

### PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS

While cutting wood in the woods at Mass River recently, Mr. John Norman was savagely attacked by a huge bear, and only escaped with his life by climbing a tree.

The Maritime Hat & Cap Company is asking the Moncton City Council to reimburse it for alleged loss to the business due to the natural gas not being installed in Moncton in November, 1912. The Council appointed Mayor Robinson, Ald. Gross and Tucker, to confer with ex-Mayor Reilly and the gas and electricity company to find out where the responsibility lies and how the city is liable.

A sad fatality took place on the road between Woodstock and Newburg on Thursday night when Chas. Cunningham was killed by a kick from a horse or by falling. He was on the way home with his team and was found on the road by a neighbor who was driving home. Chief Kelley went to the scene about midnight and had the body brought to Henderson's undertaking rooms. The unfortunate man was about thirty-four years of age and much respected.

Mrs. Evangeline Belyea, of Sussex N. B., has filed a divorce action in Boston against her husband who, she says, left her and went to Regina, Sask., after less than two years of married life. Mrs. Belyea states that she married David A. Belyea at Sussex, Nov. 4, 1904, and on Aug. 7, 1906 she says, he pulled up stakes and went to Western Canada, leaving her behind. Mrs. Belyea went to Massachusetts after the alleged desertion and now asks the court to restore her freedom.

Edgar West an employee of the I. C. R. shops, Moncton, was hit by a flying piece of steel while at work on Tuesday morning, and as the result he suffered considerable pain and will be unable to resume his duties for some time. His right arm was badly lacerated and he walked from the shops to Dr. Steeves' drug store before medical aid was summoned. He lost considerable blood before being picked up by Dr. L. H. Price, who took him to the hospital and attended to his injuries.

The Dominion Express Company running rights of the line between Moncton and Sackville increased wonderfully. Mr. F. W. Wry states that in the Sackville branch business of his office for the first 10 days in January is much larger than the corresponding period of any previous year. Whereas at one time express matter came to Sackville on but three trains, the company now has the service of the eight trains entering Sackville every week day. To this is attributed the increase of business.

Some time ago an obstruction was placed on the suburban Street Car line at Sunny Brae, and but for the presence of mind of the Motorman the car would undoubtedly have been wrecked. The police have been working on the case and have succeeded in removing the obstruction. They were brought to the Police Station and gave their names as Leo Melanson, John Melanson, Sylvain Boucher and Albert King, all residing at Sunny Brae. On account of their youth they were not brought before the Magistrate, but were given a severe reprimand, after which they were allowed to go.

Two persons were quite badly hurt in three accidents that took place in front of the I. C. R. depot, Sackville, Friday afternoon. Mrs. Gaius Fawcett was thrown out of a double-seated park in which she was riding and received a very severe shaking up when a runner of the pump dropped into the drain ditch running along the side of Lorne Street, causing the pump to lurch suddenly. Mrs. Edgar P. Smith who was with her was unhurt but her young son was pitched against the front seat cutting his mouth quite badly. The other accidents were those of two men who in making the turn in driving away from the depot had their pumps upset but were unhurt.

Report is current in St. John that Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst, have been awarded the contract for the construction of the St. John post office. So far as can be learned there were three tenders: Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst; B. Mooney & Sons and A. R. Clark, St. John, and the proponent is that the contract is awarded the lowest tenderer. The job is a big one involving upwards of \$400,000 and will probably run close to half a million before the building is ready for use. The expectation on the street is that the successful tenderers will get to work with the opening of spring and will rush the work as rapidly as possible. Several St. John builders who were approached said they had heard rumors that the Amherst firm were the successful tenderers for this big contract, probably the most important in the building trade to be awarded in this year.

Mr. J. R. Stone, commissioner of the Central Railway, says it is by no means certain just when the C. P. R. would take the road over, but it is improbable they would do so till the Minto and Gibson line was finished. At present they are having a thorough survey of the Central made for the purpose of estimating what it would cost to put the property in first class shape.

Handcuffed to Jailer Craven, with his feet tied and closely watched by Officer Craven and Deputy Sheriff Mitchell to prevent any attempts of the prisoner escaping, Hubert Grant, the Halifax murderer, whose death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment was taken to Dorchester early last week to begin his term. Throughout the trip he was as silent as usual.

At a special meeting of Moncton Trades and Labor Council held on Wednesday evening the dispatch which appeared in the daily press which stated that sentiment in the Maritime Provinces was favorable to the transfer of the I. C. R. to a private corporation was discussed by delegates representing the unions of carmen, machinists, blacksmiths and boiler-makers, and it was decided to appoint a committee to draft a resolution to offset any such movement on the part of the Maritime Board of Trade. The action decided upon will have the support of the labor movement from one end of Canada to the other, and it is probable that resolutions of a similar nature will reach the members of parliament from all Trades and Labor Councils. Organized labor stands as a unit against any transfer of the I. C. R.

#### SUNNY CORNER

A dark gloom was passed over this place at half past nine Saturday evening, Jan. 4th, when the sad news was flashed around that one of Sunny Corner's most prominent men, in the person of Alfred Nowlan, had died of heart disease at the age of fifty-two years, leaving a wife and four children to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. He is survived by his mother and the following sisters and brothers—Wm. James and Allen and Mrs. James Leach of Sunny Corner, and Mrs. John Harris of Boom Road. The funeral was largely attended by his numerous relatives and friends at half past nine Tuesday morning. Interment was in St. Thomas' Church, Red Bank. The committee extend their most sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

God, but not forgotten. A manly voice is stilled. A seat vacant in that home that never can be filled. Miss Mary A. McDonald spent a couple of days with her friend, Mrs. Bella Maschett last week.

Mr. Daniel A. Galt has returned to the woods again. Mrs. Chas. Mullin and Mrs. Wm. McAllister visited Mrs. Jas. McDonald Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Matchett are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Johnston were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tozer Thursday evening.

#### WHITNEY

Whitneyville, Jan. 11.—The people of this vicinity welcomed the snow-storm, as it improved the roads, which had been in a dangerous condition.

The scarlet fever patients are convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mullin and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunnett, are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter in their homes.

Miss Agatha Forsyth is spending a few days in Newcastle.

The monthly meeting of the W. F. M. S. was held at Mrs. Donald McTavish's on Saturday, Jan. 11th.

Mrs. Peter Russell has been very ill for the past few days, but is now slightly improved.

We are glad to see Mr. Peter Russell out again, after his recent illness.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. McCurdy were visiting in Strathadam this week.

Messrs. Chester Whitney and Justice McKay went to Stony Brook, Northwest Miramichi on Monday last to build a summer sporting camp for R. H. Armstrong, Newcastle.

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### S. S. URANIUM ON ROCKS OFF HALIFAX

Grounded in Dense Fog but 900 passengers were Quickly Taken Off.

Making for port, after a sixteen days' battle with Atlantic tempests and seas, the steamer Uranium, 3315 tons, from Rotterdam to Halifax, with nearly 900 passengers, ran on the rocks near Chebucto Head at the entrance of Halifax Harbor at 10.45 on Sunday morning.

The steamer struck the rocks hard on, at Shoal Point, one of the roughest points on the rock-bound shore, and she was driven so far up on the ledge that her bow was eight feet out of the water.

Fortunately, however, she ran into a small cove which provided a shelter from the gales and kept the sea comparatively calm.

Fortune, indeed, favored the ship and her complement of close upon a thousand souls. The wind was blowing half a gale, but it was from the south west. Had the gale been blowing from the south east the position of ship and passengers would have been perilous in the extreme.

The Uranium was creeping along in a thick fog when suddenly at 10.45 o'clock she poked her nose into the rocks and in a moment was held hard and fast. She was about 1000 yards north of the lighthouse at Chebucto Head and within 300 yards of the shore, but the fog was so dense that the ship could not be seen from the lighthouse.

The news of the wreck was sent by wireless to Camperdown and the Lady Laurier was quickly despatched to the scene, while in the meantime, Mr. Mooney of the C. N. R. had arranged for tow boats, and the tug Scotsman, Togo and the steamer Bridgewater were quickly rushed to the aid of the stranded vessel.

Although the steamer was in no immediate danger and it was the expectation of the captain that she could be floated at high tide, it was deemed advisable to take off the passengers. The work of transfer began at four o'clock in the afternoon, and before six o'clock all were safely transferred to the Lady Laurier, the Bridgewater and the Scotsman which forwarded them to Halifax.

It was no small undertaking to transfer 820 passengers but it was done expeditiously and without mishap of any kind. The women and children, according to the tradition of the sea, came first. They numbered about 300 and were placed aboard the Lady Laurier. The men were taken off by the three steamers, and the way in which transfer was effected reflects credit on all concerned. Had the conditions of wind and seas been other than it was there might be, and probably would be, a tragic story to tell today.

The engines kept working until the tide became too low, and it was useless to make any attempt to back off. There were six fathoms of water at the stern and eight fathoms amidships. The bow was sufficiently high out of the water to see the turn of the stern. The bow was considerably smashed by the impact.

Three attempts were made on Monday morning to pull the Uranium off the rocks but without success. The steamer did not move a foot and it was decided to lighten the ship before making another attempt.

### COL. "SAM" MAY TAKE MR. COCHRANE'S PLACE

As Minister of Railways, Latter Becoming Gov. of Ontario.

An Ottawa despatch to the Montreal Herald says: Col. Sam Hughes probably will be the next minister of railways. It is understood that on the appointment of Hon. Mr. Cochrane next autumn as Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Premier Borden will select Col. Sam Hughes for the railway's portfolio.

Col. Hughes has the strongest sort of backing for the post. It is said that he would be quite willing to make the change. For one thing, he finds that there is very little to be done and certainly not enough to enable even such a stirring man as Col. Hughes to make a name for himself. He thinks that with the big development going on in railways, both government and corporation, there is a better chance for his talents in the administration of the railway and canal portfolio. He would not object to having the construction of the Georgian Bay Canal commenced during his term at the head of the railway department.

In the event of Col. Hughes going to the railways, it is not unlikely that Major John Currie, of North Simcoe will be made minister of militia.

When the curtains come just to the sill of a window they are apt to blow either against the screen or out of the window and become soiled. To prevent this, slip a light strip of wood a little longer than the width of the curtain into the lower hem. This will prevent the curtain from blowing out when the window is open.

### NEW EDUCATIONAL SCHEME FOR BRITAIN

Intended to Link up the Primary Schools with the Seats for Higher Learning.

Despatches from London, say that considerable interest has been aroused in England over the scheme proposed by Viscount Haldane for the improvement of the education of the people of the United Kingdom.

This scheme will be the next great reform to be undertaken after the Franchise Reform, Home Rule and Welsh Disestablishment Bills are disposed of.

The avowed object of this scheme is to increase the efficiency of the nation as a whole, to make the fullest possible use of the natural abilities of all children, irrespective of their station in life, and to maintain the productive powers of the nation on a par which will give them at any rate equal advantages with any of the great nations of the world.

The scheme will link the primary school with the university, so that in future the child of any man will be able to climb to the top of the educational ladder, if he has the mental capacity, and will not be handicapped for want of money.

By the scheme the whole structure of national education will be strengthened and made complete. It will work a new era in the development in nation life. Education will begin earlier and continue later, while the universities will be increased in number, with the object of serving local needs.

Some of the opponents of the Government profess to see in this scheme a defeat for the Lloyd George section of the Government, and say that this is put forward instead of land reform. I am in a position to state, however, that not only is Mr. Lloyd George in full agreement with Viscount Haldane in this great national scheme, but he is actually associated with him in formulating it, believing that it will form a fitting complement to the Old Age Pensions and Insurance Acts. Mr. Yoxall, M. P., is now advocating a grant of £2,000,000, or £10,000,000, a year extra to the elementary schools.

### POWERS STRIVING EARNESTLY FOR PEACE

Turkey Threatened with Severe Treatment Unless She Submits.

Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, and the ambassadors of the powers are making valiant efforts to bring about a settlement between Turkey and the Balkan allies in the direction of peace. They have had additional interviews with Dr. Danef and Rechad Pasha, the heads of the Bulgarian and Turkish delegations respectively, advising moderation on both sides and warning them that either party, if through obstinacy it should plunge Europe into war again, would incur a heavy weight of disapproval.

### N. B. FARMERS' AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOC.

Will Open in Fredericton on 17th Feby.—Women's Institute Convention will Also be Held.

At last meeting of the Provincial Government authority was given for the holding of a Women's Institute Convention—the first ever held in the province—in connection with the annual meeting of the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association.

A new departure has been made in the arrangements for the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association meeting and instead of being held the week of the opening of the Legislature it will be held the following week, commencing on February 17th, and continuing until the 21st.

Secretary for Agriculture Daggett is busy in making the arrangements for the Convention of the Women's Institute and it is expected that the holding of the convention will give such an impetus to the work that an appointment of a woman official to devote her attention solely to Women's Institute Work in the province will follow.

Mr. J. H. Gristdale, the director of the Dominion Experimental Farm Service of Ottawa, is expected to be one of the principal speakers at the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association meeting, while Federal Poultry Expert Brown of Ottawa, will also be one of the principal speakers. The subject of drainage on the farm will be given a leading place on the programme, and Dr. Lynds, of MacDonald College St. Anne de Bellevue, is expected to be the leading speaker on that subject.

An innovation at this year's meeting will be an exhibit of wool, and Mr. J. A. Telfer, the Federal Government sheep expert for the Maritime Provinces, is expected to speak on the sheep industry and its possibilities in New Brunswick. The programme for the meeting is now being put into shape and will likely be completed next week.

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### MONCTON TIMES SUFFERS BY FIRE

Paper Being Printed at Transcript Office for a Few Days.

Fire on Saturday badly gutted the basement and business offices as well as part of the second flat of the Times printing offices. The fire, which originated in the basement near the furnace, spread with rapidity. A carload of news print in the basement was completely destroyed by fire and water, and considerable other stock was more or less damaged, principally by water. The typesetting machines and presses, as well as the book binding and paper ruling machinery, were damaged by water. The insurance was about \$21,250 and the estimated loss is \$10,000. Mr. J. T. Hawke has placed his presses at the disposal of the Times while repairs which will be rushed as rapidly as possible, are completed.

### S. S. SNOWDON RANGE PICKED UP AT LAST

Had Lost Her Rudder and Drifted about for Days.

The British steamer Snowdon Range, about which there has been great anxiety, passed the Irish coast on Monday in tow of the British steamer Welshman, which had picked her up in the Atlantic, five hundred miles to the west. The Snowdon Range left Philadelphia for Leith, Scotland, on Nov. 23. She lost her rudder while on her voyage and as she had not been heard from for a long time she had been placed on overdue steamer list. She was recently relinised at the rate of 10 per cent. The Welshman, which left Liverpool on December 1st, found her on the Atlantic and brought her back to Leith.

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