NEW BRUNSWICK BARRISTERS' SOCIETY IN ANNUAL SESSION

A. R. Slipp, K.C., the New President—Communication From Senate—Admission of Dalhousie Graduates to Bar of New Brunswick on Equal Terms With Those of St. John Law School Again Under Discussion.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Feb. 9.—The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Barrister's Society was held in the Supreme Court chambers here this evening, Attorney General Baxter in the chair and a good respresentation of the bar being present, among whom were A. R. Slipp, K.C., vice-president M. G. Teed, K.C., W. A. Ewing, K.C., M. B. Dixon, K.C., M. N. Cockburn, K.C., T. J. Carter, K.C., F. R. Taylor, K.C., G. J. Gilbert, K.C., J. C. Hartley, R. B. Hanson, H. G. Fenety, J. T. Sharkey, J. Sharen, E. T. C. Knowles, P. J. Hughes, E. MacKay and Austin Allen.

Mr. E. A. McKay acted as secretary in the absence of the secretary-treasurer, Dr. T. C. Allen.

The officers of the society for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, A. R. Slipp, K.C.; vice-president, W. A. Ewing, K.C.; Sec.-Tras., and Librarian, Dr. T. C. Allen.

Council—J. D. Phinney, K.C., M. G. Teed, K.C., A. J. Gregory, K.C.; F. R. Taylor, K.C., M. N. Cockburn, K.C., P. J. Hughes, A. B. Connell, K.C.

Feeling references were made before the choice of officers to the critical illness of one of the oldest living members of the bar, Mr. J. D. Phinney, K.C. He was unanimously elected at the head of the Council. The Attorney General particularly expressed feelings of deepest sympathy.

The financial statement submitted by the secretary-treasurer pro tem disclosed a sound condition, cash on hand being $1,267 and expenditures for the year amounting to $2,019.

A communication was read from the Senate of Canada suggesting consideration of the society of the expediency of restricting certain appeals to the Supreme Court of Canada and to the Privy Council. The council of the Barristers Society had had this matter under discussion and it was now referred by them to the society as a whole.

The Senate desired to know:

If the jurisdiction of Supreme Court of Canada should be altered as regards validity of any acts of the legislature of the province as regards municipal by-laws or other proceedings.

Should the amount in dispute to permit appeal be increased.

Should the Privy Council be invited to limit leave to appeal from judgments of the Supreme Court of Canada, constitutional questions, validity of federal statutes and references made by order-in-council or other branches of parliament.

On motion the Senate's proposition was referred, after discussion which showed much opposition to the idea, back to the council for action.

The well worn topic, or as one member described it, "The annual quarrel" over admission of graduates of Dalhousie Law School to the bar upon the same terms as those of the St. John Law School, came up for a lively discussion once more. It was led off by M. N. Cockburn, K.C., and T. J. Carter, K.C., in favor of even terms to these two sister organizations, the negative side having for a strong leader Attorney General Baxter, who made a stirring appeal on the true idea of New Brunswick for the New Brunswickers.

In the course of the discussion the matter of the relation of the St. John Law School to the Barristers Society was threshed out also and was finally referred to the council of the latter.

Mr. Cockburn's resolution was for a committee of five to be appointed to confer with representatives of Dalhousie in time to be ratified by the council of the society so as to have power to prepare legislation upon the subject for enactment at the coming session.

An amendment by Mr. Teed, and strongly supported by St. John barristers present, was to strike out all words after "Dalhousie" and insert words "report back to the society."

The purport of the original resolution was to require an examination by Dalhousie graduates upon statutes and procedure only. The amendment was carried by a vote of eleven to five.

HARMLESS.
CAPTAIN SCUTTLE, OF SMUG HARBOR, HAS LOOKED INTO IT.

EX-PRES. TAFT'S VIEWS ON SALE OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO BELLIGERENTS

Letter He Wrote to Prof. Von Mach, Who Asked For Letter, to be Read at "Neutraiity Meeting," Favoring Passage of Bill Forbidding Selling of Arms to Belligerents.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 9.—William Howard Taft made public today a letter he wrote on January 26 to Prof. Edmund Von Mach, of Harvard University, in which the former President opposes the enactment of a law forbidding the supply of munitions of war from this country to the belligerent nations. The letter was in answer to a request from Prof. Von Mach, asking Mr. Taft to write a letter to be read at a "neutrality meeting," favoring passage of the bill introduced by Senator Hitchcock providing for such interdiction.

The letter, which was not read at the meeting, Mr. Taft says, follows:

"My Dear Professor Von Mach:

"I have yours of January 24th. I cannot write to a neutrality meeting such a letter as you would wish. I think that to interdict the supply of ammunition and arms from this country to the belligerents in the war would be to adopt a policy that would seriously interfere with our own welfare, should we ever be drawn into a war, against our will, by the unjust invasion of some power who was fully prepared, and who would always find us unprepared. Such a policy as that you indicate would mean that the power who is armed cap-a-pie would always have at a disadvantage those countries that were not in such a state of preparation. It would, therefore, lead to even greater pressure upon all the countries of the world than that we have seen in the last two decades to increase their armaments, a result which we would all deplore. For this reason, I cannot think that it would be wise to pass a law changing all the rules of international law heretofore prevailing with respect to the sale of ammunition and arms to belligerents by neutral countries. Nor do I think that in the present exigency it would be an act of neutrality to do so, because it would inure only to the benefit of one of the belligerents.

"Sincerely yours,
"WILLIAM H. TAFT."

FIRST SUGAR STEAMER HERE

The Skulda arrived yesterday with 11,000 bags of sugar for the new refinery.

The Norwegian steamship Skulda, Captain Martinsen, arrived in port at two o'clock yesterday afternoon from San Domingo and Macoris with a cargo of sugar for the Atlantic refinery and docked at the refinery pier. Captain Martinsen said he left San Domingo on Friday, January 29th, with 11,000 bags of sugar. The ship experienced very rough weather with heavy gales from the west-north-west, and westerly and was battered about by the high seas. It continued rough and blowed hard until she arrived off Cape Hattarus, and from there to St. John the weather was good.

On Friday last, February 5th, when the ship was off Cape Hattarus in lat. 36.03, lon. 74.47 Captain Martinsen sighted a capsized vessel. All that was awash was the vessel's bottom and it was in the path of shipping. Captain Martinsen could not distinguish what vessel it was, but says that it looked to be a sailing vessel of about 300 or 400 tons. It was fortunate that it was daylight when the Skulda came up to the wreck and it could be seen very plainly. To run afoul of the wreck during a dark night and in a heavy sea would surely mean disaster to any ship.

The Skulda steamed right into her berth and had not been tied up to the pier but a few minutes when the stevedores, Messrs. Gregory, had their longshoremen on board, the hatches were removed and work was commenced in discharging the first cargo of raw sugar to be landed here for the new Atlantic refinery. While the longshoremen landed the large bags of sugar on the landing stages, it was taken care of by truckers employed by the refinery company. The refinery warehouse is the most up-to-date in Eastern Canada and the truckers have only a short distance to haul the sugar. Right at the entrance to each of the six warehouse doors are scales, the sugar is weighed as each truck load is received from the steamer, it is then taken but a few feet when the sling is hoisted from the truck by overhead cranes. These cranes are operated like a small car by a motorman, and there are about a half dozen of them. They run along tracks suspended from the ceiling. Being suspended from the ceiling it provides greater space for the storage of the sugar in the warehouse. Everything worked well for the first cargo and by the up-to-date arrangements in the warehouse the sugar can be landed, weighed and carried to any part of the building by the cranes as fast as it can be discharged.

No Trained Nurse.

Mrs. Finnicky (entering kitchen with newspaper)—Norah, a celebrated doctor says that brooms are full of microbes, so hereafter you'll have to give your broom an antiseptic bath every day.

Norah—Shure Oi'll not! Next thing ye'll be askin' me to give it massage thratements and hippydermic injections, an' ye may as well understand right now that O'im no trained nurse.

RECRUITING MORE MEN IN NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 9.—The colonial government has decided that the first Newfoundland regiment originally recruited 500 strong and subsequently increased to 1,000 all of whom have now been enlisted, shall be further augmented to 1,300, the enlistment for which now begins. The first contingent of 500 is now at Fort George, Scotland, and the second contingent is being equipped for despatch. The third contingent will follow in the early spring. This will enable the colony to maintain a full battalion, 1,000 strong in the field, and give thirty per cent. reinforcements.

NEW DISTRICT DIVISION S. OF T.

Representatives of the Divisions of the Sons of Temperance in the City and County of St. John assembled in large numbers in Excelsior Division, No. 466, hall, 154 St. James' street, last evening and organized St. John District Division for the city and country. E. W. Rowley, G. W. P. of N. B., occupied the chair and after the organization service the following officers were elected:

D. W. P.—Rev. F. P. Dennison.
D. W. A.—John Lister.
D. Chap.—W. H. Patterson.
D. R. S.—W. H. McDonald.
D. A. R. S.—Edwin Thomas.
D. Treas.—W. Edgar Campbell.
D. Con.—Mrs. Harvey Hatfield.
D. A. Con.—Miss Helen Goodall.
D. I. S.—Hugh McCavour.
D. O. S.—Thomas Mullett.
D. P. W. P.—James McG. Campbell.
D. S. of J. P.—Mrs. Edwin Thomas.

These officers will be installed next Tuesday evening in Excelsior Division hall, when several of the Grand Division officers will be present for the ceremony. The representatives report a greater amount of work being down than for some years past and, as the slogan at the National Division is 75,000 members for 1917, St. John city and county intends to be still on the increase.

The youngest division in St. John City, Excelsior Division No. 466 has two of its members in the first contingent at the front, two more in the 26th Battalion and one in the Divisional Ammunition Column at Fredericton—five in all in the service of the Empire.

Turks Claim Successes

Constantinople, via London, Feb. 9, 4.22 p.m.—Turkish army headquarters has issued an official announcement which refers to the "successful reconnoitering march" of the Turkish forces on Egypt. It says that some companies of Turkish infantry crossed the Suez Canal.

"Part of the Turkish fleet has heavily bombarded Yalta, the Russian Black Sea port in the Crimea. At another point our ships sank a Russian vessel."

WELLS AND FRANK MORAN MATCHED

London, Feb. 9—Bombardier Wells, the English champion heavyweight pugilist, and Frank Moran, the American fighter, today signed articles for a twenty-round bout in London March 29.

BRITISH COMMERCIAL ATTACHE AT LEMBERG

Sir Edward Grey Informs Commons he is considering appointment of a representative there.

London, Feb. 9.—Sir Edward Grey today informed the House of Commons that he was considering the appointment of a British commercial attache to reside at Lemberg, in view of the large British interests there.

Lemberg is the capital of Galicia, the Austro-Hungarian Crownland lying between Russian Poland and the Carpathians, which has been invaded in great part by the armies of Russia. The city itself was occupied by the Russians on September 4, 1914.

THE MONGOLIAN DAMAGED BY ICE

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 9.—The Allan liner Mongolian, which arrived here on Sunday leaking from contact with ice, is less seriously damaged than was first supposed. She will effect temporary repairs and sail again on Friday.

IF MEALS HIT BACK AND STOMACH SOURS

"Pape's Diapepsin" ends stomach misery, indigestion in five minutes.

If what you just ate is souring on your stomach or lies like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, bad taste in mouth and stomach, headache, you can get blessed relief in five minutes.

Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula, plainly printed on these fifty-cent cases of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will understand why dyspeptic troubles of all kinds must go, and why they relieve sour, out-of-order stomachs or indigestion in five minutes. "Pape's Diapepsin" is harmless; tastes like candy, though each dose will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you eat; besides, it makes you go to the table with a healthy appetite; but what will please you most, is that you will feel that your stomach and intestines are clean and fresh, and you will not need to resort to laxatives or liver pills for biliousness or constipation.

This city will have many "Pape's Diapepsin" cranks, as some people will call them, but you will be enthusiastic about this splendid stomach preparation, too, if you ever take it for indigestion, gases, heartburn, sourness, dyspepsia, or any stomach misery.

Get some now, this minute, and rid yourself of stomach trouble and indigestion in five minutes.

The Silver Lining.

Mother (to newly enlisted son)—Good-bye, and I hope you'll come back safely.

Small Brother—Can I have your motor-bike if you don't?—London Opinion.

HAVE LOST ALL WISH TO FIGHT

Local Austrians, questioned by police, say they have no desire to go to firing line.

The city police are rounding up the Austrians who are in the city and who have not registered. On Monday night eighteen were taken to police headquarters where they were examined and registered, then they were allowed to depart to work, and those not having work to go to were allowed to go to their boarding houses. Yesterday afternoon nineteen Austrians were taken to the police station where they were examined by Chief of Police Simpson and Captain Peters of the 62nd. A number of the Austrians admitted that they had spent three years in the Austrian army, but when they were asked if they wished to return to Austria and go on the firing line they simled and said they did not want to return to their native country until after the war. They all promised to obey the Canadian laws and not to send information out about what was going on in this country, and also promised not to leave the country until after the war. They were allowed to leave the station after becoming registered with the exception of three. Dionis Palrink, aged 55, was placed in a cell and charged with being a vagrant with no available means of support. Onufu Filichnik, aged 18, and George Feigeta, aged 15, were also locked up on the charge of vagrancy. They will appear before the police magistrate this morning to be dealt with.

Chief of Police Simpson is having the members of the force search the city for the purpose of gathering in all Germans and Austrians who have not been registered. While there are quite a number of them at work, a number are unable to obtain employment as the majority of contractors and others will not employ them.

SHE SUES LAWYERS WHO FOUGHT FOR HER LIFE

MRS. LAURA FARNSWORTH SCHENK

Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk, divorced wife of John O. Schenk, wealthy pork packer, has begun action in the Wheeling (W. Va.) courts against the attorneys who defended her in her trial in 1911 on a charge of poisoning her husband. She demands the return of moneys which she says the lawyers improperly and unlawfully kept out of the funds realized from the sale of her securities and jewels.

PREMIER OF NFLD GOING TO WASHINGTON

To confer with U.S. officials concerning fisheries matters.

Port Aux Basques, Nfld., Feb. 9.—The Colonial Premier, Sir Edward Morris, left here today for Washington to confer with officials of the State Department regarding questions between the governments of Great Britain and the United States concerning the Newfoundland fisheries.

It is understood that the American government has entered certain claims against Great Britain under the provisions of the award of the joint high commission at The Hague four years ago, and that Newfoundland has filed counter claims as an offset.

Washington, Feb. 9.—American claims which are to form the subject of consultation between Sir Edward Morris, the Newfoundland Premier, and officials of the Washington government, generally relate to the alleged illegal arrest by the Newfoundland authorities of American fishing smacks, charged with infraction of the island laws touching the taking of bait within restricted areas, and the employment of Islanders in the fisheries.

The Newfoundland claims are believed to be based upon denial of the right of free entry of Newfoundland fish into American ports, and other questions connected therewith.

It is understood also that the premier will endeavor to effect some arrangement for the admission into the United States of canned and preserved fish, which would result in a great enlargement of the existing Newfoundland canning trade.

CHILDREN HATE OIL, CALOMEL AND PILLS

"California Syrup of Figs" Best for Tender Stomach, Liver, Bowels.

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know children love to take it; that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given today saves a sick child tomorrow.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

TO ASK PERMISSION TO INCREASE THE FREIGHT RATES

C.P.R. will petition for permission to make general increase east of Port Arthur.

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—In reply to a query by Chief Commissioner Drayton, Mr. W. M. Kirkpatrick, assistant general manager for the C. P. R., stated before the Railway Commission this afternoon that within ten days or so, the railways would file an application for a general increase in freight rates east of Port Arthur.

This is the first official intimation that the application is to be made.

Safe Home Treatment for Objectionable Hairs

(Boudoir Secrets)

The electric needle is not required for the removal of hair or fuzz, for with the use of plain delatone the most stubborn growth can be quickly banished. A paste is made with water and a little of the powder, then spread over the hairy surface. In about 2 minutes it is rubbed off and the skin washed. This simple treatment not only removes the hair, but leaves the skin free from blemish. Be sure you get genuine delatone.

WILSON DENIES HE SENT EMBISSARY TO EUROPE ON PEACE MISSION

Washington, Feb. 9.—President Wilson emphasized today that Col. E. M. House, his close personal friend, had not gone to Europe to seek to bring about peace as his personal representative as has been reported.

100,000 TROOPS IN EGYPT.

Great Britain has at the present time more than one hundred thousand troops in Egypt to repel Turkish attacks, Cairo has assumed the aspect of a garrison town. The big hotels have become the quarters of the higher officers, while the Australian soldiers, with much spare time and plenty of money, have monopolized every bar, music hall, picture palace and dancing hall, almost wholly replacing the civilian element. Instead of the misery that the outbreak of war seemed to presage, Cairo has acquired a military-tourist population with some twenty-five thousand dollars a day to spend. In the last six weeks about fifty new bars and taverns have been opened. At the foot of the Pyramids lies the camp of the Australians, stretched out against the gently sloping hills, the tents from the distance seemed like giant white birds on the red-brown sands. On the border of the cultivated land, as near as possible to the water, is the cavalry and more to the west lie the bell-shaped tents of the infantry. The famous road to the Pyramids has entirely altered in appearance. What was once a week the show ground of the aristocracy of Cairo in its carriages and automobiles, has now become the great artery for an army of thousands, carying an unending stream of hay, meat and flour to the military city on the edge of the wilderness.

120 LAUGHS IN 120 MINUTES

"The Misfit Hero," to be presented at Opera House next week, so styled by prominent critic.

To be a hero against one's wishes does not often fall to the fate of man, but in the laughable comedy, "A Misfit Hero," which is to be produced at the Opera House next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, the leading character meets with just this misfortune. The plot tells the story of the present mobilization of troops for the front. The scenes of the play are laid in and around St. John and every character is easily recognized.

When the play was first produced a prominent critic styled it as a combination of "120 laughs in 120 minutes," and this title has stuck to it ever since.

The production is under the auspices and direction of the New Brunswick Graduate Nurses' Association, and the entire net proceeds will go to the Red Cross Society.

A strong local cast, including A. E. McGinley, Ernest March, J. L. Robertson, Miss Ethel Perley, Kathyln Walker, F. Corr, G. Morrisey, Miss Bessie Irvine, Miss Sarah Collins and others, will surely give a splendid production.

The sale of seats opens at the Opera House box office Friday morning of this week. See the advertisement in another column.

NEWS FROM BATH, N. B.

Bath, N. B., Feb. 8—Rev. G. A. Ross of East Florenceville supplied his pulpit here yesterday.

Rev. Wm. Amos and family were unable to reach here from Montreal where they have been for some days, occasioned by Mrs. Amos' health, which is somewhat improved.

The farmers are rushing in their hay as considerable quantities await shipment and the price is exceedingly high for that product.

The Kent Parish Sabbath School Convention is to be held in the Baptist Church here on the 16th inst at 2.30 and 7.30 p.m. when Rev. W. A. Ross, the field secretary, is expected to be present.

Mr. C. Carey of Bristol was caller here on Saturday arranging for the Parish convention.

A. Cohn who has been conducting a general dry goods business here for several months and who previously resided in St. John, has moved his family to the Hamilton Giberson House.

Mr. G. S. Larlee and Mrs. Larlee spent Sabbath at Perth with friends.

James W. Day of St. John was a caller here on Friday last and Mr. King of Plaster Rock, also visited the place in the interest of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co.

A dance is to be held on Tuesday evening in Secord's Hall in the interest of the Belgium Relief Fund.

Woman's Health

and spirits depend upon her digestion and circulation. Sallow skin, pimples, facial blemishes and depression disappear after the system has been cleansed and the blood purified by

BEECHAM'S PILLS

Directions of Special Value to Women with Every Box. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 25 cents

KANSAS OPERATES RAILROAD SYSTEM, MOTIVE POWER AN OLD AUTOMOBILE

KANSAS GASOLINE RAILROAD TRAIN

The only gasolene railroad in America is in operation in Pottawatomie county, Kansas. It is the Westmoreland Interurban Railway Company, the successor to the Kansas, Southern and Gulf, one of those north and south railroad dreams of the early eighties. The Kansas Charter Board recently gave a charter to the new gasolene railroad, which cannot operate its line except by motor. The motive power of the road is now a second hand motor car that hauls small freight cars and passengers.