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THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT DEFERRED.

Last night, the Gladstone government was defeated on the motion for the second reading of the Irish home rule bill. The result of the vote was not unexpected, as the defection of the whigs and radicals more than offset the home rule vote, and the extent of the defection has been well known during the last few days.

One year ago today, the previous Gladstone government was defeated, and the administration which had stood attack after attack on its disastrous foreign policy fell gloriously on a trifling question about a wine and beer tax. Today the premier has the satisfaction of falling in a larger fight, after a battle in which his wondrous power was displayed to the utmost.

During the year the Gladstone government resigned and the Salisbury administration succeeded. The election which followed gave the balance of power to the home rule party and the Salisbury regime ceased seven months after it began. It will be remembered that the defeat of the last named government was not on a motion concerning home rule. The want of confidence resolution was more intimately connected with the now proverbial acres and sows; but liberals and home rulers combined against the government, and Gladstone secured his return to office as Salisbury had done before him by the home rule vote.

The conservative government was voted out of power by the large majority of 79. The home rulers could overthrow governments but they could not uphold governments. Gladstone has devoted himself to their interests, but he has done it at too great risk. To hold the balance of power is not the same as to hold the power.

Hartington, James, Forster, Goschen and other prominent liberals refused to become members of the home rule government. Dilke was in disgrace and could not be made a minister. Bright withdrew the light of his countenance from his old comrade. All these men and their followers would, however, have failed to overthrow the premier. The victory is not with Salisbury and Chamberlain. Their opposition to the measure tended to the consolidation of the liberal party. Hartington leads a solid whig force, which is great in respectability, but small in numbers, and not active. The honor or ignominy of the defeat of Gladstone has been accorded before hand to Chamberlain and the radical cause. Before the home rule measure was framed the opposition of the whigs was taken for granted. But Gladstone evidently hoped to recover Chamberlain or to weaken his influence. The result is a triumph for the cautious king. But it is one of the triumphs in which the victors do not take the spoils. The Queen will not ask Chamberlain to form a new government.

THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT.

It is not pleasant to read in United States papers that the Canadian union is in danger of dismemberment. In view of the fact that these journals are able to quote Canadian authorities to sustain their statements. We cannot deny that there has been a half-bred rebellion and an Indian uprising in the Northwest. It is too well known that in Quebec a political organization has adopted the principle that a criminal should not be punished, provided he is of French origin, and it is true that in order to obtain the French vote, prominent Canadian politicians have covered the movement. Moreover, the United States press is right in saying that a provincial government, supported by a majority of the legislature, has officially declared its intention to effect, if possible, the smashing up of the union. Our Yankee contemporaries are not incorrect when they say that there are annexationists in the Maritime provinces, and that there are Anti-Canadian and Anti-British politicians and journalists, and that these politicians and journalists are tolerated in Halifax and St. John.

We know all this, and yet we know that Canada was never more united than it is today. Every year increases the community of business, social, and political interest among the provinces. Each year adds something to national achievements in which the

provinces feel a mutual pride. Each common danger which has been overcome, each common hope which has been justified or is likely to reach fruition, does its part to establish the sense of comradeship among the Canadian people. The union will be closer in the years to come, but it will never be looser than it is now.

The people of the United States have had Indian uprisings. At this moment the government of that country is waging war against a savage leader who has caused much more bloodshed than our Northwest uprising. The insurrections began about the same time. Our Indians are again settled peacefully on their reserves; the leaders are captured and punished, while Geronimo still takes the white man's scalp and defies the power of the Republic. The United States have had provincial disagreements such as three years of one of the bloodiest wars in history was only sufficient to ally. With them anarchy has only been checked by bloodshed, and has yet to be subdued. And, notwithstanding all this, it is unquestionably true that the United States nation was never stronger, more united, and in every way more worthy of respect than now. There are rebels and murderers, thieves and rogues, disloyal politicians and mischievous demagogues among them. But these do not compose the nation.

Neither do the annexationists, Riellites, repealers, or disloyal Indians compose the Canadian nation. We have them with us, and we tolerate them, all but the actual insurgents. But we do not trust them. They do not manage the affairs of Canada.

Our friends across the line should take notice that annexationists, Riellites and repealers belong to one political party, and that this party is not popular in Canada. The policy of sectionalism and dissension may prevail over a small territory for a short time, but it always falls miserably when it attempts to take possession of the land. The half-bred insurrection succeeded in one small place for a time, but the people of Canada brushed it out as a man brushes a fly from his face. The Riellite movement bade fair for a few weeks to sweep the province of Quebec, and was strong enough to commend itself to the selfish hope of the Opposition leader, but though it has not yet spent its strength, and though it may possibly prevail in the coming contest, no one believes that the Dominion of Canada will endorse the movement. The repeal agitation in Nova Scotia is already condemned by a solid third of the province. Sooner or later it will be swept away with its promoters, for the people are not repealers.

Let it be noticed that not one of these mischievous movements has been endorsed by the people. Since the first year of the Dominion no election in Canada has brought into power a government which had appeal to the majority of the Canadian people. The elective North-west council is intensely loyal. The Riellite gag only hope for support from the French Canadians, a hope which Edward Blake evidently shares. The party now ruling Nova Scotia made no mention of repeal at the last elections. A number of Canadian politicians hopeless of success by the usual means, fearful of their record, are experimenting on the Canadian people. These politicians are all of one party. There is only one party which welcomes them to its ranks.

F. E. ISLAND POLITICS.

The Prince Edward Island local elections will take place on June 30th, when the present government will make its third appeal to the people. Premier Sullivan has been a singularly successful administrator. The short-lived administration led by Mr. Davies was forced to resign in 1879, and on a dissolution of the house the party of Mr. Davies succeeded in carrying four seats out of thirty. In 1882 the Sullivan government was easily sustained. This is the eighth year of that administration. During this period the premier has been associated with Donald Ferguson, a statesman whose ability is worthy of a wider sphere than his native island affords. Colonel Campbell, the present commissioner of public works, has also served in the council during the whole seven years. The conduct of the government has been characterized by care and frugality. The revenue is not large—not so large as it was in the day of Mr. Davies. But there has been more than a corresponding reduction in the expenditure. The great difficulty with the province is in respect to communication with the mainland. Prince Edward Island is unquestionably as far as it goes the finest agricultural region in Canada. The value of its farm products per square mile of territory is far greater than that of any other province. What is wanted is ready access to markets, and such facilities for passenger and mail conveyance as will make the province a desirable place for the present fastidious generation to dwell in. It cannot be denied that the Sullivan Government has done all that men in their place can do to secure continuous steam communication with the rest of the world. Some thing has been accomplished, and they have in their favor the good intentions of the Canadian administration, the most enterprising Government which ever held power in British America.

It will be seen that the shareholders of the Maritime bank have taken steps to increase the capital stock by over fifty per cent. It appears that this departure is called for by the business offered to the bank, which is rapidly increasing. The annual report in another column shows that last year's business has been large and profitable. The directors are to be congratulated on the extension of their business, and on the high position which the Maritime bank has taken in the estimation of the public.

The following list of Nova Scotia candidates is taken from the Yarmouth Times. We have added the names of aspirants who have entered the field since the Times went to press. Mr. Drummond has been endorsed by the Pictou repeal convention, though Mr. Drummond is not a repealer. Mr. Gayton has hitherto voted with the government, but

the mean treatment which he received from Fielding and his associates has greatly weakened his attachment for his late comrades. Robb has a supporter of the Holmead-Thompson government. Wilson is a labor candidate, hailing from Spring Hill.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Party. Includes names like Anticosti, Annapolis, Cape Breton, Colchester, Cumberland, Digby, Guysboro, Hants, Halifax, Kings, Lunenburg, Pictou, Queens, Shelburne, Victoria, Yarmouth, and various political affiliations like 'Opposition Government Independent' or 'Liberal'.

The editor of an art journal says the production of value depends upon its price. One costing twenty-five cents he would call v-a-r-g, while the other, costing more, should be called v-a-w-z-z-z.—Norridgewood Herald.

LOCAL MATTERS.

SUNDAY LAST, Mr. Sutcliffe, representing the B. A. Book and Tract Society, was before the Presbytery and Methodist congregations for a few days, explaining the operations of the society, and during the week has been soliciting funds in behalf of the Colportage work. He furnished full and surprising statistics of what has been done.—Hants Journal.

FISHING PARTIES are all the rage now. Two gentlemen from St. John have been camping out near the New Ireland lakes and are catching lots of trout. Several parties from Riverview and this place came home last week with from four to six dozen nice trout.—Albert Maple Leaf.

THIS SPRING, Samuel McKay of Penfield has planted a large orchard at his residence. Among the number are 5,000 apple trees, 2,000 currant and 1,000 gooseberry bushes. Mr. McKay possesses the necessary enterprise to make his new venture a success.—St. Croix Courier.

THE NEW POST OFFICE is nearly ready for work. The arrangements for delivery are very fine in appearance, and convenient for public use. About 500 lock boxes, and about 50 lock drawers besides a window for letters and another for P. O. orders, as well as a desk for outside writing, are arranged to good advantage. Mr. Haley of New Brunswick, gentleman from St. John has been contractor, and his work certainly looks well.—Hants Journal.

ORCHARD BLOSSOMS.—Those who admire the beautiful in nature should not fail to see L. P. Fabus's orchard at this season. The trees are in full bloom, and every branch is covered with blossoms. We cannot attempt a description of it, but the sight does not come upon the eye as the upper windows of Mr. Fisher's mansion, each tree top appears like an immense bunch of burning coals, and the air is filled with the perfume of about three acres, you have before you a field covered with floral beauty, that the unaided eye fails to appreciate.—Fredericton Post.

JAMES CROOKER, whose death was announced a day or two since, was a son of the Rev. James Crooker, who was rector of Kings, St. John, for many years. He was highly respected and was for many years the holder of different important offices. He was registrar of probate, commissioner for taking affidavits, and held the office of registrar and trustee of the grammar school. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Christopher Humphrey and Miss Arabella Crooker.

THE RIGHT WORSHIPY Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., lately in session at Richmond, Virginia, will meet next year at Saratoga Springs. The following are the names of the officers: R. W. G. V. T., Mrs. Belle, New Hampshire; R. W. G. V. T., Mrs. Belle, New Hampshire; R. W. G. V. T., Mrs. Belle, New Hampshire; R. W. G. V. T., Mrs. Belle, New Hampshire.

A NEW BRUNSWICK BOY OUT WEST.—A correspondent writes: Alex. L. Russell, son of A. F. Russell, postmaster at Pictou, is a Northumberland Co., who has been in the employ of Yelder & Co., for the past year, has been promoted by that firm to the position of head mason in the lumbering operation. The many friends of the young man will be pleased to hear of his success, as he is a general favorite with all who have the pleasure of knowing him. The firm speak very highly of him, as they can rely on his abilities of doing everything to their satisfaction, and by his many ways he has won best of friends.

QUICK DISPATCH.—The new schooner Soudan, 113 tons, Capt. Angus McFarlane, owned by Christopher McDonald, Antigonish, N. S., arrived in port Thursday night at 9 p.m.; commenced loading Friday morning, and put on board 60 head of cattle, one horse, potatoes, turnips, hay, etc.; was all ready for sea at 9 p.m. Friday night, and sailed early this morning. The cattle were one of the finest lots that ever left this island, and were personally selected by the owner, Christopher McDonald. The cargo was valued at \$4,000.—Charlottetown Examiner.

THE STOCK HORSES imported by the N. B. Government and to be leased at the agricultural grounds tomorrow, are at Ham's stables on Union street, where they attracted a good deal of attention yesterday, and will, most likely, be leased to-day. The horses are from France, and are a magnificent animal, 6 years old, and weighing 1860 pounds. The symmetry, strength and beauty of the horse is likely to make a great name for the Clydesdale, imported from Scotland, is three years old and weighs 1890 pounds. This animal is a fine specimen, and is considered one of the best stock horses ever seen in St. John.

W. W. ANDREWS has taken the Henry Lake mill for the season, and will manufacture various kinds of wood goods, such as ships' blocks, capstan bars, belaying pins, cloth blocks, deals, hardwood plank, etc.

UNION BAPTIST SEMINARY.—A meeting of the Union Baptist Seminary was held yesterday. Rev. Messrs. G. A. Hartley and J. A. Gordon, who were appointed a committee to ascertain whether the people of Essex would renew their former offer provided the summary were located there, reported that the inhabitants of Essex would endeavor to raise \$10,000 and furnish a site subject to very reasonable conditions, if the Seminary were located there. The people of St. Martins would, it is believed, renew their former offer if the Educational Society would consent to locate it in that place. Rev. Messrs. Gordon, Geo. A. Hartley, and Messrs. Musgrave, M. D., A. A. Wilson and Prof. Wortman were appointed to draft a request containing suggestions for the consideration of the society at its annual meeting on the 17th inst.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.—At a special meeting of the Literary and Debating Society of the University of New Brunswick, held on the 24th ult., the following resolutions were unanimously adopted: Whereas, It has pleased Divine Providence to deprive our fellow-student, Geo. H. Hughes, of a loved one; Resolved, That we the members of the Literary and Debating Society tender him and his family our deepest sympathy in this their sad bereavement; and Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be sent to Mr. Hughes, and be inserted in the daily papers and Monthly.

W. J. S. MYLES, Chairman. R. F. POWELL, Secretary.

THE EDITORIAL management of the new Brunswick, N. S., paper has been assumed by W. J. D. Stearns, late of the Halifax Chronicle's news staff. Mr. Stearns's predecessor on the Chronicle is now the efficient editor of the Yarmouth Times. Editor Stearns is an excellent writer, is well read and has good judgment. He is a native of Essex, and is a man of good looking and is said to be unmarried.

HOMER AGAIN.—John Kerr, who left the city last October for Montana, has returned to St. John. Mr. Kerr is not favorably impressed with that territory. He says he met a number of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia men there, who, with the exception of one or two, were anxious to return to the province.

LOCATING THE CENTRAL.—The surveys were expected to commence at Grand Lake yesterday morning, to locate the Central line of railway from Fredericton via Grand Lake to Newton in Kings Co. The Board of Trade of this city, has a long time ago had preliminary surveys made, and a preliminary report of the same has been forwarded to the Board of Trade of St. John.

FISH TRANSPORTATION.—Improved arrangements have been made by the Intercolonial and New Brunswick Railways for the transportation of fresh fish to Boston. Trains will run from Campbellton, Dalhousie, Newcastle and Chatham for the purpose of carrying the fish to or from the wharf at St. John.—Moncton Times.

THE DEATH is announced at Ottawa of a former resident of St. John, Jonathan P. Taylor. Deceased was at one time an alderman of the city, and was one of the original members of the firm of Taylor & Trueman, merchants. He has resided for some years at Ottawa, where he held a position in the government service. He had been in failing health for the past two years.

THE WOOD TRUCKS.—Private letters received by mail from England yesterday, state that the wood trophy sent forward to the Colonial exhibition at London by our townsmen, J. & J. D. Howe, was the object of general admiration, and has been the means of sustaining the credit of the New Brunswick department, which from various causes seems to have been slow in completing.

HERBERT.—A despatch to the Halifax Herald from Mahone Bay of the 5th inst. says: The liberal-conservative convention met here today, and nominated Charles R. Smith of Mahone Bay, as the candidate for Lieutenant-Governor from all parts of the county. The choice of candidate was unanimous. Deceased was denounced as a fraud and humbug. The party is confident of success.

A TEAM belonging to Albert Vanwart, livery stable proprietor, Indiantown, was upset in a race near the New Brunswick bridge last night. The horse was badly hurt, and the vehicle nearly demolished. The occupants were slightly injured.

MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—At the late meeting of the Maine Medical Association in Portland, Dr. Sumner Laughon of this city was elected a delegate to the meeting of the New Brunswick Medical Association, and a visitor to the Maine Insane Hospital.—Bangor Weekly.

MARGARETVILLE, N. S.—The wrecked schooner Forest Flower has been purchased by Capt. Norman Ray, who is repairing the vessel and intending running her a packet between this port and St. John.

AN 800 weighing five ounces, with the two circumference measuring respectively 88 and 7 inches, was presented to the Moncton Times lately.

THE PILOT COMMISSIONERS have passed resolutions of sympathy touching the death of Thomas M. Reed, who was a member of that body.

OFFICER ROYD of the L. C. R. is hunting after several persons for stealing coal at the L. C. R. yard, Beckville.

SUNDAY'S snow unknown person effected an entrance to the box of Robert Farrel, on Stratford Street, and made off with \$8 from the till. The concerned firmers commenced proceedings last evening for the Halifax Freeman's tournament.

The Country Market. The quotations are: Butcher's beef, 6 to 7 1/2; mutton, 7 to 8 per lb; real St. John's lamb, \$1 to \$1.50 per quarter; butter, 18 to 20; roll do, 20 to 22; lard and tallow, 18 to 20; eggs, the 11 chickens, 60 to 75 per pair; turkeys, 15 to 18 per lb; smoked hams, 9 to 10 per lb; smoked shoulders, 7 to 8 per lb; lard, 20 to 25 per cwt; corn, 20 to 25 per bushel; wheat, 80 to 85 per bushel; rye, 60 to 65 per bushel; barley, 50 to 55 per bushel; oats, 40 to 45 per bushel; potatoes, 70 to 80 per barrel; 100 to 110 per barrel; early rose, per barrel, \$1.00 to \$1.25; kidney, \$1.70 to \$1.90; other varieties, \$1.40 to \$1.60; buckwheat, rough, \$1.70 per cwt; grey do, \$1.90 per cwt; call akins, 10 to 11.

THE MARITIME BANK.

(From Saturday's Sun, June 5.)

A Most Encouraging Statement Submitted at the Annual Meeting.

THE CAPITAL STOCK TO BE INCREASED.

The annual meeting of the shareholders was held at the bank's office here at noon today. There was a good representation of the owners of the stock in attendance. The president, Thomas McLellan, having been called to the chair, and W. M. Botsford appointed secretary, the minutes of the last annual meeting were read and, on motion, confirmed.

The president presented the following report from the directors: DIRECTORS' REPORT. The directors submit to the shareholders the general balance sheet and profit and loss account, made up to 30th April last.

After deducting expenses of management, providing for interest due to depositors, rebate on current discounts, bad and doubtful debts, etc., the profits for the year amount to \$31,137.83, which is equal to nearly 10 per cent. on the paid up capital. Two half-yearly dividends at the rate of 6 per cent per annum have been declared, and profit and loss account increased \$2,419.45, making the balance on undivided profits now \$5,528.51. The directors appropriated the remaining \$9,404.38 in wiping out suspended accounts, which has been included in the assets for some years. One item in this account was the bank's interest in the Pictou and Iron Company's mine, which this bank, in conjunction with the other owners, has sold for a small amount compared with the formerly estimated value. There are other items in this account which are expected to yield something, and which, when realized, will be added to profit and loss account.

THOS. MACLELLAN, President. Maritime Bank of the Dominion of Canada, St. John, N. B., 15th May, 1886. GENERAL STATEMENT, 30th APRIL, 1886.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like Circulation, Deposits held in security, Other deposits payable after notice, Drafts drawn between Head Office and branches, Total liabilities to the public, Reserve for rebate of interest on deposits, Dividend of 8 per cent, payable last June 1886, Capital, and Profit.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like Specie, Notes of and cheques on other banks, Deposits due by banks in Canada and the United States, Bills purchased, Deposits due in London, Ireland, and the West Indies, Real estate, Past due bills (estimated loss provided for), Sums, furniture, stationery, etc., head office and agencies, and Profit and loss account.

By balance brought forward, \$4,419.00. By profits for year, 31,137.83. Total, \$35,556.83. To dividend for 1885 and 1886, \$10,214.00. To balance carried forward, \$25,342.83. Total, \$35,556.83.

After the reading of the report, the president expressed his pleasure at again meeting the shareholders (some of whom had purchased stock since last meeting), and at having such a satisfactory report to submit. He referred at some length to the general business and prospects of the bank. It was satisfactory, he said, that amidst universal complaints of dullness of trade, the number of accounts and deposits had increased. The volume of business done was fully up to that of previous years, and had been conducted without loss, except of a trifling amount.

The bank has some valuable customers, notably the government of New Brunswick, the New Brunswick Railway Co., and others, and the stock was deservedly advancing in favor with the investing public. The last of the old suspense accounts having disappeared from the balance sheet the shareholders, he thought, might look forward to an annual increase of the reserve fund, and a possible increase in the dividend. Mr. McLellan concluded his remarks by moving "that the report now read be received and adopted." This was seconded by Jeremiah Harrison, vice-president, and carried.

It was then moved by W. W. Turnbull, seconded by W. H. Thorne, and Resolved, That the thanks of the shareholders be given to the president and directors for their attention to the affairs of the bank during the past year, and that the resolution be referred to the directors to deal with it as they deemed best.

The following resolution was then moved by John McMillan, seconded by J. Harrison and carried: Resolved, That the capital stock of the Maritime Bank of the Dominion of Canada be increased to \$500,000, and that the directors be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to also such additional stock and among the shareholders of the bank pro rata in such amounts as such times and at such rates as the directors may from time to time limit and appoint.

Moved by A. E. Killam, seconded by A. A. Sterling, and Resolved, That W. H. Thorne and Barton Gandy do act as scrutineers of the votes taken by ballot at this meeting.

Moved by W. P. East, seconded by Hon. John Boyd, and Resolved, That the ballot-box be now opened and remain open until two o'clock this day for the receipt of ballot tickets for the election of five directors, the poll to be closed, however, whenever five minutes shall have elapsed without a vote being tendered.

The ballot having closed, the scrutineers reported as follows: ST. JOHN, N. B., 4th June, 1886. We the undersigned scrutineers appointed at the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Maritime Bank of the Dominion of Canada, held this day, declare the following gentlemen duly elected directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. Jeremiah Harrison, Thomas Maclellan, John McMillan, A. A. Sterling and John Topley.

(Signed) W. H. THORNE, Scrutineers. BARTON GANDY, do. Moved by Blair Botsford, seconded by A.

A. Sterling, that the report of the scrutineers be received and entered on the minutes.—Carried. Moved by W. H. Thorne, seconded by Barton Gandy, that the meeting now adjourn.—Carried. At a meeting of the newly elected board, vice-president, Thomas Maclellan was re-elected president and Jeremiah Harrison vice-president.

The following gentlemen have one hundred or more shares in the Maritime Bank, the value of which is \$100 per share:—254 Alfred C. Blair, St. John; 297 Thomas Maclellan, St. John; 297 Hon. A. L. Palmer, St. John; 296 Henry F. Hamesy, St. John; 123 William Richards, Fredericton; 144 Howard D. Troop, St. John.

Sporting Matters.

RACE RALL. It is generally understood that the Shamrocks are desirous of again meeting the Nationals, if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

The City held a meeting last night and organized for the season with the following officers: D. J. Gleason, president; D. M. Carthy, vice-president; R. Hayes, secretary-treasurer; committee of management, James Christie and R. Hayes; captain, James Christie. The City will commence practice immediately and expect to be able to put a good team in the field.

AQUATIC.

(Associated Press.) LONDON, June 7.—A boat race for a prize of £200, took place today over the Thames championship course, between the Australian champion Neil Mackinnon and Dave Goodwin, the Australian won.

REGATTA ON LAKE MEMPHREMOAG. An offer of a purse of \$200 for competition having been made to any two of the first-class oarsmen of America, to be rowed for at Newport, Vt., on Lake Memphremagog, John Teemer, champion of America, and Wallace Ross, champion of England, having accepted the conditions, a grand regatta will be held at Newport on Saturday, June 19th. Messrs. Teemer and Ross having signed articles of agreement for a "fair and manly race in single scull racing shells under the rules of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen." The articles provide that the race shall be rowed between the hours of three and six o'clock p.m., the referee to be mutually agreed upon by the contesting parties, the distance to be rowed shall be three miles, to be rowed 25 yards apart. On the same afternoon a match race in single scull racing shells will be rowed by John McKeay, of Halifax, N. S., and James A. Tan Eyck, of Worcester, the distance being two miles with one turn, under the same rules as govern the main race. In addition to these races there will be contests in canoe and other sports.

The official announcement of the great sweepstakes race for the championship of the world over the Thames course has been made by W. J. Innes, who is the real promoter of the enterprise. The race is to take place in September or October, as may suit the convenience of Messrs. Innes, Ross and Teemer. The entries, £200 each, will close at the Star and Garter, Putney, on July 1, when a deposit of £25 each must be paid with the entry, to form part of the stake money. If the above four men start, the first prize will be £1,000, and the second £500, the steamboats and all other minor arrangements to be carried out by the men, or some persons acting on their behalf. A bet of £2,500 even has been made in London on Innes being the winner of the championship of the world, the conditions of the bet being that only Besch, Hanlan and Ross and Teemer row in pairs, for the prize.

John Teemer is to start for England the first week in August, to prepare for the great sweepstakes race on the Thames, with Wallace Besch, Hanlan and others are expected to start.

Wallace Ross is to have a mate in double, and does not fear any pair in the country. He says he and his mate will row a three-mile race against any two men that may be named, \$1,000 a side. Ross has also formally accepted his challenge to row the winner of the Perkins-Matterson race for the English championship, and has deposited \$25 at the office of the London Sportsman to bind the match.

MONCTON NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) MONCTON, June 7.—The opera house, which was the cause of so much trouble on account of the action of the nominal lessee in closing it against the public and keeping the theatre in the winter, has been leased by the Theatrical club, who promise to bring some first class companies to the town. Day's Theatre Co. open tonight for one week. Moncton being a railway centre and half way between St. John and Halifax, is not likely to suffer from lack of this sort of amusement.

The Abel troupe create considerable interest here. Abel's wife being a native of Moncton, but not by any means a mute. Several of his pupils also belong in Moncton and vicinity, including one of the witnesses. Some people here have the opinion that the shooting is all for a purpose.

There is a talk of bringing the St. John cricketers to Moncton on Dominion day, if the proposed celebration does not interfere, some members of the Moncton club also being connected with the fire department. The electric lights proving a grand success, so far do not entirely give private enterprises. There are between 20 and 30 lights in the town, with the exception of half a dozen in the railway yard, all belong to private parties. The electric light is not likely to suffer from lack of gas and adopt the electric light for street purposes.

Oil Cloth to be Higher.

A GREAT COMBINATION OF ALL THE MANUFACTURERS IN THE COUNTRY.

BOSTON, June 4.—The Commercial Bulletin of tomorrow will give the particulars of a combination of all the oil cloth manufacturers of the United States. The Bulletin states that the organization has taken place so quietly that its sudden appearance is a genuine surprise. Its permanence seems to be well guaranteed. The treasurer already has a fund of over \$20,000, which will be forfeited in case of treason, and every possible precaution has been taken to insure permanency. For the past two years several manufacturers have remained outside the combination, and cut prices, so that many cases have been sold at a loss, and in no case at a profit. There were but six manufacturers in the United States, scattered through New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, so an understanding was quietly and quickly obtained. The new combination is called the United States Oil Cloth Association, with an office in New York. These factories produce about a million pieces of goods yearly. Each mill is allowed to sell a certain proportion of its total product, according to capacity. For every yard in excess of its allowance it pays a fine, and for every yard less than the allowance it receives a bonus. The company has also issued a list of prices. The extent of the advance may be judged by the fact that goods that are to be sold by agents at \$2.95 a piece, have been selling freely at \$2.15, \$2.10 and \$2. The end of the season, the combination will visit every factory, and if he has adhered strictly to the price list, the company allows him a fair profit in the shape of a goods market's proportion of the amount of the advance.

While Mrs. Gollmann, with her three children, was journeying through Nebraska, one of the little ones fell from the car window when the train was at full speed. The train was stopped at once, and the father and mother and others hurried back to pick up the mangled remains. They found the child quite mangled, playing with pebbles alongside of the track.