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THAW BACKS UP WIFE'S STORY

Issues Statement Declaring Her Evidence True in Every Respect

Scores Jerome for Ungentlemanly Conduct in Examining Her—Says Her Natural Goodness is Beyond District Attorney's Comprehension—Dr. Evans Still of Opinion That Prisoner was Insane Before and at Time of Killing Stanford White.

New York, Feb. 28.—Harry K. Thaw... an extremely dull session of his trial in the supreme court today by giving out to newspaper men a brief statement in which he accused District Attorney Jerome of having made unprofessional remarks in court, asserting that his wife's testimony was absolute truth and in conclusion declared that Mrs. Thaw's natural and real goodness was above the comprehension of the prosecuting officer.

Thaw's Statement. "With chances millions to one against her after the catastrophe in 1901, it is wonderful that Mrs. H. K. Thaw prevailed in the cross-examination against the prosecution backed by blacklegs. Her testimony was absolute truth. Our evidence was of conversations. The cross-examination has proved the exact facts under oath."

Thaw began the preparation of this statement yesterday. One of the newspaper tables adjoining the table occupied by his counsel, and a reporter sitting near the defendant read over the latter's shoulder the two opening paragraphs. When the newspapers appeared yesterday with the extracts from his statement printed in display type, Thaw was much chagrined. Today in court he took the reporter to task. He said he had not intended making the statement public until the end of the trial. He further asserted that many mistakes appeared in the portion of the statement which was published and added that he might make a correction later.

Wouldn't Trust Reporters. Last night in his cell in the Tombs Thaw completed his statement and today, after he had spoken to the reporter who had looked over his shoulder, he handed the original draft to another reporter whom he has known for many weeks and in whom he had implicit confidence. He also handed the newspaper man a brown envelope. "Seal the statement up in this envelope," said Thaw, "and write your name across the flap. I am going to have some typewritten copies made and when they are completed I want you to compare them with the original and if they are all right they will be given out."

Jerome Aiming at Lunacy Commission. Dr. Britton D. Evans, the alienist, was in the witness chair all of today undergoing cross-examination at the hands of District Attorney Jerome. The prosecutor said before adjournment that he would probably keep Dr. Evans on the stand throughout tomorrow. This means that the cross-examination of Dr. Wagner, another alienist, will not be reached until next week and makes indefinite the time when the defense will rest.

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SCENES AT HARRIMAN INQUIRY



ALEX GIBSON ON THE STAND

New York, Feb. 28.—After amazing his listeners with the complete story of the celebrated Chicago and Alton Railroad reorganization, which netted millions to him and his associates, E. H. Harriman surprised the members of the interstate commerce commission by refusing to tell what his individual holdings were of the original stock. Under advice of counsel, he declined to answer a question put to him by James B. Kellogg, chief investigator, on the ground that the commission is not clothed with power to inquire into the private transactions even of a railway president.

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SCHEME FOR OLD AGE ANNUITIES

Wage Earner, After 39 Years Paying, Could Draw \$120 Per Annum

Sir Richard Cartwright Unfolds a Plan in Senate to Keep a Man After Sixty Years of Age from the Alms House—Start at 21 and Pay Half a Day's Pay a Week into Government Fund and Take it Easy Later On.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, Feb. 28.—Sir Richard Cartwright in the senate today said that the matter of old age pensions was of no small importance. He had received a good deal of attention in Great Britain and in other colonies, and he had no doubt would engage much attention in Canada. In Canada there was little chance that any frugal and industrious man could not acquire a competence for his age, if given a fair opportunity.

There had been distress among the wage earners in Canada but the land now enjoyed great prosperity and the present might be regarded as a very good time for Canadian wage earners to make provision for other times, which might unfortunately come. Sir Richard said he did not believe in old age pensions for Canada, but thought the wage earner should be given an opportunity at a reasonable cost of obtaining an annuity guaranteed by the state for his years of age. He said that Canada could at an infinitesimal expense afford wage earners the opportunity of buying a competence in the form of an annuity.

There must be a provision allowing the resuming of payments interrupted at any time, and the annuity must be exempt from seizure. No creditor should be allowed to lay his clutches on the annuity or any part of it. In the third place there should be no possibility of anticipating the benefits. There should, however, be a provision that if a man died, his heirs could recover the money he had paid in with reasonable interest. Sir Richard thought that the state alone was able to give the assurance necessary to make an annuity plan a success. No private corporation, however sound today, could assure a man that it would be equally sound twenty-five years hence.

What a Man Would Get. Sir Richard said he had secured careful actuarial calculations and the results were rather surprising. He had ascertained that allowing an interest rate of three and a half per cent and three-quarter per cent with the present average wage and the present average duration of life in Canada, this result could be obtained, with little or no cost to the state: Any man by paying the earnings of an hour and a half a day, or half a day a week and beginning at the age of 21 years, could be assured, at the age of 60 years, of an annuity of \$120 a year, and if he were willing to forego the annuity until he was 65 years of age he could be paid an annuity then of \$200.

Sir Richard said the mode of payment would have to be made easy, and he would have the funds separated and held by commissioners for this service. While chiefly intended for wage earners, annuities would be also available and of benefit to farmers and all other classes. Hon. G. W. Ross intimated that he would continue the debate on some future occasion.

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ALEX GIBSON CRITICALLY ILL

New Brunswick Lumber King Stricken Down With Pneumonia

HAS FIGHTING CHANCE

Patient Slightly Improved Last Night But His Great Age is a Handicap—Two Aldermanic Candidates Appear—Shift in Bank Managers.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 28.—Alexander Gibson, the lumber and cotton king of New Brunswick, is seriously ill at his home in Marysville from an attack of pneumonia. He has not been enjoying his usual good health for several days, in consequence of the flu, against which his physician's advice, he Tuesday against pneumonia is in his eighty-seventh year it is feared that he will not be able to survive his present illness.

Dr. Fisher remained with him the greater part of last night and this morning Dr. Atterton was called in consultation. They regard the patient's condition as quite critical. This evening Mr. Gibson is reported to be improved by Dr. Fisher, who thinks that if no complications set in he has a chance for recovery.

Rev. A. W. Mason, of St. Andrew's, delivered an interesting lecture before the Fredericton Teachers' Association this evening on a Canadian Humorist. John E. Page occupied the chair. Subscriptions to the cathedral organ fund now amount to \$5,500.

Harry C. Jewett is announced as an aldermanic candidate for Queens ward. D. J. Stockford talks of entering the field as an aldermanic candidate for Wellington ward.

The executive of the Union of Municipalities has been summoned to meet in this city previous to the time that the legislature takes up the bill to amend the charter of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, Ltd. The Union will undoubtedly oppose the bill in its present shape, which is understood the Union will ask for a number of amendments to the bill, including one which will put in reference to the matter of rates and questions which arise when a community desires a telephone line in the hands of a commission or else the government, feeling that the people must be protected against anything in the shape of a monopoly.

L. R. Hayward, a Normal school student, is suffering from the result of a recent basketball game, having had the misfortune to break his left arm and sprain quite badly his right wrist. Mr. Hayward, whose home is in Westmorland county, is a member of the senior class at the Normal school.

At the United Baptist parsonage at Marysville, Bert Peterson and Miss Lavinia Robinson, daughter of Policeman Duncan Robinson, of Marysville, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. H. Ferguson.

C. M. Manning, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia branch here, has been transferred to London (Ont.) Mr. Benson, son-in-law of Premier Tweedie, will succeed Mr. Manning. Robert Rosborough, of this city, who opened the branch at London, goes to New Glasgow. Mr. Manning, who is a son-in-law of General Man-ager McLeod, has been here five years.

BRUTAL OTTAWA HOCKEY PLAYERS LET OFF EASY Montreal, Feb. 28.—(Special)—All Smith and "Baldy" Spittal, two members of the Ottawa hockey club, were fined \$20 each and costs in the court of special sessions for assault. The charges were laid following the game of Feb. 27, in which the Ottawa men used brutal tactics. The victims of the brutality were Hod Stuart and Cecil Littleford, both of whom were carried off the ice unconscious after they had been knocked down by blows on the head. Both Ottawa players were also compelled to furnish bonds to keep the peace for a year.

DOMINION STEEL COMPANY TO CUT WAGES TEN PER CENT.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 28.—Dominion Iron and Steel Company have notified the men employed in the blooming mill, rod mill and open hearth furnace of a cut in wages. The cut will average about ten per cent. There is a good deal of dissatisfaction at the announcement and several of the best men have signified their intention of leaving. For the past few months the company have been steadily losing good employees. The mill men, who are getting a bonus of 25 cents a ton, will now get only \$100,000 Utica Fire. Utica, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A fire which broke out in the Mosher block in Blooming street this afternoon, called out the entire department. Four business firms suffered a heavy loss. They are the Standard Brass Works, the B. & C. Electrical works, the A. H. Williams Drug Co., and the J. E. Hodge Wallpaper and paint house. The loss was about \$100,000.

FOUR OF MINISTER'S FAMILY KILLED BY DYNAMITE

Rev. Mr. Tittle, Wife, Baby and Former's Father the Victims—Had Explosive Stored in House.

(Carmi, Ill., Feb. 28.—By an explosion of dynamite today Rev. J. B. Tittle, his father, his wife and baby were killed, and two children of the family were fatally injured. Mr. Tittle, who was a Baptist minister, had the dynamite in his house expecting to use the explosive in blowing out stumps. The residence was totally destroyed.

RED CROSS AID FOR CHINESE STARVING

\$100,000 Has Already Been Forwarded, But Death and Destitution Are Increasing.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The American National Red Cross forwarded by cable to China today for the relief of the famine sufferers of that country \$65,000. Of this remittance \$50,000 is advanced by the Christian Herald.

To this date the Red Cross has cabled to China for the relief of the famine sufferers \$110,000 and has shipped to China \$100,000 worth of flour and 7,500 bushels of seed wheat. The needs of the Chinese are set out in the following cablegram to the Christian Herald, New York, from the editor of the North China News: "The distribution of relief to famine sufferers by the missionary committee with headquarters at Chinking, is proceeding smoothly. It is recognized, however, as only a drop in the ocean of need. The area of the affected district is enlarging as winter advances and destitution is longer drawn out. Daily the number of deaths is increasing and in the interior are thousands of deaths that will never be reported."

PROHIBITION BILL INTRODUCED IN NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE

Measure Largely Copied from P. E. Island Act—It May Carry.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Halifax, N. S., Feb. 28.—The much discussed prohibition bill was introduced today in the legislature by Mr. Armstrong, of Yarmouth. The bill, which is very drastic in its provisions, is said to be largely a copy of the P. E. Island act. While introduced as a private member's bill, its provisions entailing, as they do, a provincial expenditure, must have the support of the government before it can be effective.

STIFF SENTENCES ON HAMILTON GAMBLERS

(Special to The Telegraph.) Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 28.—The police magistrate gave a section of the sporting fraternity a jolt this morning, by sending Harry Daniels, Wm. Buckingham and J. Hickey to jail for two months and imposed a fine of \$10, in default of payment of which they will have to spend three months longer in jail. All three pleaded guilty to a charge of running gambling houses, raided Sunday morning. Fifty-four men arrested at the time were discharged, no evidence being offered against them.

Want Tan Bark Embargo Lifted

(Toronto, Feb. 28.—(Spec)—A deputation of lumbermen and settlers from Parry Sound and other districts waited on Hon. Mr. Cochrane this morning and urged the abrogation of the embargo on tan bark which has been maintained since 1899. They argued that the farmers were enabled by reason of the embargo to maintain a monopoly as to prices with the result that bark was only realizing \$5 a cord in this province as compared with \$12 a cord in the United States.

BROTHERS TELL WHY THEY KILLED SISTER'S HUSBAND OF AN HOUR

Culpeper, Va., Feb. 28.—To avenge the wrong done his sister, Phillip Strother, one of the defendants on trial for the murder of his brother-in-law, William Bywaters, today admitted on the witness stand that while he had not anticipated trouble, he "shot to kill" when Bywaters attempted to desert his "bride of an hour."

The knowledge of his sister's betrayal, James A. Strother, the other defendant declared, caused him to feel like a crazy man, and when Bywaters attempted to leave the house he determined to bring her betrayer "to a reckoning." Four witnesses, two brothers, a sister and an uncle of Mrs. Bywaters, testified at today's session.

In its cross-examination, the prosecution was unable to shake Mrs. Gaines' testimony for the defense. There was a pathetic scene in the court room when James A. Strother told of the promise he made his mother on her death bed, "to protect and defend the honor of his sister Viola," the witness breaking down and sobbing. The effect on the jury was apparent.

There is some anxiety over the possibility of the trial coming to a halt on account of the illness of the mother of one of the jurors, C. O. Keller, of Woodstock. It was stated here this afternoon that Mrs. Keller is at the point of death, and that her son is anxious to return immediately to his home.

ANOTHER FLYER WRECKED; ONE DEAD AND MANY INJURED

B. and O. Express Goes Over Embankment and Whole Train Burns Up. Connelville, Pa., Feb. 28.—Baltimore & Ohio train No. 49, west-bound, being eighteen minutes late and running forty miles an hour, was wrecked tonight near Indian Creek, seven miles east of here. The entire train, consisting of a combination smoking and baggage car, two day coaches and the private car of Robert J. Finney, superintendent of the Pittsburgh division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, left the rails and, after running for 200 feet along the ties, was thrown into a ditch at the foot of a mountain, where the wreckage was completely burned.

The engine was killed, the fireman fatally injured, and the baggage master, express messenger, conductor and six passengers were seriously injured. About thirty passengers were more or less cut and bruised.

The dead: William Irwin, Pittsburg, engineer, caught under the wrecked engine and burned to death before the passenger car was derailed. He was powerless to liberate him. Fatally injured: T. R. Frederick, Pittsburg, fireman.

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BRITAIN'S NAVAL PLANS HANG FIRE

Depends on Hague Conference Whether Programme is Carried Out

GREAT IMPROVEMENT

First Lord of Admiralty Says Gunnery is Twice as Accurate as Previous Year—Dreadnought a Great Success—Beresford is in Full Command of All Fleets.

(Special to The Telegraph.) London, Feb. 28.—A statement of the naval estimates for 1907-8 presented to parliament tonight, introduces quite a novel feature, inasmuch as it makes the construction of battleships during the coming year dependent in a measure upon the decisions reached at the next peace conference at the Hague. Thus the new construction, estimated at \$40,500,000, against \$46,175,000 for 1906-7, will, says Lord Tweedmouth, first lord of the admiralty, include two or, unless an understanding between the naval powers is reached at the Hague conference, three large armored vessels of the Dreadnought type.

One fast unarmored cruiser, five torpedo boat destroyers, twelve torpedo boats and twelve submarines also are provided for. On April 1 there will be under construction five battleships, seven armored cruisers, eight torpedo boat destroyers, seven torpedo boats and twelve submarines. The estimates for the year show a total reduction of 1,000 men and \$5,675,000 compared to 1906-7.

Lord Tweedmouth commented upon the striking improvement in the gunnery of the fleet, compared to last year. The average of hits was practically doubled, and the improvement was general throughout the fleet and not confined to a picked selection of crack ships. He mentions also the highly satisfactory performances of the battleship Dreadnought, and the greater efficiency that has resulted from the system of nucleus crews.

He said the fleet at home will continue to combine, for war purposes, under the orders of the commander of the Channel fleet, in other words, Lord Beresford; while the Channel, Atlantic and "home" fleets will carry out their periodic manoeuvres together under his command. This presumably means Lord Beresford's objection that practically all vessels of the destroyer class had been taken from the Channel squadron for the "home" fleet, as Lord Beresford is now in virtual command of both fleets.

No Opposition to Solicitor-General.

Three Rivers, Feb. 28.—(Special)—Hon. Jacques Bureau, solicitor-general, is elected by acclamation.

DEATH OF AUDITOR GENERAL BEEK

Passed Away in Fredericton at an Early Hour Friday Morning

IN OFFICE 20 YEARS

Formerly Active in Business and a Leading Citizen of the Capital—Leaves Behind the Record of a Good Life.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, March 1.—Auditor General James S. Beek died at his residence here at 1.30 o'clock this morning. Mr. Beek was ninety-two years of age and for three months he had been suffering from mental trouble and general breakdown. Towards the last he did not recognize his friends. For twenty years Auditor-General Beek was in the service of the province and until last December was remarkably healthy and vigorous, being able to discharge his duties to that time. Since December 1 he had been in failing health.

James S. Beek was born in Cork, Ireland, twenty years ago and came to this country with his parents when a boy of ten years. He landed in St. John but all his life. He entered mercantile life and became a great force in the capital and was much interested in civic politics. For some years he served as alderman and was also mayor. On the occasion of the visit of King Edward—then Prince of Wales—to Fredericton, Mr. Beek was chief executive and read an address of welcome to the prince.

In 1887 he was appointed auditor-general of the province and filled that position worthily for twenty years, retiring last December, when he was superannuated. He was always interested in everything that tended for the uplifting of the city, and was a strong advocate of temperance, each year he was elected an officer of the local branch of the Bible Society. For some time he acted as justice of the peace. About three years ago he was awarded the distinction of an imperial service order.

Auditor-General Beek was married three times. His first wife was Miss Barber, his third wife, who died about ten years ago, was a daughter of the late Hon. John A. Partlow, of St. John. One daughter, Miss Kary, survives.

GREAT INCREASE IN CUSTOMS RECEIPTS

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—(Special)—The customs receipts of the dominion for the eight months of the fiscal year ended today show a revenue of \$34,552,381, or an increase of nearly \$5,000,000 over the same time last year. The revenue for the month of February was \$4,207,732, or an increase of \$870,000.

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 28.—(Special)—A local Y. M. C. A. physical instructor has gone wrong, and incidentally has left the city. Recently some of the boarders in the house where Mr. Marsh boarded since coming to Moncton, began to miss things. Very recently sums of money disappeared. One of the boarders lost \$30, another \$30, and another mysteriously lost \$10 from his room.

Among the articles which disappeared so mysteriously were fountain pens, cameras and other small articles. When the money began to disappear from the boarders' rooms it was thought right time to call in the police. Chief Chappell was called in yesterday and last night brought the cause of the strange disappearances home to Marsh. When confronted by Chief Chappell, in his room at the boarding house, and charged with committing the thefts Marsh confessed and divulged the stolen property. In all he had stolen from the boarders \$75 in cash, besides a number of articles which the gentlemen missed occasionally.

None of the parties would lay information against the erring young man and last night he made a hasty flight from the city in the direction of New York. Marsh was recommended to the Moncton Y. M. C. A. by the head office of the physical instruction department and came here last fall. He is a German and talked rather broken English. He was an excellent physical instructor and appeared to take great pride in his classes. Recently the different classes including the ladies were photographed with the instructor as the central figure.

While investigating Marsh's habits after bringing the stealing home to him, Chief Chappell learned that he had recently forwarded \$100 to his home in Germany. Part of this money was admitted to be stolen.

The death of Mrs. A. H. Seely, which occurred yesterday afternoon, though not unexpected, will be learned with sincere regret by a wide circle of friends. The deceased had been ill for some months and a patient sufferer. Mrs. Seely, who was 53 years of age is survived by her husband and three children, Mr. J. H. Seely, of the Nova Scotia Steel Company, Sydney Mines, Abbott H., of the Royal Bank of Canada, at Niagara Falls, Ont., and Theodor in the west.

She was the daughter of Edward McCarthy and is survived by two brothers, Chas. S. McCarthy, L. G. R. McCarthy, inspector, Moncton, and George A. McCarthy, engineer on the Temiscaming and North-eastern Ontario Railway at North Bay, and three sisters, Mrs. M. Lodge, Mrs. M. McQuarrie, and Miss Mary McCarthy, Moncton. There will be a private funeral from the family residence this evening and at her own request the remains will be taken to Montreal for cremation.

The Maritime express from Montreal this morning left the Quebec division at about the time of the storm and intense cold. Moncton, N. B., Feb. 27.—The Montreal fire holocaust has stirred some prominent citizens to action in reference to looking into the condition of the Moncton school buildings. At a meeting of the council of the board of trade this evening the matter of providing fire escapes for school buildings was urgently pressed upon the school board and mayor by F. W. Summers.

Moncton schools are as well equipped as most school buildings as regards exits, but they are not provided with fire escapes. The school board and mayor were urged to act at once in having placed on the Opera House and all school buildings modern fire escapes.

Moncton Y. M. C. A. is searching for a physical instructor to take the place of March, who was recently caught stealing from a boarding house, and hurriedly left for New York. At a meeting of the directors tonight it was decided to apply to the Springfield trustees for the right to send a delegation to act in conjunction with the other municipalities in opposing the New Brunswick telephone charter, especially excessive capitalization, and protect the interests of the public generally.

The Society L'Assomption tonight celebrated the centenary of the poet Longfellow. A programme was carried out, including a lecture on the life and works of the poet, by Father Bourgeois, of the University of St. Joseph. There were also speeches by Senator Poirier and others.

The Moncton & Buctouche railway train, which was blocked at Buctouche by snow yesterday, reached Moncton this afternoon after a hard trip. Snow eight to ten feet deep is piled along the railway, and conditions are as bad as any time in the rough winter of 1905.

HARCOURT Harcourt, Feb. 28.—W. F. W. Fride, who has been spending the past two weeks in Boston, has returned to his home here. J. N. Warden has returned from Richibucto, where he was visiting his brother, John M. Warden. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Thibault have returned from visiting friends in Newcastle and Chatham.

J. Wry, Melvin and Walter Carter and A. R. Atkinson, who have been working in the lumber woods in northern Maine, returned home on Saturday. Everett Price, who has been spending the past few weeks in Old Town (Me.), has returned home.

GRAND FALLS. Grand Falls, Feb. 28.—James Burgess, M. P., went to Ottawa on Tuesday to attend the legislative duties. Mayor J. F. McChesney returned today from Fredericton, where he has been attending the forestry convention.

ROTHESAY

Rothsay, Feb. 27.—The cottage in the park owned by Dr. G. A. Hetherington has been sold to Mr. MacIntosh, of St. John, who intends to live here during the summer season. He was in Rothsay this afternoon, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Colton, making arrangements for some extra building, storage of ice, etc.

Among the guests at the Kennedy House yesterday were Mr. Carpenter, of Queen's county; Mr. Kirk, of Antigonish (N. S.), who has a son attending Rothsay College; and Mr. Hetherington, of St. John, en route to their home at The Cedars. George W. Ketchum, of St. John, is also stopping at this hotel for a month.

There is still a great deal of sickness among the older residents. Mrs. W. E. Scott and L. A. Almon are improved in health. Mrs. R. E. Puddington and Miss Puddington have gone to New York for a trip.

DEER ISLAND Deer Island, Feb. 28.—Miss Winnifred Smith, of St. Stephen, has charge of the school at Chocolate Cove. Edgar Chaffey, Eddie McNeill and Hathaway Fountain made a short business trip to St. John recently.

Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Arkansas, is preaching in the Christian churches of the island. Lloyd, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Appleby, who less than a year ago broke his arm, had the misfortune to again dislocate the same member. The fracture was attended to by Dr. H. V. Joubert, of Eastport.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dixon spent a week recently with Mr. Bolye's parents at Inverness. Mrs. Ben Simpson, of Lord's Cove, is in St. Andrews for medical treatment.

Linden Fountain, of Kendall's Head, called on friends here a few days ago and Beverly Halsey spent a few days in St. Stephen recently.

FREDERICTON Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 27.—Monday is nomination day in the civic elections, but not a candidate has filed his name. H. F. McLeod has his card out for mayor.

This morning letters of administration in the estate of the late John MacPherson were granted to Willard Kitchen, husband of the deceased's only child. The estate was worth at \$57,300. Real estate, \$12,925; personal, \$25,025. The late Mr. MacPherson carried life insurance to the amount of \$39,000.

There was an auction sale of timber licenses today. The first offered was for three square miles on Salmon Brook, a branch of Cains river. The applicants were T. J. McCarty and B. McCormack, and it was bid in by John Maloney at \$27 per mile.

The Miramichi Lumber Company has finished their season's lumbering operations and the last crew came out of the woods on Saturday. It is estimated that their total cut of logs will not be far short of 35,000,000 feet. The company's largest operation was on the Taxis river and tributaries, where they cut 11,000,000 feet. Of this total 4,000,000 was handled by H. Young, of Naswaak. The company has also operated extensively on the Northwest Miramichi, Cains river and the Sister Brook, the total cut on those streams being close to 24,000,000 feet.

At the present time there is upwards of four feet of snow in the Miramichi woods, and the outlook for stream driving is regarded as very favorable.

SACKVILLE. Sackville, Feb. 28.—The death of Mrs. Patrick Dalton, an esteemed resident of Murray street, occurred on Thursday last. Deceased was seventy-eight years old. Her husband passed away in September last. Three sons survive—Thomas and Matthew, of Boston, and George at home, and one daughter, Mrs. Dennis Mahoney, of Melrose (N. B.). She also leaves a brother, John O'Heron, of Melrose. Funeral was held on Saturday, Rev. Father Lethal officiating. Interment at Melrose cemetery.

WOLFVILLE. Wolfville, N. S., Feb. 27.—It is reported that a steel shipbuilding industry is about to be established at Hantsport. A meeting of St. Andrew's church in the new industry. Work will be commenced in the spring.

HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Feb. 25.—Two young children of Albert Robertson of Albert Mines, were badly scalded a few days ago by the upsetting of a kettle of boiling water. Dr. J. R. Lewis, of Hillsboro, is attending them.

The ten-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. William Barkhouse, who has been dangerously ill for several weeks, is improving. There has been a report that Mrs. Frances Eliza Rogers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Rogers, entertained fourteen of her relatives at Hopewell Hill on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the anniversary of her eighth birthday. The young folk spent a very pleasant day.

Mr. Ben Robinson returned on Friday from St. John, where she spent three weeks visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. Harris Akers, Liverpool (Eng.), visited Mrs. Frank Carney last week. Mrs. Akers, who has spent the past year at Alma at the home of her father, Capt. John Shields, intends leaving soon for her home in Liverpool.

Harvey Smith, who was operated upon for appendicitis a few days ago, is doing nicely. Mrs. H. W. Williams, of Antigonish (N. S.), visited Mrs. Frank Carney last week. Mrs. Akers, who has spent the past year at Alma at the home of her father, Capt. John Shields, intends leaving soon for her home in Liverpool.

APPOHAQUI Apohaqui, N. B., Feb. 25.—Miss James Gillis, of St. John, is the guest of Mrs. R. Williams. Geo. P. O. Fenwick, of Dorchester, spent Sunday at St. John.

Dorena McCready, of Moncton, was in the village on Saturday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Parlee and son, Lorne, spent Saturday in St. John.

Clarence Pearson and Burnett, of Sussex, performed an operation on Guy Adair today. Dr. Adair has his jaw badly broken while handling logs a few days ago and doctors found it necessary to wire the bone to keep it in place.

SALISBURY Salisbury, N. B., Feb. 28.—The train on the Salisbury & Harvey Railway was held up by a heavy snow storm today, and consequently there has been no communication with outside points. Manager Sherwood says he hopes to have the road clear for traffic tomorrow. Mr. Sherwood also says that he has just purchased in New York a fine locomotive for the road and that he will have it in operation in a few days.

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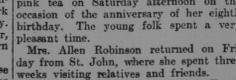
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If your bowels, kidneys or skin are not ridding the blood of waste matter, the system is laden with poisons, which inflame the nerves. It is these irritated nerves that make the headache. Powders and pills won't cure, they merely drug the nerves to unconsciousness and relieve for a short time. "Fruit-a-tives" cure Headache, Neuralgia and Nerve Pains because they purify the blood. They act directly on the three great eliminating organs—Bowels, Kidneys and Skin—and restore them to healthy action, thus ridding the system of all poisons.

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PRISONER FEARED CHARGE OF MURDER

Jas. Allen Was Wanted for Brutal Assault of His Three-Year-Old Child

Blind and Maimed as Result of Beating

Chief Carpenter of Montreal Came Here for Prisoner and Took Him Away Thursday Night—Wants Chief Clerk to Attend Convention of Police Chiefs.

With the awful thought that he was the slayer of his own child bearing upon his mind, James Allen, of Montreal, a former Englishman, spent Thursday in the jail here, and in the evening was taken to Montreal by Chief Detective Sims. L. Carrière, before leaving, however, he was informed that his little girl was not dead but was badly injured.

Allen, an Englishman, was arrested on Wednesday evening by Deputy Jenkins and Detective Kilien on a warrant charging him with aggravated assault. Thursday morning he was taken to the St. John police station, where he was held in the cell.

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FATAL CRASH OF TRAINS ON I. C. R.

Samuel Keith of Sussex and Fireman Dean Penned in Wreckage Dead

EXPRESSES STRUCK

Head-on Collision of Atlantic from St. John and Halifax Night Train for This City at Brookfield—Engineer Flavin Fatally Hurt—No Passengers Seriously Injured.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 26.—Two men were killed outright and a number are reported injured in a head-on collision of the Atlantic express from St. John and the express which left here tonight for St. John, at Brookfield Station tonight. The dead: Samuel Keith, of Sussex (N. B.), baggage master on the train from Halifax.

Dean, of Truro, fireman on the Atlantic express. Engineer Flavin, of the Atlantic express, is reported injured so seriously that he is not expected to live.

Brookfield is five miles from here. An accident happened at 11 o'clock and details are meagre, but it is known that Fireman Dean, of the Boston train, is dead, that Driver Flavin of the same train is dying, and that Baggage-master Samuel Keith, of the St. John express is also dead.

No Passengers Seriously Injured. There are some minor injuries among the other men on the engines, but nothing serious, and the passengers all escaped with very slight hurt.

Both trains were going at a good rate of speed but the one from Halifax was losing its headway somewhat, preparatory to hauling up at the station.

Baggage-master Pinned in Wreckage. The engines locked completely. The baggage car No. 9 was driven through the postal car, telescoping it. Baggage-master Keith was killed instantly and was pinned in so securely that his body had not been got out more than an hour afterwards.

Fireman Dean was also killed at once and his remains, also, were so imbedded in the wreckage that they had not yet been removed when the last word was received from Brookfield. Wrecking trains have been sent out from Halifax and Truro.

Henry DeJorret, of St. John, who was on No. 9 train from Halifax, telephoned your correspondent that he was uninjured and that none of the other passengers were seriously hurt.

Samuel Keith was about 70 years old and had been many years in railroading. He had been baggage-master for many years on the Sussex express and during the last seven years held that position on the Atlantic express. He is survived by his wife, five sons and three daughters.

WELL KNOWN KINGS COUNTY MAN SUICIDES

George Sommers, of Colina, Hanged Himself Monday—Was in Falling Health and Despondent.

Apohaqui, N. B., Feb. 26.—George Sommers, of Colina, Kings county, hung himself in his own bedroom yesterday about 4 p. m.

The deceased has been in falling health for the past two years, and of late he has been carefully watched by members of the family. He was well known and much respected in the community in which he lived. He was 63 years of age and leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter.

BORDEN TESTS HIS STRENGTH

Government Has Thirty-three Majority on Motion of Censure

FOSTER COMPLAINS

Declares Minister of Justice Should Not Have Given Insurance Commission and Mr. Shepley a Free Hand in Their Investigation.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—During the routine proceedings in the house today Mr. Lefurgey said that there were only two mails received from P. E. Island during the past couple of days and he suggested that some permanency and better pay be given to those who looked after this work when the steamers stuck in the ice.

Mr. Hughes (P. E. I.), said that he had arranged these matters with the minister of marine and fisheries and this was now being carried out.

On motion to go into supply Mr. Lennox (Simcoe) took occasion to discuss the proceedings of the insurance committee. He said that while there was steady correspondence going on between the department and Mr. Shepley, counsel for the commission, it was certain that Mr. Aylesworth took charge of the department. Mr. Lennox wanted to know why this change of method had taken place.

Mr. Aylesworth said that what he knew of the proceedings of the commission was from the daily newspapers. He had no communication with Mr. Shepley in regard to the commission. He knew of no reason why there should be any communication between them on that matter. Why he should sit down and write a letter to Mr. Shepley on a question which he had nothing to do he could not understand. Indeed, for what he knew of Mr. Shepley, there would be no objection to his interfering with him on a matter with which he was entrusted and upon which he had made up his mind to carry out.

Didn't Advise Shepley. Since he (Aylesworth) assumed office he had no such communication with him. There was no need of Mr. Shepley making either daily or weekly reports to the department. Mr. Shepley had stated his opinion of his own work, and he knew Mr. Aylesworth would change his course when he was asked upon a certain line of action. It would be useless for anyone to attempt to do so. All the correspondence was before the house.

Mr. Foster (Kingston) argued that the minister of justice should have exercised jurisdiction over the counsel of the commission.

Mr. Lefurgey said it was an extraordinary principle for the opposition to pursue. What the opposition declared was that the minister of justice should have kept his hands on the commission and directed its proceedings. The commission was appointed for a certain purpose. It was a temporary proceeding.

"As we were to be told," said the premier, "that the minister of justice is to keep his hand upon judicial proceedings, is it the precedent of St. John, who was on No. 9 train from Halifax, telephoned your correspondent that he was uninjured and that none of the other passengers were seriously hurt."

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ALBERTA HOUSE VINDICATED MORMONS OF SERIOUS CHARGES

One Legislator Characterized Remarks of Eastern Divines as Slanderous and Cowardly.

Edmonton, Feb. 28.—Criticism of the Mormons in Alberta by Rev. Doctors Kilpatrick, Somerville and MacLaren following similar observations by Rev. Mr. McKeen in this city, which culminated in the Oliver-Kilpatrick controversy, was vigorously condemned during a discussion in the legislature yesterday. The house was unanimous in indicating their disapproval of the charges made against them.

Mr. McKenzie, of MacLeod, was particularly severe in his reference to eastern divines. He said: "It is unfair and distasteful for opponents 2,000 miles away to so shamelessly traduce these people who they do not even know. If they have evidence of their assertions criminal charges are wide open and if they have evidence they are cowards and slanderers."

The opposition speakers also condemned the reflections on the Mormons.

An important agreement has been entered into by all the railroad companies of the United Kingdom going away with rebates.

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FOSTER AND FOWLER SCORE IN REPORT

Insurance Commission Censures Them in Matter of Foresters' Funds

Comment on Rake-offs in Western Land Deals—Favors More Drastic Legislation Against Fraternal Orders as Well as Others—Recommend Uniform Policy for Life Companies, With Terms Plainly Set Forth on Its Face.

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The report of the insurance commission was presented to parliament today. It was a voluminous document dealing with the subject of insurance generally, the various companies the insurance department and fraternal organizations.

One of the most important features of the report is that in reference to the Foresters and the doings of Messrs. Foster, Fowler and others in connection therewith.

Foresters' Report.

The report upon the Independent Order of Foresters reviews the early history of the society, and explains its objects, and the constitution of the supreme court. It deals with the extension of the order outside of Canada, and in the interests of Australia seems to have flowing in supreme chief rangers, and in the interests of economy, Hon. Dr. Montague was sent out to Australia, armed not only with a contract with the order for five years from first of January, 1901, but also with a sort of royal commission, signed and sealed by the supreme chief ranger, naming him inspector general of the order, and giving him rank and precedence over all matters, district superintendents and deputy supreme chief rangers in any jurisdiction he might visit.

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Before the fire alarm sounded, the men of the local station were on their way there, a passer-by having seen the smoke and dropped in to warn the brigade. Immediately Captain Carson and a number of his men started out to the scene and before the first alarm had finished sounding they were preparing to rescue the children.

So speedily had the flames spread, however, that even in these few minutes those children who had not escaped at the first call, were pinned in the upper flats of the school, with a scorching furnace of smoke and flame beneath them.

At every window were seen the imprisoned children and teachers, while from the windows on the lower floor, nothing could be seen but evidence of fire.

Captain Carson at once organized his men to set up extension ladders to the second story windows where Miss Maxwell was signalling for help. The ladder was promptly run up and every man who could crowd upon it got in position to make a living chain to rescue the little ones. Captain Carson headed the ladder and inside the window Miss Maxwell was signalled for help. The ladder was promptly run up and every man who could crowd upon it got in position to make a living chain to rescue the little ones.

As soon as the fireman had formed their living chain to safety, Miss Maxwell handed her little pupils, one by one, to Captain Carson, and they were swiftly passed down the ladder from hand to hand to the ground. Thus the work went on until probably forty of the children had been saved, and it seemed that none were left. Then Captain Carson called to Miss Maxwell to save herself. "No, there are others inside, and we must save them," she replied, and ran back to look for the other little ones who she knew must be on the upper floor. That was the last she saw of Miss Maxwell, and we called to her to come out, as the room was full of smoke and flames," said Captain Carson. "I saw her hurrying to the window, and she was waving her arms, and she was shouting, 'Save the children, save the children!'"

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KEEP IT IN MIND

Take Ottawa's case. The capital was threatened by a private electric monopoly which demanded the legal right to charge at the rate of seventy-two cents for a certain quantity of light.

By municipal ownership that was defeated and the price is kept down to thirty-nine cents for private lighting. Also by threat of municipal ownership Ottawa got the cheapest street lighting in Canada. At present rates, the people publicly or privately pay \$400,000 a year for lighting.

Suppose the private rate were seventy-two cents instead of thirty-nine? Suppose the street lights were similarly dearer?

How much would Ottawa be paying for light? If our municipal plant were to lose a few thousands a year, how much gain would nevertheless be left for this city and its people?—Ottawa Journal.

A large number of men in St. John at this moment are industriously circulating the idea that it is unwise and unsafe to even mention the subject of municipal ownership and operation, lest by some chance the Common Council should be led to plunge into a costly experiment. The main purpose of these talkers is not to save the citizens from wasteful experiments in municipal lighting. Their main purpose is to have the gas consumers of St. John continue to pay \$125 for heat gas and a proportionately high price for electric light. There is a well-defined plan in operation to deny all arguments in favor of cheaper light and to exaggerate the dangers due to municipal extravagance.

They must be blind who believe that St. John is going to go right along paying these prices for light, heat and power merely because the men who own the St. John Railway Co. need the money. These services in a city of this size are worth certain prices, which prices are not difficult to determine. The causes which determine what prices are fair are not mysterious causes beyond the grasp of every-day citizens. If the company finds that it cannot sell light here at a price which experts declare is the fair one, what follows? The city, obviously, must then make other arrangements.

Gas, electric light, power, street cars—these services touch the whole population of the city in one way or another. No one company should control them all. The gas business, as a starter, should stand by itself. If the existing company is unable to produce an adequate supply of gas at a fair price, the city at least will be compelled to say that the present species of extortion must not go on.

THE DREDGING

Hon. Mr. Fisher, according to our Ottawa despatches, has recommended to the cabinet that the dredging asked for by the St. John delegation be done. He does not say whether the government itself or a contractor shall do the extra work required, but it is thought the government will purchase a dredge and carry on the operations through the public works department. This arrangement—that the government shall do the work—is understood to be deemed the better policy by the Minister of Railways, and certainly it is so regarded by practical men here who have followed these matters during the last few years. There is at present some difference of opinion as to how much dredging is necessary before the new 600 foot berth will be available. As the work proceeds the engineers of the public works department would be able to keep the dredges at work where they were most needed, and by so doing could avoid the customary disappointments and confusion when the next winter season arrives.

It seems probable now that a committee of public spirited and responsible citizens with no axes to grind will be virtually in charge of the harbor improvements for some time to come. By dealing broadly and decisively with the matters coming before them these gentlemen should be able to avoid many of the stumbling blocks which have cropped up hitherto in the shape of politics, private interests, and petty jealousies.

THE INSURANCE REPORT

Those who had doubted the necessity for an investigation of the life insurance business in Canada must have been convinced, during the hearings before the Royal Commission, that the work of that body was both necessary and salutary and that it was not begun a moment too soon. The report of the Commission, which was submitted to Parliament yesterday, abundantly proves both the need for and the value of the investigation. The report breathes thoroughness and impartiality, and it outlines a plan of insurance reform which will, no doubt, result speedily in legislation establishing the business upon a sounder footing, greatly increasing the protection to policy holders and materially enhancing the value of their investments. While summaries of the testimony heard by the commission were published widely at the time the public had at best a some-

what fragmentary view of the general weaknesses and specific doubtful transactions which were then disclosed. The report is of immense importance because it presents a striking epitome of the evidence and its significance, and so gives a comprehensive summary of the needs for action, and also because it contains far-reaching and effective proposals looking to the cure of the ills which were found to exist.

Two aspects of the report challenge attention at this time: its relation to the future of life insurance in Canada, which is the larger and more important one; and its relation to certain companies and individuals whose doings were shown by the testimony to be speculative and unusual, not to say irregular and questionable. So far as the future of the business is concerned, the Commission recommends a pretty thorough overhauling of a business which was beginning to take on some features similar to those uncovered by the Armstrong Committee in New York. It is found that in Canada there has been nothing like adequate machinery for the supervision of the concerns dealing in life insurance; that while the few officials concerned were honest and painstaking, they lacked the aid, the time and the recognized authority necessary to make their work more than superficial and keep these extensive enterprises sharply up to the high standard rendered necessary by the very nature of their activities. For the future, extensive safeguards are suggested. The speculative element, which had attained surprising proportions, is to be eliminated. The men who worked for themselves and their own pockets first and for the policyholders second are to be displaced. The commissioners would sharply define the legitimate uses for which insurance funds may be employed, and no less sharply specify the duties and the limitations of men employed, in any capacity, to handle the money of the policyholders. Semi-private and subsidiary activities which engaged the energies of men paid to work for the policyholders would be weeded out under the plan proposed by the commissioners. The policyholder, too, would know, under the reformed conditions proposed, not what he is promised but exactly what he is entitled to. Policies would be uniform, and each would show at a glance its value to the holder at any time and under any condition. To read a summary of the evidence and the recommendations based upon it is to gain a somewhat surprising conviction as to the extent to which speculative tendencies, private gain and unsound finance had entered into activities of many of these big enterprises. The report contains a striking chapter on the Foresters and much sound counsel as to the control of fraternal insurance societies in general.

HARRIMAN—A PORTENT

Not many years ago there was a nervous little man of somewhat doubtful reputation who did the bidding of bigger men in Wall street, who ran doubtful financial schemes for Stuyvesant Fish and others in the first flight of finance. He was called "Ed" Harriman, a little while ago this man, silently grown great, began to upset the transportation system of the United States. Incidentally he contemptuously threw Stuyvesant Fish, his former employer, out of a railroad presidency. Today it is said with truth of Harriman that unless the law makers pass special legislation to curb his activities he will, within a short time, control all the important railroads in the Republic. In a word, the President of the United States and such legislators as Harriman does not own are seeking to combine effectually to prevent the former broker's clerk from becoming the absolute dictator of the American railroad world, a position unparalleled in the history of modern finance and industry. Here is a spectacle which the world has never before contemplated—the best brains in a great republic in league against one brain, infinitely cunning, and daring to carry through on a gigantic scale the process of turning watered stock into gold for himself and his associates. Frankly and defiantly, Mr. Harriman as a witness before the Interstate Commerce Commission, explained how the watering process was carried on. Much of the testimony was amazing. Here are examples:

Q. There was laughter when Mr. Harriman said with a smile: "Yes, we few men were the Chicago and Alton."

Q. You got more than sixty-five for your bonds? A. No doubt about it. You can't say that you did not make more than ninety, because I don't remember.

Q. Didn't you keep a record of this matter? A. I don't think I did.

Q. You did not sell the bonds of a little matter of \$2,000,000? A. A little matter of \$2,000,000 doesn't matter much one way or the other.

And again: Q. Didn't you four men organize the Alton Railroad? A. I suppose we did. You are trying to show that we sold bonds for less than they were worth. Well, suppose that we did?

Q. Where did all the bonds of the \$2,000,000 issue sold to you for men? A. I don't remember.

Q. Didn't these three per cent bonds sell in the market for ninety-three? A. Did they? Didn't they go to ninety-three?

Q. Then if you men got these bonds for \$3,000,000 you made a profit? A. I suppose we did. That's what we bought the Alton for—not to lose.

Q. When you bought the railroad company it was capitalized at \$30,000,000 par value? A. Yes.

Q. From that time until last October, when you got out, the capital was increased to \$122,872,327? A. Yes.

Q. How much of this increase was invested in the property itself? A. I will tell you if you will let me: \$23,500,000.

Q. Now isn't the \$80,000,000 water? A. Isn't any doubt about it.

The gentleman, it will be observed, makes no bones about it. He was quite willing to answer most of the questions, but was seriously annoyed because the lawyers would not allow him to make the explanations he deemed necessary.

Names of six men who were directors of the Chicago and Alton at the time of the distribution of the new dividends were read to Mr. Harriman, and he said he knew but not any of them.

Q. Now, soon after your acquisition you paid a dividend of thirty per cent? A. Yes.

Q. (Chairman Prouty.) You and three other men bought \$2,000,000 of bonds at sixty-five and with the proceeds declared a dividend of eighty per cent, and some of the remaining \$8,000,000 of the bonds were sold for ninety and ninety-five? Do I understand it correctly? A. Yes. I will gladly tell you what the opportunity. He was assured that he would have every opportunity, but Mr. Kellogg said that he first wished to ask a few more questions.

Q. The dividend you declared first amounted to \$8,000,000? A. Yes.

Q. You can't make \$8,000,000 of Alton at \$2,000,000, \$2,000,000 in bonds and \$40,000,000 in stocks? A. As you state it, I will explain this when you let me.

Q. After paying thirty per cent dividend of your preferred stock, you sold it for \$10,000,000? A. If your records show it, I don't recall.

Certain questions as to his personal holding Mr. Harriman declined to answer, by advice of counsel. The Supreme Court will rule upon the commission's power to compel him to make the disclosures sought.

The Harriman system is capitalized at some \$2,000,000,000, of which a surprising proportion is water. The Union Pacific is capitalized at \$133,000,000, while the Great Northern, as good a road, cost its owners only \$25,000,000. The Union

quation from Mr. Foster's speech and its significance: "If the summary is a correct one we do not think that Mr. Foster ought to take such a view of the case. We imagine that the logic of the matter is very much on the other side. For instance, inasmuch as members of Parliament are trustees of public money and interests, they occupy in that regard in responsibility to the country, the same position practically as directors of a joint stock company hold with regard to each other and to the shareholders. Now, we suppose it will be admitted that if it became known that the director of any bank or railway company, or manufacturing company, was dishonest in any of his other business, that it would be considered proper for a shareholder at any meeting of the company, or for any of the director's colleagues on the board, to state that he objected to that director continuing to be in charge of the money of himself and his fellow-shareholders. At all events any other shareholder or director would be absolutely justified in stating that he wanted his own money to be taken care of only by honest men, and that for that reason he re-proposed the election of that director in any of a person of proved dishonesty. We suppose that Mr. Foster, or any other person, will admit the justice of this point—the absolute propriety, the desirability even, of any such objection."

TURN ON THE LIGHT

From the leading newspapers of the Dominion, irrespective of politics, there comes but one opinion with respect to the duty confronting Parliament in the matter of the Fowler charges. This opinion is that he must be compelled to produce evidence in support of his allegations or forfeit his seat. The leading Liberal journal, the Toronto Globe, we have already quoted. It says Mr. Fowler's bluff must be called. "The Toronto Star" holds the same view. It says that "laxity in one respect is very apt to be followed by laxity in others. Nor does the dislike of public inquiry into such charges confer any immunity on the person charged. The scruple that prevents public discussion does not prevent private gossip, which spreads with a rapidity not excelled by the circulation of a newspaper, and is often more harmful, and even unjust to the person charged, because he does not see the charge, and has no means of answering it. No private business concern acts upon the theory that the morals and habits of its employees are of no importance. No private business concern could afford to close its eyes to the fact that an employee frequented gambling houses or other places of ill-repute, and in this respect there is no difference between the necessities of public service and of private service."

The Montreal Star (Con.) expresses impatience because the government waited for the insurance report. "The people of Canada," it says after citing the cases of Sir Charles Dike and Parnell, "are not behind the people of Great Britain and Ireland in the moral sense. They will demand the fullest enquiry into the Fowler impositions, whether Mr. Fowler be spared during the discussion of the Finance Commission's report, or not. They will never consent to permit so degrading a 'saw off' of Mr. Fowler must make his charges; or he must apologize and retire from public life. The men to compel him to make these charges should be the Ministers of the Crown. The people are surprised and disappointed—shall we venture to say disquieted—by the cautious caution with which the Ministers have received these scandalous innuendoes. A wise Ministry would take immediate steps to reassure the people; and that reassurance must take the form of the most determined effort, in public and at once, to compel Mr. Fowler to withdraw or proceed."

In reality no "saw off" has been proposed, unless Mr. Fowler's own speech is to be interpreted as proposing one. But it is to be regarded as certain that the country will not permit any "saw off" in this matter. There may be politicians on both sides who have reason to fear a searching examination such as the circumstances demand, but the people of Canada entertain no such fears and will not be influenced by such motives as might lead these individuals to organize a conspiracy of silence. The country must know the facts, let them strike whom and where they will. There are many important matters before Parliament, and some attempt is being made to compress consideration of them into a short session; but this matter is the most important of all, and no consideration will be accepted as a satisfactory cause for delay in attacking it. The eyes of the whole country will be fixed upon Ottawa until Parliament has satisfactorily acquitted itself of its duty in connection with the Fowler allegations. Other matters may follow. This one cannot. It touches the honor of the highest court of the country.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The insurance report being in it is some body's move at Ottawa.

The Ontario government is going to have agriculture taught in every high school in the province. And Ontario is right.

The British army reorganization plan provides for a foreign service force, and a larger home force as a second line. Military men will be disposed to say Mr. Haldane's armies are too small.

An Ottawa despatch indicates that the appointment of a successor to the late Governor Snowball has not yet been discussed by the cabinet. There will be no action in the matter before Saturday's cabinet meeting at the earliest.

The first definite sign of a line of express steamers between England and Canada is Newfoundland's proposal to subsidize a company which is to run fast ships to St. John's and connect with Sydney in winter and Gaspe in summer. Probably some years will elapse before these ships get to sea.

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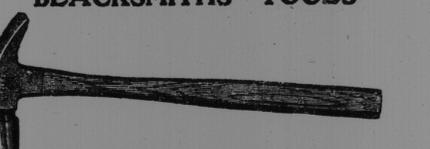
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WATCH THE NEW TELEPHONE BILL

Newcastle Board of Trade Asks for Close Scrutiny of Legislation New Brunswick Company Seeks at Fredericton.

Newcastle, N. B., Feb. 25.—At a meeting of the Newcastle board of trade, held on Saturday, Feb. 23, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That in the opinion of this board the bill about to be brought before the local legislature empowering the leasing of a new charter and an increased capitalization to the N. B. Telephone Company.

Further resolved, That this board of trade requests the members of the government and our local representatives to use every endeavor to guard the interests of the town and municipalities in so far as this said bill makes to the N. B. Telephone Company.

And further resolved, That this board of trade is in full accord with the work being done by the union of municipalities in opposing the public interests and their efforts to prevent a monopoly in the case of the company above referred to.

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PROMINENT MEN PAY LAST TRIBUTE TO LATE GOVERNOR SNOWBALL

Chatham, N. B., Feb. 27.—(Special)—All business places in town were closed on account of the funeral of the late Governor Snowball, which took place from his late home Government House at 3:30 this afternoon. The cortege from there to the Riverside cemetery where the remains were laid to rest in the family plot was one of the longest ever known in New Brunswick. The impressive service was led by Rev. Mr. Sellar, pastor of St. Luke's church, where his honor had been a valued member for many years, assisted by Rev. James Strathairn of the Central Methodist church, Moncton, Rev. J. Morris McLean, of St. John's and Rev. D. Henderson, of St. Andrew's churches, Chatham. "Sun of My Soul" the favorite hymn of the deceased was rendered by St. Luke's church choir.

The order of procession was as follows: Undertaker. School children. Band of 73rd Northumberland County Regiment. Physicians. Clergymen.

Chorists, consisting of members of the executive of the local government, viz. Premier Tweedie, Solicitor General Jones, Surveyor General Seaman, Hon. Dr. LeBlond, Hon. Mr. Farris, Hon. C. H. LeBlond, Mourners.

Lieutenant Colonel MacKenzie, A. D. C. and R. Barker private secretary of the late governor. Col. Drury, representing Earl Grey. Lieutenant Colonel White, D. O. C. representing the Quebec government and Lieut. Governor Fraser, representing Nova Scotia.

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There were no flowers by request.

SUSSEX MOURNS FOR SAMUEL C. KEITH

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 27.—(Special)—On receipt of a telegram this morning bearing the sad news of the railway accident at Brookfield (N. S.), in which Baggage Master Samuel Keith, of this place, was killed, the town was shocked and as the news quickly spread sorrow filled the hearts of the citizens.

Mr. Keith was sixty-three years of age and had been a resident of this town for about twenty-five years. He was well known and will be greatly missed by his large circle of friends. Deceased had been in the employ of the I. C. E. R. for thirty years and at Brookfield was his first accident. He intended retiring from railway life on the 1st of April next.

Deceased had been married forty-one years, a wife, four daughters, Mrs. Pittfield, of Millis (Mass.); Mrs. Lyon, Moncton; Misses Jean and Isabel at home, and five sons—Irving, of Missoula; Lane, of Vancouver; Wave, of Greenwood (B. C.); and Roy, at home, survive, also a sister, Mrs. Keith, of Amherst. The body will arrive here tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, accompanied by his son, Lane. The funeral will take place on Friday at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, Church avenue, interment at Kirk Hill.

After death in Arabia. A lady subscriber asks for the words of this poem by Sir Edwin Arnold: He who died at Asan said: This, to comfort all his friends: Faithful friends! It lies, I know, Pale and white and cold as snow; And ye say "Abdallah's dead!" Weeping at the feet and head, I can see your falling tears I can hear your sighs and prayers; Yet I smile and whisper this—"I am not the thing you kiss; Cease your tears, and let it lie; It was mine, it is not I."

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1907

EVELYN THAW'S
STORY STANDS

Judge Rules That Jerome
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Statements

HER ORDEAL OVER

District Attorney Reads from Her
Diary, When a School Girl, Showing
She Had Traveled Some Before
She Was Seventeen—Court's
Decision Will Shorten Trial.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's long ordeal upon the witness stand at the trial of her husband for the alleged murder of Stanford White, came to an end today. Mr. Jerome finished his cross-examination, which had lasted through nearly five court days, at the morning session. The re-direct and the re-cross-examinations this afternoon were of the briefest and to a large extent, the trial was announced that the defendant's wife finally had been excused.

Cannot Refute Mrs. Thaw's Evidence.

Mr. Jerome, for the defense, blocked practically every question put to Hummel. The witness got no further than saying she knew Mrs. Thaw, that she came to his office October 27, 1903, and that she dictated to a stenographer while she was under the rules of evidence covering Mrs. Thaw's testimony the introduction of collateral facts was not permissible. The district attorney in any way, but may test her credibility.

Mr. Jerome said in open court that he realized that even if he could show Stanford White was in Europe the night Mrs. Thaw declared she was assaulted by him, he would not be allowed to introduce such testimony.

A School Girl Diary.

Mr. Delmas did not object to the diary which Mrs. Thaw said she kept when at the Pompton school. Mr. Jerome read these extracts:

"Mrs. De Mille said to come right in and I jumped with the agility of a sourette and began to get shy. She has a son but I must say he is a pie-face mutt."

Delmas Questions Mrs. Thaw.

After the recess the direct examination of Mrs. Thaw began. Mr. Delmas asked her if fourteen receipts he showed her were in her mother's handwriting and she replied "Yes." They were offered in evidence. Amounts from \$65 to \$100 they showed, had been drawn from the Mercantile Trust Company, where White had deposited money for Evelyn and her mother. The receipts were signed "Evelyn Florence Nesbit," the mother and her daughter having the same name. Mrs. Thaw also identified her mother's signature to several checks.

shouldn't have spent it. He took the letter for me so mamma should not spend any more. She got the rest of it, however, after returning to New York."

"Stanford White was a large man, you have said, how large?" asked Mr. Delmas. "I think he was over six feet tall and large and heavy without Mrs. Thaw."

"Now tell the jury all about the incident of the 'Kerk Hotel'?"

"Well, one day I met a girl on the street and she told me that Mr. Thaw was paying attention to her. I went back to the Grand Hotel and packed up a few things, took my maid and got in a carriage. As we started out we met Mr. Thaw and he asked where I was going, but I wouldn't tell him. I drove straight to the York Hotel. As I was going into the restaurant I met a young man I knew and he went into the restaurant and sat down with me. Afterwards we went to the theatre together. After the theatre we walked back to the hotel and I asked the young man who lived there if he could get a room for me without registering. He did so and I said goodnight and that was all there was to it. The next day I met Miss Follette on the street and she told me what the other girl told me but Miss Follette told me she was a bad woman and I should not believe her. And then I thought it wasn't right and I went back to the Grand Hotel."

"State to the jury all you know about the so-called cablegram to Stanford White from London," said Mr. Delmas.

"When I met Stanford White, Mr. Garland went to mamma and said if we had anything to do with Mr. White he would have nothing to do with it. Mr. Garland is dead, isn't he?" interrupted Mr. Jerome.

"Was the second operation performed on you in 1904 necessary as the result of the first?" asked Mr. Delmas.

Mr. Jerome Asks Mrs. Evelyn Thaw for a Name
in Confidence



During the cross-examination of the defendant's wife many persons have been named in connection with the case who had not been mentioned publicly. Mr. Jerome, in endeavoring to obtain a name, precipitated a clash with Mr. Delmas, but gained his point and the name will not appear in the records.

A witness in rebuttal Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, the alienist who was first employed by the Thaw defense, but who had not heretofore figured in the trial. Dr. Hamilton recently returned from Europe, and in a published interview, just after he landed, was reported to have said that he came to the conclusion that Thaw was insane at the time of the tragedy and that he is insane at the present day.

The district attorney also stated that he would call Dr. Charles F. Bingham, of Pittsburg, the Thaw family physician, in rebuttal. Dr. Bingham was on the stand for a short while today, but Mr. Delmas objected when Mr. Jerome started to cross-examine the physician as to insanity in the Thaw family on the ground that the witness had not qualified as an expert. Mr. Jerome thereupon told Dr. Bingham to hold himself in readiness to take the stand for use.

Will Call Brother to Contradict Sister.

By recalling Mrs. Thaw to the stand for a few questions which he had omitted in his long cross-examination, Mr. Jerome early today indicated that he would call Howard Nesbit, her brother, to contradict her in a matter of credibility. He asked Mrs. Thaw if she had not told her brother that Thaw had treated her cruelly while abroad because she refused to tell lies about Stanford White and she had dragged and mistreated her. He also wanted to know if the brother had not brought her a pistol with which she might defend herself against Thaw. The defendant's wife denied absolutely that there was any truth in any of these statements.

Mr. Jerome asked today that he had overlooked one point in his cross-examination of Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw and asked that she be recalled for a few questions. Mrs. Thaw was therefore recalled.

By his first question Mr. Jerome indicated that he intends to call Howard Nesbit to the witness stand to contradict his sister. The district attorney is allowed to contradict, treacherable or material facts, but cannot controvert collateral facts.

and said she had never owned or carried a pistol in her life.

It was expected that Dr. Evans and Mr. Jerome would have a lively duel during the cross-examination of the witness, but there were only one or two clashes in which the honors appeared to be about evenly divided. The examination dragged at times, and Mr. Jerome seldom raised his voice above the low, placid tone so frequently assumes.

Wife of the Defendant Identifying One of Her Photographs



MR. JEROME, I ASK, WHERE WAS THIS PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN?

Various pictures for which Evelyn Nesbit posed form important links in the story she has told, and in his cross-examination Mr. Jerome sought to bring out various experiences of the girl wife before she met Mr. White.

Thaw replied that this condition had followed "the act of Providence."

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Mr. Jerome formed several questions in the language of the pamphlet but Mr. Delmas' objections to this procedure were sustained. Mr. Jerome then asked Dr. Evans what appointment he had held under the United States government. He said he investigated the government hospital for the insane at Washington and is reported to a congressional committee.

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DIVORCE CASES UP
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Two cases, both from Westmorland county, were entered upon the docket and in each case a divorce is asked for by the husband on the ground of adultery. The judge stated that in Holmes vs. Holmes he would not be able to deliver judgment this term because of his not having received a record of the trial in time. In Lottimer vs. Lottimer, a Fredericton case, he promised judgment later in the term.

The cases entered on the docket for trial are Sylvester McKinnon vs. Gertrude McKinnon and Wm. W. Horsman vs. Marie Horsman.

In McKinnon vs. McKinnon, H. A. Powell appeared for the plaintiff, and the case is undecided. The libel sets forth that the parties reside at Wood Point, Parish, Sackville. They were married in St. John on Feb. 5th, 1903, by Rev. G. M. Campbell. The plaintiff is a seafaring man and his occupation necessitates his absence from home a good part of the time. They lived and cohabited together as man and wife until May, 1904, when the husband went away on his vessel. She returned in June and found his home closed up, and afterwards learned that his wife had gone live with her parents. She notified him to come and take a child which had been born to them in May and intimated that she did not intend living with him again. The libel charged misconduct on the part of the wife at divers times with David Snowden, Owen Campbell, John Carron and Charles A. Cole. An absolute divorce is asked for. The hearing is now on and will likely occupy all day.

Kings County Probate Court.

Hampton, Kings County, Feb. 27.—In the probate court of Kings this afternoon Judge McIntyre granted an adjournment of the passing of the accounts of the estate of the late W. J. McNair, of Cardwell, former station for which was returnable today, to Saturday next, March 2, in chambers at Sussex at 10 o'clock a. m. On 1. King, probate.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson

BRITISH COMMONS FAVORS
CHURCH DISESTABLISHMENT.

London, Feb. 27.—In the house of commons tonight a resolution in favor of the disestablishment and disendowment of the church in both England and Wales was adopted by 198 votes to 90.

Nothing is to
Good
for a
Good
Wife

Whatever reduces the drudgery of house work is worth having.
THE NEW CENTURY WASHER
does away with all hand rubbing. You do not require to touch the clothes to thoroughly clean them, and a tubful can be done in five minutes.

BRILLIANT SCENE AT FAREWELL TO THE OLD CHIPMAN HOUSE

Large Number at Banquet and Entertainment Which Followed--The Prince of Wales' Visit Told of in Sketch by Clarence Ward--Hope to Save the Historic Building.

Never perhaps in its palmy days was the old Chipman house the scene of a more brilliant gathering than assembled there Thursday night. Lady Tilley and the members of the ladies auxiliary of the Seaman's Institute who labored so faithfully on the plans for the farewell banquet are certainly to be congratulated on the brilliant success achieved.

of assembly, a member of his majesty's council, a judge of the supreme court and an agent on the part of his majesty for settling disputed points of boundary with the United States. He died at Fredericton on Feb. 8, 1824, while president and commander-in-chief of the province, having resumed the administration of the government on the death of Major-General George Stracy Smith.

Many hundreds of citizens, ladies and gentlemen, were present. A sumptuous banquet was served from 6 o'clock to 11 after which a fine programme of speeches and musical numbers was presented in the suite of rooms which was occupied by the present king when in 1860 he visited this city as Prince of Wales.

At the close of the programme Rev. G. A. Kuhnke moved a hearty vote of thanks to Lady Tilley and the ladies who had helped her to get up such a pleasant evening's entertainment. Rev. Dr. Campbell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. His worship presented the motion to Lady Tilley in a graceful little speech.

The speakers all regretted the necessity of dismantling the historic old house and

of Union street, and extending back 400 feet. He erected a dwelling in the center of this lot in the year 1787. While its creation was proceeding he wrote his brother-in-law, William Gray, of Salem (Mass.), as follows:

The expensive building in which I am engaged has embarrassed me in a degree beyond what I intended, the expense having exceeded all previous calculations.

Major Sears, who presided, made the suggestion that it might be moved by the city to some convenient site and used as a museum in the same manner as has been done with the Chateau de Ramezay in Montreal.

At the close, in replying to a vote of thanks, Lady Tilley expressed the hope that the house be moved to some place not far from its present site and be used as a sailors' institute till a better place could be procured. Mayor Sears promised to endeavor to bring this about.

The banquet was served upstairs. The tables were brilliantly illuminated with large candelabra, while the roof and walls were festooned with red, white and blue hunting. To add to the effect there were many pieces of quaint silverware placed effectively here and there on the board.

There were four long tables and those in charge were Mrs. J. Vaughan, Mrs. R. G. de Cue, Mrs. L. Knight, Mrs. J. M. Keckie, Mrs. J. Osgive, Mrs. G. W. Campbell, Mrs. J. Seymour, Mrs. T. L. Coughlan. These were assisted by a large number of young ladies all dressed in white who waited on the guests.

In his address of welcome, his worship had stress upon the high character and attainments of the Loyalists. He expressed the hope that St. John would see to it that the old Chipman house which is so full of reminiscence of the past would be preserved and used as a museum as the Chateau de Ramezay had been in the city of Montreal. Mayor Sears then called upon Dr. Silas Alward, who read the following paper which had been prepared by Clarence Ward:

Ward Chipman was born in the province of Massachusetts Bay on July 29, 1734. He was a graduate of Harvard University, and educated to the profession of the law. Retaining his loyalty to his native land, he was obliged to abandon his native land on the evacuation of Boston in the year 1776. Having repaired to England, he was appointed solicitor general, but a state of inaction being allotted to his mind, he relinquished his position and rejoined the king's troops at New York, where he was employed as the military department, and in the practice of the court of admiralty until the peace of 1783. On the first occasion of this process in 1784, he was appointed solicitor general, and continually afterwards bore a conspicuous part in its affairs, as an advocate at the bar, a member of the house

of the Prince of Wales, now Edward VII. of England. He was a member of the Exmouth street male quartette which sang Far Away with fine effect, after which George Robertson, M. P., spoke briefly, he referred to the early days of shipping in St. John and to what Canada and the empire generally owed to the men of the sea. He urged that all present show their appreciation of the work of the seamen's institute in this city by supporting it financially.

Mr. Robertson's speech was followed by a solo by D. B. Bridson, new steamer on the route by Messrs. Taylor and Pleasant. Mayor Sears then called upon the other speakers of the evening--Hon. R. J. Ritchie, H. A. Powell, K. C., and Rev. Dr. Campbell. These all indulged in reminiscences of the past. They also urged that as the world at large and St. John in particular owed so much to the sailors, they should show their gratitude to them by providing a home-like place where they might go when in this port.

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P. Henry Herbert. Henry Herbert, well known in St. John, is dead in Worcester (Mass.). His wife is Mrs. Mary M. Herbert, of North End.

Thomas J. O'Brien. The death of Thomas J. O'Brien, son of the late Joseph O'Brien, harbor inspector for a number of years, took place Tuesday morning at the home of his mother, St. John West. He was about forty-five years of age, and had been suffering from consumption for about two years. He leaves his mother, three sisters, and two brothers. Mrs. Patrick Walsh, of West End, is a sister.

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an account of a trip across the American continent. In collaboration with Margaret Sullivan she wrote a book descriptive of Mexico in a picturesque familiar style. Her initials, "E. J.," were familiar years ago in connection with short talks in the Boston Journal.

Her children, all of whom survive, are John B. Frederick, Arthur, Marie E., Robert and George. Mrs. T. Cronin, of St. John, is a sister of Mrs. Blake.

Mrs. E. C. Dawes. Mrs. E. C. Dawes, of Toronto, died Thursday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Fenton, Lancaster Heights. The deceased lady had been ill only a short time, the cause of death being pneumonia complicated with heart disease. Mrs. Dawes' husband predeceased her twenty-two years. She is survived by three sons and two daughters. The sons are Frank in Toronto; William in Portage-la-Prairie and George of this city. The daughters are Mrs. B. Dawes of Toronto and Mrs. Fenton, whose home she died. Mrs. Dawes was here on a visit to her daughter when the fatal illness overtook her. She was accompanied here by Miss Dawes.

Michael J. McCullough. A well known man in the person of Michael J. McCullough, died Thursday in the American House of short illness of pneumonia. McCullough was born in the north of Ireland and came to St. John when a young man and for many years conducted a dry goods business here. Of late years, however, he had been in the I. C. R. service in the depot and was much esteemed. He was one of the oldest members of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society.

Charles F. Robinson. Charles F. Robinson, formerly accountant here with the Massey-Harris Company, died at his home in St. John, N. B., on Tuesday. Mr. Robinson was a resident of this city. He leaves his wife and three children.

Mrs. Robert Slipp. The death of Mrs. Ellen Gertrude Slipp, wife of Robert Slipp, formerly of this city, occurred in Denver, Colorado, Thursday. E. W. Slipp, of the North End, received the sad intelligence in a telegram from his son, Robert, last evening. Mrs. Slipp was formerly Miss Reid, the daughter of Mrs. J. W. Reid, of the North End. She had been in Denver about two years and was taken seriously ill a few days ago with Bright's disease and other complications. Her husband, Mr. Slipp, leaves two children, who will reside in St. John. The body will be brought home for burial.

Mrs. Margaret Magee. Moncton, N. B., Feb. 28--Another of Moncton's old residents passed away when Mrs. Margaret Magee, widow of John Magee, died this morning after a brief illness. Mrs. Magee, who was seventy-eight years of age, had not been enjoying the best of health since winter set in, but had been able to attend to her household duties. She was a devoted Christian, and her death will be much regretted.

Yesterday morning, however, she was taken ill, and although medical attendance was summoned, she never recovered. She is survived by her husband, who is in the hospital. She is only twenty-eight years of age. She has been suffering from tuberculosis and her reports are that Bright's disease has developed.

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ST. JOHN WRITER DEDICATE NEW JEWISH TEMPLE. Interesting Story by Miss Margaret P. Anderson Published Here.

Leona, or Lord Kendall's Repentance by Margaret P. Anderson, of St. John, author of Sick Room Thoughts and Gleanings, has just been issued by Barnes & Co. The book is an interesting story, the first scene of which is laid in Hopewell, N. B. Although the product of a sick room, the pages are replete with a full glad life, which it is good to realize. The characters of the story are uniformly human and the plot develops in a natural and interesting manner.

The book is well and tastefully got up and is of 238 pages. The story is given in interesting local color by the fact of some of the scenes being laid in this city and province. The plot is well conceived and developed and holds the interest well. A large sale is hoped for.

Weddings. Forbes-Williger. Last Wednesday Miss Ethel Williger, daughter of George Williger, of 34 St. Andrew's street, left her home and journeyed to Winnipeg, where on Monday she was united in marriage to Harry Forbes, formerly of the North End, and for some time a clerk in M. R. A's. The bride and groom will be in Abernathy (Sask.).

The Boston Herald contains a lengthy account of the wedding of Miss Winifred Prentiss Kay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Murray Kay, of Brookline, but formerly of St. John, and Eutherford Mead Shepard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Shepard, of the Gables, Fanwood (N. J.). The ceremony took place on Saturday, at noon, in Arlington street church, Boston, being performed by Rev. Dr. William H. Lyon.

Burriss Shepard Harman was best man. Layer, seizing opportunity by the forelock, will go to San Francisco. Adjutant Jennings, who has been here since Saturday awaiting the arrival of the steamer, said last evening before he left for Halifax that the members of the party seemed to have more money than any other he had come in contact with. They were mostly single men, who could do any kind of unskilled labor. Some were trained mechanics.

All were sent away Wednesday, none being detained. A woman who gave birth to a child on board ship was of the army party.

ST. JOHN MASTER AND CREW RESCUED IN NICK OF TIME. Portland, Me., Feb. 27--When the steamer Corbett, bound here from Lousburg (C. E.) with coal, arrived early this evening, she had on board Captain George Finlay and five sailors, who had been taken from the schooner Corbett, which was bound from Perth Amboy for Camden (Me.), with coal. Captain Finlay reported that his vessel was badly used up by a gale and the crew had been at the pump since Monday. The steamer was very out of port, as all were exhausted, and the Moroney sank two hours after she had been abandoned.

It is claimed that a large two funneled steamer passed close enough Tuesday night for the signals of distress to be seen, but no notice was taken of the request for aid. It was early this morning, about seventy-five miles off Monhegan, that the steamer was sighted, after all on board the Moroney had about given up hope of surviving and the response by the steamer was prompt.

Captain Finlay and his men are not in a serious condition, although much in need of rest and somewhat weakened because of lack of food. They had been without water for some time, as the supply was spoiled by sea water. Those rescued besides Captain Finlay, whose home is at West Pass, Florida, are Wm. Douglas, mate, Chicago; Charles McKenzie, cook, Halifax; James McCafferty, St. John; John Paton, Norway, and Frank Sewall.

The Moroney was a small schooner of 185 tons, and was forty years old. Her home port was Boston.

Queens County S. S. Meetings. A series of meetings in the interests of Sunday school work will be conducted by the field secretary, Rev. J. B. Gannon, in Queens county beginning on Sunday, March 3. The service in the morning will be at Colles' Island; 2:30, Coles'; 7:30, The Narrows; Monday evening, at McDonald's Point; Tuesday evening, McDonald's Corner; Wednesday, Upper Jemas; Thursday, Mill Cove; Friday, Lower Cumberland Bay; J. D. Colwell, of Upper Jemas, president of the county association, will accompany the secretary on this tour.

Dear River barkentine Ethel Clarke, who was ashore at West Pass, Florida, has been hoisted, apparently unhurt, and taken to the Appalachicola to land and pine for St. John. A survey will first be held.

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POLICE TO GET HIGHER PAY

A pension scheme in connection with the St. John police department will likely come into operation next April. At a meeting of the salaries committee of the common council yesterday afternoon it was decided to recommend an increase of pay to the men on the force on the understanding that an amount not to exceed 3 per cent of their earnings should be devoted to establishing a pension fund. The building inspector was recommended for an increase of \$100 a year in consideration of his additional duties as inspector of electric wiring.

The committee had before them a recommendation from the safety board to grant the patrolmen and sergeants in the police force an increase of 25 cents a day and Deputy Chief Jenkins an increase of 50 cents a day. These recommendations were adopted and will come into force April 1 of the arrangement.

IRVINE WHITE.

Penobscot, Feb. 27--Irvine White died here early this morning after a prolonged illness. He was well known and popular among the Intercollegiate and his death will be generally regretted. Mr. White was a telegraph operator and until his illness became acute he was chief clerk to the postmaster at Moncton. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Short, of St. Andrews, and one child, a boy about one year old, and by his mother, two brothers, Thomas, now in Ladysmith (B. C.), and Patrick, in Boston, and a sister, Mrs. McLean, residing here. Mr. White was twenty-nine years old. The funeral is to be held on Friday at the Union Baptist church.

Mrs. Mary E. Blake. Mrs. Mary E. Blake, wife of Dr. John G. Blake, of Boston, died Tuesday of heart disease. Mrs. Blake, who was particularly well known in St. John, was born in Ireland in 1840. She was a daughter of Patrick McGrath, who founded the Quincey Marble Company. Miss McGrath was married to Dr. Blake by Archbishop Williams in Boston in 1865.

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