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THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOOKS; DETAILS OF THE PRICES

Hon. Mr. Flemming in reply to Mr. Robinson's inquiry said:

Q. 1.—What amount has been paid by the Government to date for school books and scribbles?

A. \$11,932.06.

Q. 2.—What amount has been received by the Government from the sale of school books and scribbles?

A. \$3515.51.

Q. 3.—What is the cost of each school book and what is the price paid by each vendor for school books?

A.—The cost is as follows:—

1st Reader 20c; 2nd Reader 30c; 3rd Reader 40c; 4th Reader 50c; 5th Reader 60c; less 45 per cent. Geographies 50c net. Scribbles about 2 1-4c each.

The prices paid by the vendors are as follows:—

1st Reader 3c; second 7c; 1st Reader 12c; Second 18c; third 25c; fourth 30c; 5th 40c. Geographies 55c; Scribbles 3c each. Less 10 per cent commission for selling.

Q. 4.—Who pays the transportation charges from the manufacturers to Fredericton and who pays the transportation charges from Fredericton to the vendors?

A.—In the case of the school books the manufacturers pay the charges to Fredericton; in addition there is no charge for cases of packing, the books costing the Government the price

named. In answer to question 4 delivered in Fredericton net 30 days on scribbles the Government pays transportation charges both on books and scribbles from Fredericton to the vendors. In the case of the school books the difference between the net cost and the price paid by the vendors will cover the cost of the transportation charges from Fredericton to Fredericton as well as the cost from Fredericton to the vendors.

Q. 5.—What is the total amount of transportation charges from Fredericton to the vendors?

A.—Extra pay one clerk \$96.66 to load \$140.06; 2nd carload \$134.91. Transportation charges from Fredericton to the vendors \$179.41.

Q. 6.—What is the cost of handling the books to Fredericton to date?

A.—Extra pay one clerk \$96.66 to load \$140.06; 2nd carload \$134.91. Freight charges from Fredericton to the vendors \$179.41; balance of expenses including printing, carriage, &c. \$203.82, making a total of \$812.46.

Q. 7.—What is the amount due?

A.—\$9179.54.

The Week-End At The Nickel.

How the Blind Children of France are Educated, will be shown at the Nickel today in a long interesting picture, one of the finest educational films yet received in St. John. The Tour of the Ruins of Pompeii will be continued. Here are two pictures worth several times the admission price to see. In addition to this portion of the programme the late Biograph Co. successes "The Lure of The Gown" and "A Row In The Nursery" will be shown as well as Pathé's trick-photo comedy "An Unusual Elopement." Mr. Harry Bennett is today going to sing a Lauder song entirely new to the people of St. John in the burlesque sailor-yarn "We Parted On The Shore." For the children on Saturday he has consented to sing "The Saffest O The Family" with its funny boyish monologues. Mr. Bennett is proving a great drawing card because of his clever imitations and versatility. No entertainment heard in St. John has been able to so entirely change his make-up and programme better than he. Miss Edwards is singing "Doan You Cry Ma Honey" and Mr. Courtneis has a pretty picture ballad. At the Saturday matinee there will be more secret snaphots taken.

PRINCE WILL RETIRE.

Berlin, Mar. 31.—Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia will retire next fall from the position of commander-in-chief of the navy, to become grade admiral and general inspector. He will be succeeded by either Admiral Von Fischei or Vice Admiral Von Holtzendorf.

Barnes & Co. Ltd.

In the Royal Gazette this week Mr. C. H. Ferguson, solicitor, gave notice of application for incorporation of Messrs Barnes & Co. Ltd., the applicants being Messrs. George F. Barnes, James W. Barnes, Eustace Barnes, Annie E. Barnes, Jennie E. Barnes, and Jessie M. Barnes. The capital is \$49,000, and of course the object is to carry on the printing business at present conducted by Messrs Barnes & Co.

The Canadian Club.

A special meeting of the Canadian Club will be held on Saturday next at 1.15 p. m. at White's Dining Room, when luncheon will be served. A. J. Dawson of London, England, will address the club. Mr. Dawson's Empire-wide reputation in connection with The Standard of Empire justifies the expectation of an enjoyable luncheon.

MARINE NEWS

Port of St. John.

Arrived—April 1.

Stmr. Montcalm, 3500, Hodder, Bristol, C. P. R., general cargo.
Schr. Harold J. McCarthy, (Am) 251 Bath, Me., J. W. Smith, ballast.
Schr. Isalah K. Stetson, (Am) 271 Hamlin, Camden, Me., J. W. Smith, ballast.

Coastwise—Schr. Nellie D. 32, Paul, Beaver Harbor; Smr. Bear River, 70, Woodward, Bear River; Schr. R.P.S. 74, Baird, Parraboro.

Arrived—March 31.

Stmr. Rappahannock, 2490, Buckingham, from London via Halifax, Wm. Thomson & Co. general cargo.
Stmr. Monarch, 4775, Clare, from Liverpool via Queenstown, J. H. Scammell and Co. ballast.

Cleared—April 1.

Coastwise—Schr. Dorothy Tupper, Bridgetown; Bay Queen, Graham, Bellevue Cove; Constance Blinn, Bellevue; Eliza Graham, Nickerson, Yarmouth.

Sailed—April 1.

Schr. Annie A. Booth, Melvin, Salem for orders, Alex. Watson.
Schr. Aldine, City Island for orders.

British Ports.

Manchester, Mar. 31.—Sailed—Stmr. Manchester Shipper for St. John, N. B. Fastnet, April 1.—Passed—Stmr. Salacia from St. John, N. B. for Glasgow.

Foreign Ports.

City Island, N. Y., April 1.—Bound south—Schr. Lucia Porter from St. John, N. B.
Boston, Mass., April 1.—Arrived—Lady Sybil (Br) from Halifax, N. S.; Boston (Br) from Yarmouth, N. S.; Calvin Austin from St. John, N. B. via Eastport and Portland.

Eastport, Me., April 1.—Arrived—Schr. Virginian (Br.) from Parraboro, N. S.

Gloucester, Mass., April 1.—Arrived—Schr. Johnnie N. Huddell from Boston for St. John, N. B.

Vessels in Port.

Steamers.
Casandra, 5228, Glasgow, Robt. Redford Co.
Lake Champlain, 4714, Liverpool, C. P. R.

Manchester Mariner, 2672, Manchester, Wm. Thomson and Co.
Monarch, 4775, South African ports, J. H. Scammell and Co.

Rappahannock, 2490, London, Wm. Thomson and Co.
Sardinian, 2786, London and Havre, Wm. Thomson and Co.

Victorian, 3744, Liverpool, Wm. Thomson and Co.

Barks.

Robertson 733, dis. J. A. Likely.
Schooners.
Annie A. Booth, 165, A. W. Adams.
Corra May, 117, N. C. Scott.

Dora C. 401, dis. J. W. Smith.
Emily F. Northam, 315, dis. A. W. Adams.

E. B. Wood, 242, laid up, Stetson, Cutler and Co.
F. and E. Givan, 99, C. M. Kerrison.
Helen Montague, 214, N. Y. P. McIntyre.

Hunter, 187, D. J. Purdy.
Lizzie H. Patrick, 412, N. Y. master.
Minerva, 270, dis. J. W. Smith.

Minnie Slauson, 271, J. Splane and Co.
Moama, 348, rpe. Peter McIntyre.
Rebecca W. Huddell, 210, D. J. Purdy.

Salle E. Ludlam, 199, D. J. Purdy.
T. W. Cooper, 150, A. W. Adams.
Rewa, 123, laid up, D. J. Purdy.

Witch Hazel, 238, N. Y. C. M. Kerrison.

Vessels Bound to St. John.

Steamers.
C. P. R. Line.
Empress of Ireland, Liverpool, Mar. 25.

Lake Michigan, Antwerp, Mar. 24.
Allan Line.
Corsican, Liverpool, Mar. 25.

Donaldson Line.
Hestia, Glasgow, Mar. 20.
Athenia, Glasgow, to sail Mar. 27.

Genoa Line.
Prinz Oskar, Hamburg, Mar. 22.
Villenhed, at Hamburg, to sail April 16.

Barks.

Alheim, Rosario, Mar. 20.

Marine News

A British bark 109 tons, has been fixed to load molasses at Barbados for St. John or Halifax at private terms.

Steamship Rappahannock, Captain Buckingham arrived Wednesday night from London via Halifax, with a general cargo.

The West India liner Dahome sailed from St. Kitt's Monday for Bermuda and St. John, N. B.

The big four-masted ship Lancing, from New York, anchored inside of the Old Woman buoy Monday afternoon and was taken in tow this morning by tug Hugh D. and Wanda for docking at Tusket Wedge—Yarmouth Herald.

South Africa steamship Monarch, Capt. Clare, arrived Wednesday night from Liverpool via Queenstown and Cape Town. More than 100 car loads of freight have been awaiting the arrival of this steamer here. The Monarch sailed from Liverpool March 15 with defective machinery, and resumed her voyage to this port on the 16th.

A. C. H. Nyland, passenger agent of the Holland-American line, is here from New York and is at the Royal Hotel. He will meet the Prinz Oskar when she arrives.

Mr. Nyland who is accompanied by Henry Schlesner, another official of the line, has visited Sand Point and expressed himself as well satisfied with the facilities for handling freight and passengers there.

The Furness line S. S. Shenandoah left London yesterday at noon for here with a general cargo.

The Rappahannock left Pettingill wharf yesterday for Long Wharf to discharge Western cargo.

The Allan Line Royal Mail Steamer, Liverpool, Capt. Outram, will sail for Liverpool via Halifax with a general cargo and passengers today.

The C. P. R. steamship Montcalm, Capt. Hadden arrived yesterday morning from Bristol with a general cargo.

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The steamer had a quick run across the Atlantic.

The United States schooner Harold J. McCarthy, recently purchased by Boston parties arrived in port yesterday in command of Captain Bolyea, a native of St. John, from Bath, Maine. The vessel's agent here is J. Willard Smith. She is well equipped vessel and will be employed in the lumber trade out of this port.

The steamer Tallman which went ashore off the coast of New York state was floated undamaged.

West India Line S. S. Dahome is due at Bermuda Friday, coming north.

The Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Co's steamer Woburn, which is now undergoing an overhauling at Dartmouth, is to be equipped with a wire-rope cable outfit. The Woburn will be the first of the Nova Scotia coal fleet to have the system installed.

The S. S. Victorian will sail this morning with passengers and a large general cargo.

The S. S. Corsican is due at Halifax today from Liverpool via Montreal, Ireland. She has 21 saloons; 340 second and 670 steerage.

The Eder Dempster steamship Monarch docked in No. 5 berth yesterday morning. She left Liverpool on the twelfth of March, but was compelled to put into Queenstown on account of a break in her machinery. She was in Queenstown for 5 days, and left there on the seventeenth.

After experiencing a very stormy passage and being delayed again by a break in her steering gear for three days, she arrived here nineteen days from Liverpool. The work of unloading the steamer was started yesterday morning.

Dr. Inch in Poor Health.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, April 1.—Dr. J. Inch left this evening for an extended trip to United States cities. He is in poor health and will consult specialists in Baltimore.

Before leaving Dr. Inch stated that he would not come to a decision regarding his retirement which was forecasted in his annual report until he returned again.

Gilmor Brown, C. E., Mrs. Brown and Miss Brown came in on last night's Boston train.

DEATHS

PETERS.—On Thursday, April 1st, Wm. Peters, Jr., in the sixtieth year of his age.

Funeral on Saturday at three p. m., from his late residence 218 King street East.

ALLISON.—In this city, on March 31, after a lingering illness, Harriet, widow of the late Samuel Allison, leaving one daughter.

Funeral on Friday, at 2.30 o'clock, from the residence of her son-in-law, W. J. McAlary, 101 Victoria street.

A Brief History of the Tiger Ceylon Tea Plant and its Manufacture Into Tiger Indo-Ceylon Teas.

The Tea Plant from which the Tiger or Brand of Ceylon tea is made, is an evergreen shrub.

Tiger Tea plant's stem is bushy with numerous and very leafy branches—its leaves are alternate, elliptical, serrated and veined.

The flowers of the Tiger plant are white and slightly fragrant.

The majority of the coolies employed plucking Tiger tea leaves are men and children. They are naturally better adapted than men to be good pluckers, having much more practice.

Tiger Ceylon Tea Manufacture.

Under British supervision, both the cultivation and especially the manufacture of Tiger Ceylon teas have undergone remarkable improvements.

Many of the processes employed by the Chinese are quite superfluous and several of the manual operations which bulk largely in their manufacture have with advantage been supplanted by mechanical agency.

In Ceylon all this is done by machinery. In China the operation is performed by hand, and it only requires this process to be pictured to see that in it the leaf must derive a considerable amount of dirt and perspiration from

the hands of the unwashed Mongolians.

The whole object of the manufacture of Tiger Teas is to roll, ferment and dry the leaf, and to this end it undergoes withering, rolling, fermenting and firing.

Withering Process Tiger Teas.

As soon as the leaf arrives at the factory it is taken to the lofts above and spread thinly on tatts or shelves, to wither. Withering is preliminary to rolling. The object is that the Tiger leaf may become soft, limp and flaccid, so that it may be susceptible of receiving a good twist when put into the rolling machine.

Tatts are usually made either of canvas or of wire, through which the air can pass freely.

To wither well the Tiger Tea leaf requires light, warmth and a dry atmosphere. In fair weather it will naturally wither in about 24 hours, but on wet or dull days it becomes necessary to employ mechanical agency, and to act upon the leaf with artificially dried and heated air.

If compressed in the hand the withered leaf folds together into a clammy mass without cracking or rebound.

It may be mentioned that the green leaf loses about one-third of its weight in withering and rather more than another third in the several other processes through which it passes.

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