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WILL BUILD NO BRANCHES TO ST. JOHN OR HALIFAX

Opposition to Paralleling the Intercolonial Thought to Be the Reason

G. T. P. to Use Maritime Ports Will Have to Use I. C. R. and Existing Lines--Government Making Endeavors at Washington to Send That \$100,000 to 'Frisco--Prince Arthur Regrets His Visit to Canada is Not Longer.

Ottawa, May 10--(Special)--When the bill to incorporate the Grand Trunk Pacific branch lines company came up for consideration at the railway committee today, Mr. Johnston (Cape Breton) suggested that the bill be still held over for further consideration. It was true that it was before the committee for some time but it was not an important measure and ought not to go through in the present shape.

ST. JOHN COUPLE ON HELD-UP TRAIN?

Score of Methodist Ministers Also on the Imperial Limited

Recent One the Third That Trains Have Been Robbed in Canada, and in Every Instance the Desperados Got Away Scot Free.

Montreal, May 10--(Special)--Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Barker, of St. John, were held up on the Imperial Limited (B. C.) train which was also a score of Methodist ministers who were going to Victoria to attend the general conference of British Columbia.

This is the third time in Canadian history that trains have been held up and robbed. The first occurrence of the kind took place twenty-two years ago, a Grand Trunk train being held up close to Toronto under circumstances of the utmost daring. A considerable sum of money was obtained by the robbers who got away scot free.

ANOTHER VERDICT FOR STOPPING WAGE FOR STORE BILL

Gloucester, N. S., May 10--(Special)--Another case of illegal stoppage of wages was concluded today against the Dominion Coal Company for a store bill and a fine of \$60 and costs was imposed by Magistrate J. J. McDonald. The company will appeal the case to the county court.

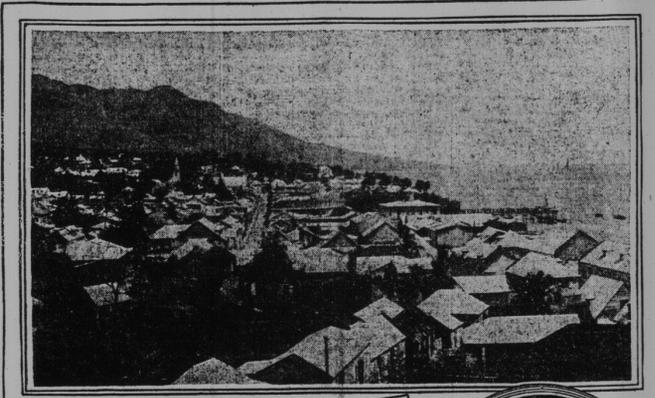
Prince Arthur Sails for Home. Montreal, May 10--The Allan line steamship Virginia sailed for Liverpool at 4:15 this morning with Prince Arthur of Connaught on board. The royal party occupied a special suite of rooms on the Virginia which had been specially arranged and decorated for their use.

DYKES BROKEN AND MILES OF HAY LAND FLOODED

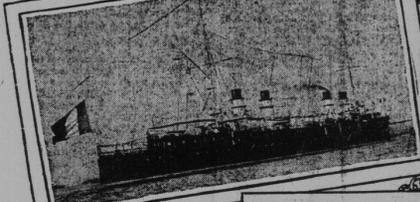
Great Damage Along the Petitcodiac River--Wednesday Night's Tide the Highest in Three Years--Moncton Wharves Inundated and Warehouses Flooded --- Steamer Wilfrid C. Aids Four-master in Distress.

Moncton, May 10--(Special)--Much damage is reported to have been done to marshland and dykes along the Petitcodiac by the recent high tide. Opposite Moncton on the Albert county side the dykes are broken and miles of marsh have been flooded. Along the dykes, forty or fifty feet of dyke, enclosing G. R. Jones' marsh, has been carried away.

SCENES IN GUADELOUPE'S CHIEF CITIES, WHERE RIOT REIGNED



General View of Dasse-Terre, Guadeloupe.



The French Cruiser Jurne de la Graviere

Pointe-A-Pitre, Guadeloupe, May 10--When the rioting began Sunday the first incident was in regard to the formation of the official commission, which presides in the polling booth. This was illegally constituted without the public being present, and was entirely composed of Socialists.

The second incident was when a candidate, M. Boinet, was attacked in his house by partisans of M. Legitim. The object of the attack seemed to be to destroy the Press, a little Liberal journal, successor of the Liberal newspaper formerly destroyed.

A number of revolver shots were exchanged and two persons killed and several injured. The house of M. Boinet and sixteen others were sacked by a furious mob in the presence of the civil and military authorities, who let things take their course for three hours.

Three times the lieutenant commanding the troops laid his hand on his revolver, but he refrained from using it. These scenes of savagery lasted all the afternoon and serious disorders are to be expected during the night.

Threats of all kinds are indulged in by the rioters, who are only awaiting the darkness to renew their attacks on people and property.

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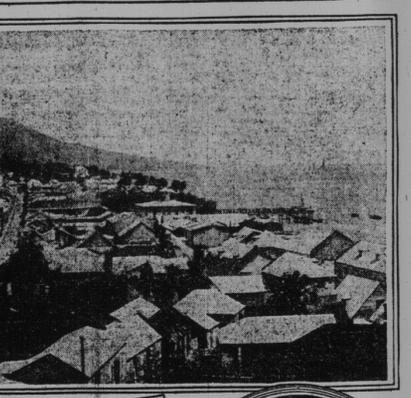
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CZAR, WITH GREAT POMP, OPENS PARLIAMENT

Pageant of Royal Family and Courtiers Without Parallel

Speech from the Throne Received in Sullen Silence by the People's Representatives--Message Was Short and Commonplace and Didn't Touch on Any of the Burning Questions Agitating Russia--Members, After Ceremony, Opened Session and With Difficulty Were Restrained from Passing Defiant Resolution.

St. Petersburg, May 10--Without a single hitch and with only a minor accident to mar the memorable day, the Russian parliament was inaugurated today.

The weather was superb, and the stage management of the impressive ceremony at the Winter Palace where Emperor Nicholas, surrounded by courtiers and all the pomp and panoply of power, delivered the speech from the throne to the members of the two houses, was perfect.

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Couriers and spectators other than members of the national parliament led the cheering, but the members were unusually silent, expressing neither approval nor disapproval.

What rankled most was the failure of the emperor to mention amnesty and later, when the members assembled in the Tauride palace, away from the spell of the throne room, many of them were with difficulty restrained from precipitating matters by offering resolutions on the subject.

The constitutional Democratic leaders, however, who dominated everything were anxious not to waken the reply which the lower house will prepare to the speech from the throne, in which issues with the crown will be joined and succeed in staving off premature action.

At the Tauride palace, tens of thousands of people were acclaiming their representatives; at the Winter Palace legions of military and courtiers by the hundreds cheered for the emperor. Nevertheless the proceedings of the lower house were not spectacular, in fact they were almost tame by comparison with those at the Winter Palace.

First Duty to Imprisoned Comrades. The only genuine flashes of fire which showed the real temper of the members of the house were when Prof. Mouroussief, a member elected president of the lower house, invited government officials and clerks to leave the hall, and when Ivan Petrunkevitch, in a few eloquent words from the rostrum told the auditors that the first thought of the parliament should be for those who had suffered in the cause of liberty, who now filled the prisons, and whose arms were stretched out in hope and confidence to the people's representatives.

More enthusiastic cheering than that which greeted the appeal never was heard in a political convention in the United States.

By the irony of fate Ivan Petrunkevitch, whose first mention of the word constitution, twelve years ago, was dismissed by Emperor Alexander III as a "foolish dream," today stood in the front rank of the members of the representative chamber while Emperor Nicholas put his final seal upon the Russian parliament and begged the representatives of the people to co-operate with him in working for the welfare of the country.

The lower house of the parliament adjourned over till tomorrow in order not to interfere with the opening exercises of the council of the empire and also to permit the committee of the constitutional Democrats to consider the reply to the speech from the throne.

Despatches received from all parts of Russia indicate that the opening of the parliament was celebrated everywhere.

For the first time since the ceremony of blessing the waters, January 19, 1905, when the emperor escaped death from a charge of grape from a gun of the saluting battery on the opposite bank of the river, his majesty were back in the Russian capital.

A little more than two hours later vast hosts of military and civil dignitaries began arriving at the Winter palace to listen to the emperor's message to the representatives of the people.

A magnificent pageant, headed by two masters of ceremonies in gorgeous robes of stuff with gold, then appeared. Before them walked two groups and three court heralds with gold tipped wands. Then like a phalanx came a resplendent array of court dignitaries and officials, all with their breasts covered with decorations, their papers in the procession being in the rank.

Following them, escorted by twelve tall grenadiers in bearskin akakos, under the command of two guard officers with drawn sabres, six high dignitaries bore the emblems of the sovereignty of the house of Romanoff, the seal of the empire, the imperial standard, the sword of state with its long straight place borne point up; the orb and sceptre and the glittering imperial crown in the order named.

Half a dozen pieces in the rear the emperor, walking alone, advanced easily, holding himself erect and evidently esteeming himself for the ceremony. He was dressed in the simple blue uniform of a colonel in the Pre-branjansky regiment of the guards, with half length boots, and his only decorations were the scarlet ribbon of the Alexander Nevsky order across his breast and the diamond star of the St. Andrew's order. He carried his military cap in his left hand.

Baby Hair Absent. At an interval of two paces came Baron Fredericks and two special aides-de-camp and then the two empresses, the place of honor being accorded to the dowager empress and the other members of the imperial family with the exception of the baby heir to the throne, Grand Duke Alexis Nicolaievich and the daughters of the emperor, followed in their order of succession to the throne. The empresses were clad in court costume, the ancient Russian dress, composed of a flowing, long gown, and over it a white skirt and a wearing on their heads the kokoshnik or high Russian headdress embroidered with pearls and diamonds. The crown of the dowager empress was white and heavily edged with dark fur, as a token of her widowhood. That of the empress was embroidered with gold. The young empress wore diamonds and the dowager empress pearls.

In the train of the imperial family came the matrons and maids of honor and the maids of honor in the same style costume, but with overdresses, the matrons of honor wearing green velvet and the maids of honor white with gold brocade. Behind these followed a long line of the wives and daughters of the noblest families of Russia, whose robes were of silk of varied light colors, blue, pink, rose and white. The emperor halted in the center of the hall and the Metropolitan Antonius advanced to meet him and held out the cross, which his majesty reverently kissed. Then bending forward the emperor clasped the hand of the Metropolitan, raised it to his lips and kissed it, the Metropolitan returning the salutation.

An Imposing Ceremony. The empresses, who had in the meantime advanced and taken their places on either side of the emperor, greeted the sacred emblem and the representative of the church in a similar manner, after which the bearers of the insignia of state having advanced to the steps of the throne, deposited the emblem of sovereignty on cushions resting on the dais on each side of the throne and the imperial family and courtiers having fallen slightly back, the emperor and the two empresses were left standing in an isolated group during the celebration of the Te Deum, which followed.

All eyes turned on the Emperor who was to meet as a precedent, but will it future meet with interference from the chair.

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Patent Medicine Committee. Dr. Stockton gave the following as those that would compose the committee to enquire into patent medicines: Templeman, Fisher, McLean, Holt, Belleau, Sprout, Lennox and Stockton.

Mr. Fielding introduced a bill making the next fiscal year terminate on March 31 instead of June 30.

Mr. Ingram complained of certain statements about himself in the Toronto World. (Continued on page 8, second column.)

IMPRISEMENT AND FINE FOR SHIPPERS WHO GET REBATES

Washington, May 10--The senate today completed the consideration of the second section of the railroad rate bill and just before adjournment listened to the reading of sections 3 and 4 without considering any amendments offered to them.

The purpose of this reading was to bring the consideration of the bill up to the point of taking up the Allison compromise amendments, which will be done tomorrow.

A number of very important changes were made in the second section, including a provision restoring the imprisonment penalty of the act of 1877 and an amendment suggested by Senator McPherson imposing a penalty of fine and imprisonment against shippers who secure rebate from transportation companies. The latter amendment was incorporated for the avowed purpose of hitting the trusts.

Another amendment adopted and offered by Senator Warren gives the government business a preference over all other traffic in time of war. A long series of changes were also made at the instance of the interstate commerce commission. Many of these were verbal, and all were intended to improve the administrative features of the law.

Senator Tillman stated privately when the senate adjourned that if these practices continue he would make an effort to have the speeches limited to five minutes duration.

EXPECT "EMPRESS OF BRITAIN" AT QUEBEC FRIDAY

C. P. R.'s New Liner Reported by Wireless from Cape Race Thursday --Left Liverpool Sunday Morning.

Montreal, May 10--The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's magnificent new steamship "Empress of Britain" came in today at 2 o'clock with the Marconi station at Cape Race, she being at that hour 105 miles east of that point.

Although the empress left her dock at Liverpool on Saturday evening she did not leave the Morsey until the next day, Sunday. Despatches received in the city tonight said that the Empress had met very heavy gales and that her performance in the teeth of these was remarkable and brought out fully the sterling qualities of the splendid vessel.

It is expected that she will arrive in Quebec about 8 o'clock tomorrow evening, when special C. P. R. trains will be in readiness to carry passengers to their destination.

BRITISH EDUCATION BILL PASSED ITS SECOND READING

Government's Normal Majority Reduced--Irish Nationalists Voted Solidly Against the Measure.

London, May 10--The education bill was passed on second reading in the House of Commons tonight by a vote much smaller than the government's normal majority, but fully equal to the expectation. The great struggle will occur when the bill is in the committee stage.

H. H. Asquith, chancellor of the exchequer, speaking in the House of Commons tonight said the government would resolutely adhere to the main provisions of the bill, which was dictated by justice and approved by a vast majority of the electors, but was perfectly ready to consider all manner of details in committee and listen to any suggestions with a view to a harmonious adjustment.

Augustine Birrell, president of the board of education, in winding up the debate also expressed the hope that the bill will be discussed in a spirit of peace.

The division was taken with a crowded house. Eighty Nationalist members voted with the minority, the labor members mostly supported the government and fourteen Ulster Unionists abstained.

San Francisco Acknowledges First Installment of Telegraph-Times Fund.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE, SECRETARY'S OFFICE, FRANKLIN HALL, FILLMORE AND BUSH STREETS. SAN FRANCISCO, May 4, 1906.

Evening Times, St. John, N. B. Gentlemen: His honor, Eugene E. Schmitz, Mayor of San Francisco, requests me to acknowledge receipt of your contribution of \$1,000.00 through the Agency in San Francisco of the Bank of British North America.

Through the same Agency, there has been received the sum of \$1,500.00 from the citizens of St. John, designated the first installment of The Telegraph and Times Relief Fund. Accept the cordial thanks of the citizens of San Francisco for this generous contribution.

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SPEAKER READS THE RIOT ACT IN PARLIAMENT

Warns Members in Ottawa House That Such Terms as "Perjurer" Will Not Be Permitted to Be Hurlled Across the Floor in Future--Dr. Stockton Gets His Patent Medicine Committee.

Ottawa, May 10--(Special)--There was a straightening out of some of the proceedings of last night, when the house met today.

In the first place, Mr. Speaker announced that he was convinced now that the language used by Mr. Ingram to Mr. Maclean, of South York, last evening, was unparliamentary, at the time, he thought Mr. Ingram was verging on what was unparliamentary, but the remarks were couched in such hypercritical terms he had difficulty in deciding whether or not to call him to order.

"It is my duty," said Mr. Speaker, "to preserve the decorum of the house, and this statement in fairness to the member who was offended against, and, at the same time to impress upon members that language, such as was used in this instance, must not be considered and will

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FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock, N. B., May 8.—The monthly meeting of the town council was held last night. The absentees were Mayor Munro and Coun. Dickinson, through illness. Coun. McLennan presided.

important body, and it is now thinking seriously of building a hall for its exclusive use. Nova Scotia parties are looking for stream drivers here to go to Labrador. About twenty men have recently been secured for Alfred Dickie's mill at Stewiacke.

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DEER ISLAND. Deer Island, May 7.—J. R. Fountain recently returned from Molokane, accompanied by his little grandnephew, Earl Murray.

ST. MARTINS. St. Martins, May 9.—Mrs. James DeLong left for St. John on Monday.

NEWCASTLE. Newcastle, May 8.—Claude Willerton left for the west Friday last and has accepted a position with the C. P. R. at North Bay.

HAMPTON. Hampton, N. B., May 8.—(Special)—Three cases of alleged St. Act violation were tried here today, before Justice Henry Piers and James W. Smith.

CHATHAM. Chatham, May 8.—The first meeting of the new town council was held last night, a full board and a large audience being present.

MONCTON. Moncton, N. B., May 8.—(Special)—Jas. Friel, of Dorchester, agent for the I. C. R. in the purchase of land for the new shops and terminals, was in the city again today.

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WILL TAKE CANADA'S GIFT IF IT IS MADE DIRECT

San Francisco Committee Notifies Toronto Inquirer to That Effect

Hon. Mr. Fielding Thinks it Would Hardly Be Possible to Send the Money, Since Roosevelt Had Refused it, But Was in Hopes That a Way Would Be Found Yet—R. L. Borden and Others Advocate That the \$100,000 Be Taken to Relieve Canadian Victims in Stricken Town.

San Francisco, May 8.—Mayor Schmitz elicited applause by reading the following telegram at a meeting of the construction committee today: "Toronto, Ont., May 8, 1906. 'The Canadian parliament voted \$100,000 for the relief of San Francisco, which was declined by President Roosevelt. It is still awaiting acceptance. Will you take it offered direct? Please rush answer.'"

QUEST INTO DEATH OF THOS. H. CRAWFORD. Further particulars of the death of Thomas H. Crawford at Hibernia Settlement, Queens County, told of in The Telegraph Monday, have been received. Mr. Crawford had been spending the winter with a family named Dolin, living in an adjoining settlement. He had expressed a desire to return to his own home and on Monday, April 30, returned, being driven by Mr. Dolin's grand-daughter. At this time Mr. Crawford appeared to be in his usual health.

PLANT LINE TO RUN THREE STEAMERS TO MARITIME PROVINCES. Boston, May 9.—The Plant Line Steamship Company announced today that it would place three large coastwise steamers on its route between Boston and the provinces for the summer season. The Pretoria, of the Quebec Steamship Company, which will be the largest coastwise vessel running out of this port, will be brought here in July.

85,000 Portland Mo. Fire. Portland, Me., May 9.—The wholesale grocery house of D. W. True & Co., 217 and 219 Commercial street, was heavily damaged by a fire which broke out about 11 o'clock. The loss on the stock, which was valued at about \$80,000 and covered by insurance, was principally by smoke and water. It was estimated at least \$50,000.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FUND. J. J. Alexander, U. S. consular agent on Campbell Island, has collected \$15 for the San Francisco sufferers and forwarded it to Judge Willrich, United States consul here. The U. S. consul has received a contribution of \$1 from W. G. Kee.

HARVARD WILL PLAY FOOTBALL. Boston, May 9.—The board of overseers of Harvard College by a vote of 15 to 9 this afternoon authorized the playing of football at Harvard next season. The game was ordered suspended several months ago on account of the brutality of the contest. The overseers recommend a more careful selection of officials.

Washing Without RUBBING. Here's a machine that washes clothes without rubbing and without water. It's the only machine that sends the water through the clothes—yet the clothes are not washed. It's the only machine that washes a tubful of clothes every five minutes. Write for a copy. The Dowsell Mfg. Co. Ltd. Hamilton, Ont.

Spain. On the lanes and by the wayside, the Spanish people are busy with their daily work. They are the most industrious and energetic of all the nations of the world. They are the most cheerful and contented. They are the most brave and courageous. They are the most loyal and devoted. They are the most patriotic and patriotic. They are the most patriotic and patriotic.

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COUNTY COUNCIL VOTES THE HOSPITAL INCREASE

Thousand Dollars Also for Salvation Army Maternity Hospital—Jail Prisoners to Do Work on Paupers' Lot in Fernhill, and \$250 is Granted—Councillor Long the New Warden.

At the quarterly meeting of the municipal council Tuesday afternoon, it was decided to grant \$1,000 to the hospital commission to be used for improvements at the Salvation Army Maternity Hospital. The jail prisoners will be sent to clear the paupers' burial lot in Fernhill, and \$250 was voted to the company to be expended on the lot.

The finance committee were instructed to look into the question of memorializing the local government for an increased grant to the public hospital, it being claimed that the institution was largely used by residents throughout the province at the expense of the city. Coun. John W. Long was elected warden.

Coun. F. M. Cochran, the retiring warden, occupied the chair and Coun. Searns, Christie, Rowan, Holder, Lockhart, Willet, Baxter, Lewis, Hargrove, McGoldrick, Hamm, Sprout, Pickett, Lantalam, Bullock, Tilley, Lowell, Long, Donovan, Adams, Carson, Connelly, Black, Dean and Corscadden were present, with Coun. Secretary G. R. Vincent, and Joseph A. Magilton, auditor. Marshall Coughlan was in attendance.

The secretary read the returns of the recent civic elections. On motion of Coun. Lowell the aldermen who are ex officio members, were declared elected. On motion of Coun. Lockhart, seconded by Coun. Baxter, Coun. John W. Long was nominated for warden for the ensuing year. There was no second nomination, and he was declared elected.

The retiring warden then delivered his valedictory. He referred in feeling terms to the death of Ald. Christie and Ald. Millidge, and spoke of the loss sustained by the municipality. The present location of the morgue in King street was condemned as a disgrace to the community, and the warden recommended it be placed in a more isolated spot. Increased office accommodation could then be obtained in the court house.

Congratulations were offered to Mayor Searns on his election by such a large majority, and in conclusion the retiring warden thanked the council for their courtesy and attention and bespoke the same for his successor.

Coun. Long was then escorted to the chair by the mover and second of his nomination, and he briefly thanked the council for the honor conferred upon him. On motion of Ald. Baxter the order of business was suspended for the purpose of passing resolutions on the death of Coun. Christie and Millidge.

Coun. Lowell moved a resolution touching the death of Coun. Christie, in which his eminent services and the careful attention he gave to all the work which came under his notice, were referred to. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Coun. Bullock moved a resolution on the death of Coun. Millidge, in which the conscientious work of the deceased and his many qualities which well fitted him for a seat at the council were mentioned. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

FINANCES. The secretary read the report of the finance committee, as follows: They recommended the following assessments be made upon the city and county for the several services and purposes named and in the same proportion upon the City of Saint John, upon the Parishes of Saint Martin, Simonds, Lancaster and Musquash, in the County of Saint John, and with the same allowance to assessors and collectors as last year's namely:

For contingencies, \$24,000.00
Alms House and Work House, 17,000.00
General Public Hospital, 20,000.00
Local Board of Health, 4,000.00

DEBENTURES. Interest and sinking fund—Alms House, second series, 1,000.00
Alms House, third series, 650.00
Hospital loan, 1,200.00
Hospital improvements, 1,200.00
Jail improvements, 600.00
Isolation Hospital, 300.00
Common schools, 16,394.88

SPECIAL. The committee recommended payment of the following amounts: Barnes & Co., blank books, treasurer's office, \$10.25
Clerk of County Court, stationery, 33.00
County secretary—Half cost, city office, 5.25; stamps, \$10.00, 15.25
County treasurer, care of office, \$4.50
Stamps, 50

SWEPT TO DEATH IN PENOBSCOT

Two Young Men Carried Over the Dam at Old Town, Maine

THIRD MAN SAVED

Rescuers Grabbed Him as He Was About to Take the Fatal Plunge—One of the Victims Belonged to Side Tracked Theatrical Show, the Other Was a B. & A. Brakeman.

Old Town, Me., May 8.—By the upsetting of their canoe today in the turbulent flood that swept down the Penobscot River in the spring, Harry F. Semen of Philadelphia and Wm. B. Ramaden were drowned and Wm. B. Ramaden was saved just as he was being carried over the new concrete dam.

The three young men were returning in a canoe during the afternoon from Indian Island in the Penobscot river to the town. The current swept them gradually towards the dam and realizing that they could not paddle safely they abandoned the canoe and leaped into the water.

Although they were all fair swimmers they could make no headway against the stream and were carried steadily down towards the dam.

Their plight was seen from the shore and workmen ran out on the walk over the dam in the heavy losses it sustained. The victims from the water as they swept underneath. Ramaden was the only one they could reach and as he tossed up his arms, willing hands pulled him out to safety.

The other two members of the party went over the falls. Semen was about thirty-four years old. Harry L. Ramaden was a member of the Side Tracked theatrical troupe playing here. Russell was about twenty years old and was a brakeman on the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad.

ONE COMPANY UNDER

As Result of San Francisco Fire, One Insurance Company Fails.

Chicago, May 7.—A petition for the appointment of a receiver for the Traders' Insurance Company was filed in the circuit court Saturday.

Byrus L. Smith, president of the Northern Trust Company, of this city, was later appointed receiver of the company by Judge Julian Mack, of the circuit court.

The Traders is one of the largest fire insurance companies in the west, and its distress is due to the heavy losses it sustained in San Francisco, said in the application for the receiver to be approximately \$1,748,000. The assets, it was also stated, had exceeded \$2,200,000. Other claims amounting to \$11,962 are unpaid. The bonds of Mr. Smith as receiver were fixed at \$2,000,000.

The company was in trouble, but it was announced and believed that the matter of its heavy losses in San Francisco could be arranged by an assessment against the stockholders of \$200 a share, and as the stockholders are all wealthy men, it was believed that the trouble was at an end. Saturday, however, some of the stockholders objected to the assessment, and it was decided to place the company in the hands of a receiver. The company now has outstanding policies aggregating \$10,000,000. The officers of the company are: T. J. Luff, president; S. A. Roehmel, secretary; and S. L. Collins, assistant secretary.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Two Criminal Cases—W. B. Mason Pleads Guilty to Shooting Daniel Holland, and Sentence is Deferred.

St. Andrews, N. B., May 8.—(Special)—The circuit court of Charlotte, Chief Justice Tuck presiding, opened at noon today.

There were two criminal indictments for the grand jury, William B. Mason for shooting with intent to kill, and William McDonald for bringing stolen goods into Canada. True bills were found in both cases.

The prisoner, Mason, was brought into court and through his counsel, M. N. Cockburn, K. C., pleaded guilty on the fifth count, viz. of shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm to Daniel Holland. He entered a plea of not guilty to the ten other counts that had been framed against him. His counsel made an appeal for clemency on the grounds that the prisoner was very deaf and that he was not wholly responsible for his actions.

The solicitor general accepted the plea that was entered and his honor announced that he would take time to consider what disposition to make of the prisoner. Owing to the absence of a material witness the McDonald case was not proceeded with, but will be taken up tomorrow.

In the civil case of Dr. J. B. Porter, of St. John, versus Sarah Brown of St. Stephen, an ejectment suit, judgment was entered for plaintiff by default.

The case of Woodbury vs. Spinney, in which Mosses, Wallace and Morrell, of St. John, are the lawyers, was made a remanet.

SENSATIONAL MURDER OF A TURKISH BEY

Strangled to Death in Court Room by Prisoner Who Buried His Teeth in Victim's Throat.

Constantinople, May 8.—Medjim Eddin Bey, procurator general of the Vilayet of Tripoli, North Africa, has been murdered in a highly sensational manner, by All Shampyl Pasha, former military governor of Soutari, a suburb of the city.

According to report received All Shampyl, who is a Kurdish chieftain and who recently was exiled to Ripa on the charge of being concerned in the murder of Reizun Pasha at Constantinople, was undergoing an examination when he suddenly rushed upon the procurator general, fixed his teeth in his throat and held on like a bull dog until his victim was throttled to death.

Two Years' Prison for Mason. St. Andrews, N. B., May 8.—In the circuit court today, Chief Justice Tuck sentenced Mason, charged with shooting Daniel Holland, to the penitentiary for two years. Wm. McDonald, accused of bringing stolen goods into Canada, was bound over until the October court.

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FOREST RESERVE BILL INTRODUCED

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Explains Its Provisions and Tracts to Be Set Aside.

Ottawa, May 8.—(Special)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved his motion in the house today to take Wednesday for government business. The premier, at the request of some members of the opposition, made his resolution apply to Wednesday, May 16th, so that tomorrow can be devoted to the indemnity discussion on W. F. Macleod's bill.

Hon. Frank Oliver once again pointed out the large number of returns which the opposition was asking. He said that there were now twelve returns asked for from his department, and it would take 15,480 hours already spent in preparing returns in the department. One return examined a second class clerk four weeks examining 15,000 files; another return involved the examination of 100,000 letters, respecting the sale of government land. There was another return of a similar character in respect to the sale of Indian lands which would occupy a clerk for three months and the total exports.

Quebec Timber Limits Sale. DALHOUSIE, N. B., May 8 (Special)—The famous Robitaille timber limits, situated in Bonaventure Co., and the property of Louis Robitaille, Quebec, have been sold to an American syndicate for six hundred thousand dollars. This will be pleasing news to people in Bonaventure who have complained for years that on his department the Pines Dominion forest reserve, the Lake Manitoba West Dominion forest reserve, the Spruce Woods Dominion forest reserve, the Duck Mountain forest reserve, and the Percine Mountain Dominion forest reserve in Manitoba, the Beaver Hills Dominion forest reserve, the Pines Dominion forest reserve, and the Moose Mountain Dominion forest reserve in Saskatchewan.

The bill in regard to forestry reserves was held over. On motion to go into supply on house, R. L. Borden asked if the government intended to replace the Yukon council, which is now composed of six appointed and five elected members with a council entirely elected.

Hon. Mr. Oliver said that Yukon matters had engrossed the attention of the government considerably of late. The Yukon would get a bill of autonomy as soon as advisable.

Dr. Thompson, representing the Yukon, said that the people of the Yukon wanted an elected council or remain as at present.

