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MR. BLAKE AS A RIELITE.

The diversity of opinion on Mr. Blake's recent speech is doubtless in part due to the diversity in the reports furnished. THE Sun's report was exact as far as it went and our deductions from the language used are fully substantiated by consideration of the full and authorized report which appears in the Toronto Globe

Mr. Blake begins his discussion of the execution of Riel by stating that the Quebec agitation has been "greatly misrepresented," with "the deliberate design on the part of the Ontario Tories to create and intensify a war of race and creed." Mr. Blake thus commences by censuring those who condemn the Rielite agitation.

Next Mr. Blake explains that as a rule there should be no criticism of the exercise of the prerogative of mercy. This rule, however, did not apply to the Government in this case. It was proper to criticise the Government's course in permitting Riel to

be hanged. After some general statements capable of wide interpretation, Mr. Blake comes again to particulars. He says that the country requires an explanation "as to why if it was intended to execute the sentence, Riel was not put on trial for murder." He then refers to General Middleton's letter to Riel and wants to know if it was on account of it that the Government tried Riel for a "political offence." He wants to know more of "the circumstances connected with that letter so far as to judge of the weight to be attached to it." The letter in question was the one sent to Riel during the Riel. General Middleton called on Riel to surrender and promised in that case to pro-

tect his life until he should be handed over to the court for trial. The significance of Mr. Blake's allusion to the letter is that the Rielites have declared that Riel was induced by this letter to give himself up on the understanding that he should not be put to death. Neither the Rielites nor Mr. Blake think it necessary to say that Middleton only promised to protect Riel from lynch law, or that Riel did not surrender but continued fighting and was captured sometime

afterward. Mr. Blake goes on to speak of the trial itself. He does not censure the counsel encourt, He held that "the arrangements for the administration of justice originally rude

and primitive had become by time less appli cable to the circumstances of the country and Wars not well suited to such a case as Riel's." These are Mr. Blake's word, and we leave endorsement of the Rielite platform. But this is not all. The judge himself comes in for an attack at the hands of the Opposition leader. He says:

"The choice of the judge is another matter. If I rightly understand, Mr. Richardson, beaides being a magistrate and a member of the North West council was the paid legal adviser, the political law officer, so to speak of the ex-scutive of the North West, and I think explanations are required of SUCH A CHOICE she trial."

The insinuation is that Judge Richardson is not a fair man, which is precisely what the Rielites maintain. As Mr. Blake was a member of the government which estab-Mahed the court and which appointed Judge Richardson to the position he holds, he might have refrained from casting imputations either on the court or the judge.

The Rielites impugn the tribunal, the judge and the jury. Mr. Blake also is not pleased with the tribunal or the judge. Concerning the jury he remarks that he intended to say something, but that on one material point he yet lacks knowledge. think it better," he says, "not to suggest in this respect a hypothetical criticism and therefore I abstain." This is calculated to leave the impression that there was something bad about the jury which will be brought out as soon as "knowledge on a material point" is ob-

tained. Mr. Blake is reluctant to believe that Riel was the mercenary character described in Sir Alexander Campbell's memorandum. We quote his remarks on this point:-

As Government states the case, Riel's stitude was base and venal, and a strong impression has naturally been produced. But the statement is involved in contradictions, for I find in the memorandum the following actuary from the military of the statement from the statement from the military of the statement from the military of the statement from the statement fr

He, Riel, said also if he got the money (He, Miel, said also if he got the money (§ 385,000 he demanded of the Government) go into the United States and start a pape other nationalities in the States. He sathegrass is that high in this country y foreign armies in this country." He soom sence by destroying Manitoba and came and destroy the North West and sion of the North West."

Now, however wicked, absurd, or of a disordered mind, may have be words, addressed to the man he was they are inconsistent with venality.

iciting, Now, in the first place, the of Riel as to what he proposed to do with the money were not "addressed to the man he was soliciting." And if they were, who but a decided Rielite finds anything "Inconsistent with venality" in them? This of New Brunswick,

plea of Blake's has already been put forward by L' Electeur, the most rabid of all the organs of the agitation.

We give Mr. Blake's language on the insanity plea. He takes care not to differ from the agitators on this matter as on all others:

I now come to some of the most intere parts of the case. The question of Riel's mental condition is one to which I am at present disposed to attach greater importance than, as I judge, does the general public. (Hear.) But I think all will agree that we are Order or Registered Letter, otherwise we will not be responsible for clearly entitled to have before us, besides the papers, the instructions to and reports of the so-called medical commission, which is referred to by the Government. You will remember the cor flicting rumors as to the character and results of the enquiry. Though there is much on which we can and ought to reach conclusions independent of the medical testimony, yet this is a part of the case without which we should

lecide. (Hear.) He also thinks "that we should have statement of the grounds on which Government decided against the recommendation to mercy, a course which may have been perfect. ly correct, but which ought to be explained,' and considers that "fuller information seems be required as to the grounds on which Government thought the execution necessary as a deterrent."

We give one more quotation as showing the spirit in which Mr. Blake spoke :-Warm supporters of the Government have alleged that it shamefully betrayed and deceived them. We want the evidence of this (Hear.) They also allege that Government acted to gratify the thirst for vengeance, in respect of the Scott murder, of one section of the supporters of Government, and on a cold-blooded calculation of political gains and losses in the counties, rather than on general considerations of public justice, mercy and policy. On this grave charge we want light, What more could the most ardent sym-

pathizer with Riel want than the leader of the Canadian Grit party has given him? Mr. Blake blames the Ontario Tories for their denunciation of the Rielite alliance. He does not approve of the indictment upon which Riel was tried.

He considers the tribunal which tried Riel to be "unsuited for such a case as Riel's." The choice of the judge is open to critic-

He has some fault to find with the jury when he can get hold of another fact or two. A quantity of evidence was withheld by The charge that Riel was mercenary

inconsistent and consequently untrue. Mr. Blake wants to know why the recon mendation to mercy was disregarded. He would like to know what grounds the Government have for supposing that any

good would come of the execution of Riel. He wants to know whether the Riel party are right in claiming that Riel was hanged to conciliate the Orangemen who "thirst for vengeance in respect of the Scott murder. and that the Government were moved thereto not by the principles of justice,

Our Charlottetown correspondent informs us that two members of the P. E. Island government are about to proceed to England on business connected with winter communi cation between the province and the mainland. It is claimed on behalf of the province that the agreement entered into by the Dominion to provide "continuous steam communication" has not been carried out. There is no doubt that communication has not been continuous, in an absolute sense. The question before the house is, has the Dominion Government carried out the agreement in the spirit in which it was made? gaged but he did not quite approve of the Have all reasonable outlays been made and all proper care taken to provide such service for the island? The Northern Light is not a success, but she cost a good deal of money more than should be expended again in any uncertain undertaking. The Prince Edward Island delegation will not make much headour readers to judge whether they are not an | way unless they are able to point out what they want the Dominion Government to do. They will perhaps, prefer the reasonable request that the Dominion Government should examine Senator Howlan's subway project and see if it is a practicable scheme. The purpose sought is one which commends itself to every person. In old times isolation did not mean extinction, now it does.

THE Montreal smallpox epidemic cost the city \$145,000. This of course dees not cover private lesses from decrease of business, suspension of industries, &c. Of the amount stated \$9,988 is the cost of the anti vaccination riots, damages to property being \$2,034 and volunteers pay list \$7.952.

AN OLD RESIDENT GONE.-Beni. Goodspeed, an aged and highly respected resident of Peniac, Nashwaak, passed away on Tuesday last. Mr. Goodspeed had reached a ripe old age, and leaves a number of relatives and a wide circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn their loss. Probably the deceased was better "Goodspeed cheese" that was manufactured from his dairy. For many years he has been a deacon of the Free Baptist church in that place, and has always long been known as

Moncton News Budget.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) Moncton, Jan. 18.—There is considerable sickness in Moncton just now, especially amon consumptive patients, due to the changeable weather. Several deaths of consumptives have been reported within a few days. One funeral of a consumptive took place on Sunday, and another death occurred in the vicinity about the same hour, both young people.

Marshal Thibideau went to Dorchester to day with Mrs. Sarah Grant and a girl named Lavinia Spencer, sentenced to four months and thirty days respectively, Mrs. Grant for keeping a bawdy house and the girl as an inkeeping a bawdy house and the girl as an in-mate. They are a hard pair.

A young man named Stewart was before Stipendiary Wortman today on a charge of creating a disturbance in the Salvation Army

oreating a disturbance in the Salvation Army barracks. The Salvation officers did not appear against him and he was allowed to go after paying a fine for drunkenness. Senator Howlan of Prince Edward Island, is Senator Howian of Prince Edward Island, is in town today with a model of the famous subway. He was met here by a number of influential citizens. The senator has the greatest confidence in the practicability of the scheme, and believes the work will be commenced before very long. If constructed the subway would be a great handit not only to P. E. would be a great benefit, not only to P. E. Island but to the eastern and northern sections

LOCAL MATTERS.

AMERICAN CAPITALISTS are investigating the character of the York Co. antimony mines,

with an eye to investment therein. The congregation at Cole's Island recently ourchased a handsome organ for the church. JOHNSTON, QUEENS Co.—The superior school taught by W. A. Somerville is flourishing, and the recent examination was one of the best ever held. Inspector Wetmore on his last visit highly complimented the standing of the

VICTORIA Co. Reform Association will hold political meeting on Wednesday 20th inst.; subject for discussion—Is the local government meeting the wants of the country in retrenchment and reform ?

HAYFORK JONES. - A Toronto despatch of the 11th inst. to the Quebec Chronicle says: 'Jones, of hayfork celebrity, was arrested here this afternoon at the request of Chief Ferrings of St. Thomas, where his presence is required to answer a charge of fraud."

THE BAPTIST CHURCH of Digby has purchased the house erected by the Reformed Episcopal church, painted it outside, grained the inside and fitted it up with new pews and furniture. The building is now a very fine one, and was dedicated to the service of God on Sunday, 10th January.—Annapolis Journal.

CAMPBELLTON.-Rev. W. Carey Vincent, at present in charge of a church at Long Island, s to assume charge of the new Baptist church at Campbellton on the first of February. Rev. Mr. Vincent resided for a number of years in Carleton and taught school on this side of the harbor. He is a young man and is an exceptionally able preacher.

UPHAM, KINGS Co.-Kinnear L. O. L. No. 44, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:—E. O'Donnell, W. M.; A. J. McGarity, D.M.; W. Wilson, chaplain; J. H. Wilson, secretary; Thos. Hemphill, F. S.; J. Battey, treasurer; W. Baxter, D. of C; G. Snodgrass, lecturer; G. Tackie, F, of C; S. Fletcher, W. H. Robinson, D. Kilpatrick, J.

BAPTIST SEMINARY.—The Messenger and Visitor states that the seminary re-opened after the holidays with six new students, one of them having the ministry in view. The last meeting of the directors was largely attended, which to the M. and V. shows the impulse given by the convention. The board de-egated to capable committees the questions of better premises for the school and the securing of an agent to canvass for subscriptions to stock. The *M. and V.* appeals for a liberal support, saying: "We hope all will turn away from the past, and look foward toward the from the past, and look lowerd toward the future, and be prepared to do their part when the time comes, and it is very near, so that the future may have success written across it, instead of failure."

"No distance breaks the ties of blood— Brothers are brothers evermore."

Among the very many congratulatory telegrams received by Hon. Mr. Foster before his leparture for Ottawa was one from Robert McLeod, John M. Keith, Geo. W. Fenwick, Arthur Keith and Thompson T. McLeod, Kings county boys, now of Missoula, Montana These young men, who are all making their mark in their distant home, telegraphed enanswered that Mr. Foster was elected by large majority, wired back: "Kings county boys here congratulate their fellow Kings county boy on his success."

COLONIAL EXHIBITION .- Messrs. J. & J. D. Howe are now pushing forward the work upon the New Brunswick "wood trophy" for the Colonial Exhibition, and have obtained very ine specimens of wood for the various sections They are, however, anxious to impreve upon the specimens now on hand and any person the specimens now on hand and any person having lumber with any attractive features, such as fine grain, &c, will do well to communicate with them at once. Panels four feet by nine or 18 inches of elm, and four feet by nine inches of birds-eye maple, curley maple, ir, hackmatack, cedar and white or winter birch are particularly wanted. Any novelties in woods of any of the native varieties may also be utilized. A photograph of a section of the 'wood trophy" is now on view at Chubb's corner.

FELL THROUGH A WHARF .- While engaged early last evening in securing a scow to the Rankine wharf, a young man named John Lundy fell through a hole in the wharf to the ballast floor some distance below. Lundy was considerably bruised and his head was badly cut. He was taken to his home near the Portland police station, where his injuries were attended to.

AN OVERDUE VESSEL.—Some uneasiness i felt for the safety of the schooner Miller and Woodman, Capt. Edward Holder, which arrived at Vineyard Haven on the 6th inst., bound to this port with a cargo of coal. She is reported to have sailed from Vineyard Haven on the 8th, and would, therefore, have been out in the storm of the 9th. The Miller and Woodman is a schooner of 136 tons, and is and Woodman is a schooner of 136 tons, and is owned by James Clark. She is on her first S. J. JENKINS has been appointed secretary

to the minister of marine and fisheries. RED HEAD.-The receipts of the recent pie social were \$34, which is to be devoted to proouring a new organ for the Methodist church. HERRING.—Reports from Grand Manan are to the effect that the catch of herring being made in that vicinity is very small. The fish bring from 50c. to 60c. per hundred.

MR. DALEY and his son Wiswall arrived home from the hunting grounds on Tuesday evening last, bringing four rounds of moose meat, Mr. Daley reports the lakes and grounds in bad condition for successful hunting.—

THE HAMPTON and Norton Bible society will hold their annual meeting in the Agricultural hall at the village on Thursday evening next, commencing'at 8 o'clock. A very large union choir will be in attendance and addresses will be delivered by the resident clergymen and

An unusual phenomena by the action of the frost, happened at the office of T. C.Shreve, Q. C., on Friday night last. On raising the window curtain Saturday morning, upon the glass were seen letters finely embossed with frost about a sixteenth of an inch thick, spelling the words
"Mr. Shreve's Office," which are gidded on the
blind. There was no frost on any other part
of the glass, and the letters were as distinctly
stencilied as if painted.— Digby Courier.

Fire at Hampton.

HAMPTON, Jan. 15 .- About 5.30 this morn ing the residents of Hampton station were aroused from their slumbers by shouts of fire. It was a very cold morning, but the people turned out quickly and in large numbers, to find the ell of H. J. Fowler's residence of fire. Most of the furniture was removed from the house, but after a while, by the exertion of willing hands, the flames were got under control, The ell was badly damaged. A small dog kennel stood alongside the house and it is supposed from the appearance of the kennel when first seen that it caught in that and burned through into the house. The building was insured in Messrs. Fairweather's office. The claim was settled this afternoon, which speaks well for the company.

The Country Market.

The cold weather and good sleighing have made the country market present a lively apearance. Since last Tuesday the market have all been good and the farmers brought in poultry, meat, eggs, butter and lard in large

quantities. Smoked meat has been extensive y cured this season by the farmers, which may be accounted for by the fact that pork ruled low, and sooner than sell at the market price the farmers cut it up, salted it and smoked it. While the supply in all lines is large, the prices are about the same as last week, but the quality of the articles offered is better. The poultry on sale is all fresh and of fair quality. Potatoes continue scarce, the coldweather not permitting them to be brought

butchers' beef, 6 to 7; lamb, 5 to 7; mutton, 5 per lb; pork, 6; butter, 18 to 20; roll do., 22; lard, 12 to 18 per lb.; eggs, 25 to 26; chickens. 40 to 50 per pair; turkeys, 13 to 14 per lb; geese, 60 to 70; bams, 10 per lb; shoulders, 8 per lb; rabbits, 10 per pair; celery, per dczen, 40 to 50; carrots, 95 to \$1 per barrel; beets, 90 to \$1 per barrel; cabbage, 50 to 60 per dozen; red do., 60 to 70; turnips, per barrel, 65 to 70; parsnips, \$1.50 per barrel; potatoes, early rose, per barrel; 90; kidneys, \$1.60 to \$1.50; buckwheat, rough, \$1.70 to \$1.90 per cwt.; grey do., \$2 to \$2.25 per cwt.

Grand Manan.

HERRING ARE VERY ECARCE NOW. The can buoy that was placed at Net Point, t the entrance of Flagg's Cove, broke adrift during the heavy storm of Saturday last, and drifted half a mile from its proper position.

Winslow Winchester, who fell from his barn two weeks ago, died on Sunday morning after suffering great pain to the last. He was buried from his late residence, Castalia. The funeral was largely attended by friends of the deceased. Rev. W. S. Covert conducted the services, assisted by Rev. G. T. Cory, who preached a very service on the occasion at the

Parrsboro.

The Sackville Post's correspondent writes: inderstand that Miss Stickney, daughter of the late Jonathan Stickney, American consular agent has been retained in her late father's place.

It is said that a scheme is on foot to build railway from Parreboro to Londonderry, in the event of the iron mines passing into the syndicate now controlling the Spring Hill mines and the Spring Hill and Parrsboro railway. Should this be true, a fine section of country would be opened up, Parrsbord would be greatly benefitted, Spring Hill would supply the coal required at the iron mines— helping Cumberland right through.

The Canada Gazette contains the following nformation of interest to the militia of this

Permanent Corps - The following is added as sub-section (2) to paragraph 469, regulations and orders for the militis, 1883, viz :—

(2) "In order to provide for medical supervision, in cases where the only surgeon under pay, at a military station, is incapacitated from illness from attending to his duties during more than ten days, application may be made to substitute to take over those duties, during the remainder of the period of the incapacity consequent upon the illness of such surgeon."

Reserve Mi itia - Regimental division of York,

-To be Major-Captain Alfred F. Street, To be Major—Captain Alfred F. Street, from No. 6 company division, vice Robert Robinson, deceased.

Active Militia—67-h Battalion Carleton

Light Infantry, No. 5 cempany, Waterville, to be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Color Sergeant Horace Greely Fletcher (S. I., 2nd B), vice Frederick William Fleming, left 71st York Battalion of Infantry, No. 6 com-

pany, St. Stephen, to be 2nd Lieutenant, pro-visionally: Color Sergeant Harry Weston Broad, vice John Gregory McMurray, left John Russell Armstrong, R. S. A., New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery; from

John Kussell Armstrong, K. S. A., New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery; from 22nd November, 1885.

Captain George Bliss Seely. R. S. A., No. 1 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery; from 22nd November, 1885.

Lieut. Edward Jewett Scammell, R. S. A., No. 5 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery; from 22nd November, 1885.

2nd Lieutenant Wm. Murray Botsford, R. S. A., No. 3 Battery, New Brunswick Garrison Artillery; from 22nd November, 1885.

2nd Lieutenant Geo. Weet Jones, R. S. A., No. 4 Battery. New Brunswick Garrison Artillery; from 22nd November, 1885.

Certificates Granted.—Gunner W. J. Stephenson, Woodstock Field Battery; Gunner F. Storm, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery; Corp. W. Good, Weodstock Field Battery; Gunner C. Nugent, Woodstock Field Battery; Gunner A. Templeman, Woodstock Field Battery; Gunner F. Storm Field Battery; Gunner F. Storm Field Battery; Gunner F. Storm Field Battery;

Grand Falls Ripples.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) GRAND FALLS, Jan. 18. - The C. P. Railway car arrived on time and was visited by throngs of admiring people. The artistic arrangement of the car was conceded by all, and that there were the products of our own, our native land. was a pride to many-at the same time we will not admit the superiority of any of the products to those grown upon our own soil. Victoria county, almost without an exception

Victoria county, almost without an exception, can and does grow better grain than any on exhibition in the car.

The Beveridge brothers have arrived at Andover, the home of their youth Old friends were pleased to meet them again. Their present home is in Wisconsin.

A new paper, called the Chronicle, has arrived at Grand Falls. It is published in St. Lahn by Gao. W. Day, and in the interests of

John, by Geo. W. Day, and in the interest the Episcopal church. John, by Geo. W. Day, and in the interests of the Episcopal church. A paper of this kind is essential to the growth of the church in this province, and all those who are interested in the welfare of the church should sustain it financially and otherwise.

His Lordship the Bishop of Chatham, with his usual watchful care over priests and flock, has sent an assistant to Rev. Father O Leary. has sent an assistant to Rev. Father O Leary. For seventeen years this faithful priest through storm and tempest, has carried comfort to the sick and dying. Two hundred families worship in his church and a thousand communicants approach that altar. In the midst of poverty and innumerable obstacles, unaided and alone, he has, almost at the expense of his own life carried on this great work, and only those who resided at the Halls before his advent can appreciate his efforts in the cause of religion and morality.

The winter so far has been delightfully mild, with extra good travelling. A slight storm now prevails.

now prevails.

There is a good opening now at the Falls for an M. D. One resident M. D. has gone into the drug business, preferring that to country practice.

A corps of detectives forms a temporary adjunct to Queen Victoria's household. They are employed for the sole purpose of discovering the purveyor of illicit intelligence for the gossip columns of London Truth. gossip columns of London Truth.

An Ingersoll, Ont., factoryman will exhibit at the London Colonial exhibition two cheese weighing 1,228 pounds, which consumed in making 12,280 pounds of milk, taken from 1,228 cows. He will also exhibit ten smaller ones, weighing about 67 pounds each.

OUR FISH TRADE

With the Upper Provinces and West.

What Some of the Principal Dealers H to Sav.

There is pretty tangible evidence in ish packing establishments and at the way freight depots that St. John's fish tr with the upper provinces has considerably creased in magnitude since the abrogation of fishery treaty with the United States, and the opinion of several parties interested good reason exists why in some lines at least;
St. John should not eventually monopolize the
lion's share of the Quebec and Ontario markets. Others again, take a different view, believing that we are handicapped by distance
and climatic causes, but all agree that the
opening of the Short Line to Montreal is absolutely necessary to the legitimate developlutely necessary to the legitimate develop-ments of our Upper Canadian fish trade, The amount of soft weather, so far this winter, as materially affected the volume of our fresh fish exports to the upper provinces. LEONARD BROS.

of South wharf, are doing a heavy business in packing boneless and prepared fish for the upper provinces. A member of the Sun staff on vis-iting their establishment yesterday, was suriting their establishment yesterday, was surprised at the extent of the work going on, the average amount put up each week being about 28,000 fb., which gives employment to twelve hands. The bonele s fish is put up in 5 lb., 25lb. and 40lb. boxes, and the manufacture of the boxes alone, which is done by the Mesers. Flewelling, is quite an industry. The fish which was being prepared for boxing looked white and tempting. The higher grades are wrapped in wax paper before being boxed, a device which ensures perfect protection from the air and keeps the fish sweet and sound for a long time. An idea of the extent of the firm's

a long time. An idea of the extent of the firm's operations may be gathered from the fact that they ship the fish skins by the carload to a glue factory in Port Hope, Ontario.

Since the first of August 1885, said Mr. Leonard, we have shipped 490,000 lbs. of boneless fish to the upper provinces. Of figures. less fish to the upper provinces. Of finnen haddies we have shipped 43 300 lbs., of smoked herring 11,000 boxes, of bloaters 1100 boxes and of fresh herring 179,000. The soft weather has been very much against operations so far this season, and the fresh fish business is now really only commencing, but without any doubt there will be more fresh fish shipped in

the next few months than there has been sent orward since last July.

To what points do you send your fish? asked the reporter.

All over Canada. We have filled three large orders for Winnipeg. The fresh fish trade covers a wide field. We send mostly to Mon-

treal, but also do quite a stroke with Toronto and Hamilton, etc. We expect a vessel in today with about three car loads of fish.

I don't see any reason, said Mr. Leonard, why we can't do as well at the boneless fish why we can't do as well at the ponecess has trade with the upper provinces as the Americans have done in the past. True, freights are somewhat against us, but the duty on American prepared fish more than makes up for that. It was our fish, too, that the Yankees sent up there. Now we can do the preparing and this not only gives employment to re, and this not only gives employm our own fishermen but provides work for operators, packers, box makers, etc. We have no reason to fear any competition that can be brought against us, provided we have low freights and rapid transit to the places of con-

one of the largest fish dealers in the maritime provinces, was visited at his establishment, Lower Cove. He had nothing to say as to the effect of the abrogation of the treaty on the upper province markets, as his trade in that direction had been for years as large as he cared to carry, and he was well satisfied with it as it stood. Two effects of the present state of our relations with the States were referred. of our relations with the States were referred and many vessels are now busy, which under the old state of affairs would have been laid up. They also get about half a cent a pound more for their fish here than if the treaty had not been abrogated.

GILBERT BENT AND SONS. of South wharf, when approached on the sub-ject said that while the late special fish tariff ject said that while the late special fish tariff granted by the I. C. R was a great improvement on that of the past, the St. John dealers hardly found it low enough to enable them to compete with the rates given to Americans from Portland and Boston to the upper provinces. While the American supply had been cut off, it was the opinion of the firm that a large quantity of pickled fish had gone up by the St. Lawrence route to Quebec province—that is, the Labrador catch which was an unusually large one, and which had the effect by asually large one, and which had the effect by reason of its low price in somewhat cursalling our operations in Moutreal, from which point they have been distributed all over the upper provinces. Labrador herring have been sold in Montreal as low as \$3 per barrel. HARDING AND HATHEWAY,

of the South wharf, took the ground that the Globe had tampered with the record when it stated that our fish trade had decreased stated that our fish trade had decreased \$100,000 by reason of the abrogation of the fishing treaty—in that it had failed to refer to the fact that our fish trade with Upper Canada for five years, and particularly for the last two years, had developed to large proportions. The low rate of freight on the I. C. R. and the new industry of out fish ware traditional trade. industry of cut fish were two important fac-tors in the development. Before the abroga-tion of the treaty, Ontario got its bright cod and cut fish from Gloucester, Mass., but this work is now being done by our own folks, who work is now being done by our own folks, who find a ready market for these goods in Montreal, Toronto, &c. The Canadian demand for pickled herring is not so good, due, the firm stated, to Labrador's big catch which in October flooded the upper provinces. They also also pointed out that the Globe had neglected to state that all parties holding stocks of dutiable fish sent them to the States before the free term ended. One firm in Carleton alone sent some \$12,000 worth across the line, which some \$12,000 worth across the line, which otherwise would have gone into the exports of this year. The firm expressed themselves strongly in favor of protecting our fisheries against the Americans, if a reciprocal arrangement cannot be concluded. This would be only simple justice to our fishermen, and especially to those of Charlotte county who are suffering now and will continue to suffer so long as they are left at the marger of the Americans. are left at the mercy of the Americans BARBOUR BROS .

who, like the firm last named, have devoted considerable personal attention to the upper province fish markets, stated that they were doing a larger trade than before the recent overturn, though they did not look upon the field as affording an outlet for all the fish St. John could handle. In cod and herring Newfoundland and Labrador which strike Montreal by water have an advantage over our long rail route, though the opening of the Short Line would place us on a better faoting in that regard. They are not a fish eating people in Ontario, at least, not to the extent that prevails in the lower provinces, but their tastefor fish is no doubt capable of considerable development. The firm had carefully inspected the chief upper province markets and were well satisfied with the result of their operations, as their trade was extending. But in their judgment we want a still larger market, if we are to give full employment to our fishermen.

JAMES PATTERSON, who, like the firm last named, have devoted JAMES PATTERSON.

of South wharf, has been shipping about two cars of frozen codfish and herring each week since the cold weather set in and previous to that sent up smaller lots of bloaters, finnen haddies and fresh fish. He said there had been a slight increase in the frozen fish trade this fall over last, but there had been so little cold weather so far and the season was so broken that it was impossible to tell what the increase would be. If the cold weather continued the exports to upper Canada would be considerable. PRICES IN MONTREAL,

The following from the Montreal Gazette gives the state of the fish market there, last week:

Fish has been quiet and will likely remain so until the lenten demand arises. There has

ihe	been some enquiry for Labrador herristhe states, but locally business has be as most buyers are well stocked up and salt fish generally have been more plen in better demand at 75 to 82. Jobbin bersiers command 25 to 82.	em legi	Gralect	ed.
	herrings command 25c to 50c over qu	ioti	atio	ne
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Bennett Smith's Will.

HOW THE WEALTH OF A NOVA SCOTIA'S MIL-LIONALRE IS DIVIDED AMONG HIS CHIL-

WINDSOR, Jan. 16—The will of the late Bennett Smith was filed at the probate office this afternoon; but the value of the estate has not yet been sworn to. The following are the

To his daughter, Mrs. Captain Thomas Aylward, \$220 a year during her life.

To his granddaughter, Henrietta Vaughan,

\$1,000.
To his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Shaw, \$250 a year during her life and the use of the house in which she now resides.
To the children of J. A. Shaw, \$600 each.
To his daughter Elizabeth, \$7,000, and all his household furniture, together with the dwelling house now occupied by Charles Smith.

To the children of Dr. Allen Haley (his randchildren), \$1,200 each.
To the family of his son Thomas B. Smith,

To the children of Thomas B, Smith, \$400 To John Smith, \$4,000, and \$1,100 a year. To Charles Smith, \$4,000, and \$1,100

year.

The lot of land on King street to John and Charles Smith.
All the shipping to be divided equally be-

tween John and Charles Smith.

All the marine insurance stock to be divided equal.y between John and Charles All the rest of the estate to be invested for the children of John and Charles Smith. The witnesses to the will are Aubrey Blan-hard and W. H. Blanchard. The executors of the estate are John Smith, Charles DeW. to the estate are John Smith, Charles DeW. Smith, H. Percy Scott, of Windsor, and J. Wesley Smith and Elmund G. Smith, of Halifax.

Sussex.

(FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT,) Sussex, Jan. 18 .- F. W. Stockton, owner of Smith's creek manganese mines, is about shipping some 50 tons of ore to London, Eng. A large quantity is now ready at the freight shed o be put aboard the cars.

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to be put aboard the cars.

That manganesq ores are of great value to this part of the county, is beyond a doubt. It is a pleasing and encouraging sight to see the large number of teams coming in daily from Markhamville loaded with ore, which is sent hence to the United States and to Europe.

It is announced that Dr. Goodfellow has made new discoveries which will shortly be worked by capitalists from United States.

A change is to take place in the leaders of the Salvation Army here. Cadet Elliott, formerly stationed in St. John, is now in Sussex.
Whether her stay is to be permanent is not
yet decided. She is a general favorite here
and would be gladly welcomed in our midst.
Rev. Mr. McDonald of the F. C. Baptist church preached in the Presbyterian church yesterday. Notwithstanding the very wet dathe churches were generally well attended. pesterday. Notwithstanding the very wet day the churches were generally well attended; John S. McLaren, recently appointed in-spector of customs, who has many friends in Sussex, received the warmest congratulations of quite a number of gentlemen today, during a

brief stay of the train.

The milk dealers are increasing their stock of ice for next summer's use.

Tenants and the Franchise.

There having been some enquiries at THE SUN office as to the manner in which tenants should register under the new Franchise Act, a SUN reporter called on His Honor Judge Watters last evening to ascertain when tenants should make their applications for registration, and what were the qualifications under the act for such voters. His honor said he was receiving applications from tenants now, but instead ing applications from tenants now, but instead of patting them on the preliminary list he filed them. The tenant applicants will have to come forward at the sitting before the final revision (some time about the latter end of June), to complete their applications by showing a continuance of tenancy and payment of rent up to the then last rent day.

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His honor called the reporter's attention to the clause bearing on this subject, and suggested as it was very important THE SUN should publish it' and ask tenants to read carefully and come forward and make their applications with as little delay as possible—something which would greatly facilitate him in the work.

In reply to the question as to how he was regressing with the work of preparing the pre-iminary list of the city, the judge said he was making good headway and expected to have it in the printer's hands at any early day. The section referred to by Judge Watters is

Is the tenant of any real property within any such city or town, or part of a city or town, under a lease at a monthly rental of at least two dollars, or at a quarterly rental of at least two dollars, or at a half yearly rental of at least twelve dollars, or at a half yearly rental of at least twelve dollars, or at an annual rental of least twelve dollars, and has been in possession: thereof as such tenant for at least one year next before the first cay of January in year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, or in any subsequent year, and has really and bona fide paid one year's rent for such real property at not less than the rate aforesaid: Provided, that the year's rent so required to be paid to entitle such tenant to vote shall be the year's rent up to the last yearly, half-yearly, quarterly or monthly day of payment, as the case may be, which shall have occurred next before the date of the certificate of the final revision of the list of voters made by the revising efficer as hereinsafter mentioned, except where the rental is an annual one and for a larger sum than twenty dellars, in which case at least twenty dollars of the last year's rent which shall have accrued next before the date of the said certificate must have been paid; and provided also, that a change of tenancy during the year shall not deprive the tenant of the right to vote if such change is without any intermission of time, and the several tenancies are such as would extitle the tenant to vote had such tenant been in possession under either of them, as such tenant's rent is not stated, the fact that the real property in respect of which he is entered on such roll as the tenant thereof is assessed in cities at Is the tenant of any real property within any such

At the N. S. Gold Mines.

Edward Jack is not about taking up his resi-Edward Jack is not about taking up his residence in Halifax for the winter as was reported from Fredericton, but has gone to Nova Scotia for the purpose of examining some tracts of timber land there. Any letters addressed to him at Fredericton will be forwarded to him in Nova Scotia. Mr. J. will probably be absent from Fredericton for about a fortnight. He intends visiting, during his absence, some of the most profitable of the Nova Scotia geld mines, for the purposes of examining the improved most profitable of the Nova Scotia got i mines, for the purposes of examining the improved methods of gold mining now being introduced methods of gold mining now being introduced there. At Oldham electricity is applied by T. E. Hardman, M. E., for the purposes of pumping and hoisting; powerful dynamics are driven by a water wheel 50 feet in dismeter, the current thus generated is carried a distance of 4,500 feet through a strong cable to what is called the Baker "lead" where it is being used to drive the pumping and hoisting machinery of the mine. This, it is said, is the first time that the electric current has been ap blied to this use in Canada,

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