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THE STAR, ST JOHN N. B. MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1909

THE EXPOSITION

Of The Season!

OUR SPRING MILLINERY OPENING

WILL TAKE PLACE ON
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY,

the 23d and 24th inst.



We believe that the display to be made on the above days will outclass any similar event ever held here or elsewhere.

Firstly, because the Store has undergone a complete transformation, and secondly,



Because EVERY DOLLAR'S WORTH of Merchandise shown
Will Be Brand New.

It will be a condensation of the world's best Millinery thought--up-to-the-moment novelties in Hats to suit every age.

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Ladies' Costume Department

You will find one of the largest and most up-to-date showings ever put on exhibition in St. John, of

Ladies' Costumes,

Exclusive Style, Mannish Tailoring, and latest Patterns to fit the form and pocket book of all.

Ladies and Gents will both do well to visit our Shoe Department

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The King Hat,

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The man who wants a perfect fitting Suit had better avoid the tailor and see

Our Up-to-date Ready-to-wear Suits at \$15

EVERY THING UP TO DATE

EVERY CUSTOMER ATTENDED TO PROMPTLY.

WILCOX BROS.

Market Square.

NAVAL DISCLOSURES GIVE BRITISHERS A BAD SCARE

LONDON, Mar. 20.—The dramatic confession of the cabinet ministers in the recent debate on the navy in the House of Commons that Germany caught the British admiralty napping and has stolen a march on this country by so expediting the construction of Dreadnoughts that Great Britain will have little if any margin in the number of new capital ships in 1911-12, has been followed by something like a panic throughout the United Kingdom. Even the so-called "black week" during the Boer war when all the British columns found themselves checked by the Transvaal farmers hardly furnished a parallel to the present scare, and there is no doubt were Premier Asquith at this time to give the nation a chance to voice its opinion at the polls of the situation, whereby the supremacy of the British navy is threatened, there would be little left of the present radical party in the commons.

The direct vote of censure which A. J. Balfour, leader of the opposition will move against the government on Monday, will bring the issue as to whether four or eight Dreadnoughts should be definitely included in this year's naval programme, squarely before parliament, although there is still a chance that the national outcry will cause Premier Asquith to yield and give definite assurances that the four "phantom" Dreadnoughts will be laid down this year, in addition to the four provided for in the estimate.

This promise all the adherents of a big navy want, and they have started a campaign the length and breadth of the country in support of it. The Navy League, which represents no particular party, is in the forefront of this movement. At an "emergency" meeting today, at which Lord Eliche presided, the league decided to enter immediately upon a great campaign to arouse the people to the urgency and seriousness of the problem confronting the nation.

ARRANGING MEETINGS.

There is no necessity for any agitation in this direction in the big centres, but the league is arranging meetings at

every market place in the more remote country towns and villages. This movement has the support of the most influential people of the country and plenty of funds are promised. The league insists that the minimum in the programme for the construction of the Dreadnoughts in 1909-10, must be eight, claiming that nothing less will suffice to maintain Great Britain's naval supremacy.

The newspapers ever since Tuesday's debate have been filled with lurid pictures of "the German peril." Every retired admiral of the kingdom has been utilizing the almost forgotten breezy language of the quarter deck in condemning the "blundering lords of the admiralty."

A gathering of the business men of London is being arranged by the lord mayor, to be held in the Mansion House and the Chambers of Commerce in the provinces are not a whit behind in their vigorous demands that the navy policy shall be hurried beyond the hope of resurrection and that immediate steps shall be taken to deal with "the national crisis."

TEMPERANCE WAVE SWEEPS COUNTRY

Bishop Casey on the Liquor Question

Pays a High Tribute to Father Mathew Association

At the 9 o'clock service in the cathedral yesterday morning his lordship Bishop Casey made reference to the temperance wave now sweeping over St. John.

His lordship stated that he desired to endorse the public meeting under the auspices of the Father Mathew Association of this city.

"Temperance is a cardinal as well as a social virtue in the Catholic church," said Bishop Casey. "A great wave is sweeping over the country from the South and everywhere the sentiment is strong for prohibition."

Bishop Casey remarked that the drink habit was a great evil. Those Catholics who were behind prison bars were not real Catholics, but a disgrace to the church and their religion. Solon had they attended church and rarely performed their duties.

Though it was not customary to recommend from the pulpit a temperance meeting, his lordship felt that the time in the evening was one that should not be missed. He had perfect confidence in the speaker, the Rev. Dr. O'Reilly.

At the conclusion of his remarks his lordship spoke of the Father Mathew Association in years gone by. Then its strength was enormous. He considered the association to be one of the best of the Catholic organizations and approved that efforts should be made to have it reach its former strength.

COSTE APPROVES OF HOLT'S BRIDGE PLANS

Meeting of Bridge Committee Will be Held This Week

A meeting of the bridge committee will be called for Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. This was decided upon by Ald. Scully on Saturday afternoon. The plans of Engineer Holt, endorsed by several consulting engineers, are now completed and awaiting the approval of the council. The meeting of the committee is being called for the purpose of moving in this matter. The location of the approaches to the bridge on both sides of the harbor will also be finally decided upon.

Louis Coste, consulting engineer for the public works department, inspected the plans and went over the proposed ground when visiting the city some few days ago. He expressed his entire approval of the practicability of the project. In consequence of this it is thought that the plans will meet with little difficulty in being passed by the public works department.

DETECTIVES STILL AT WORK BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS

SHARON, Pa., March 21.—Weary and worn and showing in his face the terrible strain under which he has been for the last three days, J. P. Whittia, father of Willie Whittia, the kidnapped boy, returned this morning from a fruitless trip to Cleveland, where he expected to find a trace of his missing son. Upon what information the hope was based was not made public, but yesterday afternoon a conference was held at Mr. Whittia's office after which Mr. Whittia, Gilbert R. Perkins, head of a detective agency in Pittsburgh, and B. F. Wood, of Philadelphia, detective agency, left Sharon without making their destination known. In fact their departure was so quiet that it was not even known that Mr. Whittia was in the party.

Dwell not too long upon sports, for as they refresh a man that is weary so they weary a man that is refreshed.—Pulley.

HENRY D. WARLOCK HAS PASSED AWAY

Well-Known Jeweller Had Been Ill Only Two Weeks

St. John loses a prominent and respected citizen by the death of Henry D. Warlock, who passed away at his residence, 11 Peters street, at 10 o'clock on Saturday evening. Deceased had been ill for only two weeks.

Mr. Warlock enjoyed a widespread acquaintance and was extremely popular.

Deceased was a son of the late D. O. L. Warlock and grandson of John O. Campbell, Q. C. Many of the older residents of the city will doubtless remember Mr. Warlock's father, who erected Trinity block at the corner of King and Charlotte streets. He conducted a jewelry establishment there, and his son Henry was associated with him in the business.

On the death of his father eight years ago, Henry Warlock succeeded to the business. Of late years his place of business was 51 Germain street. Mr. Warlock was generally well known as an athlete years ago. At one time he played third base for the Athletics' ball team.

Deceased was survived by two sisters, Emma, Emily and Alice Warlock, at home. Both will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

The funeral will be held from his late residence, 11 Peters street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

PART OF PLANT AT GRAND FALLS

Two carloads of plant, consisting of engines, boilers, steam drills, derricks and other machinery, have arrived at Grand Falls, and are now being set up for the beginning of operations of the Grand Falls Power Company.

William Askin (formerly of Nova Scotia and afterwards of Boston) and Clarence A. Conrad (formerly of St. John), representing the Frank B. Gilbreth organization, have already arrived and taken charge of the preliminary work.

Arrangements are being made to the preference to the local labor for all positions where it can be used, and as Grand Falls has only 800 inhabitants all told, a large portion of the labor will have to be brought in from other towns.

W. B. Laine, general manager for the Frank B. Gilbreth organization, has already placed large orders for supplies in St. John and is expected to make another trip to St. John in relation to ordering further plant and supplies during the first week in April.

Air compressors and much of the electrical machinery for the temporary power plant will have to be made to order, as such large machinery is not carried in stock and is almost impossible to secure second hand.

WATER PIPE BURSTS; SOME DAMAGE DONE

MONCTON, N. B., March 21.—A burst in an eight-inch water main at the corner of St. George and Broad streets this morning caused a flood which kept the street department busy all day pumping water from the cellar of G. H. Cochrane, which was flooded. The trouble was first observed by a citizen who noticed the water running from Cochrane's cellar window about half-past eight. The cellar was found to be full, having between five and six feet of water, and everything of a destructible nature, such as vegetables, was destroyed.

Every Woman is interested and should know about this new and wonderful MARVEL Whirling Spray. It is the only remedy for all skin diseases, itching, and all other troubles of the skin. It is a perfect skin cleanser and beautifier. It is a perfect skin cleanser and beautifier. It is a perfect skin cleanser and beautifier.

HAS A BROTHER IN THE ASYLUM

Suicide Predisposed to Insanity

Had Threatened to End His Life on Several Occasions

That Ernest McElman, the Gibson man who shot himself through the heart at the Pettis Hotel after attempting to kill his wife, was predisposed to insanity is the latest discovery in the clearing up of the sensational tragedy of Saturday afternoon. McElman is known to have been dependent at times and frequently announced his intention of violently ending his life. His brother Harry has been an inmate of the Provincial Hospital for seven years and there have been other evidences disclosed of an unbalanced mind.

The suicide was at one time connected with the militia at Fredericton, and it was stated by one of his comrades at that time, now living in the city, that he carried a revolver continuously and was always fearful of meeting with foul play. He was of an extremely nervous disposition and was never able to stick to one job long enough to ensure his making his way in the world. His married life was consequently not a happy one, and he found an excuse for deserting his wife and children some four years ago in accusing the former of infidelity. He came to this city where he remained a few months, proceeding subsequently to Lawrence, Mass., where he established himself again the unfortunate sweetheart. Meanwhile he was corresponding with the woman he tried to kill Saturday and vowing to return to her as soon as the opportunity offered. His presence in the city Friday was the source of considerable worry to Mrs. McElman, and the decision to hide in another room of the Pettis Hotel came as the result of her catching him in a falsehood as to his whereabouts.

The scene in the little bedroom off the kitchen of the Pettis Hotel just previous to the tragedy is said to have borne out strongly the theory of an unbalanced mind. The wife was repelling the advances of McElman when he came violently enraged and pulling a gun from his pocket, by the narrowest of margins escaped assuming the add of a murderer.

Saturday afternoon, Mrs. McElman, accompanied the body of her dead husband back to Gibson, where it is to be interred.

PLANNING BIG TIME FOR CHAMPLAIN CELEBRATION

United States Will Have Flotilla of Torpedo Boats on Lake Champlain.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Mar. 21.—Walter C. Witherbee, of Port Henry, N. Y., a member of the New York Ter-Centenary Champlain Commission, has just returned from a conference with Secretary of the Navy Meyer, at Washington, in regard to a naval display on Lake Champlain during the five days of the celebration of the discovery of that body of water next July.

"As a result of my talk with Secretary Meyer," said Mr. Withersbee, "I expect that quite a flotilla of torpedo boats will be sent to Lake Champlain, including, possibly, a submarine torpedo boat."

"President Taft," Vice-President Sherman and Speaker Cannon have each formally accepted invitations to be present. Senator Root will make the principal address on the New York side and it is expected that Premier Laurier of Canada, will make the principal address on the Vermont side.

Congress has authorized the secretary of state to invite the governments of France and Great Britain to cooperate.

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