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## ONTARIO AND QUEBEC

### Important Conference to be Held at Fisheries Department.

### New Brunswick Represented by Premier Emmerson and Provincial Secretary Tweedie.

### To Determine Relative Power of Dominion and Provincial Governments Under Finding of Judicial Committee of Privy Council.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—It is said that Mr. McMillen, M. P., has received a positive promise of the lieutenant governorship of Manitoba when Patterson's time is up.

Consul General Kleczkowski says that the government of France is still prepared to give a subsidy of 400,000 francs for a direct line between Canada and France, provided the dominion contributes a similar amount.

New regulations affecting weights and measures are to be promulgated in a day or two. They provide among other things for the use of spring scales proposed to be used. The department has been swamped by local makers sending in spring scales, but it is understood that very few makers have come up to the departmental requirements. In regard to colliery scales the department is sending to the market time provisions 5 lb. weights, so that the scales may be tested under departmental supervision every six months.

OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—No word has reached the government of any Canadian being included in the New Year's list of honors by Her Majesty. It is learned on good authority that no recommendations were sent by the federal authorities to the colonial office, but it is possible that some excellent may have made one or more recommendations without consultation with his advisers. This was done by Lord Aberdeen, as, for instance, in the cases of Sir Henry Joly and Sir J. M.

An important conference is to be held at the fisheries department tomorrow. There have arrived to attend it, Premier Murray and Attorney General Longley of Nova Scotia, Premier Emmerson, Provincial Secretary Tweedie and Attorney General White of New Brunswick, and Premier Farquharson of P. E. I. Dominion representatives will be Sir Louis Davies and Prof. Prince, commissioner of fisheries. The object of the conference is to determine the relative powers to be assumed by the dominion and provincial governments respectively under the finding on the fisheries question of the judicial committee of the Privy Council.

OTTAWA, Jan. 2.—The solid Catholic vote, as expected, gave Aid. Payment a large majority for the last year's council. The Free Press (government organ) tried to make the fight a political one, with the result that 17 conservatives are elected to the council as against 8 liberals.

A plebiscite on the question of Sunday street cars was taken, with the result that 4,695 declared for a Sunday service and 3,019 against. The city council will now have to go to the Ontario legislature to secure necessary authority for the service.

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these rights will be exercised by the governments of the respective provinces in Canada. The question as to whether Ontario and Quebec have any claim against the dominion for the money already received by the dominion for these licenses in the way of fees was discussed, but no agreement came to. The matter was allowed to stand over for further consideration, but the department at Ottawa does not admit that there is any ground whatever for such claim.

Both authorities have the right, for the purpose of revenue, to levy a tax by way of a license fee, the provinces in order to raise a revenue and the dominion in order to exercise its general taxing power. It was, therefore, agreed that the dominion would not grant any further license for the year 1898. This refers chiefly to pound-net licenses and salmon stands. The provincial government already granted by the dominion this year. Applications which have been made to the department at Ottawa will be forwarded to the provincial governments and dealt with by them.

Officers to be appointed for the enforcement of the regulations heretofore made by the dominion will probably be appointed by the provinces. While the dominion will continue to frame regulations for the control of the fisheries, it will, in all probability, leave the enforcement of these regulations to the provincial governments, with the exception of inland waters and lakes of a commercial or international character.

The control of public oyster beds remains in the dominion, because of the power to determine the close seasons and the leasing of private oyster beds for the propagation of the oyster passes to the provincial governments exclusively.

KINGSTON, Ont., Jan. 1.—Saint George's cathedral was burned this morning. The fire was discovered about five o'clock and it is supposed it started from a gas explosion in the furnace room. The residences of Dean Smith and George H. Allen were also damaged. The cathedral was built in 1825 and remodelled in 1840 and 1883. Probably one hundred thousand dollars were spent on it. There is a debt of \$30,000 on the church and an insurance of only \$25,000. The cathedral will be rebuilt. Two firemen were injured, not severely.

MONTREAL, Jan. 1.—The customs receipts of Montreal for December were \$611,999, compared with \$581,948 for 1897.

The failure is announced of the wholesale clothing firm of E. A. Small & Co. No statement of liabilities is yet prepared, but they will be very heavy. The creditors are mainly British and Canadian woolen manufacturers.

TORONTO, Jan. 1.—Thomas Kirkland, M. A., principal of the Normal school, and a well known educationalist, died suddenly on Saturday afternoon of heart failure.

Toronto custom house receipts for 1898 were \$4,533,109, against \$3,821,328 in 1897.

## P. E. ISLAND.

### Rev. Father McGuigan and Major E. F. Purdy Honored.

### The Cargo of the S. S. Casperio—S. E. Reid Nominated as the Liberal Candidate for the Prince By-election—Numerous Items of General Interest.

CHARLOTTETOWN, Dec. 30.—At the closing of the C. B. college the students presented Principal Miller with a handsome reclining chair, Mr. Coulton a dressing case, Mr. Moran a smoking case, and Mr. Williams a necktie case. A very flattering address accompanied the gifts, which was felicitously replied to by the recipients.

The executors of the William Doobel estate have paid over to the Y. M. C. A. for a library, the B. and F. Bible society and the P. E. I. hospital \$500 each, according to conditions of the will.

The Christmas market was unusually large on Friday last. The sale of stables and the building was rented for the year all the way from \$5 to \$30 each.

The fire department was called out to a slight fire in M. P. Hogan's factory last week, and Mr. Hogan generously gave the company \$30 for their services. A vote of thanks was given Mr. Hogan at the meeting of the fire department on Thursday night.

James Goffrey of the s.s. Northumberland has passed a satisfactory examination and received a second class engineer's certificate.

On the 21st inst. the Rev. D. B. McLeod, assisted by the Rev. J. W. McConnell, married Reuben Brehaut to Miss Catherine McPherson, all of Lunenburg.

John T. Bertram and Charlie Bertram, sons of David Bertram, formerly of Hunter River, but now of Maple Creek, N. W. T., are visiting their former home. They speak very highly of the country of their adoption.

The starting of the winter season several fox skins in Souris a few days ago. Amongst them were two silver greys. One brought him \$45. A. W. Carleton bought the lot.

At Grand River (east) on the 22nd inst. two little daughters of Archibald Cameron, aged 12 and 6 years, coasted to their death. While coasting down a hillside the sleigh ran on the ice of the river, and not being strong enough to bear them, they both went through and were drowned. Their bodies have not yet been recovered.

## SENATOR ADAMS

### Has Passed Away to His Eternal Rest.

### His Death Took Place at His Newcastle Home After a Protracted Illness.

NEWCASTLE, N. B., Jan. 2.—The death of the Hon. Michael Adams occurred here last night at half-past seven o'clock, of consumption. The deceased had been in ill health for about three years, and for the last few days his death was expected at any moment. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn their loss. The funeral will take place on Wednesday.

Michael Adams was born at Doughton on August 15th, 1845. He was the son of Samuel and Mary Adams, both natives of Cork, Ireland. He received his education in the common schools. Having chosen law as his profession, he entered the office of Hon. E. Williams in 1864 and remained there for three years, when he entered with Hon. Allan A. Davidson. In 1869 he was called to the bar, and was elected to represent Northumberland in the New Brunswick legislature. He was defeated in the general election of 1878, but was returned by his old constituency in June of the same year. He was made a member of the government, with the portfolio of surveyor general, and held office until 1882. He was again returned in 1882, but resigned his seat in the local assembly to contest the county of Northumberland in the interests of the Conservative party against Hon. Peter Mitchell, and was defeated. He was appointed a Q. C. in February, 1881. At the general election of 1881 he was elected to the house of commons and held his seat until January 7th, 1882, when he was called to the senate. He was twice married: first to Catherine Paterson, who died in 1881, and by whom he has two children, and again in 1882, to Miss Neils, daughter of the late Simon Neils of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Adams was a natural orator and one of the most effective of the many strong speakers on the stump that the north shore of New Brunswick has produced. Above all, he possessed the quality of good fellowship, which went a long way with his political opponents in turning the edge of what from another man would have been regarded as offensive. He was a ready debater and held his own when on the floors of the provincial assembly with all comers. After entering the dominion parliament his voice was not often heard, but that was largely due to falling health, which robbed him of much of his earlier ambitions. Loyal to the interests of the north shore, as understood them, marked his entire public life, and the fishermen of that part of the province had no warmer or more ardent friend. In St. John and Fredericton he numbered his personal friends by the score, and in Ottawa he was equally popular among his chosen associates.

After an illness of about eleven weeks Fred Fowler passed away on Sunday morning at the early age of 38 years, leaving a wife and three children to mourn their sad loss. Mr. Fowler was for a long time in the employ of Manchester, Robertson & Allison, where he made hosts of friends, but it was as a singer that he was best known to the general public. He was leader of the choir of the Exmouth street Methodist church for some years, and so fully was his heart in this work that he continued to hold the position until failing health compelled him to take to his bed. He married Miss Ritchie, the third daughter of the late Francis Ritchie of this city.

John W. Fisher of Bridgetown died suddenly on Friday morning at the residence of his daughter, the wife of Captain Welsh of Yarmouth.

The death of Mrs. Lewis, mother of Edward, John and William Lewis of Digby, occurred on Christmas night at the residence of her son William.

Captain Job Young, formerly of Brighton, Digby, but who has resided for years in Brooklyn, N. Y., died suddenly of pneumonia on Dec. 21st, aged 69 years, leaving a wife and one sister.

T. B. Hiley, a well known business man of Lunenburg, died at the residence of his son-in-law at Williams- town, N. S., on Christmas day, aged 71 years.

## RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. John Campbell of Sydney, C. B., died on Dec. 26th. She was a woman of more than ordinary enterprise, and conducted, under her own account, a mercantile establishment for many years.

Mrs. S. G. Jackson of Town Plot, Wolfville, died on Monday, Dec. 26th, at a private hospital in New York, where she had gone for treatment. Death was the result of a surgical operation. The deceased was a daughter of A. V. Pines of Kentville, and a sister of A. V. Pines of Wolfville.

George M. Patten, a native of Yarmouth, who has resided in Lynn, Mass., for several years, died in that city last week of heart disease. The deceased was a son of the late Stephen Patten of Hebron, and for some years was connected with the firm of S. Patten & Co., shoe dealers. He subsequently carried on the coach business between Yarmouth and Barrington, and latterly manufactured recreation powders. He was born on the 12th September, 1837, and leaves a widow and eight children.

Rev. E. P. Hurley, rector of the Church of England parishes of Bayfield and Antigonish, has the sympathy of the community in the sad death of his wife, which occurred Dec. 26th, after an illness of six weeks. The deceased lady, who was highly esteemed by all who knew her, was a daughter of P. M. Raymond of Springfield, Kings Co., N. B. Her remains were taken to that place for burial. She leaves three young children, one only six weeks old—Antigonish Casquet.

The death occurred at his residence, Old Post, Charlottetown, on Saturday night of James W. Delyea, who was well known throughout the city. The deceased, before the union, for some time represented Guy's ward in the common council, and always attended to his interests diligently. He was a fisherman by occupation, and was highly esteemed by all who did business with him. He was long identified with aquatic sports, and was interested in many of the local chess. He leaves a widow and several chil-

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## FUNERAL OF A. W. PETERS.

### The remains of the late Augustus Winniett Peters, president of the borough of Manhattan, N. Y., accompanied by a delegation of brother Masons, arrived on the western express Monday at noon, in charge of Undertaker C. A. Benedict of New York city. The coffin, a very handsome one of oak, was enclosed in a sealed lead case in an outside casing of ash. It was opened in the station and the coffin placed in Mr. Powers' hearse and conveyed to the home of his brother, A. Wellesley Peters, Pitt street. Several large floral pieces were received from Masonic bodies in New York and Cleveland, Ohio. Only a small portion of the numerous floral offerings were brought to this city, including a very large crescent of ivy, a floral fez and some large wreaths. With Mr. Benedict came four other New York gentlemen: Messrs. Charles H. Hoysler, James Magee, William T. Goudeau and Robert W. Sears, all representative members of the Masonic society. They were met at the depot by A. Wellesley Peters, J. Twining Hart, Major F. H. Hart, Messrs. John A. Watson and W. B. Wallace, representing the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick, who were present. The funeral service commenced at three o'clock and the obsequies were largely attended by representative citizens. There were no pall bearers, their functions being performed by relatives of the deceased. From the house the funeral proceeded to Trinity church, where the impressive burial service of the Church of England was conducted by Ven. Archdeacon Brigstocke, after which coaches were taken for Fredericton. The funeral service of the Grand Royal Arch Masons of New Brunswick attended, the deceased gentleman being their representative in New York. Mayor Sears and a deputation from the city council also attended to pay the last tribute of respect to a gentleman who occupied important positions in the civic government of the great American metropolis.

The following proclamation, emanating from Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, New York, was issued from the office of the recorder, Dec. 30, 1898:

To all Officers and Nobles, and to all Templars and Illustrious Sharrads, of all Chapters and Districts: Greeting! Our Illustrious Potentate, Augustus Winniett Peters, entered the Usenet Temple, December 29, 1898.

This illustrious Noble was highly respected in commercial circles, political affairs, military service, public and private life, had attained the highest honors in Freemasonry in all its branches, and was the president of the Borough of Manhattan, in the city of New York. He was one of the few who in the early days of the establishment of the Mystic Shrine in this country became imbued with its beautiful ceremonies, held various subordinate positions, and attained the high dignity of Potentate of the Mother Temple, which he adorned for the past twelve years, departing for the inner Temple on the last day of the year term.

You are hereby commanded, for the full term of three crescent moons, within the mystic sanctuary of our shrine, to observe with the ancient oriental custom, to drape the Altar and Temple with the insignia of mourning, which be adorned for the general term to be placed upon the sacred Black Stone, tithre to exhale income during all ceremonial, and let notice thereof be inscribed upon the records.

On Saturday evening, at half-past seven o'clock, the late Mrs. H. H. Madson avenue and Twenty-ninth street, let the obsequies and public services be held, and participate in the solemn ceremonies.

CHARLES A. BENEDICT, Potentate.  
SARAH R. BLASSON, Recorder.

KENT CO.  
Two Buildings at Kingston Destroyed by Fire.  
Twenty-seven Degrees Below Zero—Leased the Union Hotel—Six Inches of Snow.

RICHMOND, Jan. 2.—A fire broke out in William Britton's tenement house at Kingston today at noon. In a short time it spread to the store and dwelling of the late Hon. O. McInerney. Both buildings were completely destroyed, but the contents were all saved. Britton's building was insured for \$800 in the Quebec Co. There was no insurance on the McInerney property. Three families occupied the Britton house. Assistance was asked from here, and the fire engine was sent up.

The funeral of the late William Barrett took place yesterday afternoon. Rev. H. A. Meek conducted services in St. Mary's Church of England and at the grave.

Jan. P. Bobahn has leased the Union hotel, and intends opening up once. Six inches of snow fell yesterday. The thermometer registered 27 degrees below zero this morning.

AN EARLY MORNING FIRE.  
Early on the 1st inst fire broke out in a large three story frame dwelling situate on St. Patrick street and owned by John A. Stanton. The building, which was occupied by Jacob Bourgeois in the lower flat and by the owner in the upper portion, was badly gutted by fire and water. The fire is supposed to have started near a fire and the flames made rapid progress through the structure. The loss will be considerable. The firemen deserve great credit for the way they worked, considering that the thermometer at several points about the city at that time registered 10 or 12 degrees below zero.