, calling on parliament not to take any action until the question was submitted to a referendum. Mr. Bourassa handed the Dominion Premier without gloves during the course of his speech, charging him with having violated all his pledges and with seeking to put the country to a utterly useless measure which would saddle enormous expense upon the country.

## URGES COMMISSION FOR TORONTO HARBOR

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Ottawa, Jan. 20.—Spurgeon Gammon, of New Glasgow, N. S., gave evidence before the special committee on Mr. Miller's anti-gambling bill, this morning. He said that in Nova Scotia race meetings were held under the rules of the national trotting association whose headquarters are at Hartford, Conn., and added that he believed no track in Nova Scotia took revenue from the bookmaker or pool seller.

In reply to Mr. Radney, the witness stated that Andy Walsh, the well known sportsman, was conducting one of the tracks in the circuit without betting. Mr. Gammon said the Halifax meeting was the best in the circuit. Alex. Orphen, owner of the Dufferin race track in Toronto, said there were probably four hundred men in Toronto with probably 20 or 30 semi-professional handbook men doing a trifling business. He said he was not a gambler, but he did not know of the one case of a handbook man going to a factory for business.

## NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF TRADE WANTS QUEEN CITY TO FOLLOW MON- TEAL'S EXAMPLE.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Mr. W. J. Gage was this afternoon elected president of the Board of Trade. In his speech after thanking the board for the great honor it had done him Mr. Gage suggested that Toronto follow the example of its sister city of Montreal, and get power from either the provincial legislature or Ottawa to put the city's whole water front problem in the hands of a commission, which could go ahead and carry out a policy which would cover not only ten or twenty years but one hundred years.

## ARCHBISHOP OF RHEIMS IS PLACED ON TRIAL

Rheims, Jan. 20.—The first of the suits brought by the public school teachers association against the bishops who signed the Episcopal letter warning Catholic parents that the teaching in the public schools jeopardized the religious belief of their children, came to trial today. The defendant Cardinal Adolphe Henry Laurent, Archbishop of Rheims, attired in his ecclesiastical garments and wearing the scarlet baretta, was present.

Mr. Hesse, the attorney for the teachers association, stated that his clients were not animated by a spirit of vengeance, their sole object being to defend themselves against attacks designed to destroy their authority and cripple the public schools.

Afternoon and again the House rose at 6 o'clock this time because of a ball at Government House. So it has to be continued in our next.

Today's instalment of his speech contained some valuable grappling with tariffs and expenditures. He argued that the Liberals have reduced the tariff by 13 per cent, have reduced taxation and have greatly benefited the poor man. Interruptions from the Conservatives who mentioned numerous articles in use by the poor man, the duty upon which has not been reduced. The duty on coal oil has been reduced, said Mr. Loggie.

## SIX 'PHONE CALLS TO DOCTORS FIND EVERY ONE BUSY

No Medical Aid Available For  
Wm. Ruddick Injured At Vic-  
toria Rink—Goes To Hospi-  
tal In Ambulance.

That local physicians are kept busy these evenings, was the impression gained by a large number of citizens at Victoria Rink last evening, when no less than six telephone calls to as many medical men, asking that they might come immediately to the rink to attend to injuries sustained by Mr. Wm. Ruddick, of Carleton, brought forth six responses of "too busy just at present."

In some way Mr. Ruddick dislocated his knee, while skating, and had to be carried off the ice into the dressing room. He was unable to walk and the injury was exceedingly painful. After six doctors had been called without avail, the city ambulance was finally notified and the injured man was conveyed to the General Public Hospital.

Upon examination it was found that an operation might be necessary in order to remedy the injury. Mr. Ruddick is on a vacation from Boston to his home in Carleton and intended returning on Saturday. He may be confined to the hospital for several days.

## NEW GLASGOW MAN SUBMITS EVIDENCE

Horse Racing As Conducted In  
Nova Scotia Vouched For By  
Spurgeon Gammon Before  
Race Track Committee.

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## ROYAL BANK INCREASES ITS DIVIDEND

Montreal, Jan. 20.—The fortieth annual meeting of the Royal Bank of Canada held in Montreal, Quebec, today, was marked by the announcement by H. S. Holt, the president, that the dividend on the bank stock would be increased from 10 to 11 per cent, starting with the dividend payment due on April 1st next. The reserve fund of the bank now stands at \$10,000,000, its aggregate paid up capital of \$5,000,000, this very strong position enabling the directors to allow the shareholders to share in the larger profits that had been shown.

The vacancy on the board of directors caused by the death of Thomas Ritchie, second vice-president, was filled by the appointment of W. B. Torrance of Montreal. Mr. Torrance and H. S. Holt was re-elected president and E. L. Pease, vice-president.

## LATE SHIPPING

**British Ports.**  
Queenstown, Jan. 20.—Steamer: Str New York for New York.  
Dublin, Jan. 20.—Ard: Str Bay Head from St. John, N. B.  
Glasgow, Jan. 20.—Ard: Str Pythia from St. John, N. B.  
Liverpool, Jan. 19.—Steamer: Str Merion for Philadelphia via Queens-town.

**Foreign Ports.**  
Havre, Jan. 20.—Ard: Str La Savole from New York.  
Naples, Jan. 15.—Steamer: Str Louisiana for New York.  
Palermo, Jan. 16.—Sid: Str Roma for New York.

**Other Ports.**  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 20.—Ard: Str Cambrian (Br.) from London; schs A. K. McLean (Br.) from Perth Amboy, via Vineyard Haven for Halifax, N. S. (in tow). Sid: Str Pretoria (Br.) for Glasgow; Str Stenroff (Gr.) for New York; Vera (Nor.) for do; Nanna (Nor.) for Marcoris.

**Other Ports.**  
Salem, Mass., Jan. 20.—Ard: Str Evolution (Br.) from Beaver Harbor, N. S.

**Vineyard Haven, Jan. 20.—Ard: sch Victoria (Br.) from P. E. I. for New York; Norumbega from St. John, N. B. for do.**

**City Island, Jan. 20.—Bound south: Bark Hancock from St. John, N. B. via Boston; sch Mayflower from Mail land, N. S.**

**Reports.**  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 20.—Ard: K. McLean (Br.), from Perth Amboy for Halifax, N. S., which went ashore at Vineyard Haven during the Christmas blizzard, arrived here in tow today. She will repair and proceed.

## THE ROLL OF THE PAPER

Miss Bertha Richardson  
Easiest To Under-  
stand Play and La-  
ter Isaac Newton.

New York, Jan. 20.—The New York reading book at the School of Hearing at 156 Fifth Street yesterday afternoon, a play by Miss Bertha Richardson, was the first of the series.

Nearly all of the hundred present, mostly women, were deaf, but they followed the play, understood the story and conversed with each other as freely as if they had not been deaf. They gave a play at Sir Isaac Newton and the New York reading champion.

They sat all alert facing each other in a room which was them to determine how much they had learned in the past year. He read from a manuscript familiar rhymes, some of them what a fox Brown was and a girl Mother Goose, and a girl in a dress with a bow in the hair, careful not to show those who were deaf to comprehend. The woman in the frock coat ceased her lips do not move. Her lips moved rapidly at all but the girl in green to spot the words.

One of the hardest test play in three scenes. "Brown's" There were only three, Brown, Miss Prince, Prince. The girl in green name is Juliette Clark, gave a play by herself. Her lips moved rapidly at all but the girl in green to spot the words.

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