

To Our Subscribers

As we have stated from time to time, for the last two or three months, we are offering very beautiful Premium Pictures to all who remit their subscriptions. A number have kindly paid and received their premiums; but the great majority have not yet remitted. We earnestly desire that these will not delay any longer. We procured a great number of these beautiful pictures at a very considerable expenditure of money, in order to present them to our friends as a pleasing memento of their relations with us. We have them here in abundance, one for every subscriber, as soon as he sends in his dollar. Will you not remit now and receive one of these beautiful pictures?

This is the time of year when the greater number of the subscriptions are paid, and we should have a rush of remittances from this time forward. We have worked assiduously for our subscribers for a whole year, without making any very urgent requests for money. All this time, expenses have been going on; wages, rent, supplies and a hundred and one things have called for constant outlay, and now a winter's supply of fuel has to be laid in and other extra expenditures have to be incurred. To meet all this we only ask a dollar from each one, and are prepared to make a nice present to every one who sends his dollar. You surely cannot consider these conditions very exacting.

Send your dollar by mail; don't wait to come to Town or for anyone to come to you to collect it. The expense of sending a collector would not leave much of the collections, and it would be very unfair to expect to have the business done that way. Use the mails to remit; that is what the Postal Service is for. Rural Mail routes and all other improvements in the service are established for the greater accommodation of the people; to enable them to do business without inconvenience or loss of time. We shall be very much pleased if you will, without delay, take advantage of the mails to send in your subscriptions. Your premium pictures await you, and we are anxious to hear from you.

peroration was a most earnest appeal to the congregation to pray constantly and earnestly and to approach Holy Communion frequently for the benefit of the deceased priest.

At the conclusion of the sermon all present filed into the sanctuary to take a last look at the departed pastor.

The Libera was then sung and the absolution was given by the officiating priest, attended by his assistants. The coffin was then borne down the aisle onto the front entrance and round to the door leading to the basement, where the coffin was deposited in the vault beneath the altar. The final and solemn rites were then performed and all withdrew.

R. L. P.

The church was appropriately draped for the occasion.

Father Gillis' death is the third in the same family within four months. The late P. P. Gillis and Angus Gillis, being brothers. Two brothers and two sisters survive.

Federal Parliament.

The debate on the naval question was resumed in the House of Commons on Thursday last when Premier Borden moved the second reading of his bill, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Leader of the opposition, confined the debate and at the end of his speech moved the following amendment:

That all the words after the word "that" be struck out and the following be substituted therefor: "This House declines to concur in the said resolution and orders that the same be referred back to the committee with instructions to amend the same in the following particulars, namely to strike out all the words after clause (A) and substitute therefor the following:

"The memorandum prepared by the Board of Admiralty on the general naval situation of the Empire and communicated to this House by the Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister, on December 5th, shows that several of the most important of the foreign powers have adopted a definite policy of rapidly increasing their naval strength.

"That this condition has compelled the United Kingdom to concentrate its naval forces in home waters involving the withdrawal of ships from the outlying portions of the Empire.

"That such withdrawal renders it necessary that Canada without further delay should enter actively upon a permanent policy of naval defence.

"That any measure of Canadian aid to Imperial naval defence which does not embody a permanent policy of participation by ships owned, manned and maintained by Canada and contemplating construction as soon as possible in Canada is not an adequate or satisfactory expression of the aspirations of the Canadian people in regard to naval defence.

and is not an assumption by Canada of her fair share in the maintenance of the naval strength of the Empire.

"This House regrets to learn the intention of the government to indefinitely postpone the carrying out of Canada of a permanent naval policy.

"It is the intention of this House that measures should be taken at the present session to give effect actively and speedily to the permanent naval policy embodied in the naval service act of 1910, passed pursuant to the resolution unanimously approved by this House in March, 1909.

"This House is further of the opinion that to increase the power and mobility of the Imperial navy by the addition of a fleet of ships to be stationed on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of Canada, respectively, rather than by a contribution of money or ships, is the policy best calculated to afford relief to the United Kingdom in respect of the burden of Imperial naval defence and in the words of the Admiralty memorandum to 'restore greater freedom to the movements of the British squadrons in every sea and directly promote the security of the Dominions,' and the government of Canada should take such steps as will lead to the accomplishment of this purpose as speedily as possible."

Hon. Mr. Hazen replied to Laurier. He was received with great applause from the ministerial benches and began by saying Sir Wilfrid Laurier did not know the naval issue from the point of view of getting parties advantage.

"The commencement of his speech," said Mr. Hazen, "was couched in lofty and lofty language. From his opening remarks, the stranger coming in to this House would have been led to conclude that not for anything in the world would the leader of the opposition have attempted to deal with this question as to obtain an advantage for the party which he leads. But sir, scarce had he passed the introductory remarks in his speech, before he began to discuss the question absolutely from the standpoint of a partisan and party politics, and as his speech proceeded, it became clearer with every sentence that the interests which he was anxious to protect were not the interests of the British Empire, but the interests of the party which he leads. From the first to the last his speech was simply an appeal to the party spirit of his supporters, and to the party feeling of his supporters throughout the country, as well as those who were in the House.

"The leader of the opposition in endeavoring to fix the chance of inconsistency upon the Prime Minister and upon Hon. Mr. Foster, backed back to the debate which occurred in the House in the year 1910, when a resolution was passed with regard to naval defence, now Sir, I was not a member of the House of Commons in 1910, and therefore do not feel called upon to enter upon a discussion of what took place on that occasion. But Sir, had I been a member of this House in 1910, I do not think I would have felt called upon to defend any action on that occasion.

"What the people of this country want is not a discussion of naval history, not a discussion of what must have taken place in 1909 and 1910, but what they want to know is as to whether or not the proposition submitted to the House by the Government of this country on Thursday last, is a proposition that is in the interests of Canada and in the interests of the Empire, and a proposition that should commend itself to the great constituencies of this great country.

Hon. Mr. Borden, Mr. Hazen pointed out, his distinguished predecessor had declared against a contribution as a permanent policy, but not against a contribution as an emergency policy. Hon. Mr. Borden had promised to consult the Admiralty and then to lay his policy before parliament. That he had done and now parliament was asked to pass judgment not on a permanent policy put on an emergency policy.

Hon. Mr. Hazen discussed Sir Wilfrid

Laurier's explanation of the reasons why the Liberal government had not gone ahead with construction of its cruisers.

"Anyone who had listened to him," he said, "and who was not aware of the facts, would have gone away from this House thinking that only a few days or at least a few weeks had elapsed between the receipt of tenders for these cruisers and destroyers and the date of the defeat of his government at the polls. The facts are that on May 1, 1911, tenders were received from a number of leading shipbuilding firms in the British Empire for the construction of these destroyers and cruisers. They did not go out of power or resign office, until the 7th of October following.

The elections were held on the 21st of September, four months and three weeks after these tenders had been received.

He did not retire until the 7th of October, nearly five months after these tenders had been received, and yet he had no better excuse to offer for allowing these tenders to remain in the House here in Ottawa, for nearly five months, than that his government thought that as they must go out of power at eleven they deemed it wise to leave the question to be dealt with by their successors in office.

Did he when these tenders were received on the 1st of May, anticipate the result of the appeal to the country within a few months? When I referred to this matter, when speaking on the address in reply to the speech from the throne at the session of 1911, I said that I believed the government of the day, to not accept these tenders, although they had many months in which to do so, were scinted in the course they took by the fact that on examination of the whole matter, they having had time to sit down and think about it had led them to the conclusion that they had acted hurriedly and unwisely in calling for these tenders. Having realized what they had done, they felt that to enter into a contract at that time for these cruisers and destroyers, under the conditions which existed and the possibility of a waste of public money to the amount of at least \$15,000,000, which, including armaments, would have been the price these vessels would have cost.

In support of his contention, Hon. Mr. Hazen quoted the opinion of Admiral Kingsmill that if the Laurier plans had been carried out the ships would have been obsolete before the last was finished.

Mr. Topley was then taken to task for carrying the naval issue into the provincial elections in New Brunswick and invited to do it again, and then the Minister of marine returned to deal with the speech of the leader of the opposition and his amendment.

"Anybody who reads that amendment," said Mr. Hazen, "will agree that it is prepared simply from a standpoint of party strategy and party tactics. It is an extraordinary thing that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who in 1910 was absolutely opposed to the construction of one fleet unit is now prepared to go to the length which he says this country ought to go. It is a pity we had not heard from him earlier in that regard. Would not the country have been disposed to put more faith in his words than they do today when we consider the fact that during the long years the Right Hon. gentleman was in control of the government he did nothing in the direction suggested, and now he comes along with a proposition which is larger in its ideas and scope than anything ever before suggested in this country. Will not the country think that the time for my right hon. friend to have put forward that view and that policy was the time when he was in power?

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DIED.

FRASER—At Avondale on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd Catherine Fraser, beloved daughter of Joseph Fraser, in the 17th year of her age.—May the rest be peace.

EDMUNDS—Suddenly in this city on Dec. 10, James H. Edmunds aged 58 years.—R. I. P.

MCGREGOR—At Frenchfort on Dec. 11th 1912, Christie McGregor in the 73rd year.

SAEWART—At Hamilton, P. E. I., on Nov. 30, 1912, Miss Alice Sewart, aged 29.

McMILLAN—At Summerside, Dec. 10th last, Mary Gertrude McMILLAN, beloved wife of James B. McMILLAN, in the 42nd year of her age.—May her soul rest in peace.

JARVIS—In this city, Dec. 17th 1912, Samuel Jarvis, aged 83 years. B. I. P.

CANNON—At St. Andrews, Charlottetown, on Dec. 10, 1912, Emily Lois Cannon, second youngest daughter of A. E. Cannon, and Mrs. Cannon aged 10.

STROMBERG—In this city, early morning of Mr. W. P. Stromberg, aged 73 years.

JOHNSON—At the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, Dec. 15th 1912, Robert M. Johnson, druggist of this city in the 41st year of his age. The body arrived by express to night.

The All Canadian Route To Montreal.

Via the Intercolonial Railway Ocean Limited Express, the shortest, most comfortable and convenient mode of travel between all Prince Edward Island points, and Quebec and Montreal. Connection with this fast through express is made via steamer to Point du Chene daily except Sundays, and a train from the Point meets the Westbound Ocean Limited at Moncton. Tickets and reservations may be obtained at the office of W. K. Rogers, the local ticket agent; The Ocean Limited travels through a territory rich in scenic beauty and makes the fastest time of any through train from the Lower Provinces to the metropolis arriving in Montreal at 7:35 a. m. which is ample time to enable the traveller to make connections with the fast through trains of the Grand Trunk Railway for Toronto, Detroit, Buffalo, Chicago and other Western points.

LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS.

Ten people were killed, fifteen hurt in a collision of an express train and a freight near Rome, Italy.

St. John, N. B., was shaken by earthquake on Wednesday last. Houses trembled, but no damage was reported.

Captain Ackford of the British army has been killed by Tribesmen near Shiraz, capital of the Province of Persia.

The late Lady Caroline Lind say's (London) jewels were sold at auction Monday. A necklace of 53 pearls brought \$71,000.

Patrick Bergan, a stevedore was killed by the Maritime Express from Halifax Saturday while walking on the track at St. Joseph de Levis, P. Q.

A talking cat is arousing a sensation among the scientists and public in Berlin. It says "Hurrah, Anna, Helen and Nine," and a few words from a popular song.

Jung Hing, the first Chinaman ever convicted of first degree murder in New York city, was on Saturday sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing in the week of January 26. Hing was convicted of shooting another Chinaman to death during a tong war in China.

Whitelaw Reid, American ambassador to Great Britain since 1905, died at his London residence, Dorchester House, London, afternoon Sunday from pulmonary oedema.

Fire which broke out the other night on the top floor of the McArthur department store, a three story structure facing on Seventh and Sixth streets, St. Paul, Minn., caused a loss of \$250,000.

CLERICAL CHANGES.—Rev. A. McAulay goes from St. Ann's Hope River, to St. Peter's, vacant by the death of Rev. R. J. Gillis. Rev. J. B. Gaudet goes from St. Michael's, Iona, to St. Ann's, in succession to Father McAulay.

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The Cambridge University fifteen defeated the Oxford University fifteen in the annual Rugby football match played at the Queen's club grounds on Wednesday. The Cambridge team scored ten points against three by Oxford.

Lieut. W. Parke of the Royal Navy and Mr. Harding, manager of the Aeroplane Co., London, were killed Saturday afternoon. Flying at the rate of fifty miles an hour the machine turned turtle and crashed to the earth. Both were instantly killed.

The Canadian Department of Railways annual report shows that the Intercolonial earnings were \$10,594,000 with a net profit of \$2,750. The P. E. Island Railway showed \$32,759 deficit. Canada spent nearly \$90,000,000 on railways in the year.

A large number of five franc bank notes are being printed in the Bank of France, Paris, for use in a possible war emergency. They will be all ready to number and issue. The French financiers believe a general war is unlikely and that the Bank of France's action is merely precautionary.

A Lisbon despatch of the 14th says: Famed wolves yesterday devoured four persons in the neighborhood of a village of the province of Beira. Large packs of starving animals have come down from gorges of Serra da Estrela, whence they have been driven owing to the deep snows, and they are terrorizing the low country.

Wm. Kobelmeisen, the Finland champion runner of the world, won the 15 mile race at the Mechanics Building, Boston, Saturday night. The time was 1 hour 21 minutes, 24 1/5 seconds. Billy Quaal led by five laps on the last lap, when he collided with another runner and fell. Freddie Cameron, Amherst, finished third.

LOCAL & OTHER ITEMS.

The Royal George has reached Halifax under her own steam, and will enter the dry dock there.

The Dominion Parliament adjourns today for the Christmas vacation, and will reassemble on January 14.

The steamer Empress did not come over to Summerside from Pt. du Chene Saturday. She crossed on Sunday and the mail train arrived here about noon.

We are indebted for handsome calendars for 1913, to the Royal Bank of Canada; Mr. Joseph O. Arsenault, Provincial Manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of Canada; Stanley A. Johnson, Manufacturer of Printers' rollers, St. John, N. B., and White & Wyckoff, Stationery Manufacturers, Holyoke, Mass.

The will of the late Rev. G. H. R. was probated Monday. The estate valued at \$3,110. The bequests are as follows: To his sister Mrs. Angus McInnis, \$500, to his sister Monica \$500, or Masses for the repose of his soul \$500, for Masses for the repose of his mother and near relatives \$500, to the St. Vincent Catholic orphanage \$1,000 and to the Charlottetown hospital \$500. Rev. Ronald J. McDonald, Coleman, \$1,500 in trust and the residue of the estate. Rev. R. J. McDonald is executor.

Cheap Fares For Christmas Holidays.

For the Christmas Holidays the customary excursion fares will prevail on the Intercolonial and Prince Edward Island Railway, good between all stations, and to points on connecting lines. The going dates are from Dec. 1st to Jan. 1st and the limit for return January 3rd.

For stations beyond Montreal there will be a special excursion fare on the same date with a similar return limit. The reduced fares prevailing on these dates will make it convenient for those who wish to visit relatives and friends and for the absent ones to return for the old home for the happy Christmas tide Dec. 18 1912.—2.

The Market Prices.

Butter, doz.	0.30 to 0.32
Eggs, doz.	0.00 to 0.35
Pork, each.	1.00 to 1.15
Chickens per pair.	0.85 to 1.25
Floor (per cwt.)	0.10 to 0.03
Beef (small).	0.10 to 0.14
Beef (quarter).	0.08 to 0.10
Mutton, per lb.	0.08 to 0.09
Pork.	1 to 91
Potatoes (bush).	0.22 to 0.25
Hay, per 100 lbs.	0.60 to 0.70
Silk Oats.	0.43 to 0.45
Hides (per lb.)	0.03 to 0.12
Sheep (per lb.)	0.08 to 0.10
Sheep (per cwt.)	0.03 to 0.09
Corn (per lb.)	0.12 to 0.15
Turkeys (per lb.)	0.20 to 0.21
Peas.	1.25 to 1.50
Straw.	12.00 to 15.00
Ducks per pair.	1.00 to 1.25
amb. Pelt.	0.60 to 0.65

Mail Contract.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 17th January, 1913, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mail on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week, Over Rural Mail Route No. 2 from Emerald, Prince Edward Island, to commence at the Postmaster General's pleasure.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Emerald, New Brunswick and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

JOHN F. WHELAN, Post Office Inspector, Post Office Inspector's Office, Ottawa, Dec. 13th, 1912.

Mortgage Sale.

There will be sold at public auction, in front of the Court House, Charlottetown, on Saturday the 14th day of January, A. D. 1913, at the hour of Twelve o'clock noon, ALL THAT tract, piece and parcel of land situated lying and being on Lot or Township Number Forty-six, in King's County, in Prince Edward Island, bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Bounded on the West by land in possession of Peter Clark (formerly John McClellan), on the North by the Greenwalds, on the East by land in possession of Donald Sutherland, and on the South by the Strath of Northumberland, containing One hundred and twenty acres of land, a little more or less, being the two tracts of land lying North of Black Pond and marked on the A. L. S. James Sutherland, 70 acres, and "High Sutherland, 50 acres."

The above sale is made under and by virtue of and pursuant to a power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the Twelfth day of July, A. D. 1906, made between James Sutherland of Red Point, in King's County, aforesaid, Farmer, of the one part, and Henry Smith and Gordon T. Alley, both of Charlottetown, in Queen's County, Executors of the Estate of George Alley, of the other part, and said Mortgage was by Indenture of Assignment bearing date the 28th day of October, A. D. 1912, assigned by the said Henry S. and Gordon T. Alley to the undersigned.

For further particulars apply to Fraser & McQuaid, Solicitors, Charlottetown. Dated this 23rd day of November, A. D. 1912.

AUSTIN L. FRASER, Assignee of Mortgage.

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Christmas Overcoats

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\$10.00 Overcoats
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and Big
\$15.00 Saving



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200 YARDS
Homespun Blanketing
72 inches wide, \$1.00 a yard for 79c.
Special offer of 150 yards Drugget worth 48 to 55c. for 39c.

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Christmas Gifts at Reddin's R---both Beautiful and Usutl.

I have Dolls with Curls for good little Girls And PEEETY Toys for nice little Boys



Dear Old Santa Claus spent several days in Charlottetown about last Christmas and made many homes happy. He promised to come again this year, and will spend a good deal of time the next week buying useful Xmas gifts at "My Store." A Ladies' Fur Coat, like the one in our North Window at \$75.00 was sold to Santa for \$69.00. We have Men's Coon Coats, Ladies' Marmot, Pony, Astrachan, Rat and Cloth Coats with Fur Collars, Stoles and Muffs galore in Mink, Persian Lamb, Sable, Isabella Opposum, Marmot, etc.

Our Fancy Work is having a ready sale, and thousands of Handkerchiefs are showing. An early call will insure first choice. Those beautiful Chumy Lace Collars are selling rapidly and more arriving daily. We have a new lot of Men's Ties that are "Stunners," also Men's Socks, Handkerchiefs, Fur Lined Gloves, Braces, Boston Garters, etc., BOXED INDIVIDUALLY and just the thing for suitable Xmas Gifts.

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