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A QUOTE TO BE MADE.

(Winnipeg Tribune.)
If Canada and Australia were states, they might be morally excused from contributing to the military resources of the state which held them in subjection. If they are to be allies and comrades of England, excepting fear for a loyalty to dead as well as in word, they cannot be excused if their own loyalty is paid in words and poor in deeds. For Canada to profess loyalty to the empire of which England and Australia are members—to expect from the empire loyal support and service for ourselves, and yet to shrink from rendering anything in return but loud vocalizations about our loyalty, is to cut a very sorry figure indeed. If we claim the status and privilege of a comrade nation in the federal alliance of nations, we shall present a poor spectacle indeed, if we object to assume the corresponding obligations. We must choose one thing or the other.

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Jewett—Been soaking your head, have you?

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We have been telling you this week about Overcoats and Suits for men, young men and boys. Today we want to talk Separate Pants. Perhaps your coat and vest are very good and your pants worn shabby, if so you can get a new pair of Pants here, at a moderate price, that will make your suit look quite new again.

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Tomorrow, Saturday, we will give an Easter Row with each purchase of one dollar and over.

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A GRAVE CHARGE

Of Bribery Connected With Sale of Danish West Indies.

Congressional Committee Will Investigate—Carl Fisher-Hansen Says It is False.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—A sensation was caused in the house today by the presentation by Mr. Richardson of Tennessee, the democratic leader, of charges alleging the corrupt use of a fund of \$500,000 in connection with the sale of the Danish West Indies. The charges were contained in an alleged secret report of Captain Walter Christmas to the Danish government, which declared that he had employed corrupt means to bring the negotiations for the sale of the islands to a consummation. The report, extracts from which Mr. Richardson read, mentioned the names of Abner McKinley and his partner, Col. Brown; C. W. Knowlton, who was described as an intimate friend of Senator Hanna; Richard P. Evans, who was said to represent Mr. Gardner and his friends in the house, and two press associations, the names of which were not given, as having been interested in the matter. The charges against members of congress were specific. Upon the basis of this report, Mr. Richardson asked the adoption of a resolution for the appointment of an investigating committee of seven. The speaker ruled that the matter was privileged after Mr. Richardson had amended his resolution so as to specifically include members of the house. Great excitement attended the whole proceedings. Mr. Canton of Illinois insisted that Mr. Richardson's presentation was fragmentary and that the whole matter should go over until tomorrow in order that members might read the documents presented, which included newspaper extracts, affidavits, etc. In the record—Christmas, he declared, on his own statement, was a briber and worse. But the house voted down the motion to postpone, and the resolution, after being amended in minor particulars, was accepted. The speaker immediately appointed the following committee to make the investigation: Messrs. Dulzelle (Republican, Pennsylvania); Hitt (Republican, Illinois); Cousins (Republican, Iowa); Mitchell (Republican, Massachusetts); Richardson (Democrat, Tennessee); Dinmore (Democrat, Arkansas); and Cowherd (Democrat, Missouri).

NEW YORK, March 27.—Carl Fischer-Hansen of this city, who was attorney for Walter Christmas, the representative of the Danish government, in the overtures for the purchase of the Danish West Indian Islands in 1900, was indignant at the conduct of his client, shown in his secret report to the Danish ministry, lately published. "Ordinarily, legal etiquette," said he, "would prevent my speaking. But this report is so defamatory and outrageous that I feel justified in washing my hands of the whole affair."

Mr. Fischer-Hansen described the course of Danish report as it appeared to him. Christmas understood, according to Mr. Fischer-Hansen, to start the sale of the islands for \$150 the sale had been almost consummated, but at the last moment this government had drawn back. Thus, Denmark could not make overtures or do more than suggest that overtures would be acceptable. This Christmas did. He conducted White, of the American embassy at London, to Copenhagen. "At that point," said Mr. Fischer-Hansen, "his services ended. The negotiations from there on were carried forward by the American minister in Denmark and the Danish minister at Washington."

The Harring ministry, going out of existence, in a few months, was succeeded by the Sehested ministry, to which Christmas made his secret report, setting forth the alleged obligations he was under to various Americans.

"This report was evidently made," said the lawyer, "with the belief that it would never see the light, but its publication has shown its absurdity. I am quite sure Christmas never saw the men he mentioned, and I believe the report was made for the purpose of personal gain."

REBELS CAPTURED.

A Colombian Gunboat Gathers in a Schooner Load.

PANAMA, Columbia, March 27.—Great excitement was aroused here this evening by the arrival of the government gunboat Chusaco, towing a schooner filled with men wearing red bands on their hats, the insignia of the revolutionists. The Chusaco met and captured the schooner of Capita. She is laden with salt and ammunition for the revolutionary general, Lago, who is operating in the vicinity of Capita.

Among the prisoners on board the schooner were two officers who were captured at Aguas Dulces. Both officers were wounded. The correspondence captured with the schooner is said to be of considerable value to the government. The revolutionary general, Herrera, and his staff are reported to be on their way to Chiriqui on board the gunboat Padilla. The government gunboat Boyaca is on the lookout for other revolutionary vessels. It is reported here that the government soldiers wounded during the recent fighting at David and Aguas Dulces have not received proper medical attendance.

QUEBEC, March 27.—The government steamer Constance left this morning on her first cruise around the gulf.

AT DOAKTOWN.

Graphic Description of How the Ice Went Out.

Much Damage and Some Narrow Escapes—A Thrilling Experience.

(Miramichi Advance.)

The rising of the river began early in March and kept steadily coming up. Work at Doaktown on bridges under repair was pushed with vigor, especially the highway bridge at Doaktown, Mr. Attridge working his men early and late and through all manner of bad weather. Last Tuesday the last bolt was driven under the water and while teams were hurrying, hauling rock for ballast, low rumblings and crackings were heard as a warning of what was coming. Part of the ice started and ran under the ice below the bridge. Mr. Attridge procured dynamite and shooed the ice in that quarter which was very apparent by the large fissures and rents showing up after the explosions.

There was intense anxiety lest the up-river ice should come down before the jam at the bridge would go. Already one of the arches of the R. R. bridge, located a short distance above the highway bridge, was cut off by the movement which had taken place. A message was sent to Chatham for more dynamite, but there was none to be had.

In the meantime a team was sent to Boiestown, as railway communication was cut off. It returned with several hundred weight, but the jam started at 9 o'clock. As preparations were being made to shake it up, it went with a rush and a roar.

Both bridges shook and trembled, the ice piling up over shears and piers and threatening to come over the floor of the foot bridge. The new work stood the shock, but another arch was cut off the R. R. bridge. About 9 o'clock the next day a telephone message came from up river giving warning of a jam several miles long that had started.

Many people gathered to see the bridges carried away. The jam came with a rush like the Johnstown flood, backed by a wall of water with the wreck of Porter's Cove Bridge, fencing, boards, trees, saw-logs and sheers-booms, the latter very dangerous as they were strung together by heavy chains.

The water came up and overflowed all the farms, carrying away fencing and tearing up the land, breaking off trees and uprooting whatever came in its way. In many cases the river left its bed and took other courses.

Mr. Harvey's cattle were drowned in the barn. Mr. Lucas' barn was moved and damaged with ice. Many lost their winter logging operations. The extent of the damage is not known yet. For three hours the new work on the bridge stood the assault. Another arch was cut out of the railway bridge. The foot-bridge showed many marks of the pounding it had endured, but it held out. Some of the wreckage at Porter's Cove Bridge lodged on the north pier and also some sheers-booms. These helped to try the bridge's strength by swinging and sea-sawing, but they were finally battered to pieces by the pounding ice and left the blocks clear again.

Towards evening two young women were being ferried over from the railway embankment in a canoe and were upset. They all reached a stranded cake of ice where they managed to hang on for a time, and finally reached some fence rails, and by the aid of the section foreman, Mr. William Robinson, who encouraged them to hold on until a boat was procured by Herman Attridge and Mr. Bartlett, and they were rescued.

The railway track between the bridge and station is displaced for quite a distance. A large force of men is now putting it in place. Some of the old work of the foot-bridge was torn off, but a few dollars will make it right.

Never, in the memory of the oldest person here, was the ice known to go with such violence.

OCEAN RACE AND RECORD

PORT TOWNSEND, Wn., March 28.—A marine race of more than ordinary importance, owing to the fact that both vessels broke all previous records, was terminated yesterday by the arrival of the schooner Fearless and Salona from Shanghai. The Salona's trip from the Yang-Tse-Kiang to Cape Flattery was 23 days and that of the Fearless 21 1/2 days, the former vessel making the fastest sailing time across the Pacific. The Fearless had her topmast carried away during a gale.

A RUSSIAN OPINION.

LONDON, March 28.—In a despatch from Moscow, the correspondent of the Daily Graphic gives an interview with a Russian staff officer who has returned from Amur, Siberia. The correspondent quotes this officer as saying that the Anglo-Japanese alliance has sealed the political destiny of Manchuria which, says the officer, will never pass out of Russia's possession.

VERY DRINKING.

Shirley Spence—My dear Julia, you can't imagine how I dread to think of my fortieth birthday!

Gothen—Why, dear! Did something very unpleasant happen there?—London Punch.

FASHION ITEM.

Church—When you see a fellow in an automobile with a fur coat, fur gloves, a mask over his eyes and nose and a leather cap, what would you say?

Gothen—Why, I would say he was dressing to kill!—Youkers Stationer.

AFTER THE SHOW.

"That was a thrilling performance where the man threw knives at that girl, wasn't it?"

"Thrilling! Say, it was tame compared to the way my wife looked fidgety at me when I got home!"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

IS HE DILLON?

It is Declared a Life Prisoner at Kingston,

is a Noted Irish Agitator and Friend of the Murdered Dr. Cronin.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 28.—The Express this morning published a copyrighted story to the effect that Karl Dallman, one of three men sentenced to life imprisonment in the Kingston, Ont., penitentiary for attempting to blow up a lock in the Welland canal on April 21, 1900, is no other than Luke Dillon, the Irish national leader, and famous as a close friend of Dr. Cronin, who was murdered in Chicago, and high in the councils of Clan-Na-Gael.

Three men were captured soon after the explosion which wrecked a portion of one of the locks. Two of them, John Walsh and John Molin, were identified and their records traced. The third man, who gave his name as Karl Dallman, was a mystery. It was known that the name Dallman was fictitious, but the dominion police and detectives failed to identify him. Two years ago Dillon was taller of the Dime Savings bank in Philadelphia. It was then that the bank turned over its accounts to the Union Surety Guaranty Company and the announcement was made to Dillon's friends that he had gone to Europe. A year later, the report was circulated that he had been drowned in Ireland.

The plot to blow up the Welland canal failed. The men blundered in lowering the dynamite into the locks, placing it in such a position that the gates withstood the shock. Hat it succeeded a large area of the surrounding country would have been flooded and the loss of life would have been great.

OUT ON STRIKE

About 3,700 Operatives of One Company's Woolen Mills.

FITCHBURG, Mass., March 28.—The entire force of weavers in the Fitchburg worsted mills and the Geol mills of the American Co. struck this morning in sympathy with the Rhode Island employees of the combine in the struggle against the two loom system in the state.

BOSTON, March 28.—The strike which began several weeks ago at the Olinville, R. I., mills of the American Woolen Company, and which has been gradually spreading to other places was extended to two additional mills of the company of Massachusetts today. The weavers at the Bell mills and the Fitchburg Worsted Mills, at Fitchburg, numbering more than 400, left their looms after the factories had started up today.

The weavers were influenced to some extent in taking this action by the strike of the weavers in the Saranac mill of the American Co. in Blackstone. The further extension of the difficulties swells the ranks of the strikers to an estimated total of about 3,700 in the company's mills.

In the National and Providence, Weybosset and Riverside mills in Weybosset, and Manton mill in Manchester, R. I., the weavers, loom fixers, burlers and other floor hands are out. The weavers only are on strike in the company's Anchor mills, Pascoag, R. I., Petriman mills, Plymouth, Mass., and the Saranac mills, at Blackstone, Mass. When the weavers in the Fitchburg and Geol mills struck today, they were joined by the loom fixers. The strike at Olinville, is in opposition to the system whereby a weaver is required to operate two looms. The movement at other places is sympathetic.

SOUTH AFRICA.

PRETORIA, Wednesday, March 28.—The four guns taken by the Boers when General Methuen was captured are still in General Delarey's hands. These recaptured by Col. Kekewich are the guns lost at the time of the Von Donop convoy disaster.

PRETORIA, Transvaal Colony, March 28.—About 1,500 Boers under Delarey, Lichowser, Kemp and Wolmarans, were within the area of Lord Kitchener's latest movement, but although surprised by the rapidly displayed by the British troops, gaps in the latter's lines enabled most of the burghers to escape. The Boers' prisoners totaled 119 men, including Commandant H. Kruger and ex-Landrost Neethling of Korkkorsdorp.

SULTAN'S WARLIKE MOVE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 28.—The Turkish government has decided to call to the colors 20,000 irregular troops, in batches of forty battalions, each batch aggregating about 20,000 men. This mobilization is ostensibly for the annual manoeuvres, but in view of the conditions in Macedonia considerable significance is attached to the movement.

AND LOST HIS LIFE.

SCHNECFADY, N. Y., March 28.—David Danders, an aged resident of South Schneckfady was killed by a West Shore train this morning. Landlords had ample time to get out of the way of the train, but while trying to save a wheelbarrow was hit and instantly killed.

FIRE RECORD.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The steam lighter Santos, just completed by the Townsend and Downey Shipbuilding Co., for Arbutus Iron, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$50,000 at Shooter's Island early today.



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I will be a candidate for the office of MAYOR at the election to be held on Tuesday, the fifteenth day of April next, and respectfully solicit your suffrages. A service at the Common Council Board of Aldermen extending over six years has afforded me an opportunity of becoming familiar with civic affairs, and it further honored with your confidence I will endeavor as far as it lies in my power to guard the rights of our city and advance its interests.

Faithfully yours,

WALTER W. WHITE.

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PRAYER FOR PEACE

A Feature of Good Friday Observance in Britain.

LONDON, March 28.—"A Prayer for Peace" was only novel feature of the observance of "Good Fridays" in Great Britain. The Bishops of London, Rochester and St. Albans issued special appeals to their dioceses to unite in prayer that both British and Boers be granted the temper of peace makers, pointing out that similar prayers are being offered in the Dutch churches of Pretoria. A Sunday atmosphere pervades everything here. All business is suspended. The government offices are shut up and the war office has announced that even Lord Kitchener's despatches will not be issued today or Monday.

NEW YORK, March 28.—There was general observance of Good Friday in Greater New York. The six exchanges of the city were closed. Of the larger financial houses, only the banks were open for business. The produce will be the only exchange to resume tomorrow; the others have adjourned until Monday.

LYNCHED HIM.

CHIBYENNE, Wn., March 28.—Charles Woodward, who was sentenced to be hanged at Casper, Wis., today, for the murder of Sheriff Rycker, but in whose behalf a stay of execution was issued by the supreme court, last Tuesday, was lynched at Casper last night.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Eastern states and northern New York—Rain tonight and Saturday, increasing southeast wind.

Easter Shoes.

See my window at the corner of King and Charlotte Streets. They afford a view of stylish Patent Leather Footwear not to be seen elsewhere. These are newest shoes for spring wear. Your size is here.



LADIES'.

Patent and Enamel Calf Lace Shoes, new Alexandra last, mannish style, single flexible sole, extension edge, Goodyear welted, dull mat top - **\$3.50.**

MEN'S.

Patent and Enamel Calf Lace Shoes, Goodyear welted, extension edge, rope stitch, perforated quarter, a man's dressy pat. leather shoe - **\$3.50.**

SAVAGE,

Corner King and Charlotte Streets.



FAIRALL'S CLOSING SALE.

GLOVES. HOSIERY.

The stock in W. H. Fairall's Dry Goods Store, 17 Charlotte Street, is nearly closed out, but there are still some bargains. Summer goods are now offered at auction prices.

Silk, Cashmere and Lisle Gloves, finest quality, at prices from 5 cents to a quarter per pair.

Ladies' Stockings are still to be had at less than half the cost of manufacture. A fine opportunity to get a good summer article cheap.

There are some fine pieces of Dress Goods. Rather than sell them at auction, we have made further big reductions.

All the shop fixtures, including a large Hall's combination safe, for sale cheap.

W. H. FAIRALL,

17 Charlotte Street.

CECIL RHODES.

LONDON, March 28.—In a despatch from Cape Town, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Cecil Rhodes selected the spot where he desired to be interred and gave instructions to an architect concerning the memorial to be erected when he last visited Matoppo Hills. The place of interment is beneath a natural cairn of giant boulders on a kopje adjoining that on which Major Wilson's little force made its last stand. The memorial to be erected will be a prominent feature of the striking landscape.

The date of the interment of the body of Mr. Rhodes is doubtful, says the correspondent of the Daily Mail, owing to the necessity of the construction of a special carriage road from Bulawayo. At present there is nothing more than a bridle path. Work on this road has already commenced, but its completion will require one month.

Continuing, the correspondent says that a death mask of the dead man's face has been successfully taken. The features of the deceased, which were distorted as a result of his malady, resumed their reposeful dignity in death. After an autopsy, which revealed an extreme aneurism of the heart, the remains were placed in a coffin. The body will lie in the hall at Grosvenor until next Monday in order to enable the public to view it. It will be brought to Cape Town next Tuesday.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

WAY TO TEACH GOOD ENGLISH.

Is to Control the Surroundings of the Child.

Some effort has been made to indicate the methods of public school teachers because so many of the children who attend these schools speak such very bad English. It is held up against the teachers in the English classes that a great number of boys and girls make use of such expressions as "I seen," and "I have went" and "I knowed." There must be some laxity within the power of the instructor to correct, according to the critics, that results in these evils. The assertion is unjust to the teachers, and proves rather not that they do not know their business, but that the critics are unfamiliar with the ways of children. As a matter of fact,

in this precise complication we find an illustration of the many perplexities which confront educators who cannot control the environment of the young people entrusted to their care. The most thorough grounding in the principles of grammar is not proof against the usage which prevails in the after-school environment of the child. Correct phrasing, the proper use of words, the simple construction of a sentence—all these things may be taught and hammered persistently into the head of a pupil, who will immediately lapse into the habit of speech of his father or his mother, of his companions on the street or of the servants of the household. To correct the evil one must reach the child's companions, whether the parent, the nurse or the playmate. The teacher can only admonish the child when taken in the act, and, in so far as it is possible to do this, it is done by the men and women who are employed as teachers in the public schools. If parents will be more mindful of their own speech, the tendency toward an incorrect use of English will at least be checked, but it is impossible to hope that by any modification of present-day methods the rising generation may be radically reformed in this particular.—Harper's Weekly.

AN AMERICAN MARCHIONESS.

The only American marchioness to take part in the coronation of King Edward will be the young Marchioness of Dufferin and Alva. Before her marriage she was well known in Anglo-American-French society as Miss Flora Davis, the pretty and accomplished daughter of a New York banker. Her marriage to the then Lord Terence Blackwood took place in Paris at the time when the late Lord Dufferin was British ambassador, and the marriage brought together a unique number of notabilities. Lord Terence succeeded his gallant brother, Lord Alva, as heir to the family honors, but he elected to be known as Lord Claude de la Roche, and it is as Lady Claude de la Roche that the new Lady Dufferin has taken for some time an important place in London society.

Among the most stately of the marchionesses at the coronation will be the Marchioness of Ormonde. She is the elder daughter of the late Duke of Westminster and the mother of two popular actresses, Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew and Lady Constance Butler.

VERY SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

The concert given in the lecture room of St. Andrew's church last evening under the auspices of the St. Andrew's male quartet, Messrs. Bonart, Reiding, McKelvie and Morgan, brought together the largest audience attracted there by any entertainment for some years. Every seat was occupied. The programme had the merit of a very pleasing variety.

As many of the numbers were encored, the quartet and Walter Nixon, the whistling soloist, on their first appearance each receiving a double encore, it followed that the entertainment was a long one—though not too long for the pleasure of the audience. Miss Blenda Thompson's rich contralto delighted her hearers, and Miss Annie Stewart's sweet soprano won her a persistent encore. A. W. Corbould's reading gave scope for a dramatic skill and power which only his intimate friends knew him to possess. Mrs. E. A. Smith is an accomplished reader, and was heartily encored. P. Gleeson's club singing was a remarkably fine piece of work. The members of the quartet, together and in solo work, Miss Biederman as piano soloist and accompanist, and Messrs. Davidson and Holder in their banjo duets, added to their laurels and contributed to a general success that was very gratifying to all present. The young men who arranged the concert are to be congratulated.

The accompaniment for Mr. Bogart's solo was played by Miss A. Bogart, and that for Miss Thompson by Mrs. Simon.

INTERNATIONAL LINE UP TO DATE.

The syndicate which controls the International Steamship Co., and most of the other companies doing business along the coast, is working out a plan by which new boats will be added to some of the lines and the service eastward generally improved.

The syndicate is having a new steamer built for the Portlands or Kennebec route, and it is said the steamer Gov. Dingley, practically a new vessel, will be put on the St. John route. The Dingley is a commodious boat, and would be a decided acquisition to the service. Other powerful boats will be constructed during the next two or three years.

The steamer Cumberland has arrived at Boston from Humberston, N. J., where she has been receiving new boilers and decks. It is said extensive changes and improvements are to be made on the St. Croix, State of Maine and other boats of the line.

THE LEGISLATURE.

PREDICITION, March 27.—The house met at 3 o'clock. Mr. Appleby introduced the following bills: To amend the Highways Act; to place Woodstock on the same footing with regard to assessment as the parishes of Carleton Co.; to authorize the town of Woodstock to charge interest on overdue taxes; to authorize the town of Woodstock to assess for a public hospital, and to amend the act with reference to bonus to industries in Woodstock. These bills were read a second time on the ground of urgency.

Mr. Gopp introduced a bill to incorporate the Westmorland Mining Co. and a bill relating to the Montcalm hospital. The latter on the ground of urgency was read a second time.

SHIP LABORERS' UNION.

At a largely attended meeting of the Ship Laboreers' Union last night the following officers and committees were elected for the ensuing three months: John Killen, president; John Collins, senior vice-president; Thomas Sullivan, jr., vice do.; Michael Burns, treasurer; Jas. Brennan, fin. sec.; M. J. Kelly, recording secretary.

Committee of management—John Murphy, Michael Donovan, William Reardon, John Cooper, Thos. Galbraith, James Hurley, Simpson Bradshaw, John Thompson, Joseph Devine, Daniel McAulay, Frank Kingston, Jas. McCaslin.

MODERN CHRISTIAN'S PRAYER.

Oh, Lord, I come to Thee in prayer once more; But blessed that I do not kneel before Thy gracious presence—for my knees are sore.

With too much walking in my chair instead I'll sit at ease and humbly bow my head.

I've labored in Thy vineyard, Thou dost know; I've sold ten tickets for the minstrel show. I've called on fifteen strangers in our town; Their contributions to our church put down; I've baked a pot of beans for Wednesday's spree—

An "Old Time Supper" it is going to be. I've crossed three dolls more annual fare; And made a cake which we will raffie there.

Now, with Thy boundless wisdom, so sublime, Thou knowest that these duties all take time; I have no time to fight my spirit's foe; I have no time to mend my husband's shoe.

My children roam the streets from morn till night; I have no time to teach them to do right; But Thou, O Lord, considering my care, Will count them righteous, and heed my prayer.

Bless the bean supper and the minstrel And put it in the hearts of all to go. Induce all visitors to patronize The men who in our programme advertise; Because I've chased those merchants till they hid When'er they saw me coming—yes, they hid.

Increase the contributions to our fair; And bless the people who assemble there. Bless Thou the grabbing and the gypsy bent; The flower table and the cake that's sent; The dancing party gayer than the rest; And when she has bestowed those blessings—then, And pray that Thou wilt bless our souls. Amen.

SPRING GOLF.

(After Tennyson.) The splendor falls on clubhouse walls; And lights the stretches that are bays; The sun shines where the sand pits bare lie; Still a little damp and soggy, Blue rollers set the echoes flying; The wind in the tall grass goes sighing, sighing, sighing.

Oh, hark, oh, hear the loud and clear voice of the early golfer shouting; He's on the brown hills for an outing; Hark! Hear the dampish gull's replying; And see the thrunks of sod go flying, flying.

Oh, glad and free the golfer he goes with a visage that is ruddy; He tramps away through clinging clay; His trousers and his shirt are soggy; Drive, golfer, drive! Set the gray gutty flying.

Out there where winter's ghost goes sighing, sighing, sighing, —Chicago Record-Herald.

ROMANCE OF KANSAS RANCH.

Trenton Banker, Once a Cowboy, to Wed the Woman Whom He Loved 20 Years Ago.

CHICAGO, March 24.—When Mrs. A. S. Champion, a handsome widow, now visiting friends at 7066 Normal avenue becomes the wife next week of Frank Blackwell, the curfew will descend on the last act of a pretty and unusual romance. Mrs. Champion stopped here to visit friends while on her way to Trenton, N. J., where her wedding will take place, nearly 2,000 miles distant from the scene in which the first act was laid.

Blackwell is now a banker of Trenton, twenty years ago he was a cowboy on a Kansas homestead. In the summer of 1882 he was called to a station in a remote part of the state, and came about in this way: A party of young Wichita folk, chaperoned by Mrs. Smith, decided to spend the summer months on a government claim, remaining there long enough to acquire legal possession of the land. The party included the doctor's daughter and a young man named Arthur S. Champion.

Chiefly far from the action settled upon was a ranch owned and operated by two young cowboys. Covered with dust, and thirsty from a long ride, these young gentlemen began to talk of the loss of the Wichita party. One of them was Frank Blackwell, and the girl who brought him water with which to refresh his parched throat was pretty Miss Smith.

After that day calls between the owners of the ranching claim became frequent, and Arthur Champion who was the acknowledged suitor of the doctor's daughter, began to feel the tug of the prize. Three months later, however, when Blackwell had become deeply attached to the girl, he called by the death of a relative, and in his absence Champion pressed and won his suit.

Blackwell was invited to act as groomsmen at the wedding and he accepted. Standing before the church rail in the Episcopal church of Wichita, which symbolized his lost hopes, placed upon the finger of the girl he had thought to make his wife, the hand which spread over the assemblage as the minister spoke the final words he pledged himself to a life free from love and decided to remain a bachelor the balance of his days.

In the years that followed a formal correspondence was kept up between the couple and the woman learned of Mr. Blackwell's success in business, and of his location in the West.

A month ago Mr. Blackwell learned through friends that Mrs. Champion was a widow. He boarded a train for Grand Rapids, where he was told she was visiting relatives. The conversation at their first meeting in Grand Rapids was constrained and formal. His frequent reference to the "old times" on the homestead claims served to thaw the ice, and later he discovered that his affection for Mrs. Champion is understood to have cared a good deal for the girl in the past. It was arranged to have the marriage performed in May. Mrs. Blackwell was recently in a decided note to wait so long.

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SUZANNE ADAMS IN CONCERT. Miss Suzanne Adams of the Maurice Grau Opera Company is not to be a member of that organization next year, but will devote her season to a concert tour under the management of C. L. Gray the concert impresario. Miss Adams signed contracts with Mr. Gray on Wednesday and will return here next season in November. She will remain until the spring singing in concert, recital and oratorio. Leo Stern, her husband, is to return to the stage, on which he has rarely been heard in the past two years. Miss Adams has sung chieftly in concert during the past season. She is to go on tour after next to Russia.

AMERICAN INTERESTS IN NEW CANADIAN ROAD. (New York Sun.) Plans have been practically completed for the construction of the Quebec and Lake Huron Railroad, which is destined to be an air line from Quebec to Georgian Bay, with connections with the International of Quebec. This company, which is backed by American interests, has deposited \$125,000 with the Quebec government as an evidence of good faith and also to secure certain concessions. This money was raised chiefly by Detroit and New York capitalists.

Miss Louise Aiken of Terre Haute, Ind., "fell her side laughing" at the comedy a few nights ago. She felt a sharp pain in her side and her suffering increased until she was forced to leave the theatre. Her home nurse ordered simple remedies but she grew worse and a physician was summoned. He found the diaphragm was torn. The girl is recovering.

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MORNING'S NEWS.

LOCAL.

Dr. Holden left by C. P. E. yesterday afternoon for Montreal and the west. He will be absent about a week. The water in the King square fountain was turned on yesterday. This is the earliest for several years.

Mrs. Joshua Ward left for Calais yesterday to attend the funeral of her uncle, Thomas Hogan, of whose death she had earlier in the day been informed by a telegram.

A horse driven by A. Beamish ran away on the Marsh road last evening, shattering the wagon against a convenient telephone pole. It was stopped on Westmorland road without injury.

Of the twenty or more immigrants who have been detained from the Lake Ontario, eight were allowed to go forward to their destinations in the states. In that small party there were representatives from four different nationalities.

A good and well attended entertainment was held in the basement of the Carleton Presbyterian church last evening. The various societies in connection with the church are doing good, active work and its finances are in excellent condition, reflecting credit upon the pastor, Rev. James Burgess, and an efficient board of trustees.

Persons who intend to contribute fancy or plain work to the Y. M. C. A. bazaar are requested to send the same as soon as possible to Mrs. H. D. McLeod, 130 King street east. Those contributing to the cookery department should send their contributions to the Y. M. C. A. rooms, where Mr. Williams will receive them.

The special committee on ferry matters met last evening and heard machinist Gallagher, Fireman Lambert and G. H. Baxter. After consideration the scale of pay previously published was recommended for the consideration of the board of works, to take effect on May 1st. The board of works will meet some time next week, it is expected, and forward its recommendations to a council to be held early in April.

The death took place last evening at the residence of J. K. McDonald, Harrison street, of Michael McCuskey, a former resident of Fredericton, but who for the past ten years has lived with his son-in-law in this city. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. McDonald and Miss McCuskey, a teacher in St. Peter's school. The body will be taken to Fredericton for interment.

PROVINCIAL.

Aubrey Ray, aged 25 years, a resident of Great Salmon River, was drowned there last evening while attempting to cross the river with two other persons.

The Halifax sealing steamer, Harlow, has arrived in the channel. Newfoundland with a full load of about \$2,000 seals, worth about \$18,000. Sealing is also reported good at the Magdalen Islands, but the Newfoundland fleet have had unusually bad luck.

Captain Robert Gray, a former resident of Richibucto, died on March 26, in Chicago. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss McCoy of Richibucto, and several children.

The Miramichi river is now clear of ice, the earliest on record.

A man named Bateman has been awarded \$800 damages and costs in a suit against the Toronto Mail and Empire for libel. The paper charged that he had been cashiered from the army.

Messrs. G. E. Corbett, of Annapolis, S. M. Brookfield, W. G. Brookfield and W. H. Brookfield, all of Halifax, have applied for incorporation of the Western Counties Iron and Steel Company, Limited. The capital is \$300,000.

At a meeting of the vestry held in the church hall, Mt. Whately, on the 19th inst., Rev. Clarence R. Quinn was unanimously elected rector for the Parish of Westmorland to fill the place vacated by the death of Rev. Donald M. Bliss.

MEETINGS.

H. A. Powell, K. C., lectured before the St. John Law school last night. Judge McLeod, Hon. A. A. Stockton and a number of legal veterans were present in addition to the members of the school.

A sale and tea under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. will be held on Tuesday afternoon and evening in the Y. M. C. A. building. See advertisement.

The regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council will not be held to-night (Good Friday), but will be held next Friday evening instead.

Hypnotism, big punning, vocal selections and a variety of other entertainments were enjoyed by a fair gathering at Johnny Taylor's entertainment in Union hall, last night.

Mrs. A. A. Stockton delivered a very interesting address in the Natural History Society rooms yesterday on Fairlyland Accessible to All. There was a large attendance and all were delighted.

At the regular meeting of the agricultural society yesterday afternoon the Moosepath trotting park was leased to James McGovern for the season. Reports from the meeting of the Farmers' and Dairywomen's Association at Fredericton were presented by B. V. Millidge and others. The society is considering the importance of seed oats from the west for experimental purposes.

At a special meeting of local union, 440, Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers, held at their hall 41 Brunsmells street, last evening, a committee was appointed to wait upon the master painters at their next regular meeting. It was decided that no action would be taken with regard to a strike until the committee's report was submitted to the union at its next regular meeting.

WITH ROTTEN EGGS.

(Sydney Post.) The graduate of the Halifax (endorsement) district who was notified by the Coke Owens district on Saturday night and who obeyed the mandate, returned Tuesday night. He was met by a delegation of residents who tendered him a rotten egg banquet. He and his female friends were treated free to some six or seven dozen eggs of questionable odor. The next banquet in his honor will consist of a fence rail and coat of tar and feathers.

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SPORTING NEWS.

THEIR KING. BALTIMORE, March 27.—Joe Gass knocked out "Jack" Bennett, of McKeesport, Pa., tonight in the fifth round.

Madden's Two Champions. Billy Madden is looking for matches for his two pugilistic "champions," Gus Rubin and Denver Ed. Madden. Madden declares is now the Irish champion, since he whipped Peter Maher, who held that title, and Martin, he says, is the "black champion." He will match his two heavyweights against any heavyweights in the world, bar none, and has \$1,000 posted with Al Smith to back up what he says. "I will match Martin against Jeffries on any terms that may suit the latter, winner takes all. If he wants it that way, and fight in Los Angeles or any place he likes." If Rubin had fought Jeffries the same way he did Maher he would have licked Jeffries sure.

Dixon a Bantam. George Dixon, once feather-weight champion, but who is now attempting to enter the bantam class, is in Syracuse according to a despatch from that city. He will remain there for a month, and do his training for his first match in the bantam class. The bout will be with Jim Smith, the bantam-weight champion of Canada, and will take place in Toronto in the latter part of April. It will go twenty rounds. Dixon is confident that he can make the required weight, 114 pounds, without difficulty and will remain in good fighting condition. He is also confident that he can win honors in this class.

Jeffries-Fitzsimmons. CHICAGO, March 28.—According to the notice given Robert Fitzsimmons Monday, the Los Angeles Athletic Club has demanded a return of the forfeit money posted to insure the bout when the bids were tendered, says the Chronicle's Los Angeles special. This practically closes the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons incident as far as the Los Angeles Athletic Club is concerned. The club has proposed a fight with "Denver" Ed Martin, who recently defeated Frank Childs in Chicago, but Jeffries declares he will not battle with a colored man until he is entitled to demand the champion's recognition.

NEW YORK, March 28.—On behalf of the Charleston Athletic Club J. C. McLaughlin and W. McLaughlin, members of the Southern Organization, have made a personal offer to Fitzsimmons for the bout with Jeffries. The proposition was seventy-five per cent of the gross receipts with a guaranteed purse of \$25,000. Fitzsimmons accepted the offer. As the result of the offer the Southern Club men have agreed to post a forfeit of \$5,000 when the contract shall have been signed by the fighters. McLaughlin and McLaughlin explained to Fitzsimmons that there is nothing in the laws of South Carolina to prevent boxing contracts between heavy weights from being decided in the state.

"If Jeffries," said the former champion, "is in the best and most sincere one of the best of men, as I am, he will not hesitate to accept the Charleston offer. It is the best and most sincere one that I have ever received. I am in a position to accept the offer immediately after the close of my agreement with the Southern Club. I will post \$5,000 to be divided between me and the Southern Club." Jeffries, who is now in Los Angeles, Cal., has been communicated with relative to the Charleston club's bid.

BASEBALL.

Yapp Shows Up Spring. In its account of the spring training of the Boston American team the Boston Globe yesterday says:

The day's work today was the heaviest yet, and unless it rains tomorrow Yapp says he will split the men up into an exhibition game, believing he can get the best results in this way.

Outing and field work was the principal feature this morning and the showing indicated that the boys are all getting their eyes in trim again.

Winters and Mitchell (Fred Yapp) were given the longest warming up today. Both showed good form and unexpected speed, though Winters proves to be in better condition than all others. His arm, he says, is as good today as when the season closed, and if a game is played tomorrow he will pitch for the regulars and Mitchell for the scrub team.

Wanted in New York. Manager Ed. Barrow of the Toronto team has received a letter from an official of the New York club, offering him the position of manager of that team in the National league. Barrow is under contract with Toronto for this season, but it is understood that he will accept his release he will accept the New York offer.

THE CINDER PATH.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Arthur Duffy, the crack sprinter of Georgetown, now in England, will go to England this summer to defend the 100 yard championship which he now holds. Duffy will represent the British in the contest and is looked upon to uphold the honors he has held in this country for two years.

COMMERCIAL.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The mercantile paper in the B. C. sterling nominal at 4 1/2% to 5% for demand and at 4 3/4% to 5% for sixty days. Posted rates 4.86 and 4.88; commercial bills 4.84% to 4.85%.

SHE GAVE \$40,000.

A deputation from the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, consisting of Archbishop Bond, Dean Carmichael, Principal Hackett, Principal Reardon, Messrs. A. F. Gault, James Crutcher, S. Carley, H. J. Mulgan and Leslie Gault called on Miss Billia Dufferin at her residence last evening, and presented her with an engraved copy of a resolution adopted by the board of governors, thanking her for her recent gift of \$40,000 to endow the chair of dogmatic theology. The resolution is signed by W. B. Montreal, president; and A. Gault, vice-president.

CAPT. BERNIER BACK IN QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, March 26.—Capt. Bernier, of polar expedition fame, returned to Quebec tonight in order to lay his claims for assistance before the local government. He feels that his native province ought at least to do as well in the matter as the other provinces. He claims to have now realized the money and promises \$7,000, and says that he has made arrangements with the Marconi people for the use of the wireless telegraph on his ship so that the world can be kept informed of its progress.

ATTACKED THE POPE.

LONDON, March 27.—The Brussels correspondent of the Times says that on Saturday, in the debate in the Chamber of Representatives on the foreign affairs budget, the socialist leader, M. Demblon, attacked the Pope in virulent terms. He proposed the suppression of the Belgian minister to the Holy See, and argued that the crimes of certain popes in the middle ages discredited the papacy in the eyes of Christendom. After a continued interjection by members of the right, M. Demblon's motion was negatived.

"We don't want any more deposits" is the sign an innman, Kan., has posted on his front door. The owners say they have more money now than they can place, and they don't care to run the risk of keeping a lot more money which they can't make care them anything.

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MONTREAL, March 27.—A large number of counterfeit Dominion two dollar notes are reported in circulation in this province. The bills are said to be fair imitations excepting that the words "Dominion of Canada" are not so distinct as on the genuine bills. The ink is also of poorer quality than on the proper notes.

TORONTO, March 27.—Two insurance companies have accepted coronation risks on King Edward's life. The Canada Life has taken one for \$25,000 and the Manufacturers one for \$15,000. The rate paid was 6 per cent. All English insurance offices are filled up with business on the King's life, and consequently application has been made to Canadian companies.

WINNIPEG, March 27.—The election of D. A. Stewart, liberal, for Lisgar, has been protested on the usual charges. Richardson is behind the protest.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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A number of yachtsmen went out to Millidgeville today to give their craft an overhauling.

John Culligan of Fredericton died on Wednesday, aged 40 years, leaving a widow and one son.

We have a present for you tomorrow night. See our window. McLean's Department Store, 568 Main street.

The Kentville Chronicle reports that \$1,762.50 has thus far been subscribed for a monument to the late Lieut. Harold Borden.

The Plant Line steamer Halifax resumed her services on the Halifax and Boston routes April 2nd. She has been entirely re-fitted and furnished.

Andrew Robb, secretary of the Charlottetown Y. M. C. A., is expected to deliver an address Sunday afternoon in the rooms of the local association.

H. Price Webber, manager of the Boston Comedy Company, will give a benefit performance for the Aberdeen hospital, New Glasgow, on April 4.

The steamer Indrani moved down to number three berth to make room for the Concordia to discharge. The Indrani is expected to sail tomorrow.

During the last eight days four hundred and fifty tons of pulp have been shipped through this port for the other side by the St. John Sulphite Co.

All idea of floating the old steamer Alpha to St. John has been abandoned and a force of men are engaged in demolishing her.—Yarmouth Times.

A letter was received yesterday from Trooper Fed Addy, of the 2nd C. M. R., to the effect that while on the passage from Cape Town to Durban he broke one of his legs.

The estate of G. A. Lounsbury, who died at Newcastle on Sunday last, is said to be of the value of \$75,000. Mr. Lounsbury carried \$14,000 in life insurance.

The police were called into Liz. Hayes' residence on Sheffield street last night to eject a man named Dixon, who was not conforming to the etiquette of the establishment.

Harding Dunham of Main street captured a butterfly yesterday afternoon which measured two inches from tip to tip of its wings. There was no tag on it, to show from where it came.

The funeral of the late Miss Margaret Humbert took place this afternoon from the Home for Incurables. Rev. R. W. Weddall conducted the service and interment was at Fernhill.

Recorder Skinner of St. John was in Fredericton yesterday to promote the bill to be introduced to grant a charter and subsidy to the proposed line of railway from Kent Junction to Chipman, forty miles.

Speaking of a recent dinner at the Canada Club, a London letter says that among the guests was "Admiral Drury, a native of New Brunswick, who is about to assume command of the China station."

Mr. Forrester, an English farmer at present living on the Jansie place, Springhill, ploughed up an acre of land on Monday, March 24th. This is said to be the earliest spring ploughing ever recorded in York county.

Miss Margaret Humbert died yesterday at the Home for Incurables at the age of 75 years. Deceased was a daughter of the late John Humbert, who at one time represented Kings county in the provincial legislature.

William Casey, who has been in the I. E. R. office in Monie place about a year, has accepted a position with the C. P. R. as assistant ticket agent at Halifax. The new position carries with it considerable increase in salary.

J. M. Johnson of Calais, has entered his colt Tom Phair, by Clay King, in the Readville \$2,000 trot for three year olds. Todd is also entered in the same class. Terrill S. is entered in the 2:10 pace.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Thistle Curling Rink Co., was held last evening, but was adjourned until Thursday, April 10th. The annual meeting of the Thistle Curling Club will be held on Thursday evening April 3rd.

A Lubec despatch says that Wm. Storey and Robert Mitchell of that town found 75 lbs. of ambergris floating near Campobello. Ambergris is worth from \$25 to \$40 per ounce, and if they have the real thing they have picked up from \$20,000 to \$35,000.

The six lady teachers who will go to South Africa from Nova Scotia are: Miss Crandall of Walton, Miss Maggie De Wolfe of Halifax, Miss Emma Ellis of Dartmouth, Miss Bertha Hebb of Bridgewater, Miss McDonald of Hopewell, and Miss Helen McKenzie of Pictou.

Daniel Davis, formerly of Charlottetown, has been appointed general manager of the Virginia Iron Coal and Coke Company and the Virginia and Southwestern Railroad Co., two large corporations operating in the states of Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky and Georgia. The salary is \$5,000 per year.

J. H. Potter, of Canning, who is interested in the new steamer which will undertake the service formerly performed by the Beaver, is in the city. The new steamer is now being fitted with her boilers and machinery by Messrs. Fleming. She will go on the route as soon as she is completed.

Says the Truro News: "Nova Scotia brains were behind the yacht Meteor, built in New York for the Emperor of Germany. The builders, Messrs. Townshend and Downey, are both Cumberland men. One or more Hants county master mechanics were also employed in the building of this handsome specimen of manual architecture."

THE AXE AGAIN.

Letter Carriers Superannuated to Furnish Places for the Faithful.

Last Saturday, Uriah Belyea of Carleton and Patrick Cassely, letter carriers, received notice of their superannuation from Ottawa. They had made no application to be relieved of their duties and placed on the retired list, so the news was something of a disappointing surprise to them. The explanation of the government's action probably lies in the fact that the crisis of the faithful for jobs have grown too clamorous and persistent to be disregarded with impunity. So Messrs. Belyea and Cassely were chosen as the ones to make room for new appointments. If the superannuation had taken place before the winter the affair would not look so badly, but after the men had shown their ability to perform their duties throughout the disagreeable portion of the year, it hardly looks consistent to place them among the superannuated when the milder weather has come. So far as is known there has been no complaint made against either of the men, and they claim that they are perfectly able to continue in the work. Col. Tucker, M. P., was asked to do something in the matter, but he replied that nothing short of an act of parliament could reinstate the letter carriers. Their retirement means a large reduction in pay to the men at a time when they appear to be capable of efficiently performing their duties. Considerable feeling has been aroused over the matter, and petitions asking that in some way the matter be righted, have been prepared and signed. What the outcome will be is uncertain, the only sure thing is that some jobs will be found for the faithful.

THE INTERVIEW WITH G. S. MAYES.

Regarding the interview with Mr. G. S. Mayes in Thursday's Star, Mr. Mayes wishes to state that he did not say that the material used in the construction of the wharves and sheds at Portland, Me., were of the cheapest and poorest kind, but rather that the wharves as compared with ours were a cheap class of wharf, as they were simply of piling driven in and cut off, and covered over, instead of our big solid structures of solid hardwood timber from bottom to top, which will endure practically for all time. Regarding the building of the sheds, while some of our later ones have ruses work, doing away with the necessity of posts in the centre, the sheds at Portland, Me., have no trusses but have posts quite close together which make it very awkward to handle and truck the cargo.

AT THE CATHEDRAL.

At High Mass of the Pre-sanctified in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this morning his lordship, Bishop Casey, preached a very eloquent sermon on the Passion and Crucifixion. The bishop was celebrant at the mass, with Revs. A. J. O'Neill, H. A. Meahan and Fr. Coholan as deacon, sub-deacon and high priest respectively. Rev. P. J. McMurray was master of ceremonies. The cathedral was crowded to the doors.

AT LOCH LOMOND.

E. W. Paul, who was out to Loch Lomond yesterday, says he has never seen the water so high as it is this spring. The road between the city and the lake is bad in places, but on the whole it is more dry than would be expected after so much rain. A good deal of lumbering has been done in the lake region during the past winter. The ice went out of the lake very much earlier this year than usual.

A ST. JOHN MAN.

Says the Vancouver, B. C. Province, of March 20th: "William Russell, late representative here of the Abbey Salt Co., but for the past three years in the New York and London, returned yesterday with Mrs. Russell. Mr. and Mrs. Russell intend making Vancouver their home and will be welcomed back by a large circle of friends."

AN AWFUL THIRST.

Thieves broke into the town lockup at Richmond, Me., Wednesday night, forced the door of a cell and carried away 120 bottles of lager beer and two dozen bottles of whiskey which had been seized at a local hotel Wednesday and placed in the lockup for safe keeping.

HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL.

A considerable amount of stuff is now being dumped to fill up the Court block. At the rate of progress that has prevailed since the city purchased the property this place will be filled up and turned into a park within the life of some of the present generation.

A ONE-CENT RESTAURANT.

NEW YORK, March 26.—In an attempt to show how cheaply the human body can be palatably nourished, a unique one cent restaurant will be opened in this city. The one cent dishes are limited, however, to large bowls of soups, steamed hominy, oats and barley. The meats will cost from 5 to 10 cents.

All of the one cent portions contain food elements which are said to be sufficient to supply the nourishment required in a full meal.

WINNIPEG, March 27.—Much damage has been done by heavy rain and melting snow throughout the Northwest. Where railway trains are not cancelled they are running away behind time. Many bridges have been washed away and the tracks under water for miles.

BARRIE, Ont., March 27.—The Roman Catholic church here was robbed last night, a valuable gold chalice and other articles being taken. The police have arrested three men on suspicion, but have not recovered the property.

TORONTO, March 27.—The Toronto lacrosse team, bound for England, will leave tomorrow morning, sailing from St. John, N. B., on Saturday by the Allan line Parisian.

ALONG THE RIVER.

Getting Ready to Capture the Logs—Steamers Fitting Up for the Season.

Indiantown was about the only place at which there appeared to be any stir this morning. Work is being rapidly pushed forward on all the steamers in order that they might take advantage of the almost unprecedented early opening of the river. The Star, which has been undergoing very extensive repairs, will be ready for the season's business on Tuesday, and is expected to make her first trip of the year on that day. Her route is practically free from ice. The David Weston is about ready, but, as announced, will not make a trip until things are clear above. It will take another fortnight to get the May Queen in state. Reports from the Grand Lake show that the ice is still solid at the upper end. At Newcastle it is said to be still a foot thick and the water is falling.

In fact reports from all along the river are to the effect that the water is falling more or less rapidly. At Indiantown it has gone down considerably. Today the first drift wood appeared and this morning a number of men were busy in gathering it together and hauling it away. A considerable quantity of small broken ice came down last night and today, probably blown out of the coves by the wind.

A Fredericton despatch says: At five o'clock yesterday afternoon another large piece of ice, about a mile long, was detached from the lower end of the jam and ran out with a field of loose ice which had caught two days ago against the highway bridge. With the ice which went out today was a great number of logs, perhaps half a million feet. It is expected that the logs will be saved in the booms Gregory has stretched across the river at John O. Vanwart's. The water is falling fast.

Mr. Gregory, as soon as he got word that the logs had come out, started out with the jugs this morning for Palmer's Point, in order to catch all that came down that far. Other jugs are ready to go out at a moment's notice.

Hon. James Holly said this morning that he was sanguine of saving the entire cut. Conflicting statements have been sent down as to the exact situation above Fredericton, but in any event, Mr. Holly does not believe that any of the logs will get down this far. They will, he thinks, be captured in the booms between Palmer's Point and the capital. A number of logs will probably be caught by the currents and lodged on the submerged interval lands along the river, where they will be more or less easily obtained.

Robert Alken returned to Fredericton Thursday night from his lumbering operations upon the Aroostook. He has cut about 3,000,000 feet during the past winter. The Aroostook ice has run out, bringing along the 5,000,000 feet of lumber hung up last summer above the falls. These logs have all come down the St. John and are at the tail of the big jam.

PERSONAL.

W. M. Jarvis returned yesterday from a business trip to Nova Scotia.

Miss Annie Parks returned yesterday to New York to resume her duties as nurse.

Stephen Gerow, secretary of the Cornwall and York Cotton Mills Company, went to New York yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Frank Patterson, of Westfield, intends leaving in a few weeks for Vancouver, B. C., where he expects to permanently locate.

Mrs. J. C. P. Burpee, who has been spending the winter in the Southern States, returned yesterday. Mrs. Burpee was called home because of the illness of her two sons, John and Bruce, with scarlet fever. The young men are improving.

Miss Florence Estabrooks of the west side is home from the Normal School, Fredericton, on her Easter vacation.

Sir Charles Tupper leaves Winnipeg on Saturday for Halifax. He will sail from there April 7th on the Tunisian for England, to be present at the coronation ceremonies. He will be accompanied by Lady Tupper and Miss Tupper.

Miss Marion Inches of St. John, is to be a guest of Mrs. J. G. Stevens this week.—St. Stephen Courier.

C. Percy Turnbull, of the Union Bank of Halifax, Digby N. S., is spending Easter in the city.

Miss Aggie Tufts left Marysville Thursday morning for Prince Edward Island, where she expects to remain until July.

Mrs. John Kyle and Miss Edith Emack of Gibson left by Wednesday afternoon's train for the west. Mrs. Kyle goes to Vancouver to visit her sons there, while Miss Emack has accepted a position on the teaching staff at Calgary, N. W. T.

Miss Mary Weldon and Miss Bertha Bishop of Fredericton are in St. John for the Easter holidays.

The Misses Thompson leave Fredericton Saturday afternoon for Ottawa, to be present at the wedding of their niece, Miss May Blair, next week.

The Misses Snowball came to St. John to spend Easter. Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Snowball will spend Easter in Chatham.

Miss May Carter of St. Stephen left this week for Cranbrook, British Columbia, to spend a few months with her sister, Mrs. Malcolm King, and her brother, B. A. Carter.

J. N. Carter, general merchant of Point de Bute, is in the city and will remain till Saturday.

W. H. Ganong, who for many years had charge of the Cedars, and who is now in British Columbia, writes to friends that he has a good position and is doing well. He is manager of the Royal Hotel at Fernie, B. C., and expects to come to this province in August to take Mrs. Ganong and daughter back with him.

It is likely, says an Ottawa despatch to the Telegraph, that a bill will be introduced this session making the 24th of May the date on which the king's birthday will be observed in Canada.

Mrs. J. J. Weddall of Fredericton suffered several cuts and bruises as a result of a carriage accident on Wednesday.

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THE TROOP LIBBELED.

Heavy Damages Asked by Sailor For Personal Injuries Sustained on Voyage.

(Victoria Colonist, March 21.) The British ship Troop, which sailed from Fusan, Korea, on January 6, and has arrived at Tacoma, was libbeled at Tacoma yesterday for the sum of \$25,000 damages for personal injuries, claimed to have been sustained by Albert Lewis, a member of the crew on the voyage from the Korean port. According to the sworn statement of the libellant, the Troop sailed from Fusan on January 6 about 10 a. m., and four hours later, while the vessel was hardly under way, Lewis was ordered aloft for the performance of some duty. When at a considerable height above the deck he missed his hold and fell from the mast, striking the deck with great force. His left arm and right leg were both broken.

Lewis claims that on account of his injuries and suffering he begged Capt. Kenny to put back to Fusan and have him sent ashore for treatment, but this, he says, the captain refused to do. Instead the vessel proceeded on her voyage and Capt. Kenny himself undertook to set Lewis's broken limbs. This surgical operation, Lewis asserts, was improperly performed, with the result that he will be a cripple for life.

On the arrival of the Troop at Port Angeles, Lewis was sent to the United States marine hospital at Port Townsend. Here, it is said, it was found necessary to break both his arm and his leg again and attempt to properly reset them. However, Lewis claims that his arm will be permanently crooked and his right leg considerably shorter than its mate. For these injuries and for his long suffering on the voyage Lewis will ask damages against the ship and her owners in the sum of \$25,000.

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