

ST. JOHN STAR

ST. JOHN, N. B., JANUARY 17, 1903.

TIME FOR A CHANGE.

The developments in connection with the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Fredericton are simply astounding, and the people of New Brunswick may well ask for an explanation. The charges that were made in the Telegraph months and months ago hinted at what has now been formally charged against Principal Woodbridge, his son Norman, and Mr. J. Ernest Powers. Neither of these three is now in the province, and therefore they are not under arrest. Long before either of them went away from Fredericton as much must have been known to the crown authorities as is now known. Yet no attempt was made to bring them to trial. A commission was appointed to enquire into the case, and two members of the Telegraph staff, close personal friends of both the attorney general and Hon. Mr. McKeown, were present at the enquiry. After the enquiry closed there was a long wait for Commissioner Barry's report, and then another wait before the case was brought into court. Before the latter action was taken a statement by the attorney general was interpreted by the press in the confidence of the government to mean that somebody would be indicted. Between the date of that announcement and the actual indictment Principal Woodbridge went away.

It is perfectly obvious that the crown has failed to do its duty. Nothing has happened to make the accused more guilty than they were the day Mr. Barry began the enquiry. Before that enquiry had proceeded many days the commissioner must have been in a position to say to the government that an eye should be kept on the men now accused. The Telegraph continued to assert from time to time that crime had been committed and that the guilty must be punished. No other paper was allowed to have a representative present, and therefore the public had no means of judging the facts of the case. But the government must have known, and it did nothing. Now, when the accused are no longer in the country there is a great flourish of legal trumpets, and the public is to hear the whole story. That story, if even a small portion of it be true, should have been given to the public long ago. There was no room or excuse for legal quibbles and delays. If what is done now is justified by the evidence, it should have been done before the accused persons went away. The responsibility lies with the government, which closed the enquiry to the press, and even after it got its own commissioner's report failed to make a single arrest. The thing is a farce.

There is another matter which is exciting a great deal of adverse comment. A grand jury in St. John found a true bill against three men on the charge of attempt to murder. Why were they not tried on that charge? The crown accepted a proposition that they should plead guilty to a charge of aggravated assault. Why? Those men pushed another man into the icy waters of the harbor and left him to sink or swim.

To this may be added the failure to proceed further in the Goodspeed case, after the first jury had disagreed. There is room for a change in the present methods of conducting criminal business in this province.

WILL SOMEBODY PLEASE EXPLAIN.

A personal in yesterday's Fredericton Gleaner reads as follows:

"Mrs. Harry E. Currie came up from St. John upon last evening's train and was that night the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson."

It will thus be seen that Mrs. Currie must have been in St. John Thursday, and that to leave on the train for Fredericton that evening she must have reached the city not later than the arrival of the C. P. R. express at noon.

Now about three o'clock on Thursday afternoon Mr. McKeown, counsel for the plaintiff in the case of Milligan v. Crockett, declared in court that Mrs. Currie, who was an essential witness, had not arrived, and that nothing of her whereabouts was known. Affidavits from Mr. McKeown and A. E. McIntyre were produced backing this statement under oath and further declaring that all possible means in the way of subpoenas, etc., had been taken to secure her attendance. But according to the quotation from the Gleaner she was in St. John all the time. Some explanation appears to be necessary.

TURN THEM OUT.

The Fredericton Herald disputes the Star's statement that practically the same men have controlled the affairs of this province for many years. It says there have been four premiers since 1883, and that no member of Mr.

Blair's first cabinet is now in the government.

The fact is as stated by the Star, nevertheless. The changes made since 1883 have never been radical. It has been a continuation of the same policy and methods. Each new cabinet contained members and supporters of the previous one, or persons who were willing to support any party when they got their price.

What the province needs is a complete change. And that the people will shortly have an excellent opportunity to secure. The opportunist has been too long in the saddle.

Now that the attorney general has taken action against Woodbridge and Powers, the Star may perhaps presume to express a hope that the Rothery list forgers will not escape. There is no knowing what devilry they are planning in connection with the next election. They are believed to be still in the country.

The Moncton Transcript doubts whether Mr. Rommel of Albert county is a good liberal. Must a man be a supporter of Mr. Tweedie before the Transcript will accept him as a liberal? What kind of a liberal is Mr. Tweedie? And what kind of a friend of good government would the Transcript be if it supported Mr. Tweedie?

The responsibility for the non-prosecution of the so-called Rothery forgeries rests upon the shoulders of the Sun and Mr. Hazen instead of with the attorney general—Gazette.

When did the attorney general yield up his duties to Mr. Hazen and the Sun, and what salary do they get?

The next reformer who solemnly assures a tanyard boy that the wages of sin is death need not be astonished if he is informed that such facts as appeal most strongly to the tanyard mind are against the assertion.

CARLETON NEWS.

Mrs. Aubrey Clarke left for her home in Fredericton yesterday.

Miss Grace Hamm, who has been visiting Miss Archibald in Truro, has returned home.

Miss Catharine Wilmet is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jarvis Wilson of King street east.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee are expected home from their honeymoon in a few days. They will reside in Mrs. Lee's former home on King street.

Miss Etta Lane, who was visiting her uncle in New York, has returned home.

Mrs. Gustave McCarrigan of Mahogany road, entertained a large number of her friends at a large whist party on Thursday afternoon.

The ambulance was called to Sand Point at about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Two seamen, named MacDonald and Dunahue, being sick aboard the steamer Loyalties. MacDonald fell from the mast two voyages ago and severely hurt one of his wrists, but as it swelled up lately and gave him a great deal of trouble, he had to go to the hospital. Dunahue had got glass in one of his eyes by the falling of a piece of glass.

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BOARD OF TRADE.

Secretary Allison of the Board of Trade has received word from J. G. Scott of the Trans-Canada Railway Company, of Quebec, stating that the Quebec delegation would be here on Tuesday, Jan. 27th, and a meeting of the Board of Trade is therefore called for 3.30 o'clock that afternoon to hear those gentlemen state their case.

The Canadian parliament has been further prorogued until March 11. It is hoped the parliament will probably not meet before March 12.

Does it not seem more effective to breathe in a remedy, to cure disease of the breathing organs, than to take the remedy into the stomach?

It is now that the winter season is upon us, and that the cold winds are blowing, and that the coughs and colds are increasing, it is a good time to take a remedy that will cure them.

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FAREWELL DINNER.

The dinner given at White's restaurant last night to L. W. Powers, who will leave on Monday next for Montreal, where he will be chief clerk for the manager of transportation of the C. P. R., was well attended, and proved a decided success. The guests assembled and sat down to the table at the hour fixed, 8 o'clock. The menu card was printed on a railway caboose and took the shape of a railway time table, the names of the prominent stations being used in connection with several of the courses, and each course was served on schedule time. The same regularity was observed throughout the evening as in running a train. Following is the menu card.

The King, Canada's Winter Port. Our Guest. The Ladies.

Clam Chowder, a la Gaspareaux. Steamed Halibut, mayonnaise sauce. Roast Turkey, cranberry sauce. Fried Potatoes. Ketchup. Pineapple. Fruit Pudding. Shogomoe Apple Pie. Fairville Mince Pie. Lemon Jelly. Strawberry Jelly. Green Point Celery. Biscuits and Cheese. Wytopitlock Ice Cream.

Tea. Coffee. Fredericton Lemonade.

In addition to the toasts printed, two extra were read, namely, the President of the United States and the Press Representatives from the Canadian and the United States customs officials, Immigration departments, Dominion Express Co., and other branches of the service made speeches, and all spoke in eulogy of Mr. Powers' able and faithful service while in St. John.

Supt. Osborne of the C. P. R. presided. Following is the list of invited guests:

P. W. Thomson, H. Hamington, L. R. Ross, Jas. Osborne, J. H. Barber, J. A. W. Warrick, H. Brown, E. E. Hill, C. McKinnon, W. Hammon, C. Weathering, J. W. Hoyt, F. Retallick, J. E. R. Sutherland, C. B. Foster, W. B. Howard, J. B. McKenna, G. Murphy, W. F. Noble, J. K. Thompson, J. G. Shevan, Guy Robinson, H. E. C. Sturges, H. Crisp, A. C. Prince, C. K. Howard, J. R. Gilliland, W. H. O. McKay, J. W. Wetmore, J. N. Sutherland, W. B. Brown, T. A. Stevenson, C. W. W. Burge, C. L. Clarke, D. W. Newcombe, C. R. Ord, H. E. Rogers, G. W. Rothwell, W. K. Thompson, G. F. Morton, L. C. Thompson, W. E. McMillen, E. N. Abbott, J. R. Bartlett, Geo. Coombs, G. M. Ballie, C. Troop, S. Schofield, C. B. Lockhart, H. Ham, F. Tapley, A. Williams, A. E. Henderson, Globe, Sun, Star, Gazette, G. M. Ryan, J. C. Johnson, E. Thompson, P. Leleuvre, G. F. Findlay, A. C. Hoyt, J. Holt, C. Neeson, A. Muehrow, M. Burgess, Geo. Moffatt, B. Winkler, B. Abridge, B. Shorlin, A. H. Canfield, F. Harris, P. DeVeber, H. C. Smith.

Mr. Powers was presented with a valuable cabinet of silver. On the outside was engraved in silver: "Presented to L. W. Powers by officers and employees, Atlantic Division, C. P. R., Jan. 17, 1903." The presentation was made by J. G. Shevan of the C. P. R.

Among those who sent letters of regret were W. K. Finson, L. H. Robinson, J. B. Potter, H. E. Rogers, George Ryan and A. Williams.

SATURDAY SERMONETTE.

"Some were born for great things. Some were born for small; And some it doth not yet appear Why they were born at all."

It is easy for everyone to see, and understand freely why some people ever came into the world, and more, why they were ever allowed to remain in it as long as they have. They are placed in the great plan which could not readily or so well be taken by some one else. It may be an important share that they take, or it may be more humble, but such as it is they have their work and no one questions their right to the air they breathe, the food they eat or the amount of the earth's surface which can adequately support the soles of their shoes.

But there is another class of men about whom the world wonders, and concerning which the curious have no peace. These are the folks who live for no apparently vital reason, who have seemingly no mission to accomplish or no work to do. They are the people whose chief business seems to be loafing, who get in our way and torment us with endless and unnecessary questions when we are busy and about whom we say unutterable things.

If they are interested in anything it is sure to be in something which does not concern them in the remotest degree, and in countless ways are a blot upon the social landscape, living, as it seems to us, aimless, useless and worthless lives. But though such may seem to be the case, we must not make up our minds too hastily. There is undoubtedly a reason for their existence, though perhaps not such an one as we would see at first glance. We are told that a life of ease is not conducive to our mental and moral well-being; that obstacle, if rightly overcome, should but aid us in our struggle upward, and that many things which fret and trouble us are for our help instead of our discouragement. This being the case, it is not difficult to see why the aforesaid class of mortals is allowed to occupy standing room on this terrestrial globe. They annoy us, they are to us a cause of perplexity and thus in a manner are to us what may be called a thorn in the flesh, thereby aiding us, unawares, both themselves and to us, to learn the lesson of patience, forbearance and perseverance. So, after all, my brethren, it is not worth our while to trouble ourselves further as to the reason why certain individuals ever became members of the great human family, for by taking the view set forth in the above we can have leisure to think about something else, and to hunt for our coppers and other contributions when the plate goes around. The collection will now be taken.

WHAT ABOUT GOODSPEED?

(Moncton Transcript.)

The government did wrong in recommending commutation of the death sentence in the Higgins case and the chief justice expressed a sound judgment in his utterances. A more cruel, brutal and deliberately planned murder with no known provocation, than the murder of Doherty by Higgins it is difficult to imagine. The murderer's callous indifference during the trial; his laughing remark after the commutation that he would be out in ten years, surely justify the opinion that the executive made a mistake. Lost in sympathy for the youth of the murderer's youth, it overlooked the youth of the murdered one. No one thirsts for Higgins' life; but Canada cannot afford to create the impression that

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Spring, 1903, designs. One to four pairs of a kind, 25c. to \$3 a pair.

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The treasurer of the King's Daughters' Guild, on behalf of the order, wishes to thank all who kindly contributed in any way to their various departments of work during the past year, and very gratefully acknowledges the following subscriptions: To mortgage estate, Miss H. C. Bayard, \$100; Mrs. Silas Alward, L. W. Almon, \$50; Mrs. James Miller, \$20; A. O. Skinner, Mrs. J. W. Holly, \$10; friend, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. J. G. Jordan, Mrs. G. E. Barbour, \$5 each; Mrs. H. D. McLeod, \$3; Mrs. George Fleming, Mrs. A. I. Trueman, \$2 each; Mrs. H. White, Mrs. Busby, \$1 each.

Annual subscriptions to mortgage: Joseph Allison, \$50; Mrs. Charles F. Woodman, Mrs. Jas. F. Robertson, \$25; each; James Manchester, \$20; C. F. Kinneer, \$5; Mrs. Binning, \$1.

To general work: James F. Robertson, \$10; Miss H. Barker, Miss Grace Turnbull, Mrs. F. Stetson, friend, \$5 each; friend, \$2; Mrs. W. J. Davidson, Miss A. Rising, friend, R. G. S. Mrs. Hea, Mrs. C. B. Allan, Mrs. Frank Peters, Mrs. Wm. Purdy, Mrs. Angevine, Mrs. G. M. Campbell, Miss Blanche Thomas, Miss L. McLaughlin, \$1 each; Mrs. A. G. Bowes, \$50.

Bills received: W. H. Bowman, \$5.30; Amund Bros., \$2; W. H. Reid, \$5.28; D. J. Doyle, \$1.35.

C. OF E. INSTITUTE LECTURES.

The Church of England Institute need be under no apprehensions regarding the success of their third lecture of the winter course, to be given in the York Theatre on Jan. 29th. The name of Dr. Lindsay Parker, the well known rector of St. Peter's church, Brooklyn, is a guarantee of the excellence of the lecture, and those who hear him lecture on The Highlands and Lowlands of Scotland, will not go away disappointed. Dr. Parker possesses, to a marked degree, the power of getting at the inwardness of every subject that he treats, and brings to bear upon it a delightful wit and humor. The sale of seats will open at Gray's bookstore, King street, on Thursday, Jan. 22nd.

MORE SMALLPOX IN MAINE.

PRESQUE ISLE, Me., Jan. 16.—Three additional cases of smallpox since Sunday were reported today. Dr. Young of the state board of health was here today consulting with physicians.

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