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HON. MR. BLAIR'S RINGING WORDS.
LIBERALS CHEER
CALL TO ARMS.

Who One Can Shirk the Issue
--It is a Battle Between
Liberals and Tories,
Says the Minister of
Railways--A Magnificent Meeting.

With cheers which rang out with great
force in Union hall, North End, Thurs-
day night, Hon. A. G. Blair was given a
reception which must have made him
prouder than ever in the confidence of his
constituents. He was met at the door
by a large number of his supporters, and
in the contest at the polls on Satur-
day next week, and it must have made
him feel that he was not alone in the
struggle.

throughout the dominion. This was par-
ticularly true in the great Northwest,
which section of the country seemed to
be striving with the vigor of a young
giant to attain in some measure to the
greatness which was its heritage.
(Cheers.)

Canada's Splendid Future.
Whenever he faced a Canadian audience
he felt that he could scarcely speak of
anything else than the splendid future
which lay before the country, and, best
of all, of the progress and wealth which
everywhere abounded. This portion of
the country had reason to feel that it also
was enjoying a fair share of this growth.
(Cheers.)

the government of New Brunswick should
continue in that capacity, or some others,
whose names were still unknown, should
succeed them. What was of immediate
concern to those before him was the
development of the port of St. John;
what could best be done to add to the
material prosperity of the constituency.

Just at this juncture he ven-
tured to say that it was of very
much greater importance to
consider what should be the
attitude of the people of this
city toward the Liberal Govern-
ment at Ottawa.

PARTY DUTY
MADE PLAIN.
The Globe and Senator Ellis
Discussed -- Dr. Pugsley
and Fort Kent Dam--
Lunatic Charges An-
swered--The North
End is Aroused.

He was a very prominent member of the
Liberal party, and filling a high position
in its ranks.
In his mission he had succeeded in in-
teresting Liberal friends in Quebec and
they had contributed this \$5,000 towards
the party in New Brunswick. The draft
representing the money was made pay-
able to the joint order of the speaker
and Mr. Weldon, and to them was left
the distribution. Mr. Weldon had sent
Mr. John MacMillan up into York county
to secure the minister's endorsement, and
having secured it that was the end of
the matter so far as he (Mr. Blair) was
concerned.

WINDING SCHEMES AGAINST
ENGLISH EMIGRANTS TO CANADA.

Strathcona Issues a Warning Against the Fakirs Through
the English Newspapers--Every Emigrant Guaranteed
Work 24 Hours After Arrival in Canada.

Montreal, Feb. 19. (Special)--A special
London cable to the Star says: "The re-
markable success of the scheme for an all
British colony near Saskatchewan has en-
couraged a number of Canadian emigra-
tion scoundrels, whereby unscrupulous
agents are reaping a harvest. In
different parts of the empire they ad-
vertise positions alleged to be vacant on Can-
adian farms for premiums of from two
and a half to five pounds, or especially
good berths on a bonus arrangement, which
may mean emigrants making a payment of
from \$25 to \$45 annually over several
years."
"Another dodge is to promise emigrants
instruction in agriculture on their arrival
in Canada for a remuneration, often
amounting to \$30.
"The Canadian commission issues to-
day a public warning, pointing out that
the official steamship fare from Liverpool
to Quebec is \$5 10s, and from Liverpool
to Winnipeg is \$8. He warns intending
emigrants against anyone of all kinds as
an agent's aid is suspicious, and a letter
of introduction which can be obtained at
the government office 24 hours after his
arrival in Canada.
"The statement issued to the press con-
cludes that 5,000 Englishmen are required
in Canada this year and if the present rate
of application is maintained that number
will soon be reached."

THREE KILLED IN
MAGAZINE EXPLOSION.

Terrible Disaster at Fort Lafayette
--Various Stories as to Cause.

New York, Feb. 19. (Special)--Three men were
killed outright, one man injured so that
he died later, two other men fatally and
at least seven seriously hurt in an explo-
sion in the work room of the naval storeroom
magazine at Fort Lafayette about 2 o'clock
this afternoon. The dead:
George Rothman, Brooklyn.
Gustav Dozier, Bay Ridge.
John Mason, Brooklyn.
Unknown man thought to be Martin
Thiagarasa, Brooklyn.
The injured so far as known: W. H.
Vangurp, Brooklyn.
Charles John Muller, Brooklyn.
E. B. Muller, Manhattan.
Frank Marden, address unknown.
All the dead and injured were workmen
at the fort.
The explosion could be heard for miles
around. Accounts as to how the fatal
blast was set off differ. One report has it
that the men were filling a 13-inch shell
while another is that the men were re-
moving a powder charge from a shell and
undertook to unplug a fuse, connecting
the powder chamber with the percussion
cap. This caused sufficient friction to set
off the cap and explode the shell.
Major Powell, chief surgeon at Fort
Hamilton, was among the first to reach
the scene of the catastrophe and with fort
troops removed the dead and injured from
the wrecked magazine. Ambulances and
surgeons also were summoned from Brook-
lyn.
The work of identifying the dead and
injured was difficult because of the destruc-
tive features, blackened by powder burn-

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE
AT SYDNEY, C. B.

Dominion Iron & Steel Company's
Plant Damaged More Than \$100,-
000 Yesterday.

Sydney, C. B., Feb. 19. (Special)--The
washing plant of the Dominion Iron &
Steel Company at the above works was com-
pletely destroyed by fire this morning,
along with three adjoining buildings.
When the fire department reached the
scene, the blaze had made great headway,
and the building was enveloped in flames.
It is thought the fire started in the
passage way adjoining the main building.
It quickly spread to the main structure.
The firemen worked under great disad-
vantage, owing to the water being frozen
in the hydrants, and a strong breeze fan-
ned the flames and they spread with great
rapidity to the small adjoining buildings.
The main building was filled with valuable
machinery, and motive power for run-
ning it, consisting of 13 motors and two
engines, all of which were destroyed.
The loss is estimated at from \$100,000
to \$200,000, but is pretty well covered by
insurance.
The building was a wooden structure.

EIGHT SCHOOL
CHILDREN KILLED,
MILITIA DEPARTMENT CLERK
AT OTTAWA ARRESTED.

Army Train Crashes Into Trolley
Car Laden With Little Ones.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 19. (Special)--A fast
express on the Lackawanna railroad cut through
a trolley car crowded with high school
children, at the Clifton avenue crossing
today. Eight were killed and a score or
more injured. The motorman of the car,
who stuck to his post, will die, and the
engineer of the express will be badly hurt,
though there is little hope of his recovery.
Both the express and the trolley were
on steep grades, going at right angles.
The express was signalled and the crossing
gates were lowered, while the trolley car
was yet half way down the hill. The
motorman shut off the power and applied
the brakes, but almost immediately the
car began to slip along the icy rail. It
gained tremendous momentum, and at the
bottom of the hill crashed through the
gate, directly in the track of the oncom-
ing train. The locomotive ploughed its
way through the trolley, throwing the
children in every direction. Within three
blocks of the high school building, and
in the car at the time were nearly 100 schol-
ars. As many as 30 others were seen
throw themselves from the car before
the crash came.
One of the bodies, that of a girl, was
found a block beyond. It had been car-
ried there on the pilot of the engine.
Load after load of the injured were sent
away in patrol wagons and ambulances.
Within a short time there was not one
injured person near the scene of the wreck
and the dead were on their way to the
courage.

Carnegie's Latest Scheme.

The Hague, Feb. 19. (Special)--It is said here that
negotiations have been opened between a
financial syndicate of The Hague and An-
drew Carnegie for the sale of an estate
here, which formerly belonged to the
Grand Ducal family of Saxe-Weimar, upon
which Mr. Carnegie proposes to erect a
"peace" monument.

6,000,000 Cement Company.

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 19. (Special)--Lynnan S.
Smith of this city, is the head of a com-
pany capitalized at \$6,000,000 to be known
as the Hudson Portland Cement Co. of
Hudson, to be incorporated at Albany to-
day. The company will put in operation
one of the largest cement mills in the
world and an additional mill will be built
at once.

Bail Reused for Tillman.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 19. (Special)--Gov-
ernor Tillman was refused bail today at
the conclusion of the hearing of his applica-
tion for release on bond.
He is held on the charge of having mur-
dered Editor Gonzales.

True to the Liberal Leader.

The minister in concluding made it
quite clear as to the nature of the pend-
ing struggle. He referred again to the
interview given by Mr. W. H. Thorne,
and emphasized the importance of that
exposure of the purpose and aim of the
Conservatives in New Brunswick.
To meet this attack it was
only necessary that Liberals
should stand together. None
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OUR COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, Feb. 17.—(Special)—The affairs of the estate of the late Wesley Vanwart reached the point when the executor is able to settle up the claims against the estate. Havelock Coy, referee in equity, is issuing cheques in favor of the claimants. The estate is yielding 61 per cent on the amount of the claims.

FREDERICTON, FEB. 18.—(Special)—Harry Steen and Miss Evelyn Parker, daughter of Mrs. George Parker, were married this morning at the bride's home.

FREDERICTON, FEB. 19.—(Special)—The choice of affirmative or negative is left to the U. N. B.

FREDERICTON, FEB. 20.—(Special)—The festival concert in City Hall tonight was a great success.

FREDERICTON, N. B., FEB. 19.—(Special)—Geo. B. Crawford, of Newcastle, Queens county, Harry B. Sprague, of the same place, James Holliday and Fred A. Owen Reardon, who has been with Connor Bros., of Black's Harbor for the past year, are applying for incorporation under the name of Crawford, Sprague, Holliday & Owen Reardon.

SUSSEX.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Farvow, who have been visiting in Sussex, returned to St. John this evening.

CANTERBURY.

Canterbury Station, N. B., Feb. 19.—Alex. Bennett passed away this afternoon after a long illness. Deceased was 64 years of age and was a general trader in this village.

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UTOPIA.

Utopia, Charlotte county, Feb. 18.—Owen Reardon, who has been with Connor Bros., of Black's Harbor for the past year, is home for a few days.

DEER ISLAND.

Deer Island, Feb. 14.—The council which has been recently organized at Leonardville has a membership of 30. N. Tupper Bickley is S. C.

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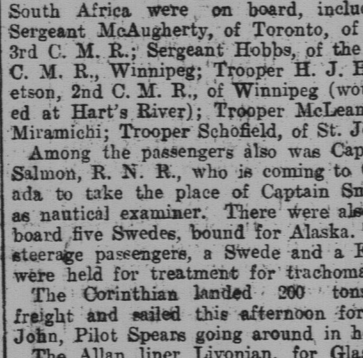
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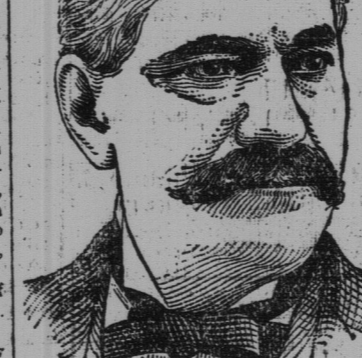
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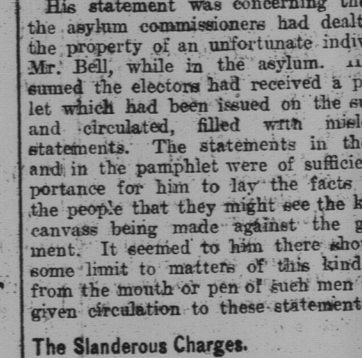
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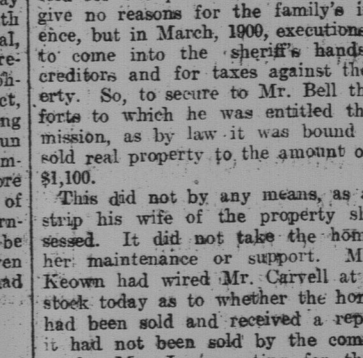
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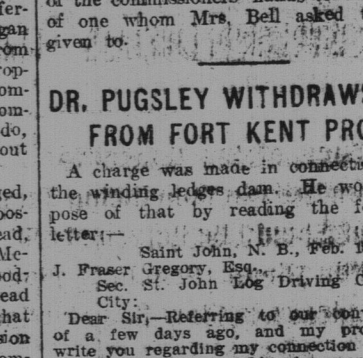
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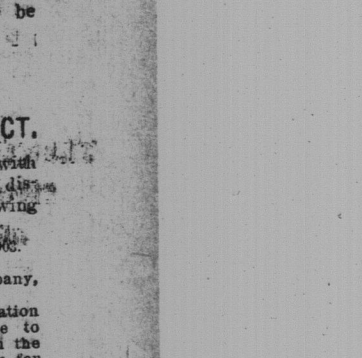
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DR. PUGSLEY WITHDRAWS FROM FORT KENT PROJECT.

A charge was made in connection with the winding up of the project. Dr. Pugsley has withdrawn from the project.

AS TO EXCESSIVE CHARGES.

It was alleged that excessive charges had been made by Mr. Jones, acting for the commissioners. After the death of the unfortunate man, his widow was appointed administratrix.

FAMILY DID NOT INTEREST THEMSELVES.

When he was sent there the family appeared or gave information as to his property or the commission or in charge. But when word came from the municipality of Carleton county repudiating the charge against them for his care, the attention of the commissioners was directed to see what property he would have in his estate.

MR. CARTER'S LETTER KILLS CHARGES.

Mr. Carter had believed there was an overcharge by Mr. Jones. He might have gone before Judge Baker and say that he was not a party to the matter. When the \$134 was discovered in the wrong account Mr. Trueman, acting for the commission, notified Mr. Carter of the error, suggesting the suit be dropped and costs to date would be paid.

HON. MR. HILL OUT OF GOVERNMENT.

Mr. McKewen has announced that his resignation had been accepted by the premier.

DISCRETIONARY TACTICS.

This kind of tactics does not bring any credit to the party which takes them up and they come back upon the heads of those who willfully and falsely make them.

Just Try to Get Well

Find out what I know. Learn why my offer is possible. Write me a postal—that's all.

Then I will mail you an order—good for six bottles Dr. Shoop's Restorative. You may take it a month on trial. If it succeeds, the cost is \$5.00. If it fails, I will pay the druggist myself, and your mere word shall decide it.

Note What The Means. My Method is This:

No matter about your prejudices and doubts. The result—but not the cause of your illness—is my business. I bring back the nerve power which alone makes each vital organ act. I give it the strength to do its duty, just as I would give a weak engine more steam. I never always succeed. My records show that 30 out of every 40 who get my Restorative on trial, pay for it gladly, because they are cured. The best of other treatments cannot cure chronic cases in ten.

For we all realize, in order to get something, we must give something. Mark the book and address to Dr. Shoop, Box 11, Racine, Wis. Book 1 on Hygiene. Book 2 for Men. Book 3 on the Kidneys. Book 4 for Women. Book 5 on the Lungs. Book 6 on the Stomach. Book 7 on the Blood. Book 8 on the Nervous System. Book 9 on the Heart. Book 10 on the Brain. Book 11 on the Genitals. Book 12 on the Skin. Book 13 on the Bones. Book 14 on the Muscles. Book 15 on the Joints. Book 16 on the Nails. Book 17 on the Hair. Book 18 on the Teeth. Book 19 on the Senses. Book 20 on the Mind. Book 21 on the Soul. Book 22 on the Spirit. Book 23 on the Angels. Book 24 on the Demons. Book 25 on the Spirits. Book 26 on the Ghosts. Book 27 on the Witches. Book 28 on the Sorcerers. Book 29 on the Magicians. Book 30 on the Wizards. Book 31 on the Enchanters. Book 32 on the Necromancers. Book 33 on the Diviners. Book 34 on the Astrologers. Book 35 on the Palmists. Book 36 on the Fortune Tellers. Book 37 on the Seers. Book 38 on the Soothsayers. Book 39 on the Prophets. Book 40 on the Messengers. Book 41 on the Angels. Book 42 on the Saints. Book 43 on the Martyrs. Book 44 on the Virgins. Book 45 on the Widows. Book 46 on the Orphans. Book 47 on the Paupers. Book 48 on the Sick. Book 49 on the Dying. Book 50 on the Dead.

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THE REAL ISSUE.

Last night when Mr. Hazen began his premature campaign—a campaign which ended in ridicule and failure—he sought to create the false impression that the defeat of the Tweedie government would mean the return of the Liberal party to power in New Brunswick.

repeatedly exposed as that pretence has been, shows the dire straits in which they find themselves ten days before election.

MR. HAZEN, THE LIBERALS' FRIEND.

The Sun, which has constituted itself adviser of the Liberal party in this campaign, undertook yesterday to prove that the election of Mr. Hazen and his candidates—that is, Tory success—would be a great benefit to the Liberal party.

It is felt that both parties must gain in all elements of strength that are worth considering by the success of Mr. Hazen in this struggle.

In other words, the shortest way to Liberal success is to place St. John and the province in the hands of the Tories. It is, doubtless, an admirable argument; anyway it is a fair sample of Conservative logic.

Then something happened. Mr. R. L. Borden, who, apparently, had not been consulted as to the aims of campaign to be pursued by the Conservatives in New Brunswick, proceeded to put his foot in it.

And then Attorney-General Pugsley was interviewed, in Ottawa, in regard to the campaign here. He said, with everyone here knows, but what the Tories were afraid to admit—that the fight would be on party lines and that the government would have a sweeping victory.

Next, Mr. W. H. Thorne made his now famous contribution to the literature of the campaign through the Tory Gazette of Montreal. Premier Tweedie, he pointed out bluntly, is the right arm of the Minister of Railways.

Present content means. His words to Liberals, plain beyond all possibility of misunderstanding, show that Mr. Borden told the truth last autumn, that the Attorney-General was right when he said the contest here would be on party lines.

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The stalling-tactics of the Sun will not do. St. John put Hon. George E. Foster out of commission. It is now preparing to administer another telling blow to the remnant of his followers here.

Such men as Hon. A. G. Blair and Hon. H. R. Emmerson, who are safe guides of the party, see in this contest only one duty before the Liberals, and that is to accomplish the defeat of the Conservative pretenders.

Mr. Hazen's position is thoroughly understood. He is an out and out party man in an out and out party fight, and his success at this time would be a severe blow to the Liberals.

The Liberal convention in Charlotte refused to be a party to the plan to select the country's representatives by private agreement.

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Hazen might have attracted to his standard a force more worthy of respect than that which he has led and which he leads today.

Nor has he with him in the fight today a single man who rises above mediocrity. It is all very well to talk about the time when Mr. Hazen will be called upon to form a government.

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Mr. Donnell devoted most attention to the Muskoka lands and other matters about which Mr. Anderson has been talking excitedly for some months.

Dr. Ruddock, like Mr. Linn, was greeted with great cheerfulness. There is no reason to suppose that the county has any thought of replacing these tried and able representatives by Messrs. Agar and Anderson.

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Although the Attorney-General has been laid up since the accident to him on Saturday night, his colleagues, Messrs. Scovill and King are doing splendid work.

The Tories are not strong enough to stand alone in this constituency—out by 1,000 votes. No wonder the Conservative newspapers beg for Liberal support.

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Bargains in Clothing.

No better time to buy a SUIT, OVERCOAT, REEFER, ULSTER or PAIR OF PANTS than now. The Prices are Really Right.

OVERCOATS in grey, blue and black, long Chesterfield and Raglanette style. Regular prices \$6 to \$15. Cut prices \$3.95, 5.00, 6.00 and 7.50.

MEN'S SUITS in S. and D.B. Suits, neat patterns and desirable goods. Regular prices \$5 to \$10. Prices now \$3.95, 5.00, 6.00 and 8.00.

Men's and Boys' Ulsters, Reefers and Pants at great reductions for the bottom of this month.

J. N. HARVEY, 199 Union St. Opera House Block, St. John, N. B.

Wear! That's "the greatest thing in the world,"—in anything that's worn. You get style, fit and finish too, in GRANBY RUBBERS.

THE E. B. EDDY COMPANY'S Headlight Parlor Match at 5 CENTS per box, and Telegraph Sulphur Match at 12 CENTS a quarter gross.

Premier Gets a Rousing Greeting in Westmorland. Hon. Mr. Tweedie Disposes of Mr. Mott and Lunatic Charges.

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INCONSISTENT.

Four years ago the Globe newspaper held that party lines should be drawn in provincial politics.

Today, when they are drawn, the Globe opposes the government and opposes the Liberal candidates in this constituency.

It is opposed now to the plan it advocated in the last contest. But, more than that, it attacks, directly or by implication, the four men selected by a regular convention of the Liberal party in St. John.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

The opposition is somewhat handicapped by the lack of a live issue.

"Party against party."—Spoke to that, and what chance has the Tory opposition in St. John?

The Sun says Mr. Hazen will not betray the Liberals. He will not have the chance.

It would appear that the Liberals owe Mr. Thorne something for exposing the pretences of his own newspaper.

The outcry made by the Tory newspapers because the campaign is being run on party lines shows that they have not forgotten 1900.

Those good Conservatives, Mr. R. L. Borden and Mr. W. H. Thorne, say the fight here is one between Liberals and Tories. Who doubts it?

At the Liberal rally in Union Hall, North End, this evening addresses will be delivered by Hon. A. G. Blair, Hon. H. A. McKinnon, Messrs. J. L. Carleton, E. H. McPherson and others.

The government campaign in Kings is in full swing, and the candidates are meeting with the greatest possible suc-

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THE LIBERAL GOVERNMENT AND I. C. R. MEN.

Employees All Over the Road Have Had Their Wages Increased.

A Working Man Contrasts Liberal and Tory Control of the Government Road—A Word About the Opposition Government.

Editor Transcript: As a railway employee who has spent some attention to the rise of wages...

IS IT MURDER?

Body of Infant, Dead and Naked, Found on Shore Near Suspension Bridge, Thursday.

The body of a babe—naked and frozen—was found Thursday morning in the vicinity of the Suspension bridge on the Fairville side.

LOCAL NEWS.

W. C. Jones has been appointed collector of customs for the port of Clemente port (N. S.), in place of Charles Dittmar, recently deceased.

AT HOME OF LOCAL KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

39th Anniversary of Establishment of the Order in This City Celebrated Thursday Evening.

It was just 30 years ago Thursday when the first Canadian lodge of the order of the Knights of Pythias was organized in Canada and the lodge was New Brunswick Lodge, No. 1, of St. John.

A PRESENTATION.

Queen's Preceptor R. B. K. Recognize Services of C. W. Stockton as Preceptor.

The home of Chas. W. Stockton, 214 Brussels street, was the scene of a pleasant event Wednesday night.

THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY AND ITS CRITICS.

Montreal Herald Shows the Difficulties of Water Rate Competition It Has to Overcome—Businesslike Administration Given by Hon. Mr. Blair.

Opposition journals decline to see any cause for gratification in the results of the operation of the Intercolonial Railway for the past year.

IN MEMORIAM THE LATE DR. MULLIN.

Impressive Service at St. John's Church Wednesday—City Teachers Pass Resolutions of Sympathy.

An impressive memorial service was the tribute of respect which former pupils and co-workers in educational matters paid Wednesday to the memory of Dr. Eldon Mullin.

THE SCHOOL BOOK CANVASS OF THE TORY OPPOSITION.

Facts Which Give an Answer to the Charges Made.

Price of Geography in New Brunswick Below That in Nova Scotia—The Matter of Printing.

WEDDINGS.

The marriage of John Edmund Masters and Miss Ida Stone, sister of Mrs. C. J. Milligan, of this city, took place in Hamilton (Hermans) Thursday.

PROBATE.

Mrs. Cunick, widow of Timothy Cunick, on her death lately left an estate of \$6,500 in personal property to be divided among her children.

ANOTHER CANADIAN TEACHER ENGAGED.

Miss Winifred Johnston, The Telegraph's South African Correspondent, to Marry an English Gentleman.

THE DEMAND FOR SHEORTHEN CATTLE IS GROWING.

The demand for sheorthen cattle is growing, says C. P. R. Agricultural Agent Hubbard, who has just returned to the city from a tour of inspection.

THE MARRIAGE OF CHARLES E. LEONARD.

The marriage of Charles E. Leonard, of St. John north, and Miss Margaret J. McBrearty, of Roxbury, but formerly of this city, took place in Roxbury (Mass.) on Feb. 18.

THE MARRIAGE OF MISS LILLIAN BECKWITH.

The marriage of Miss Lillian Beckwith, daughter of C. W. Beckwith, of Fredericton, and J. Brown Maxwell, C. E., of Ramford Falls (N. S.), took place Thursday afternoon at the residence of Rev. G. R. McDonald.

THE MARRIAGE OF MISS MARY KNAPP.

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Handsome Watch Free advertisement with image of a watch and promotional text.



SUNLIGHT SOAP advertisement with text describing its benefits for laundry.

Funeral of Late Dr. H. V. White. Springfield, Kings County, Feb. 17—The funeral of the late Dr. H. V. White, who died at St. John on the 7th inst., took place from his late residence on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Equity Court. The regular February sittings of the equity court was held by Judge Barker yesterday.

Safety For Little Ones. Mothers should exercise great care in choosing medicine for children.

TO ASSIMILATE FOOD

see that your stomach and liver are in proper condition. To do easily and pleasantly take Beecham's Pills

Beecham's Pills advertisement with logo and text.

SLIGHT ACCIDENT ON I. C. R.

Moncton, Feb. 19—The Truro freight train from Moncton, in charge of Conductor Gilmore, had two cars derailed near Paislee Junction this morning.

Incubators and Brooders advertisement with text and small images.

W. H. THORNE & CO., Limited, St. John, N. B.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., FEBRUARY 2, 1906

WINIFRED JOHNSTON LOST AMONG THE KOPS AND KLOOFS.

New Brunswick Girl Has an Experience in the Dark Continent Which She Will Long Remember.

Dunsmuir, South Africa, Jan. 5.—In the last few days I have got a better appreciation of the war in South Africa than in the preceding seven months.

The last I wrote you, if I remember rightly, was about the primitive methods of farming. The letter was scarcely off the post when I received one of those shocks that one is continually getting in this amazing country. In school one constantly hears of the horrors of the Boer war, but when you see them with your own eyes, it is a different matter.



KOPJE OF MAGERSFONTEIN.—(Photo by Miss Johnston.)

working and the ubiquitous pig rooted about in the brush. It was the oddest combination of civilized and primitive methods I have seen since I came to this country. A wire fence, about six feet high, was set into a frame of heavy wood, the whole dragging the waste straw away from the fields.

Now another thresher had arrived, since some of the Boers were very up to date in the first. It was the progress of this thresher through the drift that gave me a clear picture of the huge difficulties of transport during the war.

The thresher machine was one big load for 12 oxen, the engine was pulled along

through the water and started up the other side—then it stopped. The drivers' long whips whistled through the air, to the usual accompaniment of awful shrieks, the oxen tugged this way and that, but the machine budged not. More men and more whips and more shrieks lent their assistance, but it was no use, the hill was too steep. The oxen, of course, pulled in and out, crossways, mixing themselves up in direct confusion.

The drivers went back to the engine, unhooked the 12 oxen and tied their chains to the chain of the engine. Again the whips whistled, and again the drivers shrieked. The 22 oxen gave a mighty pull, the chains broke, and the beast was once more all mixed up with one another.

The break was soon repaired, and the excited oxen pulled back into place. Another start was made, and so gently that it seemed no effort the heavy thresher was pulled up the hill.

Now if you multiply this scene by thousands, supply a rain storm on a dark night, a swollen stream, and thick mud instead of a hard road, you can then get some realization of what army transport endured during the war. The only wonder to me is that they ever got supplies and ammunition anywhere.

The Day After Christmas.

Right opposite the school is a big kopje, perhaps 100 feet high. For three months I've been intending to climb it. The day after Christmas being a suitable occasion

for working off surplus energy and indigestion combined, I started about 7.30 a. m. There was a rough path, where the cattle homeward bound their weary way every sundown. Up I tramped, the view growing wider and wider with every step. Away to the north could be seen the blue peaks of distant mountains, and at hand the winding gorge of our kloof, while all the rest appeared to be rolling, mountainous high veldt. At the very top was a small fortification of many stone walls, behind which the cowardly Boers had hidden, and dropped down stones or bullets on scouting parties passing through.

An Experience to Remember.

It seems to me one of my letters told of the difficulties of getting transport here,

during animal or he wouldn't have stood it.

Explains British Difficulties.

Once at the top we thought surely we could find the road, but again we were defeated by kloof after kloof. It was getting hotter and hotter. We hadn't eaten for five hours and the man had been on the steady tramp for more than three. The prospect began to look bad, especially as the kloofs we now crossed had no water in them. Once in this ravine it is almost impossible to find the way. From the top there seems to be only one, but try to cross it and you'll find a dozen in the depths of which the man becomes confused and loses the sense of direction. I'm telling you all this in detail to account for the way the Boers held out so long, and the fearful difficulties Lord Methuen encountered in these very wilds. They would be marching along the high veldt, never suspecting such hiding places almost within reach of their flank.

At long last, away across a valley, we saw the road, then a couple of miles more and we twisted up in an entirely new direction to a tiny thatched farm house beside a rushing river. Another ford I was out of the saddle, and precious glad of it. It must have been well on to 2 o'clock and we couldn't have done much more than 20 miles. Lunchmen, under such

circumstances can be better imagined than described.

The men were taking shooting fish, you can understand. They got into the water and the fish were speared by the concussion they turn on their backs and are caught in the hand.

We started for home about an hour and a half before sunset, the most charming time of the day, when the violet shadows steal up every hill. The other man rode a restive steed, a mounted Dutch boy was our guide, and he led my horse. By the way that Englishman started to walk over the kops you would have thought he was starting out fresh from his morning ride. One admires and marvels at such physique. Up over a fearful path we went, across the high veldt once more. The Dutchman kept telling us the path was easy enough to find, and we would shortly strike the main road, but it grew less and less distinct as the sun went down. He was impatient to go back, so in the fast gathering dusk he left us, imploring us to continue to the right straight up the kloof and we'd be home in half an hour.

Of all the paths we followed the whole day long that was by far the worst. Down hill, by low rocks, by jumps rather than steps, until the bottom was reached in darkness. More water, welcome as before, and we turned up the kloof, followed a good path for perhaps a mile, then came to three. We tried one, it seemed to strike across the veldt, worse luck! We went back and just succeeded in finding the middle one. Here everything was hopelessly unfamiliar and we ought to have been right near home. We stumbled on until at last we struck a path about two miles from home. In the darkness the man walked into low bushes, while we were nearly scraped off the saddle by overhanging branches. Finally we got among boulders and I dismounted. We had been able to get occasional glimpses of the mountains and the kloofs into the remotest recesses as I did that day.

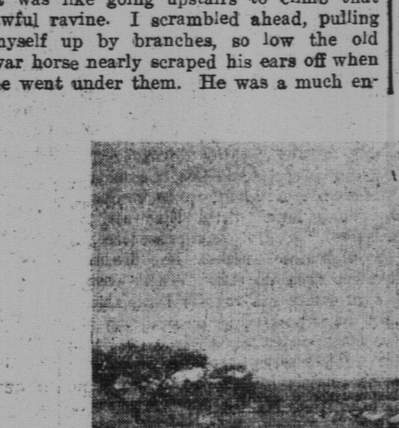
WINIFRED JOHNSTON.

Illustrates the Great Difficulties the British Had in Transport During the War—An Interesting Letter.

Another kop to climb, only to be stopped by our round the heads of the two oxen out on the high veldt again, among rhododendron trees in bloom. We thought we were going in the right direction, and everything looked plain sailing, when we were stopped by another fearful gorge. This time there was no question of going around the head of it. We followed down stream, gaining over fearful battlements of rock to the dashing water perhaps 1,000 feet below. A path was to be seen on the other side, but how to get down that gorge we didn't know. However, we went on and on, right down to a big bend of the stream with apparently no path whatever to be seen in the distance.

What a tangle of rocks and trees was at the bottom, and how good the water tasted!

The path on the other side had by this time disappeared but we forged again, and it was like going up stairs to climb that awful ravine. I scrambled about, pulling myself up by branches, so low the old war horse nearly scraped his ears off when he went under them. He was a much ex-



BOER TRENCHES BEFORE THE KOPJE OF MAGERSFONTEIN.—(Photo by Miss Johnston.)

seemed hopelessly lost. Match after match flickered out in the wind; at last we got through the drift on a fair road again and in a few moments we saw the lights of our house, most inviting gleam.

The other man had gone ahead of us to get things started towards dinner, but he had taken the wrong path and had ridden hard 10 miles out of the road and arrived just before us. Patience, when it is warmed up, isn't to be sneezed at after such a day. We had been gone just 11 hours, with about three and a half hours for a rest.

I don't want to boast of it, but I think there are few girls in South Africa who ever enjoyed such a 23 mile ride as that, and few who have seen into the heart of the mountains and the kloofs into the remotest recesses as I did that day.

ANNAPOLIS.

Annapolis, Feb. 18.—The funeral of the late Mary Kathleen, only daughter of Mrs. Ellen McFadden, took place on Thursday afternoon at 11 o'clock in the morning, at the residence of her mother, Mrs. McFadden, here for a long time. The body was interred in St. Louis, burying ground, Rev. Father Hayes officiating. There were a large number of floral tributes, which included those from her mother; Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Munro, of Amherst; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jordan, Halifax; Mrs. C. R. Jordan, of St. John; Mrs. E. D. Arnold; St. Andrew's cross; Mr. and Mrs. Bradford and staff of St. Andrew's school; Mrs. R. G. C. cross; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ritchie; Mrs. Miss Hazel King; bouquet, Miss Hilda Lombard; wreath, D. S. Rourke; broken tray, H. B. Rourke; Miss Lacey; out flowers, Miss Peckles, roses, Miss Reynolds.

The many friends of Rev. J. S. Coffin mourn with pleasure that he has so far recovered from his recent illness that he was able to occupy the pulpit in his church on Sunday morning, and to preach at St. Clement's in the afternoon.

Mr. Andrew B. Hardwick, father of B. B. Hardwick, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

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KILLING A MAN, INSTEAD OF A DEER.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 18.—It will no longer be an accident to shoot a human being by mistake for a deer if Assemblyman Matthews bill introduced today becomes a law. Under its terms the killing of any person by a hunter in this manner becomes manslaughter in the second degree and is punishable by imprisonment for five years or a fine of \$500.

Successful Government Meeting.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 19.—An enthusiastic meeting was held last night at Newton in the interests of the government candidates. An earnest and enlightening address was delivered by the Hon. A. S. White, and marked attention and general interest evinced by the electors present leaves no doubt to the result in that vicinity.

Reports from the head of Millstream are good from a government standpoint. Statham no doubt will give the government candidates a good majority.

New Jail at Amherst.

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AMHERST.

Amherst, Feb. 18.—Patrick Connolly received word from Elkhart, Indiana, of the death, by railway accident, of his eldest son, James. No particulars were learned. Deceased was a brother of William Connolly of Sydney and had been absent from here for more than 20 years.

Rev. D. A. Steed, D. D., will go to St. John this week to supply the pulpit of the Brussels street Baptist church for a few weeks.

Ex-Warden Alex. Wilson spent yesterday in Amherst.

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British Warships Ordered to China.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 17.—(Special)—Orders have been received from the admiralty, dispatching the torpedo destroyers Sparrow Hawk and Virago from this coast to China.

Election Riot, Latest from South America.

Paris, Feb. 18.—A dispatch from Rio Janeiro states that election riots have occurred in that city and that several persons have been killed or injured.

Beresford to Command Channel Squadron.

London, Feb. 18.—Lord Charles Beresford announced at Whitehall tonight that he had been offered an appointment as commander of the Channel Squadron.

The Great White Plague

Largely on the Increase. How to Decrease Canada's Appalling Deathrate.

What's the use of locking the stable door after the horse is stolen? A wise man is forewarned and locks the door first. Apply this to Consumption. What's the good of treating an acute disease? Be forewarned, lock the Gateway-Catarrh, and thus prevent Consumption from taking hold of your system. Every sensible person knows that Catarrh is the forerunner or starting point of Consumption, and every Catarrh sufferer is very liable—not perhaps right away—but perhaps next year or afterwards, to be in the deadly grip of that dread disease.

The way Catarrh develops into Consumption is very simple. During the day or waking part of the life, the Catarrh forms a mucus which forms in the nose and throat, and is hawked up and spit out. During sleep this is beyond one's control and very frequent small particles are inhaled into the Bronchial Tubes and Lungs, thus affecting these organs—RESULT—Consumption.

Reader, if you have Catarrh, even in its mildest form, don't wait until it gets too late. Take it in time, remember "A stitch in time saves nine." Remember that Consumption—the Great White Plague of Canada—is largely due to the increase in the Dominion. Take every precaution not to be numbered among its victims.

Should you be one of the lucky and escape Consumption, then you are to your friends. How they loathe and abhor you when you are forced to hawk and clear your throat of the Catarrhal mucus, and how much greater object disgust you are to your friends on account of that bad breath which you undoubtedly have to a greater or lesser degree. Perhaps you don't know it, because your friends are so kindly people and don't want to hurt you, but your sensitive feelings are telling you of the sickening, disgusting

ing bad smell which comes from your nose and throat. If you are wise, and show good judgment enough to decide to have your Catarrh attended to right away, then the next question to determine is what treatment is best to use. Avoid the numerous, inferior and worthless nostrums so freely advertised in many papers. Seek out a man of well-known reputation, whose integrity, straightforwardness and honesty of purpose can't be questioned—whose aim and object in the world is to do as much good as lies in his power to his fellow-men, whose selfishness and egotism is derived from benefiting his fellow human beings. Such a man (Catarrh Specialist) Sproule has tried to prove himself to be. His twenty years' work in the United States of America and Canada have made his worth known to a vast number; and some of his cured patients can be found in almost every village and hamlet all over the North American Continent.

The erroneous idea that Catarrh can't be cured is believed by many Canadians. This belief is fostered by the statements of ignorant physicians, who due to the fact of people trying worthless and inferior patent medicines, with no lasting benefit, just of all this unfortunate class, don't get discouraged. Keep up hope; just a little more of all this Specialist Sproule for proof that he can cure, after several treatments have been tried to no avail. He will only be too glad to send you absolute proof, free of charge, how different his course of treatment is from any other.

How vastly superior, how lasting and effectual are his cures! You will examine your case with the greatest care and will tell you what you are to do. He will gladly give you the most valuable



The passage to the Heart which Catarrh starts, which so often goes down on the lungs and develops into the Great White Plague—Consumption.

MEDICAL ADVICE FREE.

Some people have Catarrh and don't know it. Many others don't know its symptoms, which are given below:

- | SYMPTOMS OF CATARRH OF THE BRONCHIAL TUBES | | SYMPTOMS OF CATARRH OF THE HEAD AND THROAT | |
|--|------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Have you a cough? | Are you losing flesh? | Do you spit up sputum? | Are your eyes watery? |
| Do you cough at night? | Do you cough at night? | Do you spit up sputum? | Does your nose seem full? |
| Do you cough at night? | Do you cough at night? | Do you spit up sputum? | Does your nose discharge? |
| Do you cough at night? | Do you cough at night? | Do you spit up sputum? | Do you sneeze a good deal? |
| Do you cough at night? | Do you cough at night? | Do you spit up sputum? | Do you have pain across the eyes? |
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Answers to questions, yes or no, write your name and address on the dotted lines, cut and send to Dr. Sproule, B. A., English Specialist (Graduate Dublin University and formerly Surgeon British Royal Navy) 7 to 13 Doane St., Boston. He will help you free.

AMHERST.

Amherst, Feb. 18.—(Special)—William Barley, of Hungerford township, Hastings county, is dead, at the remarkable age of 104. His wife, to whom he was married 67 years ago, survives him.

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The late Dr. J. M. McKenna, England's foremost physician and HIRD'S ASTHMA CURE constantly in the private practice. If you are discouraged send for a guarantee free sample. It will not disappoint you.

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MARRIAGES. Vincent-Patterson. In this city, by the Rev. T. J. Deland, Warren John Vincent, of St. John, and Lettie May Patterson, of St. John.

DEATHS. McDonald. Mrs. Ann McDonald, Feb. 16, aged 72 years, leaving one daughter and four sons to mourn their loss.

DEATHS. Godwin. At Boston, on the 15th inst., Catherine, widow of Joseph Godwin, aged 92 years, leaving four sons and four daughters to mourn their loss.

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Obituary. Mrs. Mary O'Brien. After illness of but three days of bronchitis, Mrs. Mary O'Brien died Tuesday at her home, 189 Rockland Road.

Obituary. Mrs. John Campbell, Bloomfield. The death took place Wednesday at Bloomfield (K. C.) of Mrs. John Campbell, in her 72nd year.

Obituary. Mrs. Elizabeth A. Smith, formerly of St. John. News was received Wednesday of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Smith.

Obituary. Mrs. Agnes B. Law. The death of Mrs. Agnes Beatrice Law occurred suddenly at her home in Spring Hill, Kings county, on Wednesday.

Obituary. Death of Miss Carrie Hopewell Hill, Feb. 18. Miss Carrie Hopewell Hill, daughter of Capt. William Hopewell Hill, of Lower Cape, died this morning at the hospital at Riverside.

Obituary. St. Martin's Lumbering News. St. Martin's, Feb. 19. Fortimer & Company have moved their portable mill to Hibernia Settlement.

Obituary. Cook's Cotton Roll Compound. Ladies-Favorite. In the city safe, reliable and regular in which woman can depend.

Obituary. Nova Scotia Burned to Death. Boston, Feb. 19. Theodore Doucet, a Nova Scotian, was one of the victims of a fire in the cabin of the fishing schooner at wharf E, today.

Obituary. Pleasant Function at U. N. B., Fredericton. Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 19. (Special.) The annual convocation of the U. N. B. was held tonight.

Obituary. Do You Breathe GAST? If you have any sensation in your chest—remember, a drop of Peppermint Cure is worth a bushel of medicine.

Obituary. Genuine Castoria always bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fisher. When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was Chilly, she cried for Castoria.

Obituary. What's the use of a woman's rights if they don't ever have a chance of exercising 'em? Haven't their purses borrowed 'ud show 'em the old doctrine in a bran new light?

Obituary. The remaining passengers were treated with similar courtesy, and the Colonel and his friends examined the pockets of the captives.

Obituary. The Colonel abruptly approached the stage. He was very chivalrous. "I beg your pardon, ma'am," he said, raising his hat politely with one hand.

Obituary. "No," replied the Colonel, dreamily. "That is, unless you had the stage go ahead," he continued, springing to his feet.

Obituary. The old lady trembled, felt for her pocket-book and raised her head. The Colonel looked into her face, slammed the stage-door, sat, sitting on the knob of one of the wheels, stared vacantly into space.

Obituary. "Nothin'" queried Perkins in a whimper with a face full of genuine sympathy. "No," replied the Colonel, dreamily.

Obituary. The passengers, now relieved of their weapons, were unbound, allowed to enter the stage and the door was slammed, upon which Old Black picked up his reins as coolly as if he had lain them down at a station while the horses were being changed.

Obituary. Great was the surprise of the road agents as they entered their hut, for there stood the Colonel in a clean white shirt and in a suit of clothing made up from the limited spare wardrobe of the other members of the gang.

Obituary. But the suspicious Cranks speedily subscribed his wander to his prisoner, as, laying on the table a watch, two pistols, a pocket-book and a heavy purse, he exclaimed: "Come, Colonel, business before pleasure!

Obituary. "Better be an hour ahead than miss it this 'ere night," said one of the four. "I ain't been so thirty since I came round the Horn in '51, an' we run short of water. Somebody'll get hurt in there ain't any liquor on the old cooners—your whickers, or my name ain't Perkins."

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

What the Colonel's business was nobody knew, nor did anybody care, particularly. He purchased for cash only, and he never grumbled at the price of anything he wanted; who could ask for more than that?

Curious people occasionally wondered how, when it had been fully two years since the Colonel, with every one else, abandoned Dutch Creek, California, to the Chinese, he managed to spend money freely and to lose considerably at cards and horse races.

In fact, the keeper of that one of the two Challenge Hill hotels which the Colonel did not patronize, was once heard to absent-mindedly wonder whether the Colonel hadn't a money mill somewhere where he turned out coin as wanted.

The Colonel was as good-natured a man as had ever been known at Challenge Hill; but, being mortal, the Colonel had his occasional times of despondency, and one of these occurred after a series of races in which he had staked his all on his own bay mare, Tipse, and had lost.

Those at the hotel sympathized most feelingly with the Colonel, they were unwilling in their invitations to drink, and they even exhibited considerable forbearance when he savagely dissented with every one who advanced any proposition, no matter how inopportune.

But unappreciated sympathy grows decidedly tiresome to the giver, and it was with a feeling of relief that they saw the Colonel stride out of the saloon, mount Tipse and gallop furiously away.

The Colonel was well known at Toddy Flat, Lone Hand, Blazer, Murderer's Bar and several other villages, through which he passed. As no one had been seen to precede him, betting men were soon offering odds that he was running away from somebody.

Strictly speaking, they were wrong; but they won all the money that had been staked against them, for, within half an hour's time he passed over the same road an anxious-looking individual, who reined up in front of the principal hotel of each place and asked if the Colonel had passed.

Had the gallant Colonel known that he was followed, and by whom, there would have been a good deal of commotion in his breast, for the pursuer was the constable of Challenge Hill, and for constables and all officers of the law the Colonel possessed a hatred of unvarying intensity.

On galloped the Colonel following the coach road, which threaded, the old mining camp on Dutch Creek, but suddenly he turned abruptly out of the road and urged his horse through the young pines and bushes which grew thickly by the road, while the constable galloped rapidly on to the next camp.

There seemed to be no path through the thicket into which the Colonel had turned, but Tipse waded between the trees and shrubs as if they were the familiar objects of her own stable-yard. Suddenly a voice from the bushes shouted:

"What's up?" "Business—that's what," replied the Colonel. "Everybody at home?" "You bet," said the other. "All been itching for yer to turn up with somethin' with more color than spring water. Come on."

The man led the way, and Tipse and the Colonel followed, and the trio suddenly found themselves before a small log hut in front of which stood three solemn, disheveled individuals.

The Colonel did not speak, but absented himself a very few moments while he picked out his horse. When he returned each of the four was armed with pistol and knife, while Max, the Colonel's guide, was distributing some dominos made from a rather dirty four-bar.

"That so late as all that, is it?" inquired the Colonel. "Better be an hour ahead than miss it this 'ere night," said one of the four. "I ain't been so thirty since I came round the Horn in '51, an' we run short of water. Somebody'll get hurt in there ain't any liquor on the old cooners—your whickers, or my name ain't Perkins."

"Don't come on my whickers, for my whickers 'ere hatched, Perky," said one of the party, as he adjusted the domino under the rim of his hat. "Sposin' ther' should be too many for us!"

"Stiddy, stiddy, Cranks," remonstrated the Colonel. "Nobody ever gets along of yer 'ow 'emless to be scared?" "I don't want to dispute," said Old Black that's drivin' to day instead of Sid Mike, an' as old Black makes his time, had a better skip!"

The door of the shanty was hastily closed, and the men fled through the thicket until near the road, when they marched rapidly on in parallel lines with it. After about half an hour Perkins was leading, half-led and wiped his perspiring brow with his shirt-sleeve.

"'Enough from home, now," said he. "Tain't no use being a gentleman of yer 'ave to work too hard."

"'S' enough, I reckon," replied the Colonel. "We'll do the usual. I'll halt 'em; Logroller, tend to the driver, Cranks takes the book, an' Mac and Perk takes right 'an' left. An'—I know it's tough—but consider 'ow 'everlastin' hard up we are, I reckon we'll 'ave to ask contributions from the ladies, too, of that's any aboard—eh, boys?"

"Reckon so," replied Logroller, with a chuckle that seemed to inspire even his black domino with a merry wrinkle or two. "What's the use of women's rights if they don't ever have a chance of exercising 'em? Haven't their purses borrowed 'ud show 'em the old doctrine in a bran new light?"

"Come, come, boy," interposed the Colonel, "that's the crack of Old Black's whip! Pick yer bushes—quick! All jump when I whistle!"

Every man secreted himself near the roadside. The stage came swinging along handily, those inside were laughing heartily about something, and Old Black

was just giving a delicate touch to the flank of the off leader, when the Colonel gave a shrill, qu'ck whistle, and five men sprang into the road.

The horses stopped as suddenly as if it were a matter of common occurrence. Old Black dropped the reins, crossed his legs and started into the sky, and the passengers all put out their heads with a rapidly equalled only by that with which they withdrew them as they saw the dominos and revolvers of the highwaymen.

"Seems to be something the matter, gentlemen," said the Colonel, blandly, as he opened the door. "Won't you please get out! Don't trouble yourselves to draw, our my friend here's got his weapon cocked, an' his fingers is rather nervous. Ain't got a handkerchief, hev' yer? I asked he, of the first passenger who descended from the stage. "Hev'! Well, now, that's lucky."

And the unfortunate man was securely bound in an instant. The remaining passengers were treated with similar courtesy, and the Colonel and his friends examined the pockets of the captives. Old Black remained unmolested, for who ever heard of a stage-driver having money?

