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FIRST STEPS TAKEN IN BRITISH WAR OFFICE REFORMS. The Heads of Departments Receive Notice of Dismissal, But They Will Be Given Employment Elsewhere--Chamberlain Firmly Attacked in Parliament for Mismanagement of Boer War, But He Defends Himself.

London, Feb. 4.—In pursuance of the notice which the heads of departments were given today to receive letters of dismissal, and were notified that they will be employed elsewhere. John Morley announced today in the House of Commons his definite intention to resign his office today, and to accept a seat in the House of Commons. Mr. Chamberlain was severely criticised in Parliament for his mismanagement of the Boer War, but he defended himself.

25 lbs Regular 4 lbs Regular 3 lbs Regular 20 lb. AMFORD, CONN., CITY HALL BURNED; LOSS ABOUT \$175,000. Amford, Conn., Feb. 4.—Snow lying on the roofs of adjacent buildings caused a conflagration in the business district of Amford tonight as an accompaniment to the complete destruction of the city hall. The blaze was so threatening that it was feared that the city hall would be completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$175,000.

ROSS GOVERNMENT HAD THREE MAJORITY ON FIRST DIVISION. Toronto, Feb. 4.—(Special)—The first division in the Ontario legislature this session took place this morning, after two weeks' debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. The government had a three majority on a straight party division. The first vote was on an amendment by Mr. (Lib.) Kingston, then moved an amendment "Expressing satisfaction that every constituency is now represented in the House." This carried on the same division and killed Foy's (Con.) motion, Toronto, amendment concerning the government for delay in bringing on the North Renfrew election.

TWO PAYMASTERS LIKELY ON THE INTERCOLONIAL. Manager Favors the Appointment of Someone in the Service to Succeed Mr. Trites, But the Applicants Have Too Big a Pull. Moncton, N. B., Jan. 4.—(Special)—The question as to who is to succeed the late I. C. R. Paymaster Trites is a matter of considerable speculation among railway men. It is said the manager favors the appointment of someone at present an employee of the road.

EVERYTHING POINTS TO WAR IN FAR EAST. Russian Reply to Japan's Proposals Sent Thursday. All Sorts of Rumors Afloat About Its Contents, But Nothing Authentic Given Out--Russian Fleet Leaves Port Arthur Double-War or Peace Likely Settled Today.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—The Russian reply to the latest Japanese note was sent to Tokyo tonight. The feeling in the higher circles continues to be that Russia offers substantial concessions, but that she cannot meet Japan's wishes regarding Manchuria or agree to Japanese fortifications in South Korea. It is intimated in certain official quarters that if Japan should offer a counter proposal that Russia guarantee China's Manchurian treaties, irrespective of the ultimate sovereignty of the province, there might be a chance of reaching such a compromise. It is argued that such a settlement would safeguard the existing commercial interests of all the powers in Manchuria and it is contended that if Japan demands more in the future, this would betray to the world her ulterior ambitions on the continent of Asia, which would be inimical to the interests of not only Russia but of the very powers which now sympathize with Japan.

War or Peace Today. Washington, Feb. 4.—"War or peace will come with tomorrow," this is the general opinion in the diplomatic corps. Both at the Russian Embassy and at the Japanese Legation the situation in the Far East is described as grave. It is stated that the Russian Embassy has determined an earnest effort for peace, and is going so far as to offer magnanimous concessions in Korea. The question of Manchuria is unwilling to discuss, taking the ground that this is a subject for negotiation between St. Petersburg and Peking and not between St. Petersburg and Tokyo. In the opinion of the Russian government Japan's legitimate interests in Manchuria do not exceed those of the Manchurian people. The British or of the other powers signatory to the peace protocol of 1907. For this reason Russia has declared her unwillingness to discriminate between the powers and enter into a special treaty with Japan. In the event of war it may be expected that the Russian government will address the powers setting forth its position and briefly reviewing the various steps in the negotiations. It is expected by Russia that a war manifesto will be issued in the near future by an official declaration of neutrality on the part of the United States.

LOW PRICES OF CANADIAN NEWSPAPERS CONDEMNED. Journalists in Session Will Seek to Have Minimum Carry Price of \$1.50, or Will Ask Government to Refuse Mail Privileges. Toronto, Feb. 4.—(Special)—The Canadian Press Association, in session here this afternoon, discussed the scarcity of newspapers. The subscription rates asked by the Association were criticized, and the incoming executive was instructed to use its influence to have a minimum rate of \$1.50 agreed upon. Failing this, an appeal was made to the postmaster-general to refuse newspaper rates to such as are sold at less than cost of white paper used. At tonight's session of the association, Prof. Goldwin Smith gave a short address on "The Duty of a Journalist."

URUGUAY GOVERNMENT TROOPS MARCHING LAST STAND. They Have Reluctant to Their Capital, Montevideo, and the Insurgents Are Hot on Their Trail. Washington, Feb. 4.—Cable advices to the state department indicate a very serious state of affairs in Uruguay, owing to the revolutionary movement. It is reported that the government forces were defeated by the revolutionists and that a great panic occurred on Saturday and Sunday last. In their retreat the government forces left their wounded and their guns on the field. They have fallen back on Montevideo, the capital. All the entrances to the town are heavily guarded with government troops and an attack is expected from the insurgents who are marching on the capital in great force. The diplomatic corps has been called to meet at the American Legation to discuss the situation.

STIFF SENTENCE FOR BOSTON ROBBER. Boston, Feb. 4.—In the superior court today Judge Bond sentenced Frank J. Kelly, 19 years of age, to a term of not less than 12 nor more than 15 years in the state prison for the robbery with violence from Mrs. Julia Halpin, last November.

300 Coke Ovens Start Up. Connellville, Pa., Feb. 4.—Three hundred coke ovens were placed in blast and the tonnage increased 25,000 tons during the past week. The January production of the field was 888,020 tons, compared with 427,628 tons for December.

MINISTER OF MARINE PORTFOLIO NOW VERY IMPORTANT. Mr. Prefontaine's Department to Be Given Charge of Much That Public Works Formerly Did--Charles S. Hyman, M. P., Called to the Cabinet Without Portfolio, and Will Be Sworn In Today.

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—(Special)—It is learned that in the course of the next few days certain work in connection with navigation will be transferred from the public works department to the marine department. These works properly speaking belong to the marine department. There is for instance, the dredging of the ship channel in the St. Lawrence, which is now under the public works. In future it will be taken over by Mr. Prefontaine and attached to the marine department. This will include the works at Sorel. At present if a light-house is to be built the marine department has to arrange with the public works as to the dredging, etc. Now this will be all handled by the department. The board of harbor commissioners at Montreal and Quebec will also be placed under the marine department. The pilots are now under the marine department, and when all the works are transferred, the department will have entire charge of all the aids to navigation, and the entire works on the St. Lawrence route. The fact that two departments have been to some extent changing in regard to the works mentioned will now be effected, and to this extent the public works will be all the better served by the new order of things.

C. S. Hyman in the Cabinet. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has invited C. S. Hyman, M. P., London, to a seat in the cabinet without portfolio. Mr. Hyman was in the city today and had an interview with the premier this afternoon. At a cabinet meeting in the afternoon, Sir Wilfrid informed his colleagues of the decision he arrived at, and Mr. Hyman will be sworn in a member of the privy council tomorrow. He is one of the most popular members of the house—a good debater and possesses excellent judgment. He was first returned to parliament at the general elections of 1891, but was unseated in 1896.

GIVE UP THE "LITTLE FOOT." WAS SUCCESSFUL. Aristocratic Chinese Break Down Old Customs. Treatment for Hip Disease Effective on 17-year-old Girl. Had Suffered Many Years--Miss Dethlefen Who, for Twelve Years Was Badly Deformed, Returns Home Cured.

London, Feb. 3.—Things certainly go by contrasts in the Orient. A few days ago it was announced that the women of progressive Japan were giving up European dress and going back to the picturesque costume of their ancestors. Now we learn that the women of conservative China are giving up the wearing of their feet. An imperial edict has been promulgated requiring all officials to warn people against the effects of footbinding. This has been followed by similar exhortations from provincial governors. In Hunan the governor, in addition, threatened penalties for non-observance, but in Fukien no penalties were indicated. Yuan Shi Kai, the governor of Chi-Li, has not only ordered that the feet of his own little daughter shall not be bound, but he himself is the author of a popular pamphlet against the practice. "We often notice," the letter continues, "that daughters are taller than their mothers, owing to the discontinuance of footbinding. Chinese women naturally have slender feet, quite as beautiful as their hands and fingers, which are exquisitely shaped."

London, Feb. 4.—The Associated Press can announce with authority that Mrs. Florence Maybrick is now in a home in a distant part of England and under the care of a religious sisterhood. She has not been released, but to all intents and purposes her life now, compared to her existence in Aylesbury prison, is that of a free woman. She will remain there she is until next July, when her punishment will be ended under the special license, and she will be allowed to go free, subject to the usual conditions governing ticket-of-leave convicts. The transfer of Mrs. Maybrick from a penal prison to a quiet country home constitutes an almost unprecedented action on the part of the authorities. It was due to the mediation of Adeline Mary, Duchess of Bedford, who, as a visitor to Aylesbury prison for many years, has taken a keen personal interest in Mrs. Maybrick and finally succeeded in obtaining the mitigation of her punishment to the extent of being allowed to spend the last six months of her confinement outside the prison walls. The home office several months ago agreed to meet the request of the Duchess of Bedford, although it imposed a pledge of secrecy.

COTTON BREAKS \$9 PER BALE IN NEW ORLEANS. Wild Scramble to Sell on News of Hostilities in the Far East Found No Purchasers and Panic Ensued. New Orleans, Feb. 4.—About the worst break in the history of cotton future trading in New Orleans occurred today when in vague war rumors prices were sent down until they were from 160 to 180 points lower than the close of yesterday and May was \$9 a bale cheaper. Notwithstanding this break there was little excitement about the cotton exchange at the close and no fear was expressed that any of the local cotton firms would fail. At the opening March went of 106 points from yesterday's close to 15.30. Prominent bulls supported the market and prices recovered. Toward noon the market became quiet and uninteresting and the general opinion was that the trend of prices would continue upward. Soon after the noon hour and while many brokers were at lunch, a telegram was received from Chicago saying that cables had been received there telling of the declaration of war between Japan and Russia. Values commenced to slide swiftly downward and in five minutes the ring was in a panic. The general desire was to sell no matter what price the cotton offered for sale brought. Hundreds of thousands of bales of cotton were thrown into the ring and the sellers exceeded buyers ten to one. This mad scene lasted until well on toward the close of the market, when the ring finally had a sold-out appearance. At this stage the bull leaders stepped up fifty points. The market, however, had a weak undertone and prices sagged toward the close. At the last prices were from 147 to 168 points lower than the close of yesterday. On the curb the weakness continued. At the close of the curb trading prices were again at about the lowest level of the day. March was 106 points lower than the close of yesterday at 14.60; May 168 points lower at 15.45 and July 180 points lower at 15.75.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

WHAT ABOUT MR. QUINTON?

The Gazette, which may be regarded as the organ of the provincial government, suggested on Monday evening that Mr. Geo. Robertson might be regarded as the future Surveyor-General...

A PERPLEXING QUESTION.

At the meeting of the Board of Trade Tuesday afternoon, a brief reference was made to the proposed agreement with the C. P. R. relative to the new berth and the water-lift on the West Side...

STILL SPECULATING.

The Toronto World has an interesting story from Ottawa to the effect that William Mackenzie, of Mackenzie & Mann, may return from London with a project for a transcontinental railway...

THE GROWING WEST.

A movement was inaugurated in St. Paul last week that is likely to have an important influence upon the settlement of large sections of the northwest...

THIN PEOPLE

want to get fat and fat people want to get thin—human nature. If you are fat don't take Scott's Emulsion...

reason the city would be justified in doing the work of wharf construction itself, trusting to the future to provide the revenue...

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

The British Empire League has adopted resolutions "expressing satisfaction at the step towards imperial military co-operation by the admission of Sir Frederick Borden to the deliberations of the committee on imperial defence..."

BRITISH-GROWN COTTON.

The efforts that are being made to develop the cotton raising industry within the British empire, in order that the manufacturer may not be in any sense dependent on the United States...

HON. ROBERT YOUNG.

The Hon. Robert Young, whose death occurred Wednesday at his home in Carleton Place, had not in recent years taken an active part in public affairs...

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LIBERAL CONVENTION! THE NEW BRUNSWICK LIBERAL ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN CONVENTION ON THURSDAY, - - FEBRUARY 11TH INSTANT. Executive Sessions in BERRYMAN'S HALL at 10 a. m. and 2.30 p. m. Public Meeting in the ST. JOHN OPERA HOUSE at 8 p. m.

Making Suits to Measure, \$12. We will take orders for a limited time from a fine assortment of very desirable cloths and make Suits and Overcoats to Measure, \$12.00 to \$3.00. You leave the order now. We make them up during the dull season. You can take delivery any time before May 1st. A good chance to get a spring suit.

Neverslip Calks. are steel-centered, self-sharpening calks which can be easily inserted or removed from the shoe on the horse's hoof and keep him "always ready" and safe from falls in slippery weather. They save your horses. NEVERSLIP MANUFACTURING CO., New Brunswick, N. J.

BLAZES, And good ones at that, are obtained by using the B. B. BODY CO'S Head Light Parlor Match. If that is what you look for in a match ask any grocer for a 5 cent box.

Repeating to the inquiry of the Toronto News relative to the question of tariff revision, Senator Dever said: "Revising the tariff the coming session is a matter of expediency for the government. I oppose prohibitory duties that exclude from the markets of the world, restrict trade, advance prices, such as 'union label' legislation."

The annual reports submitted to the Horticultural Association show that much valuable work was done in Rockwood Park last year. The statement made by Mr. Joseph Allison will no doubt prove satisfactory to the aldermen, and overcome any objection there may have been to the usual civic grant to the association.

The question of child labor has been raised by labor unions in St. John, and for that reason similar action elsewhere is of interest. In the legislative committee of the Manitoba house recently the factories act was amended, so that the age of child-labor is fixed at fourteen for boys and fifteen for girls; a week's work is to consist of 54 hours, and in case of overtime a maximum day's work may be 12 1/2 hours, instead of 10, and 7 1/2 hours a week's work, instead of 60.

The Toronto Employers' Association has agreed on articles of apprenticeship, and in future the association members will, in as many instances as possible, bind their apprentices for a term of years. The articles will touch thirty branches of trade in Canada. The terms for which the apprentice is bound will not exceed five years, and may be less, at the option of the firm that is binding. The binding will be done, as in England, by the parent of the apprentice.

WANTED.

Chicago Theatre Horror

We will have ready in a few days the copy of the terrible death and desolation in the Chicago Theatre...

WANTED - To handle our choice specialties during fall and winter...

WANTED - At once for general housework...

WANTED - A girl for general housework...

WANTED - A second class teacher...

WANTED - Good respectable girl for housework...

ORPHAN AGENTS - Before making arrangements for 1904 write us...

WANTED - Reliable man for general housework...

WANTED - Through-out Canada...

WANTED - Grammar School or Junior License and First Class License...

WANTED - Competent to look after the books of a joint stock company...

Wanted - plar Wood wanted

WISH TO COMMUNICATE with any person in the province having for sale property...

FOR SALE.

WARM FOR SALE - Good farm in Penobscot...

WILLARD - In connection with other business...

GRANULATED SUGAR for \$1.00

40c Tea for 29c per lb.

35c Coffee for 25c lb.

Less than Wholesale Prices

50c Tobacco for 35c lb.

Fall of Pure Lard for \$1.75.

2 BARKERS, LIMITED.

100 Princess Street.

WHY ARE THE GRADUATES OF Fredericton Business College.

BETTER TRAINED than those of most other schools...

W. J. OSBORNE, Fredericton, N. B.

"It doesn't pay a man to go to law, does it?" "Well, yes, it pays a man, but that man's the lawyer."

BIRTHS.

ARCHIBALD - At 177 King street east, to the wife of Walter S. Archibald, a daughter, stillborn.

MARRIAGES.

WATSON-PADDOCK - At Bangor (Me.), Jan. 25, by the Rev. Henry Whelan, Carroll Watson, of Bangor (Me.), to Missie Paddock, of Bangor (Me.).

DEATHS.

SAULFIELD - In Portland (Me.), Jan. 20, on Quaker's aged 72 years.

FALEY - At the Mater Misericordiae Home, 5, Catherine Miles, aged 65, widow of the late Wm. O. Smith, of this city.

WATSON - Suddenly, of heart failure, on Feb. 4, 1904, leaving a wife, three sons and daughters to mourn their loss.

WATSON - In this city, on Feb. 3, Mary 140w of the late Henry Horton.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived. Thursday, Feb. 4. Partridge Island, 12.30 a.m. from Liverpool. Lake Manitou, Taylor, from Manchester, Jan 27. Manchester, 2.41, from Manchester, Jan 27. Manchester, 2.41, from Manchester, Jan 27.

Departed. Thursday, Feb. 4. Sch. Daniel C Baker, for Port Grenville. Sch. L. T. Tait, for Port Grenville. Sch. L. T. Tait, for Port Grenville.

Clear. Tuesday, Feb. 2. Star Aurora, Ingersoll, for Campbell.

CANADIAN PORTS. Halifax, Feb 6 - Old, St. Mira (Br cablo), men.

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RUSSIAN FLEET READY FOR WAR.

Fleets at Vladivostok and Port Arthur Ordered Mobilized. PRESSURE ON JAPAN. Paris Hears a Report That the United States, Britain and France Will Compel the Mikado to Listen to the Czar's Terms on Penalty of Isolation.

SLEW COMRADE TO GET TREASURE.

Boer Sentenced to Death for a Remarkable Crime. Betrothed Had Victim - Two Men Were Away from Party Hunting for Gold and Diamonds When Crime Was Committed.

ITALIAN ARRESTED AT GLACE BAY FOR MURDER.

Ferdinand Mattered Stabbed a Com-patriot to Death During Quarrel. NEW YORK FACES A HORSE FAMINE.

ACTRESS HIS HEIRESS.

Will of Russian Turfman Bequeaths 'Es-tate to Variety Stage Dar. INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

MORGAN WEDS A JAPANESE.

Financie's Nephew, Graduate of Yale, Takes Miss Yuki Kats for His Bride.

WELL BALANCED NERVES.

YOUR SUCCESS IN LIFE DEPENDS UPON THEM. If Lucking in Nerve Force, Build Up Your System With Ferrone's - It Has Helped Others - Let It Help You.

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Happy is the man who can work un-erringly without fear of an attack of the nerves. He gets along, prospers, rises to position of power and importance.

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The weak nervous man is distressed before the race starts. But he shouldn't give up with out trying what Ferrone can do for him.

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THE DEAD. The dead woman is Mrs. John Glassey, of Halifax, wife of Mr. Glassey, of the firm of Messrs. J. B. Glassey & Co., of Truro.

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seriously injured. The seriously injured are: Conductor Duncan, Halifax, hip and leg broken; not expected to live.

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SECOND FORWARD MOVEMENT OF ACADIA.

The Object is to Raise a Fund of \$200,000, of Which Rockefeller Has Given Half. Dr. Trotter Has Already Secured Pledges of \$40,000 Towards It, of Which \$14,000 Was Promised in New Brunswick-Acadia President Will Soon Begin His Campaign in This Province.

WELL BALANCED NERVES.

Woolville, N. S., Feb. 1 - In pursuance of the recent action of the board of governors of Acadia University, Dr. Kierstead has assumed his duties as dean of the faculty, and Dr. Trotter finds himself free to give special attention to the promotion of the forward movement fund.

WELL BALANCED NERVES.

In raising the \$200,000 on the home field the amount is being made in order to raise in smaller sums the \$40,000 balance.

WELL BALANCED NERVES.

The canvass among well-to-do individuals has already yielded most encouraging results, and something more than \$40,000 has already been subscribed in sums of \$200 and upwards.

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Much interest is developing in this movement, which promises such a bright future for the colleges and institutions, Acadia Seminary and Horton Academy, already, as the first charge upon the new fund, extensive improve-ments have been made in the buildings, all of which have been put into excellent shape.

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There were about forty passenger aboard, of whom one was killed, two others are likely to die, and only one escaped uninjured. That all were not killed is considered miraculous.

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By 3 o'clock the wreck was cleared and 100 feet of new rails laid. Chief Dispatcher Geo. F. Bissett, St. John, traveler, hip broken; not expected to live.

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Frank Dustin, St. John, express messenger, leg broken. Less seriously injured are: Theodore Appleby, news agent, head, arm and leg strained.

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A. Barton, St. John, Dominion express agent, bruised arm and cut. D. Crowler, brakeman, hand split, chest hurt.

WELL BALANCED NERVES.

M. B. Keith, Pettaudville, traveler, shock and bruised leg. W. R. Wickwire, rancher, Medicine Hat (N. W. T.), who was home on a visit to Halifax, nose smashed.

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F. W. Demille, Halifax, slight cut on the head. J. F. McDonald, Halifax, lung cut on top of the head.

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GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co. The Kind You Have Always Bought In Use For Over 30 Years.

TWO DEAD AND MANY INJURED IN I. C. R. WRECK. Truro, N. S., Feb. 3 - (Special) - One of the most horrible though not most fatal railway accidents in the history of this province occurred at Hunter's Bend.

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HAS GOOD WORDS FOR POLICEMEN

Chief Clark's Annual Report on the Work of his Department.

SPEAKS WELL OF HIS MEN

Chief Renews His Recommendation for Installation of Gamewell Police System—The Year's Statistics of Arrests, Reports, Etc.

In his annual report, submitted to the common council Monday, Chief of Police Clark reported five patrolmen appointed during the year, one resigned, two discharged, one died, one appointed junior of outside look-up. The force totals forty-one.

The death of Sgt. Alexander Watson on May 22 is referred to and kindly words said for the faithful officer who spent forty-six years as policeman and sergeant. The chief reports receiving eighteen overcoats for the department and says they're the best received during his time of office. He renews his recommendation of former years for providing the department with the Gamewell police signal system.

The chief then says: "This detective work of the department under Patrick Killen, with the assistance of Deputy Chief F. W. Jenkins, has been most done as the records elsewhere in this report will show in part, especially as relates to work brought to a successful issue. The following officers have rendered valuable aid to this part of the work: Sergeants J. Campbell, H. Kilpatrick, Baxter, Hastings, Ross and Caples, Patrolmen Green, Finley, Crawford, Marshall, Tolson, T. Sullivan, W. Sullivan, Thorne and White.

"With few exceptions the officers and members of the force have been prompt and efficient in the performance of their duties and I feel it a pleasant duty to give them full credit for the work they have done."

Then follows a detailed report of the offences for which arrests of the year were made. The age statement is:

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A record of 1038 offences for which persons were summoned is given and the reports close with a statement of 1463 general reports made by the officers and patrolmen of the department.

ANNUAL MEETING OF N. S. OIL AND GAS COMPANY.

Many New Brunswick Stockholders Attend and Are Elected Directors.

The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Oil & Gas Company, Limited, took place at the Halifax hotel on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The following representatives were present: Dr. George A. Hetherington, St. John (N. B.); E. A. Charters, Sussex; W. J. Wilson, Moncton; Capt. C. O. Allen, Kentville; Dr. Joseph Hayes, Parrsboro; A. S. Burgess, Canning; S. J. Soley, Fox River; T. Bruce McKay, Fox River; Dr. F. N. Burgess, Cheverie; Capt. T. C. Masters, Hantsport; F. Monahan, Dartmouth; C. E. Starr, Canning; Hon. David McPherson, Capt. John Fleming, John Nigh, Fred. Creighton, Carl A. Dethlefs, E. Maycock, James Linty, John J. Hines, W. H. Wilson, T. Forhan, H. J. Steek, J. G. Bauld, of Halifax.

The report of the directors balance sheet, statement of income and expenditure and auditor's report were presented.

A letter was read from C. S. Gayton, superintendent of the works at Cheverie, stating that active operations were in full progress on the new well, and that they were down about fifty feet, and everything working well. The retiring directors, Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., of Sussex; Dr. George A. Hetherington, of St. John; and Capt. John Fleming, of Halifax, were unanimously re-elected.

After the general meeting of the board of directors had a meeting at which John P. Longard was re-elected president; Capt. John Fleming, re-elected vice-president; Dr. Joseph Hayes, re-elected secretary; treasurer, and Dr. F. N. Burgess was appointed agent—Halifax Herald.

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Charles A. Estey.

Chas. A. Estey, lumber surveyor, died suddenly Tuesday at his home, 137 King street east. He had been ill for some months, but was around his home Monday as usual. He retired to rest about midnight. Mrs. Estey was awake and talking to him about 3 o'clock the morning, and when she arose about 7.30, noticing him lying so quiet, she spoke to him, but found he was dead. Mr. Estey was of Loyalist descent. He was born at Halifax May 8, 1830, but early removed to Fredericton, where he resided until 1854, when upon his marriage to Elizabeth Reid he removed to St. John. He had since resided here. He was the last of his family. Mr. Estey was the father of twelve children, nine of whom are still living—Alfred of New York, Charles of Boston, Frank of this city, Mrs. Z. G. Alwood, of Boston, Mrs. E. L. Philips and Mrs. W. S. Archibald of this city, and Miss Alice, Lillian and Evelyn, at home. On July 14 last Mr. and Mrs. Estey celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage.

Dr. C. R. Shaughnessy.

St. Stephen, Feb. 2.—(Special)—Dr. C. R. Shaughnessy died this morning at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaughnessy.

About three years ago Dr. Shaughnessy graduated with honors and received his diploma from McGill College, Montreal. After a short rest at home he received the appointment of resident physician of Ottawa General Hospital, where he remained for some time, but he longed to return to St. John, where he contracted a severe cold, pneumonia setting in. He was ill in that city for some months and having weak lungs consumption set in, and although he recovered somewhat during the summer months, he concluded to try the cold air treatment at the Adirondacks but failed to return home about two weeks ago. Since then he gradually sank. Deceased was but 26 years of age and by his genial manner, upright religious principles endeared him to all who had the honor of his acquaintance. To his father and invalid mother as well as six brothers and two sisters who are all present by the great loss of an affectionate son and brother, the sincere sympathy of all are extended.

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St. Andrews, N. B., Feb. 2.—Angus Kennedy, proprietor of Kennedy's Hotel, died at 1.30 this afternoon, aged seventy-six years. He had been ill only four days with heart disease. A widow, six daughters and three sons survive him. His sudden death has greatly shocked the community.

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M. A. Lettice Morehouse.

Digby, Feb. 1.—The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of the late Mrs. Lettice Morehouse, who died at her home in Centreville Friday morning, aged 65 years. The deceased had been ill but a few days with pneumonia. She is survived by two sons, Bradford, of Stoneham (Mass.), and Emory, of Centreville; three daughters, Mrs. Fred Thomson and Miss Annie Morehouse of Hampton (N. H.), and Mrs. Dobson, wife of Rev. W. H. Dobson, of Windsor (N. S.). The funeral was largely attended. Interment at Lakeside, the services being conducted by Rev. Berry Mack, pastor of the Digby Neck Methodist church.

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Bathurst, N. B., Feb. 3.—Hon. Robert Young died at his home, Caraque, at an early hour this morning. Mr. Young was 60 years of age and had been poor health for some time, suffering from heart trouble. A widow, two daughters, Mrs. Fraser, living in California, and Miss Cecily Young, of Caraque, and three sons, James W. R. H. Lee and Fred T. B. Young, of Caraque, survive. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 p. m. in the Central hall at Caraque, N. B. He carried on a large mercantile business. He sat in the assembly of New Brunswick from 1861 till the union, for Gloucester county; then he went into the legislative council. He became a member of the executive in July, 1872, and was a member of it until the Hanington government was defeated in 1883. For a long time he was president of the council. He sat in the legislative council until he was abolished. He was a man of strong intellect and was quite a power in our local politics for many years.

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With regret, announcement of the death of Mrs. Mary E. Horton, widow of Henry Horton, of this city, is made. Mrs. Horton died of paralysis Wednesday at her residence, Wentworth street. She is survived by three daughters and one son, to whom she was a loving mother. The daughters are Mrs. Louis M. Whitney, of Malden (Mass.); Mrs. James C. Whitney and Miss E. Horton, at home. The son is George A. Horton, of Horton & Son, Market square. Mrs. Horton will be remembered by many for her kindly deeds to the poor.

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After quite a lengthy illness James R. Childs died this morning at his residence, 98 Brunsell street. He was aged 72 years. For a number of years he was employed as fireman in A. Christie & Co.'s woodworking establishment. He was a member of the Plymouth Brethren and leaves a wife and family.

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Yarmouth, N. S., Feb. 4.—(Special)—The Pubnico post office was broken into on Wednesday night and, it is thought, about \$15 in cash and more than forty postal cards were taken; at least the man had that many in his possession when captured here this morning.

The capture was made at the station on the Yarmouth branch of the Halifax and Yarmouth line by the chief of police and Sergeant Palmer. On the way to the lockup it was deemed necessary to hire a hack that was not found in his possession. He jumped aboard and left the prisoner in charge of the chief, who discovered that the chief was crippled with one hand, and he made a bold struggle for his liberty, which he managed to get, running off through several streets before he was recaptured, and then by George Cleveland, a milk dealer, who held him till the officers arrived. Probably the man would be at liberty now only for Cleveland's timely assistance.

When he was searched at the police station it was discovered that he had a "jimny" and a pocket full of red pepper. He bought a brace and bit a short time ago from a hardware dealer in town, but it was not found in his possession. He travels the country calling at the small towns under the pretence of giving magic show entertainments. His case will be brought up to-day (Friday) at the hearing. Chief Cook has gone to Pubnico to seek evidence.

THE FEBRUARY SKIES.

Lengthening Days and Warmer Noontday Sun—Phases of the Moon—The Planets and Constellations.

About this time we can begin to notice a perceptible increase in the length of the day and to feel that the midday sun has really some warmth connected with it. Although February has but twenty-nine days to thirty-one for January, it has half as much again of a decrease in the sun's southerly declination, which means that the rate of progress at the grand orb of day is much in excess of that of the first month of the year. When the month closes we shall find that nature is shaking off her lethargy and that her forces are stirring to the more popular attendance. He unscientific ones take as our standard, give four. This difference comes from our having a different way of calculating time, the sun and the small end of the observational telescope. He is to employ a standard that will suit astronomers all over the world when he is engaged on his work of computation, but when he goes for a train, or for the stars say "makes it seven bells," then he comes down to our level and uses the same time that we find so convenient. The full moon then is the today, followed in the next quarter on the 8th; new moon coming in on the 16th, and first quarter on the 24th. The firmament never presents a more varied and splendid panorama than this display in midwinter. An hour or two after sunset on any of the nights near the beginning of the month, Betelgeuse and Rigel may be seen in the highest section of the sky with Sirius a little bit lower in the same quarter. Procyon, the smaller of the dog stars, and the Twins, Castor and Pollux, are the stars that come into view in the east, and Spica some two hours later will be in plain sight in the southeastern quadrant. These are all among the brightest of the stars visible to us.

Among the most striking constellations or star clusters now in view at 8 o'clock are Orion and the Greater Dog in the north, the Lesser and the Twins in the east, the Bull in the south, and the zenth, the Chariot, north of that point, the Great Bear or Dipper in the west. This morning Saturn, whom we have not seen for some little time, was in conjunction with the sun and passed from the realm of evening stars to join those of the morning. On the 15th he is in conjunction with the moon, but is in conjunction with the sun on the 16th. He is still the early morning's reigning queen, but she is slowly moving back toward the sun. It will be July, however, before she comes to us again in the evening.

Mercury on the 10th reaches the far western limit of his swing, and remains as a morning star for almost two months. The waning crescent and this most elusive of the planets are at their closest for the month on the 12th, but the meeting is not productive of interest, as we cannot then see Mercury, although from the 7th to the 11th he should be visible. Mars is in fairly close proximity to the growing moon when it is two days old, and then on the 28th he and his giant brother Jupiter almost touch each other. It will be an interesting thing to watch, this gradual drawing together of these two planets until we can hardly see any sky separating them, and then to see them separate and gradually widen their distance.

Jupiter still shines a beautiful object in the western section of the evening sky. He is drawing in toward the sun, and at the close of next month will reach conjunction and will then pass to the morning sky, a challenger to Venus for its sovereignty.

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D. Crowley, the brakeman injured in yesterday's C. P. R. smash-up, is a son of Cornelius Crowley, of this town. Mayor Rhodes and the newly elected councillors were sworn in to office last evening.

H. J. Logan, M. P., is to lecture under the auspices of the Young Men's League at the Methodist church Monday evening, the 8th inst.; subject, Parliament.

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