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SAINT JOHN, FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 21, 1909

THE QUEBEC BRIDGE It is now supposed that the plans of the Quebec bridge will be so far prepared this year that a contract for the superstructure can be let. This will bring the With a new one, and is willing to make it 40 feet span. Subut does not consider that it should be asked to spend span. It is therefore taken for granted that if the span is widened to 60 feet, so that all ships engaged in the Weymouth trade should be able to pass, the Government with a new one, and is willing to make it 40 feet span. Subut does not consider that it should be asked to spend span. It is therefore taken for granted that if the span is widened to 60 feet, so that all ships engaged in the weymouth trade should be able to pass, the Government

rporation, promoted by Mr. Parent, was encouraged

In fact no one put up money of his own. The comany drew subsidies as it proceeded. It borrowed all it could. Finally it had no more money, and went to the Dominion ministers for a guarantee. At that time the company was bankrupt.

That was the time the Government should have taken enterprise, since it had to become responsible the Grand Trunk Pacific from Winnipeg to Moncton, this have been offered repayment of all that they had exwanted.

The Government guarantee, good for six or seven re millions, was given. But though the Federal Gov ment was now paying for the bridge, it still neglected was now paying for the bridge, it still neglected watch the expenditure or to supervise the work. The s prepared by the company were shown to Mr. Doug-Ins, the bridge engineer of the Railway Department. This officer criticized them. He did not feel sure that the structure would be strong enough. He suggested this to the head or deputy head of the department, but nothing came of it, and the company went on with its programme. As the Government was the party chiefly interested, it should have had an inspector on the work. That would for the Commission which found that the company's engineer on the ground had not the qualifications for las, the bridge engineer of the Railway Department. This tor the Commission which found that the company's ists, one by the Labor party and one by the Socialists, engineer on the ground had not the qualifications for supervising an enterprise of that character. It may be observed also that this engineer inspector was also en-loyed by the Transcontinental Commission as district or division engineer on the Quebec Division of the Grand Trunk Pacific. He was drawing the two salaries at the same time insta as the Parent was alto enterprise of the Company of the Company of the Company and the Company of the Company ame time, just as Mr. Parent was at the same time draw-ing a salary of \$10,000 a year as chairman of the Transion and \$3,000 as President of the Bridge Company.

Average of the change of generally is able to state a similar cut in the Victoria. When there was nothing but a liability the Government refused to purchase. Now when there was nothing but a liability the Government the company all the money it claimed to have expend ed, including the cost of promotion, with six per cent. In the terms on which the Government had be correctly and anney but is hard to take cover a completed and successful structure in case the cover a completed and successful structure in cases billity from a company which had destroyed everything but it could not the figure which had destroyed everything but to cost \$14,000,000, and it will all come out of the Dominion treasury, together with the profits to the alleged investors. cost \$14,000,000, and it will all come out of the Dominion treasury, together with the profits to the alleged investors It is announced that Charlottetown will have a sec-ond morning paper today and hereafter. The new journal will be called the "Morning News," and will be issued from the office of the Examiner but by a different com-

the form of inti ishment by the form of intimidation which tries to brand as an enemy of the town any citisen who demands honesty in public transactions? Mr. Pugsley may as well under-stand that if he had a hundred newspaper organs in this town, all supported by dredging rake-off, he would not be able to choke off criticism and exposure by such means. The best friends of St. John are not those who have smirched her good name with scandals, who divert, or cause, or permit to be diverted to corrupt purposes, the money of the people paid for public improvements. Dr. Daniel has in many capacities worked and fought for the interests of his own city. Dr. Pugsley has been with or against St. John, as he has been with or against every person, place or thing, accofding as it suited his immediate purpose. mediate purpose

THE WEYMOUTH HANDICAP.

On Monday last Mr. Jameson, of Digby, brought be fore Parliament a matter of great interest to the town and port of Weymouth and of some importance to shipowners and shippers using that port. Weymouth had an export business of about \$300,000 in 1907. The tonnage was 17,133 and included over 15,000,000 feet of lumber. Ships 17,133 and included over 10,000,000 feet of influent. Single taking cargoes at Weymouth go up the Sissiboo River a high tide and pass by a draw through the D, A. R. bridge This bridge has a span of 34 feet 8 inches and therefor only small vessels can go through. In 1907 there were not these tools are the space tool to be an an and the space tool to be an an and the space tools are tools are tools and the space tools are to only small vessels can go through. In 1907 there were seven vessels which could not pass, and these took their cargo at St. Mary's Bay some miles distant, whither the lumber and other produce was conveyed in lighters. The bridge was built thirty years ago by the railway company. The span should have been 40 feet but by some error it was five feet less. The company has sought and obtained permission to replace the old bridge with a new one, and is willing to make it 40 feet span, but does not consider that it should be asked to spend

thin some four or five years of completion. The will have to pay the extra cost. The case as presente

will have to pay the extra cost. The case as presented by Mr. Jameson is that unless the Government takes this cost of the work yet to be done is estimated at \$6,000,000
of \$7,000,000.
Originally the structure was to cost \$4,000,000.
Though it was to be used by trunk railways, a private the Government is economizing this year. Mr. Jameson has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to that but asks that the form has no objection to the form that the form has no objection to that but asks that the corporation, promoted by Mr. Parent, was encouraged to take up the work. Mr. Parent was Premier of Quebec, and the province gave a grant. He was Mayor of Que bec city, and that municipality gave a subsidy. He ob-tained a subsidy from Ottawa. For himself he drew a tained a subsidy from Ottawa. For himself he drew a salary of \$3,000 a year, and made no investment worth

But Mr. Jameson did not prevail.

MAKE HIM EARN SOMETHING.

it has been casually stated as a matter of news in It has been casually stated as a minute of a prisoner sentenced to jail with hard labor has been found destitute and suf-fering. Would it not be fairer if the city for whom this man is working should pay the family a small sum to The Dominion had then agreed to construct represent his earnings? It is probably true that afte allowance is made for his food and for the cost of watchbridge forming a part of the track. The promoters could have been offered repayment of all that they had exhave been offered repayment of all that they had ex-pended of their own with interest, and would have had it is better that the prisoners should work than be idle. all their promotion expenses. But the promoters were it was a decided step in advance to make them work, after larger gains at no cost to themselves and the To some steady labor is a punishment which deters. To Government was giving Mr. Parent all he all open air work is more wholesome than lying in a cell. It would be a further step in advance if the habitual drunk

PARTIES IN GREAT BRITAIN.

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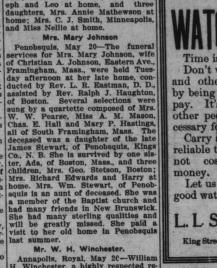




Don't Forget ABOUT WASH DAY

Wash Day Has No Horror for the Home That Owns a NEW CENTURY WASHER.





Kinsman-Coleman. polis Royal, May 20-On afternoon the home of d Mrs. Theodorus Kinsman was the scene of one of the tweddings ever held in this when their daughter, Alice, , was united in mariage to derick Bligh Coleman, of the

ENEMIES OF ST. JOHN

The organs of the Minister of Public Works need pany. The Examiner, which is thirty-two years old today, was the first daily printed in the province. The news, which will presumably be Conservative in politics, has a morning contemporary, the Guardian, an independ-ent journal, which is said to be prosperous, not expect to be taken seriously when they accuse Dr. Daniel of obstructing harbor work by the Government Everybody knows that Dr. Daniel has ever since his firs election supported on all occasions the interests of this a me

The work that has been done and that is required and has done a great deal more than Mr. Pugsley bitmself to true before Parliament the legitimate claims of this first states and the second states of the states and the second states of the states and the second states of the states any against the interests of this city. Announcement the \$35,933 dredging rake-off was described as an at to to stop all dredging operations. The report of the tral Railway Commission could only have been con-ed by St. John's most deadly enemy. Objection to inspense account and the removal of a few thousand the Provincial treasury was a sure aim of maliciour instity to this city. To what purpose is such an Appeal? Does any hu

Harper's Weekly. If they kep on putting the suffra-gettes in jail over there in London much longer, it is dollars to dough-nuts that the homely ballads of other days will soon be superseded by some such pathetic lyrical outburst as this: O where is my wandering Ma tonight? O where can my Mother be? She hied her forth to the Suffrage fight And hasn't come home to tea. The range is cold on the kitchen trail, The cuboard is bleak and bare. For Mother has gone to the County Jail For pulling the Speaker's mair!

For pulling the Speaker's hair!

O where is my wandering Ma to My mother, O where is she? She dwells in the "Box," While Father's socks Are holey as they can be!

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