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#### THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13,, 1904.

#### ONE FIREMAN FATALLY INJURED IN \$1,000 000 FIRE

The Biggest Starch Factory in the World Burned.

Property of Corn Products Company at Oswego, New York, Will Likely Be a Total Loss and Other Property in Great Danger - 600 Thrown Out of Employment.

Oswege, N. Y., Feb. 10-The huge starch factory of the Corn Products Company, consisting of three great buildings forming the largest establishment of the kind in the world, is threatened with total detruction by a fire which started this after-

moon in the chemical room.

One of the buildings has been destroyed and late tonight the second building was ablaze and the fire entirely beyond control. It is feared that the flames will spread to the Columbia flouring mills, and Kingsford's office and malt house.

After the city fire department and the After the city fire department and the volunteer department of Kingsfords mills had tried in vain to cope with the flames Mayor Mansfield telegraphed for aid to Fulton and Syracuse. From the latter city a force of three engines and twenty-five men was sent and joined in their efforts to those of the local department.

Firemen Dougherty and Evans have been injured, the former fatally, by a fall from a roof. Twenty-five men at work in the building where the fire started harely es-

The burning buildings contain many hundreds of thousands of bushels of starch and corn. It is believed that the loss will reach \$1,000,000. Six hundred employes are thrown out of work.

## IMPORTS SHOW BIG INCREASE; IXPORTS

morrow, nomination on March 9 and elec-tion on the 16th.

The vacancy is caused by the appointment of D. C. Fraser to the supreme court bench of Nova Scotia.

There is a probability that the dominion powermment will accept for a central military training camp the location near Sharbot Lake, which has been offered by the contrain covernment. An examination of Ontario government. An examination of the tract of land shows that it would be in every way well adapted for a training camp. It has got all the advantages necessary for the work. The field is five miles by ten, a plateau, sandy soil, easily approached the line of the Canadian Pacine, and

Imports Increase; Exports Decrease-

The statement of imports and exports of the dominion for the seven months ending January, was issued by the department of customs today. There is a drop in the exports compared with the same time last rar. The imports, on the other hand, show an increase of \$19,000,000 over the

1904. \$85,245,209 \$3,556,213 3,346,098 Total .. .. \$123,103,848 \$142,147,520 Duty collected .. .. \$20,535,323 \$23,489,255

Total .. .. .. .. \$148,971,429 \$145,806,580

The products of the mine shows an increase of \$2,000,000, while the animals and their product shows a decrease of more than \$2,000,000; agriculture, \$1,000,000, and forest wealth more than \$1,000,000.

Manufacturers etil keep up, and there is an increase of \$250,000 over the seven months in 1903.

4,000 Glessworkers Strike.

Pittsburg, Feb. 10—All the plants owned by the National Glass Company, eight in number, are idle and fully 4,000 flint glass workers, 800 of whom are skilled workers, members of the American Flint Glass Workers' Union, are on strike as a result of the operation of the plants by non-union men and the proposed reduction in

## ACADIANS WANT **NEW SCHOOL BOOKS**

Meeting at Moncton Tuesday Recommended Radical Changes.

Moncton, Feb. 9—(Special)—A convention of leading Acadians from different parts of the maritime provinces was held here today to consider the question of French text books in the public schools.

The convention was called by Hon. C. H. LaBillois as the Acadian representative on the New Brunswick Board of Education. ucation. The object of gathering is to induce boards of education in the maritime provinces to adopt a uniform system of French text books and to improve the French department in the normal schools.

The basis with a view to advancing teachers in teaching both languages.

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Among those present were: Hon. C. H.
LaBillois, Judge Landry, Hon. A. H.
Comeau, Nova Scotia; Senator Poirier,
Prof. A. Bellivéau, Normal School, Fredericton; O. Turgeon, M. P. for Gloucester;
J. F. Doucet, school inspector, Bathurst;
C. D. Herbert, school inspector; C. M.
Leger, M. P. P.; Father Belliveau, Grand
Digue; Father Richard, Robersville; Sheriff Legere, Kent; Father Guertin, Prof.
Bourgeois, St. Joseph's College; Dr. R. T.
Gaudet, Dr. Doherty, O. M. Melanson and
Athens.

in purely French districts it is better that children be educated for the first few years in the mother congue in order to prepare them better to learn English. To this end special French text books should

the views of the convention to the board of education, composed of Judge Landry, P. J. Venoit, Inspector Herbert, Inspector Doucet, Dr. E. T. Gaudet. The Petitoodiac river opposite Moneton is frozen over for the first time in many

years. There is considerable ice in the river, but owing to the rapid rise and fall of the tide it is seldom the river is completely bridged over. Intense cold has done the trick this winter.

# BRILLIANT WEDDING

Amherst, N. S., Feb. 10—(Special)—Amherst was the scene of a brilliant event this morning when Miss Florence Hewson, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Hewson, was married to Garnett Keillor Chapman, son of D. T. Chapman, of this town, man, son of D. T. Chapman, of this town, and a member of the firm of Chapman Brothers. The ceremony was performed at 11 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents by the Rev. A. J. Cresswell in the presence of a large number of guests. The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired. She was attended by Miss Maxwell, of St. Stephen. The grooms' gift to the bride was a diamond and ruby ring, to the bridesmaid a gold brooch set with pearls and to his groomsman a gold locket engraved. Among the many handsome and costly resents was a chest of silver and cheque

rom Dr. and Mrs. Hewson, a china dinfrom Dr. and Mrs. Hewson, a china dinner set from D. T. Chapman, and a handsome chair from Mrs. Chapman.
Mr. and Mrs. Chapman left on the C.
P. R. for New York and the south on
their wedding tour. The bride's traveling
dress was navy blue with white fox furs
and blue pan velvet hat.
Among the many invited guests were
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hewson, of Moncton; Mrs. Geo. Hewson and daughter, of
Oxford: Miss Davison. Bridgewater. and

Oxford; Miss Davison, Bridgewater, and Miss Smith, Halifax.

Where's the pin counter?"
Floor Walker—"What kind—hat, hair olling?"—Cleveland Leader.

## MOST COSTLY OF ITS SIZE. Pay to the Officers and

ARMY OF GREAT BRITAIN

Poor System Causes It and Not Soldiers.

New Scheme an Overturn-Hereafter Regular Forces Will Be Used for Over-Sea Work and Militia for Home Defence.

sense, and nothing more than has been sug-

The basis of the proposed reform is that the regular army shall be used for over-sea work and the defense of Great Britain shall devolve on the militia and volunteers. In the main the new s stem is very like that in the United States.

The acceptance by the premier and the war minister of the principle that the regular army should be organized and trained for over-sea service breaks at once into the old belief that a large proportion of the regular forces is needed for home defense.

home defense.

The realization of this fact and its offi cial acceptance as the very essence of army reform must, if followed out in the years A series of resolutions were passed by the convention and was to the effect that in purely French districts it is better that children be educated for the first few

prepare them better to learn English. To this end special French text books should be adopted instead of teaching from the imperial books as at present.

It was also urged that some method be adopted to secure better attendance at schools.

A resolution was adopted expressing appreciation of the appointment of two French inspectors within the last few years.

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years.

It was also recommended that the normal students should become reorganized so that a good knowledge of teaching and Lieut.

Ottawa, Feb. 10—(Special)—The writ for an election in Guysboro will be issued tomorow, nomination on March 9 and election in the 16th.

The vacancy is caused by the appoint-

serve in peace, is to be trained for for-eign service, and will clear its mind, so to speak, from problems of home defense. speak, from problems of home defense.

The new conception places a new obligation upon the militia and volunteers, and experts will be sadly disappointed it the 300,000 men of British braning arms after work fail to respond to so noble a call.

Several of the improvements hinted at are alre dy under way, so that Mr. Arnold Fonster has lost no time in applying his ideas. The chief of them was the attempt made by him to open up the ground toward an imperial army by offering to quarter a regiment of Canadian troops for training in India.

The dominion shield at the prospect of

The domin on shied at the prospect of the reponsibility involved, but before long it is expected that they, with other colomilitary policy.

ministration from a central headquarter group in a battalion to the various officers and non-commissioned officers of com-

companies.

These are accomplished facts and the promise to improve barracks and to make the reservist feel that he is a real reservist. and not a first line soldier are matters of supreme moment to recruiting.

supreme moment to recruiting.

If the employer realizes that a reservist is not liable to be called up when a single army corps is required for the field he will look with more favor upon the man who has served. A guarantee that the reservist will not be recalled to the colors until the full strength of the covernical. until the full strength of the organized armies has been utilized will do much to

armies has been utilized will do much to dispel the bad impression created by the disorganization of workshops and loss of employment occasioned by the mobilization during the South African war.

The British army, for the value received, is the most costly in the world, and the methods in which the estimates are framed, presented and appropriated lends itself to wasteful measures. Parliament annually receives an estimated lump sum under a vote, subhead or item and the annually receives an estimated lump sum under a vote, subhead or item and the only guidance (which is in point of fact no guidance at all) regarding the value of the vote or sum named is gained by a corresponding table, which shows how much the last estimate under the same head amounted to.

If rifles are under discussion, there is nothing to show previous distribution or wear and tear. Under these circumstances it is impossible for extravagance to be checked in the house.

To save money and convince parliament that no efficiency is being lost, the war minister might do worse than issue an explanatory pamphlet, with the estimates, which will show the trend of his economics.

In the meantime the country has the fol-

lowing important figures to study in com-paring the cost of arms:-

Austria 2,500,000
France 3,550,000
Germany 4,000,000
Italy 3,800,000
Japan 600,000
Russia 4,500,000
Great Britain 880,000 While the countries named obtain ches

membered that the British total include the auxiliary forces, where men receive only nominal pay. Also that the conscription countries have to keep up guns, remounts, stores, equipment, staff and clething at equal rates with Britain for

The aggregate of guns, roughly given pelow, will perhaps serve to indicate the higher proportionate rates of upkeep on he part of continental powers as compared with Britain: -

## Lord R berts, commander-in-chief of the

orces; Lieuts nant-General Lorn Grenfell, commanding the Fourth Army Corps; Lieutenant-General Sir John French, in command of the First Army Corps, and Sir William Butler, commanding the West District, have been invited to join the new army council.—Correspondence Brooklyn

### MANY CANADIAN MISSIONARIES

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The Presbyterians are especially interested in Korea, where they have an extensive mission at Wansan which has in connection with it a large church in the town as well as a number of smaller institutions.

Dr. R. P. Mackay, secretary of the foreign mission board, states that the following missionaries were there in the vicinity of Wansan: Rev. W. R. Foote, Rev. D. McRae, Mrs. McRae, Miss Louise McMullen and Miss K. McMullen. The Methodist mission board have the following missionaries in Japan: The Rev. H. H. Coates and the Rev. C. J. L. Bates, in Tokio, the Rev. R. B. MacKenzie in Kanazawa, the Rev. Robt, Moison and the Rev. R. Atmstrong in Shizuoka, and the Rev. W. W. Pridham in Toyana.

Triro, N. S., Feb. 9—(Special)—A stylish wedding took place this afternoon, when Chas. A. Rettic, of Moncton, was married to Miss Ida St. Cla re Douglass, granddaughter of the late Archibald McCallum, one of the wealthiest men in Hants county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Allan Simpson, of Halifax, assisted by Rev. W. W. Hutchins, of Truro.

Truro.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, E. T. Wilson, wore a gown of cream silk voile, heavily trimmed with renaissance lace, yeil and orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of roses.

Miss Allie McCallum, daughter of the town clerk, was bridesmaid, and Lieut. Roy Sumner, of Moncton, was best man. The church was decorated, and the choir sing.

couple left on the afternoon Maritime Express for a trip to Best n and New York. The bride's going away dress was a tailor made brown camel's hair, trammed with gold, with a seal skin coat.

The groom's present to the bride was a sunburst of pearls; to the bridesmaid, a crescent of pearls. The groom is a brother of Mrs. William Goucher, of St. Stephen (N. B.), who sent a handsome cut glass bowl.

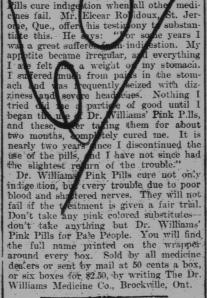
#### NEW YORK HOSPITALS NEVER SO CROWDED.

New York, Feb. 9—A record-breaking number of patients crowd the city hospi-tals owing to the several days of warm, The suggistion to establish schools of muskerry throughout the domainions has been followed by a decision to open such a school in Pretoria for the South African forces. The decision to decentralize training and give responsibility to company officers has been heralded by an order very much upon the se lines, which will distribute the duties of instruction and administration from a central headquarter group in a battalion to the various officers and non-commissioned officers of comconvalescents as could be moved were taken from medical wards and placed in the surgical. Colder weather is expected to alleviate these conditions shortly.

#### DISTRESS AFTER EATING.

Can Only be Cured by Removing the

Crouble. st act upon th



# **WELL KNOWN NOVA**

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 10-(Special)-Th death occurred at Lunenburg today of Sheriff Creighton, at the age of 70. He leaves a widow, three daughters and a son. Deceased held the position of sheriff for the past twenty years.

#### NO TARIFF REVISION SAYS FIELDING.

Finance Minister, at Montreal Last Night, Said if the Grand Trunk Did Not Carry Out Its Agreement the Road Would Be

S. Fielding, minister of finance was the principal speaker at a mass meeting held

extensive alterations.

Mr. Fielding said that the tariff of 1897 had proved to be a good tariff and it had worked well. Mr. Fielding added that if

the government would continue its policy of non-tinkering with the tariff. He remarked that it would be a mistake for the Canadian manufacturers to insist upon business, but they did not wish them to have any more than was necessary. The government said to the farmers that they should take a broad view of the tariff and submit to moderate protection, so that the manufacturers might exist. that they should take a broad view of the tariff and submit to moderate protection, so that the manufacturers might exist. They said that the easten provinces are losing representation while the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now represent and his censorship while the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation while the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation and the province of the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation while the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation and his censorship we have a province of the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation and his censorship we have a province of the world. The Russian vicet newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation and his censorship we have a province of the world. The world are newspaper correspondents their pers, as he has done before now representation and his censorship we have a province of the person of the world. The world are newspaper correspondents their person and his censorship we have a province of the person of the world. The world are newspaper correspondents their person and his censorship we have a province of the world and the world are newspaper correspondents.

losing representation while the west increasing. It would not be many years before the centre of power is shifted to the west and it was to their interest to try and make fair terms between the east and west.

a high tariff.

The finance minister, speaking of the Grand Trunk Pacific, said he trusted that a satisactory arrangement would be made, and added that if the Grand Trunk did not grant to the control of the control o not wish to carry out its part of the un-dertaking, the railway would be built any

#### CHINAMAN CHARGED WITH WIFE MURDER.

Victim, Who Was a Baptist Mi .sionary, Married the Heathen to Convert Him and Got Strangled for Her Sacrifice.

Chicago, Feb. 10-Two days ago the police agreeted Lee Chang, a Chinaman, on a charge of murdering his wife, who was an American woman named Lillian Russell. Not until this morning were the Russell. Not until this instance are police able to obtain any information regarding her identity. She is said to have been a slum worker for a Baptist missionary school in Pittsburg. It is said that she met Chang in the Chinatown of Pittsburg. She attempted to convert him to Christianity, and later married him. A short time after the marriage they came to Chicago.

It is claimed by the police that Chang killed the woman by strangling her with a quilt taken from the bed upon which

#### JAPS FIRST BLOW WAS A HARD ONE.

(Continued from page 2.) arantees for the future which we failed secure by peaceful negotiations can now only be obtained by an appeal to arms. "It is our earnest wish that by the loy-alty and valor of our faithful subjects peace may soon be permanently restored and the glory of our empire preserved."

The Chemulpo Engagement.

Washington, Feb. 11-Two cablegram were received at the state departmen from United States Minister Allen, a Scoul, dated Feb. 10, both referring to the naval engagements off Chemulpo on the Japanese naval versels at Chemulpo or the afternoon of the 9th. Two Russian naval vessels, the Variag and Kerietz, were naval vessels, the Variag and Kerietz, were in Chemulpo harbor, and attempted to prevent the landing of Japanese forces, but with no success. The foreign naval vessels, the minester says, were generally leaving the harbor. There was a report that the Japanese naval vessels, had captured Russian transports of Makpo on the

naval engagement took place in Chemulpo, narbor, beginning about noon. The Variag and the Kerietz again attempted to escape, out failed. The Variag was injured. On their return, the Japanese naval vesselack the place at 4 o'c.ock p. m. At the atter hour the Kereitz blew up and cank. cult for her to escape. The Japanese vesnarbor until she sank.
Twenty-five hundred Japanese troops

All Sorts of Rumors! t St Petersburg, But Nothing Offic at Given Out St. Petersburg, Feb. 11-The rigid cen-

either Russian or foreign sources. No news had been received since Viceroy Austria ... 2,000 France ... 3,700 Germany ... 4,500 Italy ... 1,700 Russia ... 5,000 Great Britain ... 1,200 of W. Charles Anderson, the well known green at the age 59. He leaves a vidow, sizer rightly conceives that he should be able to get pound for pound value in common with his continental contemporaries.

In pursuance of the army reforms all the heads of departments of the war office have received leaves and the public is still in the dark. All mnamers of rumons are affort. The government has forbidden the retail sale of the principal offender, the St. Petersburg Gazette. The government has be finished his dessert.

"Sure, if that's the best you got, and, say, bring one of them little pots for it."—

Philadelphia Press.

#### JAPAN'S SECRET SERVICE, KING EDWARD'S

Peculiar Opportunities for Spying.

There May Be a Few Slight Changes, A Jap Disguised as a Chinaman Cannot Be Edward VII. Has Larger Wardrobe Detected by the Western Eye--A

> his little moustache, let his hair grow and braid a false queue into it, and then dress him in Chinese garments, how many Americans do you suppose could tell him from the original, simon pure John Chinaman? More pertinent to the matter in hand, how many Russians do you suppose could find him out? says a writer in The New York Sun.
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> The experiment has been made, not once or twice, but hundreds and thousands of times, and the result is known to a certainty—the white man can't detect the counterfeit.

# BY BRITISH SEAMEN

Matanzis, Cuba, Feb. 10—A dozen Cuban stevedores and a Norwegian sailor from the British steamer Dori-brook are in hospital here as the result of a fight on board the steamer when she reached this port The fighting arose from the mutual calling

No Truth in the Japs Trying to Land at Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 11-The ministry marine dictares there is absolutely no foun-dation for the report that the Japanese made several attempts to land at Port

Most of Russian Warships at Port Arthur

Berlin, Feb. 11-A despatch to the Vos sische Zeitung from Yokohama says the greater number of the Russian warships at Port Arthur have already been dis abled, and that several Japanese warship

Brotherly Er couragement.

"I want to thank you," said Deacon O'd field, "for the speech you made at the meeting of the trustees the other night in favor of issuing bonds for an addition to he chapel. I'm sorry I wasn't there to hear you."
"Why," replied Deacon Granby, "I

"I am. But I can't blind myself to the fact that any speech you might make must necessarily help the other side."—Chicago Record-Hera'd.

Dissection has no place in the Chines. the skull and the pelvis each as one bone. They think that the small intestine communicates with the cavity of the heart, while the colon terminates in the lungs; that the liver is the habitat of the soul; that the gall bladder in the receptacle of courage; that in its ultimate structure the body is composed of five, water, earth, wood and metal. Truly, this is fearful

A large party of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster gathered in their home, Elliott Row, Wednesday evening, the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding and presented a set of dining room chairs to the couple. A pleasant evening was spent. The oldest existing national color is the red and white crossed flag of Denmark.

and wonderful.

## MANY GARMENTS.

Than Any Other Monarch in the World.

Canard from Germany --- Absurd Teuton Story That His Majes'y Never Wears the Same Clothes Twice Makes Mayfair

London, Feb. 7—A story emanating from Germany that King Edward never wears the same suit of clothes twice has been the same suit of clothes twee has been causing no little amusement in Mayfair.
"Of all the absurd stories," said a person who is in a position to speak authoritatively on the King's wardrobe, "this is the most foolish. The king certainly has a very large stock of clothes, and it is seldom that the King when on the Continent is seen wearing the same suit, which may is seen wearing the same suit, which may have given rise to the absurd report, but his clothes are never discarded after being once worn unless, as sometimes happens,

"The King never assumes fewer than three suits of clothes every day. When he rises he puts on an easy fitting lounge brown tweed sporting costume, with his favorite Tyrolean hat and feather. If his majesty has been subjected to any great exertion during an outing, he undergoes on his return a system of massage and

then dresses for dinner.
"If his majesty made it a rule never to wear the same suit twice, a simple calculation shows that he would require no fewer than 1,095 suits in the course of a year, which would bring up his tailor's bill to about £10,950 a year.

"As a matter of fact, the king still

wears once or twice a week the frock coat which he had made at the time of the

ceronation.

"The king undoubtedly has the largest wardrobe of all the monarchs in the world. At Windsor, Buckingham Palace and Sandringham the King has a total of about two hundred suits of all kinds, besides nearly a hundred hats and caps. He has, moreover, a splendid collection of furlined overcoats. lined overcoats. in the week the king at present favors

trousers of a pattern with a thin vertical stripe and a white vest. The slip which carded. He also likes velvet collars on

"To sum up, the king orders about thirty suits in the course of the year."

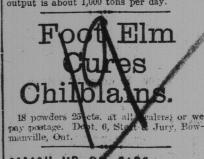
### more than thirty sevendores participated in the fight. The Norwegian and British consuls are investigating the matter. MINE CLOSED INDEFINITELY.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 10—(Special)—On Saturday next the International mine at Bridgeport will be closed down and in all probability will remain closed until spring.

The present dullness in the coal trade in Canada, and the depression in the United States have led to the closing up of the collient.

As it is the oldest mine operated by the Dominion Coal Company, apprehension has been felt lest the mine be permanently losed down. This, however, Mr. King, superintendent of mines, says is not the intention. Work will go on again in about wo months time.

There are at present about 600 men and boys employed in International pit and the output is about 1,000 tons per day.



TORMENTINE ROAD. Engine and Snow Plough Derailed and Badly Damaged-No One In-

Sackville, N. B., Feb. 9-(Special)-When near Middle Sackville this afternoon a Cape Tormentine and P. E. Island engine and badly broken but no one was injured. Owing to the recent storms the track is now in very



