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THE WEATHER. Winds increasing to gales, east to south, snow, sleet and rain tonight and on Thursday. Storm signals are displayed.

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ONE CENT

EXPOSURE OF ANOTHER GOVERNMENT MIS-STATEMENT

That \$30,000 Per Year for Fifty Years Would Not Pay the Debt --- We Would Actually Pay, at 4 Per Cent., \$12,100,000 and Still Owe \$750,000.

IT IS STATED THAT \$30,000 PER ANNUM FOR FIFTY YEARS, TO BE DEDUCTED FROM THE FEDERAL SUBSIDY, WILL PAY THE PRESENT DEBT OF THIS PROVINCE. IT WILL GO BUT A SMALL WAY TOWARDS IT. THE PRESENT DEBT IS STATED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO BE \$5,343,680. (SEE THEIR PAMPHLET PAGE 7.) \$30,000 PER ANNUM FOR FIFTY YEARS, WITH INTEREST, COMPOUNDED ANNUALLY AT 3 PER CENT WOULD PRODUCE ONLY \$8,383,974. AT THE END OF FIFTY YEARS, OR WITH INTEREST, AT 4 PER CENT COMPOUNDED IT WOULD PRODUCE \$4,680,010 IN THAT PERIOD, OR \$750,000 SHORT. BUT DURING THE FIFTY YEARS INTEREST WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID HALF YEARLY ON THE DEBT,

CHICAGO PRIEST PREDICTS HE WILL BE ASSASSINATED

Chancellor Dunne, of Chicago, Arch-Diocese, Says That Anarchists Have Prepared Lists of Priests and Clergy for Assassination and the Denver Tragedy Will Be Re-enacted.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—"A murder will be committed in Chicago within a month similar to the Denver assassination, where the Rev. Father Heintz was shot down while administering Holy Communion in St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church," asserted Chancellor E. M. Dunne, of the Chicago arch-diocese last night. "I am positive that anarchists, anti-clericals or whatever they call themselves, have prepared lists of priests and clergy to be killed and am certain that some Chicago man has been marked," he said. "I am the most logical man for assassination and although I have thousands of friends in the Italian colony, I also have enemies."

NEW BRUNSWICKER GOES INSANE IN THE WEST

Percy Gallagher Attempts to Drown Himself and is Now in Asylum.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 26 (Special)—Percy Gallagher, a Canadian Pacific Railway conductor, from New Brunswick, prominent in the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, was admitted to New Westminster Asylum for the insane yesterday. On Friday afternoon Gallagher leaped from the deck of the steamer Unatilla, just opposite the heads at San Francisco, while the vessel was bound for Seattle. He was picked up in a lifeboat. Gallagher was bound for Victoria. He had been visiting his wife at Los Angeles. It is said he was dissatisfied because Mrs. Gallagher declined to return with him immediately.

MONCTON NEWS

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 26 (Special)—Secretary Paves of the I. G. R. Employees' Relief and Insurance Association, has submitted his report for the month ended Feb. 25th, showing that there were six deaths with a total insurance of two thousand dollars. The deaths were as follows:—J. P. Clarke, Moncton, and D. Longlois, Lewis, 8500 each. William Grant and D. McKinnon, New Glasgow; George Connell, Campbellton; Z. E. Gillan, Lewis, \$200 each. In addition to the above deaths J. F. O'Brien, Halifax, and Pierre Jones, St. Roman, members of the temporary employees' accident fund, were killed by accident. Fees and levies for the month are Class A, \$1.00, Class B, \$1.00 and Class C, 70c. The Victoria hockey team leaves this afternoon for Fredericton to play in Maryville tomorrow night and Fredericton on Friday night. The line up of the team will be Wortman, goal; F. Brown, point; J. Brown, cover; Gregory, centre; Norman, rover; Cushing and Crockett, wings. A special train will be run from Moncton to Fredericton on Friday to convey 200 enthusiasts to the capital for the purpose of witnessing the game there Friday night.

JUDGMENT SUSTAINED

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 26 (Special)—Hon. Mr. Aylesworth has been advised from British Columbia that the full court had sustained the judgment of Chief Justice Hunter of the supreme court, declaring that the Natal Act was unconstitutional and beyond the powers of the province to pass it.

Donaldson line steamer Kastalia left Glasgow direct for this port on Feb. 22.

JAPANESE DEPORTED

Two of Them Who Have Been Detained at New Westminster Sent Back to Japan.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 26 (Special)—Two Japanese who were detained in New Westminster under the Natal Act, Chief Justice Aylesworth has ordered that they be deported to Japan. The act does not apply to the Japanese, have been deported by the Dominion immigration officials under an order-in-council for holding any foreign immigrant to enter Canada from any country other than that of his birth. At the city council last evening Ald. McGinlay gave notice of a bill to prevent an anti-Asiatic parade.

RIOT AT FUNERAL OF MINERS IN ALASKA

JUNEAU, Alaska, Feb. 26.—Two Slavonian miners, one union and the other non-union, died yesterday, and the burial of one almost precipitated a riot, in which the police were called on to restore order. The union man was buried peacefully, but when the priest in charge of the funeral services attempted to say mass for the non-union miner he found the church door closed. A mob of 200 union men requested the priest to refuse to bury the non-unionist. The priest declined to heed the demands of the Slavonians, who refused in turn to permit the body of the union miner to be taken into the church. The disturbers attempted to stop the hearse by holding the horses' bridles and succeeded in dragging a number of men away from the funeral procession. The marshal attempted to restore order, but for the time being was powerless. The crowd followed the body to the cemetery and made another disturbance there. Order was finally restored. No one was injured.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DOMINION RIFLE ASSN.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 26 (Special)—The annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association was held in the railway committee room of the house of commons this morning. Col. Hughes, president of the association was in the chair. A resolution was adopted fixing the annual meeting of the association for the future to be held on the last Wednesday of February. The election of officers followed. Sir Frederick Borden was re-elected honorary president and Col. Hughes, M. P., re-elected president. In the vice-presidents, Lieut. Col. E. B. Ibbotson took the place of Senator Mackay in Quebec. Col. Sam. Steele was elected vice-president for Alberta. All the others were re-elected.

WIDOW GETS \$4,200

TORONTO, Feb. 26 (Special)—A settlement by consent was made at Osgoode Hall in an action which Mrs. James Banks, of Grandville, was bringing against the Canadian Pacific Railway over the death of her husband, who was killed in a wreck at Osgoode on Sept. 3. The company have agreed to pay the sum of \$4,200. Banks left two children who were joint plaintiffs in the action.

HOW THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT'S LIQUOR LICENSE EXTORTION POLICY HAS COST CITY OF ST. JOHN \$176,783.95

In Return for This They Gave the City Since 1895 Grants Amounting to \$29,500 and Yet They Dare to Ask Support From City Voters.

The Hon. Mr. McKeown is prone to employ a clumsy species of sledge hammer sophistry for the purpose of disguising disagreeable facts. By such methods he, at least, finds it easy to transform the most evident government reproach into a positive boon and blessing calling for the fullest measure of the people's gratitude. But, the people know Mr. McKeown; and they are not quite so dense mentally as he apparently thinks. Briefly investigate the government has bestowed a great favor upon the city of St. John, in granting \$2,500 per annum towards west side improvements:

Table with columns for Year, Grant from Province to City, and County of St. John. Total grants amount to \$176,783.95.

MORE OF THE POPULAR REFORMS ORIGINATED BY THE OPPOSITION PARTIALLY CONCEDED BY GOVERNMENT

WHAT THE OPPOSITION HAS SECURED OR URGED

- (1) Open competition for the building of steel bridges. The demand for the extension of this principle to all public work.
(2) One man one vote.
(3) The secret ballot—the right to vote free of undue influence.
(4) Better educational facilities. Fairer pay for school teachers.
(5) Protection of municipal rights from crippling extortions.
(6) Cheaper school books.
(7) The appointment of an independent auditor general, with every power for the people's protection.
(8) Reform of crown land policy: fair play for lumber operations.
(9) Extension and encouragement of local schools.
(10) APPOINTMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR GENERAL WITH EVERY POWER FOR THE PEOPLE'S PROTECTION.
(11) The Opposition has long urged the appointment of an auditor general who shall be quite independent of the government, and only dismissable on a two-thirds vote of the legislature.
(12) This official to have full power to investigate every account thoroughly, and no account to be paid unless so passed and certified as correct by such official.
(13) The necessity for this independent and non-partisan official is only too clearly indicated by the frank admission of the present auditor general to the effect that tens of thousands of dollars are paid out each year without any account whatever having been submitted to him—while members of the government submit no vouchers for their drafts upon the treasury.
(14) It must be plain to all intelligent people that the bookkeeping and general handling of the provincial finances are by no means conducted on proper business principles; and that, in consequence, many abuses are not only invited but enabled, to the serious encroachment of our revenue.
(15) REFORM OF CROWN LAND POLICY:
(a) Time and again, the Opposition has called for the reform of the crown land policy. This not only in the wide and vital interests of the province, but, for the benefit of our lumber operators, both large and small, whose industry and enterprise have been seriously obstructed by the venality and insincerity of an incapable government.
(b) Witness the Muskokoka Land Deal in Resignation County. This deal upon our resources could not have occurred had it not been duly aided and abetted, as it was, by members of the government.
(c) Witness also, the unfair treatment meted out to certain lumbermen; and how the law is held over the backs of other operators to coerce their support of the government at each election. No honest voter would countenance such utter desertion of every sacred principle of freedom and justice.
(16) EXTENSION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF LOCAL SCHOOLS:
(a) The education of our children has always been a matter of the keenest moment to the Opposition party, which has continually protested for the extension and encouragement of our local schools.
(b) When it is remembered that, in 213 school districts throughout the province there were, according to the last report of the superintendent of education, no school teachers—the crying urgency for the adoption of the Opposition's policy will make its own poignant appeal to the hearts of all thoughtful people—and, particularly, to parents.
(c) In consequence of such a distressing condition many of our children have little chance of education.
(d) Is it not the clear and bounden duty of every civilized government to provide educational facilities for the children of the people so that they may not be compelled to go out into the world shackled with the terrible handicap of ignorance?
(e) A proper, businesslike handling of the finances of this province; the appointment of a fully empowered, non-partisan auditor general, and an honest, capable administration, would have left ample revenue wherewith to give greater assistance to poor and scattered districts, and thus wipe away the above blot on our Christian civilization.
This article concludes the list of nine distinct reforms originated, achieved, partially achieved or urged by the Opposition party, and, to the complete fulfillment of which it stands committed. These facts should give an emphatic denial to the assertions of the government speakers and writers, that the Opposition party has originated no useful reform.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS. In the midst of the turmoil and heat of a political campaign, when passions are aroused, and men's minds are diverted from those concerns which are spiritual and eternal, it is well that a voice should be heard in the wilderness of strife, holding aloft those ideals which make for political purity and exalted statesmanship. It is therefore with sincere gladness the Times new reporter makes the announcement that Mr. John S. Leighton Jr. has arrived in town with Mr. E. H. McAlpine, and that an effort will be made to prevail

on Mr. Leighton to give a series of Bible readings, to be expounded by Mr. McAlpine. The famous Woodstock Bible will be secured if possible, although it is some time taken up into the political clouds and may be up there now.

A DEAR, GOOD MAN. OTTAWA, Feb. 26 (Special)—Dr. Pugsley will leave the affairs of his department in charge of his deputy until he has selected a new legislature for the people of New Brunswick. It is very kind of

Dr. Pugsley to assume this extra task, but it is universally recognized here that the people of New Brunswick are not yet fitted for self-government, and therefore Dr. Pugsley's course is necessary in the general interests of Canada. There are now sixteen more dredges heading for St. John.

HISTORIC INCIDENT. MONCTON, Feb. 26 (Special)—When Premier Robinson's supporters hoisted him on their shoulders at Dorchester yesterday they fully realized that they were participants in a historic incident. The premier will come down on March 3rd.

TRAGEDY AT LISBON WILL ALWAYS REMAIN A MYSTERY

Belief that the Idea Was Not to Kill King Carlos, But to Dethrone Him, Remove Franco and Proclaim a Republic—Something Went Wrong and the Whole Story Will Probably Never be Told.

LISBON, Feb. 26.—The mystery behind the murder of King Carlos and Prince Luis is not likely ever to be completely lifted. The new Portuguese government professes that the crime should be regarded both at home and abroad as the deed of individuals carried by the political passions of the moment and inasmuch as the republicans are also anxious to clear their skirts of responsibility for regicide, both sides are glad to see an investigation which would probe the affairs to the bottom, smothered. Yet there is undoubtedly much that could be cleared up. It is a matter of common knowledge that there were intrigues in high places as well as low, before the tragedy occurred, and the rage of the leaders and lieutenants of the two rotative parties against which Premier Franco and King Carlos were warring, exceeded all bounds. There is no suggestion that there was repetition of the Belgrade plot aimed at the king's person, but that some of the desperate political leaders were involved in the series of abortive plots against Franco's life which preceded the murder. It is believed here in well informed circles, Franco himself told a friend the day before he left Lisbon (virtually upon the order of the government), that it was impossible to reveal to the world what he had learned of the intrigues of the enemies of the king and himself, and it was therefore better for him to retire forever from the political arena.

PROBABLY MURDER AND NOT SUICIDE

Mystery Over the Death of George A. Carkins, of Newington, N. H.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Feb. 26.—The autopsy performed yesterday upon the body of George A. Carkins of Newington, seemed definitely to establish the fact that the man had been murdered and had not met his death by suicide as was supposed generally when the man was buried over a month ago. The complete report of the autopsy will not be made public until the physicians present their statement to Attorney General Eastman today, but from these facts which have been learned, the authorities are reasonably certain that the declaration of Mrs. Paul Roy, the opera singer, that Carkins, who was her brother, was murdered during a family quarrel at the Roy home in Newington last January, has been borne out in some of its details. Rockingham county authorities who learned in New York City that Mrs. Roy's husband had left the country, presumably for France, found a letter from Roy at the Newington postoffice, it is said, directed to his wife. The letter arrived yesterday and was dated from Queenstown. The missive was immediately given into the custody of Attorney General Eastman, and neither the contents nor the date on which the letter was mailed was made public. Mrs. Roy is said to be in New York.

CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA

Revolutionists Have Wrought Great Devastation Particularly in Baltic Provinces.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The Right Rev. Thomas Edmund Wilkinson, Bishop for North and Central Europe, writes to the Daily Mail from Riga, describing the devastation wrought in Russia generally, and particularly in the Baltic provinces, by the revolutionists. He declares that its extent is quite unknown in England and fully justifies the measures of repression adopted by the Russian government. "Whatever," concludes the Bishop, "may have been the destruction of life in the French revolution, I doubt if the destruction of homes and property was as great in France as in Russia."

THOUSANDS OF MEN MAY BE OUT OF WORK

Labor Situation in Montreal Building Trades is at Present Very Serious.

MONTEREAL, Que., Feb. 26 (Special)—The labor situation at present looks serious and thousands of men may be thrown out of work in the building trades, according to a statement issued today at the building inspector's office. There are at present no big buildings projected and the record shows a falling-off of forty per cent as compared with last year, this probably arising largely from the high price of labor.

SNOW ON ONTARIO

TORONTO, Feb. 26 (Special)—The snow storm which started yesterday in the state of Michigan in the Lake Superior district distributed itself during the night over Lake Huron, Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, and became general in the northern section of this province; 2 to 5 inches falling, accompanied by high winds. Train service suffered as a result but not very seriously.

ONE THOUSAND WORKMEN WANT TO LEAVE TORONTO

TORONTO, Feb. 26 (Special)—That one thousand men in Toronto are willing, even anxious, to leave this city and go to British Columbia to work is a fact apparently proven by the result of a small advertisement. Yesterday Albert Chamberlain, president of the British Welcome League, received 800 post cards in answer to an ad. He states that the advertisement was inserted for the purpose of gaining some knowledge of the labor conditions here.

MONTEREAL, Feb. 26 (Special)—Stocks were weak again today and Detroit under bearish pressure touched 31. Yesterday's lowest was 31.54. Dominion Steel at 15 and bonds at 75 were easier, as was Shawing at 62. Nova Scotia Steel sold at 59 to 58.24. Twin City was steady at 80.

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ONLY PROMISES

Premier Robinson has issued a manifesto. It is only necessary to read this document to see in fancy New Brunswick produce crowding the wharves for export; water powers all over the province turning the busy wheels of vast industries; long coal trains from Migto and Beausville telescoping each other on the railroads; iron and steel furnaces reddening the sky; model settlements blossoming into joyous life in the wilderness; happy school children receiving all the benefits of universal and complete education; contented teachers plodding peacefully along toward a green old age, soothed and sustained by a beneficent pension scheme; school books so nearly free that elated parents will start libraries of them; highways so smooth that they may be used as bowling alleys; a treasury full to overflowing; branch railways brought up to the L. C. R. standard; the Valley Railway running long trains of wheat and cattle to St. John for export; and \$2,000,000 in cash from the fisheries award to be expended for luxuries for a people already amply blessed by Providence and the Robinson government.

But when we leave the realms of fancy and return to the region of cold and chilling fact, we are reminded that Mr. E. H. Allen is still the finance minister of this province; that the government party in York, Charlotte and Kings declined to join in an agreement to run a pure election; that Mr. McAlpine and Mr. McDede spoke at Woodstock last night and told the old Liberals how they should vote; that the highways of New Brunswick were never since the days of the pioneers in such a wretched condition as at present; that a school book ring has been getting a fat rake-off at the expense of the parents who are compelled to purchase the books; that the Central Railroad (\$1,280,000) is not even a good coal road; that Mayor Sears is an unwilling candidate in the city of St. John; that in several counties the government was compelled to get office holders as candidates; and that there is absolutely nothing in the personnel of the government or its candidates throughout the province to warrant the people in expecting any better government or the introduction of any more honest political principles than those which have produced these results.

THE LAST GAP

Dr. Pugsley is once more summoned in hot haste to the aid of the Robinson government. He will speak in this city on Friday night, and on Saturday the St. John Sun will again be distributed free all over the city and province, in the vain hope that the attention of the people may at the last moment be diverted from the real issues by the glowing pictures and artful appeals and promises of a member of the federal government.

The independent electors of New Brunswick will present this determined interference of a federal minister, who introduces federal issues in a purely provincial campaign. They agree with Mayor Sears, who yesterday on the hustings protested against drawing the line between Liberals and Conservatives in this contest.

We are to have all the spectacular features of the conclusion of a Pugsley campaign. The minister will open another Pandora's Box of promises and allurement. He will point to the dredge. Perhaps he will allude again to the borage.

although the St. John Globe, in an article which we reprint today, very effectively pricks that bubble. He will inspire the people once more to strengthen his hand at Ottawa, as if the men we elect to represent us at Ottawa, including the minister himself, could not attend to that duty. Possibly the party leaders here hope that Dr. Pugsley may be able to counteract the effect of the meeting in the opera house last Friday evening, when Premier Robinson and Hon. Mr. McKeown appeared to such poor advantage compared with Mr. Fleming and Mr. Hasen, and were so utterly unable to meet the arguments and answer the questions of the opposition leaders. Those questions, by the way, are still unanswered.

This is a provincial contest. The roads and bridges, the schools, the Central and International Railways, the provincial debt and finances, the agricultural and crown lands and immigration policies of the government are the issues. The problems cannot be solved at Ottawa. They must be solved at Fredericton, by men having the confidence of the people. A change is needed. It is coming. Dr. Pugsley cannot stem the tide.

THE PEOPLE ROUSED

In every constituency in the province of New Brunswick the government is fighting for its life. Not a single seat went by acclamation. The silly pretence that all the candidates in Madawaska are government candidates deceives nobody. Everywhere the people are aroused against the incompetent government, and no one remains for carrying a complete ticket. The nomination day proceedings revealed an interest in a provincial contest unparalleled in the history of the province. What does this mean? It means that the government is weak everywhere, and that the people want a change. Less than one week remains for active work. Nothing that the government may spring as an election dodge at the last moment can alter the actual conditions. Anything that the present government could do for the benefit of the province could be done by Mr. Hasen and his colleagues; and that it would be better done by them from the record of government failure, incompetence and extravagance. The death-bed repentance of the government is not impressive.

DREAMS, IDLE DREAMS

The wonderful picture of future progress and development which Premier Robinson (with the assistance of William the Magician) has placed before the people is not quite complete without some explanatory observations. The reader must be informed that the great statements which stand in the shadows somewhere are: Hon. C. W. Robinson. Hon. E. H. Allen. Hon. H. A. McKeown. Hon. C. H. LaBelle. Hon. L. P. Farris. Hon. W. P. Jones. Hon. F. J. Sweeney. Hon. D. J. Purdy. Knowing these gentlemen, and having had knowledge of their brand of statesmanship, what intelligent elector is likely to be deceived by the pretty fancies and illusions of Mr. Robinson and William the Magician? In the words of the poet, "that which they have done but earnest of the things that they shall do." And what have they done to warrant expectations of any better government than that of the past twenty years? It is time for a change.

FREEDOM, OR SLAVERY?

The Sun this morning says:—"Dr. Pugsley had influence enough to bring the dredge W. S. Fielding from Nova Scotia, where it was also needed, to do the work in St. John harbor which another minister of public works promised ten years ago. It is for the people of St. John to see that he has influence enough to keep it here." Is this a threat? Or is it a confession of weakness on the part of Dr. Pugsley? Is the dredge Fielding to be taken away by Sir Wilfrid Laurier if St. John does not dance when Dr. Pugsley cracks the whip? Are the people of St. John to be dragged into voting for Messrs. Purdy, Lantalam, Skinner and Sears by the fear of punishment at the hands of the federal government? Are the people masters of themselves, or the bond-slaves of party leaders at Ottawa? Has not the Sun grossly insulted the intelligence and challenged the right of the people to control their own affairs? The answer to this sort of thing should be an assertion of independence, worthy of a free people, and the overwhelming defeat of the government ticket.

Remembering that the provincial government has an army of petty office holders and dispensers of patronage in every constituency, and that Dr. Pugsley is bringing as much federal government influence as possible into the contest, the opposition must meet them at every point and work hard and incessantly till election day. Make the defeat a rout.

The way to defeat a government is to vote for the opposition candidates—the full ticket in every instance. The Times

SWELL NEW SUITS For Men, Youths and Boys.

We have just received and put on sale a large lot of Suits fresh from the factory, they are the new patterns, made up in the latest styles, and the fit surpasses any yet shown in ready-to-wear clothing. We have placed these on sale at very low prices.

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Could this government be trusted to arrange for the printing of school books to be distributed free? Would there not still be a rake-off, for which the people would have to pay? For the people would still pay in one form or another, and the government's friends would have to be looked after.

The presence of Col. McLean at the Sunbury nominations must have led the Sunbury folk to see a continuous line of wharves along the river. But what was wrong with the government candidates? Why should the "farmers' candidate" for Ottawa project himself into the game?

The Queens county coal mines will continue to produce coal after Mr. Hasen is made premier. The Central Railway will still extend from Norton to Minto. If the government had kept its promise the road would have its terminus at Fredericton—not at Minto.

The Sun pretends to believe that a young man from Toronto could prepare in four days an expert report upon the finances of this whole province. The Sun's faith is sublime.

The Sun may rest assured that nobody doubts the ability of the government to borrow money. But how is the money to be spent?

LITTLE BOY BLUE

The little dog is covered with dust. But sturdy and staunch it stands. The little toy soldier red with rust. And his musket moils in his hands. Time was when the little toy dog was new. And the soldier was passing fair. And that was the time our Little Boy Blue Kissed them and put them there.

IN LIGHTER VEIN A GINCH "Tell me," said the young woman with literary aspirations, "how you contrived to get your first story accepted by a magazine?" The eminent author smiled. "I owned the magazine," he replied.—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

THREE BEHIND. Senior—"Hello! Where's your chum?" You started and together. Beery Junior—"He ah (hic) three lamp-stands behind."—Lippincott's Magazine.

A HINT. Jess—"Did he tell you that he loved you?" Yes—"No, but he hugged me." Jess—"That's a roundabout way of letting you know it."—Boston Record.

NOT A GIVE AWAY. "Who," asked the minister, "gives this woman away?" "Hold on, mistake, if you please," said the titled foreigner; "his woman is not given away—it is a trade."—Chicago Record-Herald.

QUICK TO RESPOND. Said the minister to the lady in the surry; "With a horse like this that don't worry, A driver's misplaced, His arms went to waste in a hurry. And his arms went to waste in a hurry."—Denver Post.

DRIVEN FROM HOME. "Don't you feel well?" asked a friend. "Not very," answered Mr. Gamewell. "Why don't you go home?" "I can't. Mother and the girls are giving a tea and I'm not invited."—Washington Star.

NEVER. He—"You never can tell about a woman." She—"You shouldn't, anyhow."—Illustrated Bits.

JESSIE'S DANCE. In the harsh old days when the Scotch church thought dancing was a sin, a pretty country lass was brought before the managers of the Kirk she attended, to answer the charge of dancing at a wedding. She was a decent, well-behaved girl, a specialist in the Kirk she attended, who was in the chair at the meeting. "Jessie," asked the minister, "were ye dancin'?" "Yes, sir, I will promise," she said with a courtesy.

AT THE NICKEL The Nickel has another fine show to keep up its record for good entertainment. In the first place, a brand new Edison Dream will be shown, entitled The Sculptor's Dream—a fantasy in a studio. This picture tells the story of an impatient sculptor who after his gas meter is taken out buys an old brass lamp in a second-hand store. It proves to be an Aladdin's lamp and the fun commences. The day modelling without hands in this picture is really remarkable and will be greatly appreciated.

"A PLEASANT ENTERTAINMENT" That the members of the Telegraphers' Club proved themselves as successful as those as they have at hockey, was the unanimous verdict of all who were present at White's on Monday evening, when the telegraphers entertained their friends at what was dancing. At 9 o'clock the long sounded and sixteen jolly couples took their positions at the tables, and the game was on.

At 11:30 a "balance" was taken and prizes awarded to the "artists," Miss Constance Maher, St. Stephen, winning the first ladies' prize, while John P. Griffith captured the gentlemen's prize. Consolation prizes were awarded Miss Ellen Warner and Thomas Parks.

A little before midnight all went to the main restaurant where luncheon was served in Mr. White's good style, after which dancing was enjoyed. It was not until the early hours of the morning that the "tickets" could persuade themselves it was time to make it "30," and the evening's enjoyment was brought to a close with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

The attention of the electors of St. John city and county is especially directed to the disclosure on the first page of this issue of what it costs to get certain blasted favors from this government.

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James Lowell, who was the next speaker, said Mr. Mosher had discussed the passing of the St. John county highway act, he having been a councillor with him when it was in the legislature. He quoted an official of the county as authority that the road law was well administered.

James Lowell, St. John County. He was willing to meet Mr. Mosher at Lynmouth Creed on county matters. He did not ask Liberals to support him if they didn't consider him worthy. He claimed Mr. Maxwell or no other member of the opposition voted against the expenditures in the house, and therefore they had no right to criticize the government for extravagance. Mr. Maxwell rose to protest against the statement made by Mr. Lowell, and an uproar followed. He denied having voted for the expenditures as charged by Mr. Lowell. Mr. Lowell called Mr. Wilson to task for saying the government should not tax insurance companies and corporations. Mr. Wilson—"When you tax them you tax the people." (Applause). The speaker said he favored the premier's proposal for free primary books and hoped some scheme of this sort would be adopted. He appealed for the support of the electors for himself and his colleagues. Mr. Clark.

Alfred H. Clark was the last speaker and his remarks were by no means uninteresting. He was cheered as he arose. He said some of the government men were appealing to the electors on party lines. Mr. Lowell said throw away party lines and Mr. McKeown said "The hay" said "cut at the provincial hospital in 1896 was 190 tons, according to the government report." Mr. Quinton—"That's a lie." "I can prove it in courts of law by witness and documentary evidence. In 1894, 110 tons were cut, showing a falling off in the production even though more ground was under cultivation. What has become of that hay?" "Voice—"It didn't grow." "Then the agricultural policy of the government," continued the speaker, "was not worth a snap of the fingers." The property was bought from the Steeves estate, but houses on it are used by an official. Mr. Quinton—"You're a damnable, diabolical liar." Mr. Clark—"It's up to you to say who owns it." Mr. Quinton—"None of your damned business." There was a wild scene by this time. Mr. Clark said he was not there to raise

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Alfred H. Clark, St. John County. to a party who transferred it to another party and that piece of property is being filled and fortified by the government. I ask you Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Lowell what rent the government pays for it?" Mr. McKeown—"That is just hearsay talk. Bring your charges. If you make a statement to the government it will be investigated." Mr. Clark—"One of the heads of a big financial institution reported it to the government." (Cries of "Manchester.") Mr. McKeown—"No when I was in the government."

Mr. Clark—"Well it was in the government presided over by Mr. Tweedie, in whose footsteps you are following." There was considerable uproar at this time and Mr. Clark said he could not continue. He said the government should look after the small leaks as well as the big ones. He was ready to repeat his charges and prove them in any court of law. The meeting then adjourned with a vote of thanks to High Sheriff Ritchie for his impartial manner in which he had presided. Cheers for the candidates were then given.

OUR GREAT POLITICAL BOSS Hon. Mr. Pugsley's Efforts to Save the Discredited Local Government, and Some of His Earlier Professions of Impartiality. To the Editor of the Telegraph: Sir,—As I understand it, the Hon. Mr. Pugsley, in campaigning on behalf of the local government, bases his plea on the assurance that the return of the government would "strengthen his hands." I venture to think that many of us are asking ourselves just now whether it would not be policy on the part of the province to weaken his hands a little. I confess in sorrow and humility that a short time ago I was one of many who fell a victim to the gravity of his tongue and became enthusiastic over the fact that so able a man had been secured to represent us at Ottawa. True, he suffered a great disadvantage, to my mind, in that he was, for the time being at any rate, attached to the Liberal party. But I reflected that, considering his past record, any morning's newspaper might inform us that he was a conservative once more.

His conduct since he became a minister, however, brings rather a feeling of relief that he has not yet come back to the Liberal party. But I reflected that, considering his past record, any morning's newspaper might inform us that he was a conservative once more.

made through his influence would be gauged entirely by the appointee's past services to the Liberal party, and that ability and fitness for the position would not be even a secondary consideration. Let us pass lightly over Mr. Pugsley's attitude towards R. L. Borden and his colleagues with regard to the alleged Conservative campaign fund. His own scathing denunciation at the hands of the opposition leaders he accepted like a well-whipped school boy, and Mr. Borden's honest and fearless challenge he never dared to accept. Early discredited, he silently shuffled away from this hornet's nest in a fashion which unpleasantly reminded one of the inglorious retreat of his colleague, the Hon. H. R. Emmerson, in the matter of his notorious libel suit. Now, come to more recent times and read between the lines. All his beneficent actions were, strangely enough, coincident with or closely following the announcement of the date of the provincial elections. Mayor Sears' gushing public expressions of gratitude for St. John's magnificent "New Year's present" of wharves reads like a stream of castor oil; but there are some who are sceptical enough to believe that Mr. Pugsley's zeal will suffer modification after Tuesday next, whichever way the cat jumps. Again, watch the little deal over the Martello hotel, which has been taken over by the government as a detention hospital, on terms upon which only the proprietors are to be congratulated. Everybody knows that the hospital will not be used until next winter, if ever it is, and everybody knows that its steward was a faithful servant of the Liberal party, who has waited patiently for a long promised reward. Once more we find that the consummation of the deal was coincident with the announcement of the approaching election, and which is nobody blames the steward, but it is another item in what goes to make up the Liberal idea of government, and which is but one long course of graft and political favoritism. And I suppose that we shall soon learn that Mayor Sears, in compensation for his graceful withdrawal from opposition to Mr. Pugsley and the energetic though unsuccessful scrap he put up in the provincial election, has been promoted to the position of postmaster, an office for which Mayor Sears himself does not pretend to the slightest qualification. One might go on for a long time with examples in which Mr. Pugsley, during his brief ministry, has shown his hand—the hand of the political "boss"; the hand of the past master in the game of political bluff—and still fail to find the faintest indication of any intention on his part to redeem his promise of impartiality made in his velvety utterances of last year. We all believe that when Mr. Pugsley went to Ottawa he would make a name for himself. He has made a name—an unfavorable one, and I firmly believe that if he were to offer himself as a candidate in this city tomorrow he would be overwhelmingly defeated. Believe him his misused power cannot, at present; but we can on March 3 do the next best thing by rejecting the grovelers who would "strengthen his hands," who would use the public confidence as a stepping stone to their own personal ambitions, and with whom "personal interest and emotional sink every other consideration."

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A Fine Government Meeting (Frederick Gleazer.) What the government organ published at St. John describes this morning as "another fine meeting of government supporters" was held at Lower Line Queenway on Saturday afternoon. The plain and unadorned truth about the meeting referred to does not show it to be the ordinary individual would term as a "fine meeting of government supporters." Those present at the meeting referred to were Wyanot Cliff, who acted as chairman, William Kendall and Mose Myhall. The school teacher, Miss Sadie Haines, who is in charge of the school where the meeting was advertised for, was also present as her duties required. This is just a sample of the manner in which the paid writers of the government are endeavoring to deceive the people through their pap fed and often freely distributed organs.

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Men's Trousers were 2.50, Sale Price, 1.98
Men's Trousers were 3.00, 3.50, Sale Price, 2.45

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MEN'S and BOYS' FURNISHINGS: Boys' Wool Fleece Lined Underwear. SPECIAL PRICE 33c. garment
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Men's Fleece Lined Underwear, regular price 50c., 60c. SALE PRICE 37c.
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THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1908

GREAT BATTLE ON THE HUSTINGS INDICATES A SWEEPING VICTORY FOR OPPOSITION ON MARCH 3

Government Candidates Have Strong and Confident Opponents in Every Constituency

Dr. McAlister of Kings Calls Road Act Monstrous, While His Colleague, G. G. Scovil, Praises It--Hazen Begs a Hearing for Col. McLean in Sunbury--Nomination Proceedings in All Sections Attended by Large Crowds, Showing the People Are Aroused Over Maladministration of Affairs.

Hampton, N. B., Feb. 25--Before 1 o'clock this afternoon the court house was thronged with an expectant crowd of electors, court room, halls, ante-rooms and stairways being fairly jammed with people so that it was almost impossible to move about.



J. A. Murray, Kings.

As a result the outsiders got the mastery. At 2 o'clock Sheriff Freeze announced the nomination of Messrs. McAlister, Scovil and Wetmore for the government, and Messrs. Murray, Jones and Sprout for the opposition, and adjourned his court until the 7th of March.

Mr. Scovil was accorded a fine reception. He said he was again asking the support after fifteen years service. He said he had always had a lawyer on each side, but today he had a good doctor on one side and a good farmer on the other, both boys raised in the county and an honor to it.

The Central Railway was called by the opposition a sink hole. He went over the history of the Central Railway under Dr. Bertram, his sale, and the government's efforts to put it in such a condition as will make a full and adequate return to the country.

At present the government is calling for tenders for all public works, and are accepting the lowest tender in every case. He praised the Road Act, although it was necessary to amend it and make it more workable.

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Mr. Sprout had to wait at least a minute before he could start in on his address, for the heartiness of the welcome was most unmistakable from friend and opponent alike.

He read the record of the only occasion on which Mr. Scovil ever opened his mouth in the legislature, which was when he moved for leave to bring in a bill to relieve certain persons from local taxation. The Central Railway and its iniquitous management came in for a full share of Mr. Sprout's illuminating description and humorous illustration.

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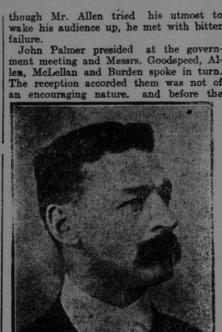
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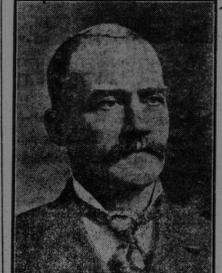
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B. F. Smith, Carleton.

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SUNBURY SOLID FOR HAZEN AND GLASIER

Opposition Leader Had to Beg a Hearing for Col. McLean, Spokesman for the Government Candidates.

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and said that while he had a narrow majority in 1899 and a substantial one in 1903, he was convinced that he and Mr. Glasier would go out of the county on March 3 in Sunbury in a local contest. In every parish the fight against him was being put outside the county and on the streets in St. John and in the counties he the house of commons and senate at Ottawa, the boast was being made "Hazen will be defeated if money can do it." He invited his opponents to do their worst and notified them, that all the money in the treasury at Ottawa and Fredericton could not accomplish his defeat, so strong was the public sentiment of the people of his native county in his favor.

Begged Hearing for McLean. When the great applause which greeted the conclusion of his speech had subsided, Col. McLean took the platform. He was greeted with cries of "go back to St. John." "We want no corporation lawyer."

"We want Hazen." Colonel McLean commenced by telling of his love for Sunbury. He was told everywhere that Mr. Hazen was a fair opponent, who never said a word personally against the candidates opposed to him and he was therefore surprised at his severe criticism of Pugsley.

At the mention of Pugsley's name the court house was filled with hisses and groans, followed by cheers for Hazen. The people of Burton, Sheffield and Maryville had not forgotten the underhand and double dealings of the minister of public works on the sewerage question.

Mr. McLean vainly essayed to speak and was met with cries of "Don't refer to Pugsley here, leave him out."

Finally Mr. Hazen mounted the platform and asked the crowd to give Colonel McLean a hearing. Order was then restored and the colonel, acting on the hint of the audience, dropped Mr. Pugsley like a hot brick. He then dealt with the public debt and said McKenzie & Mann had abandoned the St. John Valley railroad, therefore the amount voted by legislature would not become a charge upon the province.

In conclusion he said that Mr. Hazen as a public speaker had no peer in New Brunswick and few in Canada. The people in Sunbury also said he was an excellent personal canvasser.

Hazen Riddles McLean. On arising to reply, Mr. Hazen received a perfect ovation. "I wonder," he said, "if by any possible chance Thurrott and Peake should be elected, if they will arrange for the gallant colonel to go to Fredericton to make their speeches for them." A sentence that was received with ringing cheers.

He continued speaking for nearly an hour, meeting every point made by his opponent and tearing his argument to atoms. He thoroughly exposed Col. McLean's ignorance on provincial questions and concluded by saying:

After Colonel McLean becomes better acquainted with the people of Sunbury he will understand that it does not pay for any gentleman to come here and give such an exhibition of ignorance as we have heard today.

He forced Colonel McLean to say that he repudiated the St. John Globe. "Then," said Mr. Hazen, "this man who comes here appealing to the Liberals of Sunbury insults the most consistent Liberal journal New Brunswick has ever known."

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The opposition proposed a purity campaign, but the government party refused to meet them. The feeling was decidedly in favor of the opposition.

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A very large crowd was in attendance, probably the largest in the history of the county. The first effect of the purity campaign was felt at the nomination proceedings. While the crowd was exceptionally large it was very orderly, there being very little evidence of drinking during the day. Electors came from all parts of the county. A special train ran from Dorchester after the proceedings with Moncton, Shediac and Salisbury deputations.

RESTIGOUCHE MEETING BROKE UP IN DISORDER

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Delhouise, N. B., Feb. 25—What was probably the largest crowd of electors ever assembled in Restigouche attended the nomination proceedings here today. Hon. C. H. LaBilios and Wm. Currie were nominated as the government candidates, and James E. Stewart and Arthur Culligan as the opposition standard bearers. The speeches began at 2 o'clock. W. S. Montgomery, mayor of Delhouise, was appointed chairman.

Hon. C. H. LaBilios was the first speaker and addressed the audience for over two hours. He reviewed the work done by the government party in the last session, and during his speech was frequently applauded.

Wm. Currie next addressed the audience. He spoke of himself as a worker and not as a speech maker, and closed with an appeal to the electors to return himself and Mr. LaBilios on the third of March. His speech lasted for half an hour.

James E. Stewart was the next speaker and showed the people that false canvases had been used against him. His speech lasted only twenty minutes and he was followed by his confere Arthur Culligan, who was well received.

W. A. Mott, ex-M. P., was then introduced as the next speaker, and rose to address the audience in favor of the opposition candidates, but was interrupted by A. E. G. McKenzie, a local government supporter, who then arose and demanded the platform declaring it was his turn. Loud cries of "Mott, Mott" came from the audience.

The meeting was then called to order by the chairman, who said considering the short space of time occupied by the opposition candidates he thought it only fair that Mr. Mott be allowed to address the audience in their behalf. The government supporters then shouted "Go on McKenzie, it's your turn." The opposition supporters called as loudly for Mott, and as no progress could be made the meeting closed with three cheers for the candidates and the king.

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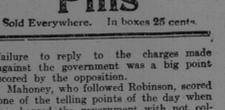
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should assist Nature at those times when the system is upset, the nervous tone low and a feeling of depression or languor exists. An experience of over 50 years warrants the statement that no medicine gives such prompt relief as



failure to reply to the charges made against the government was a big point scored by the opposition. Mahoney, who followed Robinson, scored by charging the government with not collecting half the stampage in the province and quoted Premier Robinson's speech at the forestry convention last winter in proof of the statement.

Survivor General Sweeney denied while Mr. Mahoney was speaking that Mr. Robinson ever made such a statement, but it was noteworthy that when his turn came to speak he never once referred to the stampage question. Neither did Mr. Robinson make any reply to Mr. Mahoney's charge. This was but a sample of the way the government candidates avoided answering the charges of the opposition.

The main appeal for support by the government candidates was that they were Liberals. The opposition is feeling good

over the nomination proceedings. All the candidates referred to the purity agreement.

MADAWASKA WILL HAVE A CONTEST

A telephone message from Grand Falls reports four candidates nominated: Clair and Souci for the government; Baker and Cyr for the opposition.

In Albert. Hopewell Cape, Feb. 25—C. J. Oeman, S. S. Ryan, government, and W. B. Dick,

son and G. D. Prescott, opposition, were nominated today.

Geo. D. Prescott, Albert.

ENTIRELY REGARDLESS OF OUR CAPACITY TO SPEND AND OF THE AMOUNT WE HAVE TO SPEND, THE PROVINCE HAS INCREASED ITS DEBT YEAR BY YEAR. IT HAS SPENT MORE THAN IT HAS TO SPEND. IT HAS REACHED, ALMOST THE LIMIT OF ITS BORROWING POWER. ITS EXPENDITURE FOR INTEREST HAS STEADILY INCREASED, AND IT HAS IN THIS REGARD INDEED IN A LINE OF ACTION WHICH CANNOT BE JUSTIFIED ON ANY PRINCIPLE OF HONESTY."—St. John Globe.

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75c Quality, Now 59c. 60c Quality, Now 49c. 50c Quality, Now 39c. Tams, regular 50c to 75c, Now 35c. Girls' Toboggan Sets, in navy and red, regular \$1.00 and \$1.25, Now 69c and 89c.

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Tea Sets, Cake Baskets, Butter Dishes, Castors, Pickle Jars, etc., at less than cost. Great Reductions on All Lines of Gold Filled Jewelry.

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THIS EVENING

Opposition meetings in Alexandra Hall, Main street; Victoria rink hall, City Road; and Fairview hall, Mill street. Entertainment in the Every Day Club hall. Pastime Pictures Company at the Opera House. Carnival and ball masque at Victoria Rink. The Sculptor's Dream, the Philharmonic Four and other attractions at the Nickel. Evangeline and other attractions at Princess Theatre. High Tea at St. John the Baptist church, Broad street. Union Lodge, No. 2, K. of P., will meet in Castle Hall, at 8 o'clock.

LATE LOCALS

Burn it and prove it. Winter Port Coal. Gibbon & Company. Steamer Calvin Austin, Captain Thompson, landed 48 passengers last night from Boston. Capt. A. L. McLean, of the tug Waring, has returned from Europe and is aboard his boat again. Storm signal No. 3 was ordered hoisted last night, indicating a heavy gale from an easterly direction. The attention of the Knights of Pythias is directed to the funeral notice of the late Stanley H. Riley, in another column. It has been decided to close the Winter street school for the balance of the week in order to admit of thorough fumigation. The Royal Hotel at Campbellton, N. B., was burned yesterday morning. The loss is estimated at \$25,000, and insurance \$17,000. Manifests for thirty-seven cars of American canned meat were received at the custom house today, valued at over \$100,000. Ladies will be admitted at the entertainment to be given by the young ladies of the Y. W. C. T. U. in the Every Day Club hall this evening. The deal checkers of W. M. Mackay's office challenge the office staff of Wm. Thomson & Co. to a game of hockey in the Glacier rink Saturday evening. C. P. R. steamship Lake Michigan, Captain Parry, sailed early this morning for London and Antwerp, via Halifax, with a large general cargo. She took 608 cattle. The Furness steamship St. John City passed Brier Island at 3:30 o'clock this morning bound inward from London, via Halifax; due in port this afternoon. The jubilee concert of Kentucky songs will be repeated with a few additional songs, at St. Philip's church, Thursday evening, Feb. 27th. The ladies of the W. C. T. U., St. John (north), will hold their Frances Willard memorial in Union Hall, Friday, Feb. 28th, at three o'clock. Strangers made welcome. Royal mail C. P. R. steamship Empress of Britain, now on her way to Liverpool from this port, took away a cargo valued as follows: Canadian goods, \$108,317; foreign goods, \$235,409. Total \$343,726. High Tea in the hall of St. John the Baptist Church by the ladies of the church this evening and Thursday evening. Supper served from 6:30 to 8:00 o'clock this evening. 10 seats; including supper, 35 cents. The special services in the Charlotte street United Baptist church are increasing in interest. Rev. F. E. Bishop, of the Fairville Baptist church, will be the speaker this evening. The formal opening of Emmons street Methodist Y. M. C. A. hall, Brussels street, which took place last night was largely attended. The programme included, in addition to a number of addresses, an excellent musical and literary programme and a game of basket ball. It is stated today on good authority that the annual dinner of the South African Veterans, which is to be held on the 27th February, the anniversary of the battle of Paardeburg, will not take place this season. Whether or not another function will be given instead is not definitely known as yet. The game between the fast Neptune team of 1904 and the Marathons which was to have been played this evening will not now be played until next week, a date to be announced later. Meantime the wearers of red and white are getting in some good practice and a fast game is assured. C. P. R. steamship Monmouth, Captain Griffiths, now on the passage to Avonmouth via Liverpool from this port, took away a cargo valued as follows: Canadian goods, \$187,970; foreign goods, \$123,815. Total \$311,785. Among her cargo were 68,276 bushels and 88 bags of wheat; 16,359 bushels barley and 804 cattle. John H. Roberts, the well-known temperance advocate will conduct a campaign in Fairville Thursday and Friday, Feb. 27 and 28. On Thursday evening he will speak in the Fairville Methodist church, and on Friday afternoon and evening in the Fairville Baptist church. Music will be furnished by the church choirs. A jolly party of north end young men and women enjoyed a sleigh drive last evening to Councilor Whelpley's, at Carters' Point. The arrangements were in charge of W. W. Byles and Harry Coder. They left Scott's corner about 7:30 o'clock and on arrival at their destination music and dancing were indulged in, and a return made to the city about 4 o'clock. The concert held under the auspices of Lodge Marlborough, No. 207, Sons of England, in the Oddfellows Hall, Union street, last evening, was well attended and proved very successful. In addition to the programme published, C. Hunter gave a banjo solo and the Misses Morton sang a duet. James Daley, who appeared in the police court this morning, met with disaster as a result of his political enthusiasm. He came from up the line to attend the nominations at Hampton and thought he might as well take in St. John. The strain was too severe, however, and I. C. R. Policeman Seovil Smith, who found him laboring under a heavy load of liquid enthusiasm, placed him under arrest. Daley paid a fine of \$4 and went his way. The members of the Epworth League of the Carleton Methodist church held their annual sleigh drive last evening. About thirty boarded Warden's big sleigh, the Arlington, at Alfred Ring's residence, St. James street, and after a drive returned to Carleton at 11 o'clock and drove to Mr. Ring's, where tea was served and a musical programme carried out.

OPPOSITION MEETINGS

Three Big Meetings Tonight at Which Candidates and Others Will Speak.

There will be three meetings tonight in the interests of the opposition, as follows: Alexandra hall, Main street; speakers, R. Maxwell, L. P. D. Tilley, Dr. J. P. McInerney and others. Fairview hall, Mill street - Speakers, the four candidates. Victoria rink hall-Silas Alward, K. C.; J. E. Wilson, Dr. McInerney, W. Frank Hatheway. Tomorrow night there will be a big meeting in Carleton City Hall, addressed by J. B. M. Baxter and the candidates.

THE PRESBYTERY TO INVESTIGATE

Presbytery of St. John Meeting This Afternoon to Consider Resignation of Rev. Willard McDonald.

A meeting of the presbytery of St. John is to be held this afternoon to consider what action will be taken with regard to the resignation of Rev. Willard McDonald from the pastorate of the St. Paul's presbyterian church in Fredericton. Rev. A. A. Graham, moderator, will preside. Rev. Mr. McDonald, it will be remembered, had some differences with the members of his church, and in response to their request he resigned. The matter was reported to the presbytery and Rev. A. H. Foster went to Fredericton and formally declared the resignation. The congregation of the church will probably be represented at this afternoon's meeting and Mr. McDonald is also expected to attend. WHO HAS SEEN JONES? Chief Clark Has Been Asked to Find Robert L. Jones of California Who Has Been Missing Since 1905. The local police authorities have been notified by Chief of Police Wilson, of Oakland, California, to keep a sharp look out for Robert Lee Jones, of San Lewis, Ohio, Cal., who disappeared from his home on Dec. 29, 1905. When Jones left his home he was sixteen years old, but appeared to be a nineteen. He is five feet eight inches in height, weighs 145 pounds, is of dark complexion, with large brown eyes, and has a high forehead and small hands. He wore his hair half pompadour, was left-handed, but could write with his right hand. Jones is a registered drug clerk, and a \$50 reward is offered for his recovery.

DOMINION EXPRESS MAN HAS GONE TO MONTREAL

A. E. Yule, the popular cashier of the Dominion Express Company here has been transferred to Montreal, and left yesterday to take up his duties there. Mr. Yule was waited upon on Monday and presented with a handsome silver mounted umbrella. Needless to say he was completely taken by surprise, but made a pleasant reply. Mr. Yule came here two years ago from Montreal, and during his residence here has made hosts of friends.

SERIOUS IF TRUE

The level crossing at Gilbert's lane is reported to have no watchman from 7 o'clock in the evening till 7 o'clock the following morning. The regular man at the crossing shuts up the little shanty at 7 o'clock in the evening and then usually goes to bed. It is reported that the gates at this crossing have been frozen up so that they could not be used all winter.

SKATERS ARRIVE

Finlayson and Aird, the Montreal flyers, who are to skate tomorrow night at the Victoria rink, came in on today's train. Poland, Powers and Balmer will be here tomorrow. As the five are among the speediest skaters in Canada their contests tomorrow night against the local fast men, Fred Logan, Bart Duffy and "Happy" Evans should be a rare treat. Few have seen Fred Logan against the best of them, and a crowded house is promised.

BROUGHT HOME FOR BURIAL

A. E. Taylor, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Enderby, B. C., formerly of Moncton, passed through the city today with the remains of his wife, formerly Miss Davison, of Halifax. The funeral will be held at Halifax tomorrow. Mr. Taylor was accompanied by his two small children. He was joined here by Mrs. J. E. Masters and Mrs. George Ackman, of Moncton, his sisters.

FINED \$20 FOR ASSAULT

Because James Sullivan (or John Burke) attempted to assault William Pearson of the Salvation Army in the shelter on Water street last night, he was fined \$20 or two months in jail, when brought before Judge Ritchie this morning. The prisoner was also charged with wandering about on Union street and being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself to the police, on which charge he was remanded.

WYANDOTTE CLUB DANCE

The Wyandotte Club held a very enjoyable dance at the club hall, Crouville, Monday evening. There were about forty couples, the trip being made in two buckets. After the dancing, supper was served and it was in the early morning hours when the return to the city was made.

BRACELET LOST. A TIMES AD. FOUND IT

LOST-AN EMERALD BRACELET, BETWEEN M. R. A. L. and cor. Union and Charlott streets. Reward if left at Times Office. 472-2-24. This ad. appeared for two insertions in the Times. Yesterday the bracelet was returned to the office by Mrs. Noble, 82 Stanley street. The Times finds lost articles.

THE LOWEST PRICES IN TOWN ON OVERSHOES

Men's One Buckle Overshoes, \$1.28, and \$1.48. Men's Two Buckle Overshoes, - \$1.98. Women's Two Buckle Overshoes, \$1.68. Girls' Two Buckle Overshoes, - \$1.38. Child's Two Buckle Overshoes, - \$1.18. Men's Rubbers, 75c; Women's, - 55c. Moccasins, Oil Tanned; Men's, \$1.38 and \$1.48; Boys', 98c and \$1.18.

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