

THE DEAD PONTIFF.

His Lordship Bishop Casey and Rev. Fr. Gaynor

Pay Graceful and Eloquent Tributes to the Late Head of the Church

—Requiem Mass This Morning.

After reading out the usual announcements on Sunday morning at 9 o'clock mass in the Cathedral, Bishop Casey paid a graceful and eloquent tribute to the late Pope Leo XIII.

He said that since their last assembly the expected had happened; the venerable sovereign pontiff had passed away to receive his eternal reward.

REV. W. C. GAYNOR'S ADDRESS.

After asking the congregational prayers at mass in the church of St. John the Baptist yesterday, for the repose of Pope Leo, the Rev. W. C. Gaynor delivered an excellent sermon, illustrating the pontifical life.

HAYING SEASON

Will soon be here, and our stock of Waterville Brand Haying Tools

Is large and complete. We have found that the farmers like this brand of Tools better than any other on the market.

In SCYTHES we have: "SIBLEY" PATTERN, "CORNWALL'S CHOICE," "YORK'S SPECIAL," "KING'S OWN."

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A RECORD TRIP.

United States Battleship Kearsarge Reaches Bar Harbor

On Her Fast Run From the British Isles to the State of Maine Coast.

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CRAFTY RUSSIA

Is Colonizing Manchuria as Rapidly as Possible—Japan Preparing for War Contingencies.

PEKING, July 27.—The Russian administration of Newchwang has stopped the exportation of wheat to Japan. The export of grain from Chinese ports is illegal, but the Russians, however, have ignored the law.

BOY'S ESSAY ON NEWSPAPERS.

"Newspapers are sheets of paper on which stuff to read is printed. The men look over it to see if their names are in it. I don't know how newspapers come into the world. I don't think God does. The Bible says nothing about editors, and I never heard of one being in heaven.

HE GOT EVEN.

Wife—"Oh, John, you've waked the baby!" Husband—"Serves him right. He kept me awake all last night."

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GABINET CRISIS. Elections Within Five Weeks, or Perhaps Off for a Year.

A Question in Which the Ministers Are at Sixes and Sevens—That Question is the Grand Trunk Pacific Grab

MONTREAL, July 27.—The Star publishes an Ottawa special tonight saying that a cabinet crisis is on, the result of which will be elections within five weeks, or postponement for a year.

OTTAWA, July 27.—Time is not healing the bitter strife prevailing in the Liberal party. Le Soleil, the French organ at Quebec, owned and edited by Acadia, Laurier's confidential agent, advocates an appeal to the country as parliament is prorogued.

P. E. ISLAND BADLY HIT.

Severest Thunder Storm for Many Years.

Houses Struck by Lightning and Many People Prostrated—A Woman's Shoes Torn from Her Feet—Barns Burned.

CHARLOTTETOWN, July 27.—Reports that have reached this city of the lightning and thunder storm last night show it to be the worst that has passed over the island for years.

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A TRYING EXPERIENCE. CALIFORNIA CRIMINALS

Eastport Yachtsmen Picked Up by Str. Aurora, After Having Spent a Night at the Mercy of the Waves in a Dismasted Sloop.

Daniel Lamond, a young man named Doyle, and two other young fellows, all belonging to Eastport, who started out for a sail Sunday in a sloop rigged boat owned by Lamond, have Capt. Ingersoll and the other officers and crew of the str. Aurora.

MONCTON. N. B. Petroleum Co. Preparing to Extend Operations—Molasses Direct from Porto Rico.

MONCTON, July 27.—Oscar Nelson, of the C. P. R. telegraph office here, leaves shortly for Vancouver, B. C., where he has been offered a position in the transportation office of the same company.

CAMPBELLTON TRAGEDY. Coroner's Inquest Over Death of Richard Mann.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., July 27.—The inquest into the death of Richard Mann, who was killed by a falling log, was held at the residence of the coroner, Mr. Dewolf, at Paspéguac.

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Why for this letter, but what can I do? I have done? I did not want to marry you, and you last week were beyond my patience. The terrible thing will see you again; it takes all desire away. I write you, dear May, dear May. Sorrowfully, CARL.

Immediately on receipt she started for Philadelphia, and from Dr. Milligan obtained the address in New York to which her husband's mail was sent. She went to New York, but was not at the address given. On May 29th she visited every house in New York city, but could get no news of him, and visited the office of him, and visited the office, but her search was unavailing.

She went to East Orange and stayed with her sister, where she learned that his name was not Merrill. On May 30th, the day on which she returned through the marriage ceremony at Milton, she spent searching for Merrill. She went to Philadelphia and worked in a large printing office, but her efforts to get some news of Merrill were fruitless. She went to East Orange and stayed with her sister, where she learned that his name was not Merrill.

ST. STEPHEN, July 19.—Church, Bailie, N. B., Canada, of the members of your church. E. Milligan, married my husband in Philadelphia, Pa., for one year. He was a very good man, and came to her parents' home, and responded with him after she was married. My husband worked in a state of mind, and I was invited to go to New York for an operation performed on his hand. He was to spare me the trouble and worry, but when I came would be all over. I went to the 6th of May. He was very kind and kissed me good-bye, after I left he sold a new sewing machine that I paid \$25 for, for \$10. I disposed of everything else, including the house which I owned, and he was now beyond the reach of my hand. He was my mother's son. While in India he wrote me a letter, but one came as so terrible. I have it and it will tell you.

That before he knew me he married at Springfield, New Jersey. After six weeks his wife left him, and that he heard she had died. He then came to Philadelphia, and after five years and five months he was married to me. I have lived with her for five years and have lived so happily that I can't describe it. In this letter he wrote me about going to New York for an operation on his back, and had been to Newark, N. J., to get a part of his first wife's hair, but she had died, and he had to have himself from a jail he sold all our household goods to pay his fine. He said he would kill him, if he did not. After receiving this note the first train from New York, I went to Philadelphia in New York and to the day I was in New York for him was the day he was to his woman after two years. On May 30th, from New Jersey, to East Orange, New Jersey, to sister, Mrs. A. W. Whitehead, Wood Avenue. There I found that he had not been living, and I was left with a little baby five weeks old to work in Washington, N. C. He lived, one morning, and I saw or heard of him until he tried to try and find my first wife is living and I do not know there ever has been a divorce. I can prove every word of this letter. I think they both should be punished.

MRS. J. C. MERRILL, 112 Wallace street, Philadelphia, Pa.

MILTON PERSONALS. TON, Ont., July 22.—Prof. In Clewath, director of the Education, has fully recovered from a severe attack of paralytic stroke. He used Cathartone and quickly gained his health. The professor at Catharbone is a perfect cure. It is an invigorant, assists the voice, prevents huskiness and removes every trace of indigestion or constipation. It is sold by all druggists and Chemists.

INGTON, July 23.—Rose office are now investigating the case of H. H. Rand, the former controller of the postmaster general's assistant superintendent of salaries and allowances. A packet Tea in St. John, N. B.



**Buy Grocer**  
**BEST ON WASH DAY**  
 THE WHOLESOME CELLAR.  
 After a coat of plaster on foundation, inside and out and a cement and oil painting on the walls, the room is as dust and ashes when it is vital and sane.

**THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING BEING HELD IN THIS CITY—A LARGE ATTENDANCE.**  
**New Brunswick Sanitarium for Consumptives—Bureau of Health Should Have More Power—Bureau of Vital Statistics Recommended—Smallpox.**

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The thirteenth annual meeting of the Maritime Medical Association began Wednesday in the Orange Hall at ten o'clock.

Dr. Thomas Walker then moved that a committee be appointed to draft a complete set of by-laws for the association, said committee to report at this meeting. This motion was seconded and carried.

Dr. G. M. Campbell, of Halifax, read a paper on the Multiple of Anemurium of the Air.

Dr. DeWitt, for Prince Edward Island—Dr. P. C. Murphy, Dr. L. R. Jenkins and Dr. H. D. Johnston.

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Early Manifestation of Pulmonary Tuberculosis by Dr. P. R. Inches, T. Walker, B. F. McInerney, St. John.

One of the best papers of the session was read by Dr. Ross of Alberton, P. E. I., on Puerperal Eclampsia, and was discussed by Dr. Moore and Bridges.

ST. MARTIN'S.  
 The members of the Inveitible, L. O. L., of the Maritime, were invited to Holy Trinity church on Sunday morning, July 19th, where a large congregation assembled.

Dr. DeWitt paid a glowing tribute to the veteran physician of sixty years actual experience. He moved that a vote of thanks be tendered Dr. Bayard. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

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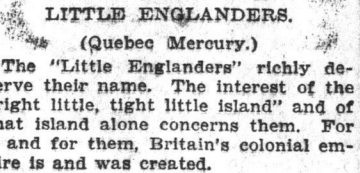
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THE SEMI-WEEKLY SUN.

ST. JOHN, N. B., JULY 29, 1903.

THE GERRYMANDER.

In its application to the maritime provinces the schedules of the redistribution act do not contain any surprises. The union of Kings and Albert was predicted by the Sun on the day after the census figures were announced.

Nova Scotia had to lose two members. There was no question that Pictou ought to lose one representative, but it was not so clear how the effacement of the other seat should be accomplished.

The bill as reported makes a readjustment of Cape Breton and Victoria counties. Cape Breton has now two members, and Victoria one. It is proposed to divide Cape Breton into unequal parts, uniting one with Victoria and giving the other a single member.

There is a fair arrangement, though the alternative proposition made by Mr. Fowler would have been a more equal adjustment according to population. Nova Scotia had to lose two members. There was no question that Pictou ought to lose one representative, but it was not so clear how the effacement of the other seat should be accomplished.

THE PRIVY COUNCIL AND SUNDAY LAWS.

A recent decision of the privy council throws doubt on the validity of provincial Sunday observance legisla-

tion. It is not certain how far the judgment concerning the Ontario act of 1897 applies to the laws of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, for their lordships of the Judicial Committee refused to answer six of the seven questions submitted to the Ontario court of appeal by the order of reference. The Canadian court was asked whether the Ontario law was one which the legislature had power to enact. The further questions sought to define the extent of the legislative power, and to explain such terms as "servile labor," "works of necessity," and other expressions found in the law. The Ontario court of appeals affirmed the validity of the act and also answered the questions in detail. This decision as to the Ontario legislation has been reversed by the privy council. But the attempt to obtain from the highest court in the empire some statement which would be a guide in future legislation has failed on this occasion as in many others. Their Lordships will deal with concrete cases when they come up. Meanwhile legislatures must blunder away. When they legislate beyond their power the privy council will say so, and all proceedings undertaken under the mistaken law will of course be invalidated with costs. This way of learning the law is slow and expensive, but it is the best there is.

The Ontario act as a whole is invalid, and the reason is that "the criminal law is reserved for the dominion." This means "the criminal law in its widest sense," and criminal law in its widest sense includes Sunday legislation such as that contained in the Ontario act. It was "impossible to do an act in violation of the act which was in existence at the time of confederation was an offence against the criminal law."

How many and what other provincial acts relating to the Lord's Day are "criminal law in its widest sense" can only be known when they come before the privy council as "concrete cases."

A FRIENDLESS BILL.

The Grand Trunk Pacific bill is evidently a source of great trouble to the remains of the government. It was first arranged by Senator Cox, Manager Hays and three ministers, without Mr. Blair's knowledge or concurrence. Three weeks ago it was forced through council, Mr. Blair dissenting. Then it was presented to caucus, where it was adopted with some dissent. After this it was taken to the machine shop for repairs. Day after day the prime minister has promised to produce the measure, but its arrival has been postponed. Sir Wilfrid is sure it would be down last week and he promises to produce it on Tuesday. Perhaps he may, but more likely it will be made over about that time.

As outlined in the authorized synopsis and in the Blair correspondence, the Grand Trunk Pacific measure is decidedly unpopular in the country. Those who defend it do so in a half-hearted apologetic way which shows that they do not like the job. But generally it is received by liberals either with adverse criticism or in ominous silence. Never so important a measure meet so discouraging a reception in the house of those who are expected to be its friends.

The contract deserves nothing better. Mr. Blair says that it is wholly indefensible. That is the common opinion of both parties.

UNIMOUS ASSURANCES.

The government organs are filled with angry protests against the statements that there is a want of harmony in the cabinet. They said the same in the last days before Mr. Tarte was dismissed. The public was assured that Mr. Tarte and his colleagues were in perfect agreement. While Mr. Blair was fighting his leader and colleagues over the Grand Trunk bill the government's bulletins gave daily assurance that the ministers were in perfect agreement. When Sir Wilfrid had Mr. Blair's letter resigning his place in the cabinet the same solemn announcement was given. Today we are told with great earnestness, even with anger, that no cloud mars the peaceful cabinet skies. Let us therefore be ready for another bolt from the blue.

A BRAVE CLERGYMAN.

Rev. Mr. Ancient, who has got into trouble with the golf players of Halifax, has on two occasions, at intervals of thirty years, shown courage amounting in one case to heroism, and in the other, perhaps, to recklessness. One April day in 1873 the White Star ship Atlantic, with eight hundred persons on board, struck a hidden rock at Sambro, and was beaten to pieces by the waves. On strong and brave fishermen stood, seeing no way to reach the wreck across the tumbling waters. To them came the incumbent of the Terence Bay church of English-land mission, a powerful man of thirty-seven, whose life from then spent in the navy. Obtaining a rope and securing one end to his body, he plunged into the water and fought his way to the remains of the ship. Having accomplished a task which neither the sailors on board nor the fishermen on shore attempted, he assisted a large number of women and children to reach the land. For hundreds the means of rescue came too late, but the hundreds who were saved owed their lives to William J. Ancient, the Terence Bay missionary. With the Crimean war medal, which he obtained before he was twenty, Mr. Ancient is entitled to wear the medal of the Royal Humane Society. He has a gold watch from the dominion government, one from the citizens of Chicago, and many testimonials from grateful families.

Mr. Ancient went from Sambro to other rural and urban churches, serving the church also as editor and secretary, displaying a certain individuality which led to a novelist to choose him as a character in one of her books. Nearly fifty years after winning the Crimean medal, more than thirty years after the wreck of the Atlantic, Mr. Ancient has performed an act of greater daring than he ever before attempted. Preaching for a brother minister the other day he took occasion to repeat a statement that ladies on the golf links "swore like troopers," and though he now says that he seriously accepted the statement as true to the extent of administering a severe rebuke. It may be that Mr. Ancient did not foresee the burst of indignation, and the imperious demands for an apology that would follow. His six letters of protest which he has consented to print are only a small part of the correspondence that has reached him from lady officials and from gentlemen of the golf club. There is not much doubt that Mr. Ancient was mistaken, and that either he or his informant has accepted seriously some foolish jokes that have been circulated. But think of the courage of a minister who believed that some lady would venture to discuss in his church as Mr. Ancient did. Though he could not realize the full horror of what was before him, any more than he could have fairly considered the horror of the waves and the rocks at Sambro, he must have known that in each case he was running an awful risk. At this moment Mr. Ancient has made a tribute should be paid to his great daring. Halifax contains many preachers who would drink tea and agreeable lady golf-players, and who would sorrowfully and sympathetically but helplessly watch a load of people perish, but there are not many to carry a life-line through the surf or repulse an influential and highly respectable body of ladies for an imaginary offence.

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A BAD ADVISOR.

Mr. Carnegie cheerfully recommends the British government to give a preference to the United States and leave the colonies out. He greatly to be commended in case Britain shall adopt a British policy "America" will not allow Canada to use her ports for imports and export purposes. We fear that this founder of libraries will never patronize one long enough to learn geography or history. Mr. Carnegie does not seem to know that Canada is fairly well supplied with ports. There is not the least necessity for him to worry on Canada's account. The Dominion is quite willing to take the risk of United States retaliation against this country. But perhaps Mr. Carnegie is not so much concerned as he professes to be about Canadian commerce, and is thinking more of the effect of a British preference on the United States Steel Corporation bonds, of which he holds \$250,000. It is day for a man to consider the interest from which his income is derived, but why all this worry about the exclusion of Canadians from the ports of the United States? The ports are more anxious for Canadian commerce than the commerce is for the ports. Mr. Carnegie's advice will be more honored in the neglect than in the acceptance.

looking for a railway minister that will act as an "L." The main thing is that Mr. Pugsley has his eye on the ground in New Brunswick, and may reasonably be supposed to translate the general feeling in Mr. Blair's own province. And the members from New Brunswick in the house of commons can hardly be expected to rise higher than the popular sentiment which elects Blair's own province. And the members from New Brunswick in the house of commons can hardly be expected to rise higher than the popular sentiment which elects Blair's own province.

Sanguine observers prophesy that the meeting province members on both sides of the house will fully endorse the government plan, and in any event, will endorse the Monroton extension, which is Mr. Blair's worst cause for withdrawing from the cabinet. Another thing which operates to prevent Mr. Blair from acquiring a following in Canada, as well as in other countries, is that the people have not been educated up to supporting a minority.

It is probable that the Star's estimate of Attorney General Pugsley's position is not far out of the way. There is reason to believe that Solicitor General McKeown looks at the law office from the point of view of a provincial politician as well as of a lawyer. The attorney general, the solicitor general, and all the members of the legislature in St. John, Kings and Westmorland were a few months ago ready to face themselves and become representatives of Mr. Blair. If they desert him now they are guilty of the rankest kind of ingratitude. Not a man of the thirteen would have been elected or come near to election last winter if Mr. Blair had not made his campaign his own. Mr. McKeown, left to his own resources, and to the support of the friends of the provincial government, would have been buried under a majority far above a thousand. Mr. Blair turned in to his rescue the patronage and power of the railway department. He gave the prestige of his own leadership, and the weight of his personal influence. He also produced the campaign fund. It was Mr. McKeown who in Carlton appealed to the people to vote for Blair, and who greeted Mr. Blair as "the man himself."

The attorney general, the surveyor general, and the solicitor general, Messrs. Robertson, Purdy, Lantulum, Riddick, Scovill, King, Robinson, Sweeney, Copp and Leger, as well as the members for Albert, Queens, Kent and Westmorland, and for that matter the local representatives, may now turn their back on the former minister of railways. But if Mr. Blair has turned his back on them a few weeks ago not a man of them would have been in the legislature.

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Negotiations are still going on for the sale of the Gazette newspaper to the friends of Mr. Blair. Meanwhile the Gazette affirms that "the opinion of the people of New Brunswick is not with Mr. Blair in opposition to the building of the line from 'Quebec' to Moncton." Also, it is "weakening its ability for future usefulness."

HOME WEDDING IN P. E. I.

A very pretty home wedding took place Monday, June 15th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Gage, on Lewis W. Gage was united in marriage with Miss Mary A. Weeks. W. C. Weeks, brother of the bride, was the groomsmen, and May was the bridesmaid. Rev. M. G. Prescott, D. D., pastor of the Methodist E. Church, tied the knot. A large number of relatives and friends were present at the ceremony and reception. The wedding gifts were numerous and beautiful. The happy couple immediately after the reception repaired to their new home on Lotthrop avenue.

Indications at the present time are that the eight mile line of the houses and buildings burned by the forces here will be rebuilt. Work on these is being pushed along as vigorously as possible.

All advertisers who desire to cover the Maritime Provinces must use the paper that is read in the homes of the people. The Daily Sun covers the field.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

Some of the Effects of the Recent Decision of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council—This Province Not Wholly Without a Remedy.

In view of a recent decision of the judicial committee of the privy council, as reported in these despatches, the Ontario act of 1897 with respect to Sunday observance is of no effect, having been declared to be ultra vires the powers of the provincial legislature by the high court of the British Empire. This decision is of course a great relief to the province of New Brunswick, which has been suffering from the effects of the act since its passage in 1897.

In 1897 the province of Ontario passed a law entitled 'An Act to Prevent the Profanation of the Lord's Day.' The object of the act was to prevent the ordinary course of business upon that day, and to stop excursion trains and steamboats carrying passengers and freights. The act was agreed on and submitted to the Ontario courts. The court of appeal of Ontario held that the local legislature had authority to pass such a law. Chief Justice Armour, lately deceased, gave a dissenting judgment, holding that the act was ultra vires the powers of the provincial legislature.

The province of New Brunswick in 1897, chapter 11, passed a law, intitled 'An Act to Prevent the Profanation of the Lord's Day,' and it will be remembered that proceedings were taken under the act against a party for selling tobacco on that day. The person complained of was convicted of a violation of the law before the police court of this city, and that decision was affirmed by the court of this province. The case is reported in 36, New Brunswick Reports, and it was, in that case, by the court admitted that the province of Canada can make the selling of tobacco and cigars on Sunday a general criminal law under the act of 1897, but that the local legislature has no jurisdiction to deal with a police or municipal nature.

Thus far the provincial parliament had not dealt by legislation with the profanation of the Lord's Day, and, therefore, so far as dominion law is concerned, there is no law debarred by the profanation of the Lord's Day to be a crime. It is day for a man to consider the interest from which his income is derived, but why all this worry about the exclusion of Canadians from the ports of the United States? The ports are more anxious for Canadian commerce than the commerce is for the ports. Mr. Carnegie's advice will be more honored in the neglect than in the acceptance.

The Sprinkles building in San Francisco, which weighs over 24,000 pounds, rests on dense wet sand, on which a solid platform of steel and artificial stone was laid as a foundation. This building has passed unharmed through the test of a severe earthquake shock.

"In another big building the columns are seated on inverted arches, which distribute their loads over all the space between them. The arches are laid on wide concrete footings, which reduce the unit pressure sufficiently for the fine wet sand on which they are built.

"Few, if any, tall buildings are on worse soil than those in Chicago. Here, only 10 or 15 feet below the surface, is a crust of clay not more than ten feet thick, which floats on wet plastic mud from 80 to 100 feet deep. Piles more than 100 feet long would be required to reach the hardpan or bed rock, and most of the tall buildings there really stand on great rafts built on the surface of the clay. It has been found that a load of 3,500 pounds per square foot of surface will settle slowly for several months. After settling perhaps two inches it will become stationary, and may be considerably increased with safety. No attempt is made to prevent this settlement. "Very often buildings are deliberately started above grade, and it is reckoned that they will sink many inches."

One reason women can't keep secrets is because they don't know what to do with them.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Comments of This Morning's London Newspapers.

LONDON, July 28.—Manchurian affairs occupy a great deal of attention in the London papers this morning. All the dailies reproduce the Associated Press interview with Director Hartwig of the Asiatic department of the Russian foreign office. The latter article is drawn between the peaceful and dignified attitude of the Japanese officials and the "insulting, provocative character" of the remarks of the Russian director.

The Graphic says: "Unless he (the director) is taken severely to task, the situation will become exceedingly delicate, for Japan is not likely to be quiet under the threat of annihilation." The Chronicle takes a milder view and thinks, stripped of grandiloquent phraseology that the director's statement, on the whole, makes for peace on the ground that he gives very clear and solid assurances about the proposed "open ports" and that it is needless to pay much attention to his claim for straightforward honesty on his part of Russia and duplicity on the part of Great Britain."

The Times prints a Tokio despatch which says that the leading Japanese journals regard the increase in the Russian military and naval forces in the Far East as merely to intimidate and that they write in a calm, confident tone.

HEAVIEST BUILDINGS.

In the World are Erected on Shifting Sand and Mud. "Do you know," said a famous architect the other day, "that modern architecture is a huge paradox? The heaviest and tallest buildings are really houses built upon the sand—or the mud, as the case may be."

"How do they stand?" he was asked. "Oh, they are safe enough. Take the Park Row building in New York. It is the tallest commercial structure in the world, and probably the heaviest. It weighs over 50,000 tons, which means that it weighs nearly 9,000 pounds on each square foot of the site. It is built upon a bed of fine, wet sand, and scarcely different from quicksand and about 10 feet deep.

"It is perfectly safe. Nearly 4,000 large piles were driven in by a two-thousand-pound hammer falling 20 feet, which compacted it until even these tremendous blows could do no more, and they were driven in until they carried their loads of 20,000 pounds each. The mud beneath was capped with concrete and prismatic brick ties were built on top. Steel beams were laid on the flat pier tops to distribute the loads over the surface of the masonry. Some of the columns carry as much as 3,000,000 pounds each."

"Many of our heaviest buildings are really supported on stilts that is to say, on foundation piles driven through sand or mud to the solid rock."

At the Unitarian Church Sunday evening, Rev. W. L. Beers preached on Luke XIII and the Catholic Church. His sermon was an able and broad-minded one. Mr. Beers paid an eloquent tribute to the dead Pope, enlarging his work as a statesman, a diplomat and head of a great church.

KIDNEY TROUBLE CURED.

General Health Greatly Improved by Pe-u-ru. Mrs. M. J. Danley, Treasurer of the Bohemia Lodge, I. O. O. F., writes from 124 First Street, N. Minneapolis, Minn. "I was afflicted for several years with kidney trouble which became quite serious and caused considerable anxiety. I spent hundreds of dollars trying to cure it, but nothing gave me any permanent relief until I tried Pe-u-ru. It took less than three months and my kidneys were cured. I am now in good health, and my general health is greatly improved. I can cheerfully recommend Pe-u-ru as a good tonic."—Laura Hopkins, Pe-u-ru is a specific for the catarrhal discharges of women. Address: The Pe-u-ru Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio, for free book on catarrh written by Dr. S. B. Hartman.

CITY NEWS.

Recent Events In and Around St. John. Together With Country Items From Correspondents and Exchanges. To cure Headache in ten minutes use KUMFORTH Headache Powders. The annual Sunday school picnic of Zion church will be held at Westfield Beach on Thursday, July 28th. Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim. Sch. Essie C. left Alma for St. John on the 23rd inst. with deals and the superstructure for the new bridge at Sussex. The Portland Press announces that the Eastern Steamship Co. is to build a new boat each year after the general model of the Calvin Austin. B. L. Farjoun, the novelist, died suddenly at his residence at Hampstead, England, on Thursday. Mr. Farjoun died from the rupture of a blood vessel. The third quarterly session of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia will meet at Springhill on Tuesday, 28th inst. It is hard to believe that any woman with a proper sense of the fitness of things would use her second husband's life insurance money to buy a monument for her first one. Brig. Dixon Rice, Capt. Dakin, reached port yesterday from Fort Hood, Tex. With 383 tons of coal for Geol. Dick. This is the first cargo of coal brought here from Fort Hood. At the annual convention of the B. of T. choralists of Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, P. E. L. was elected a member of the executive committee, his term expiring in 1904. "What would you do if you could play the piano like cat?" asked the young lady of the house maid, "Shure an' O'd would'n't get discouraged at all at all. O'd kape right on larnin' till O'd could play it decently." was the reply. Thomas Milligan of Lot II, who went five years ago to Dawson, arrived by the Northumberland last evening, dangerously ill of cancer of the stomach. He was accompanied from Dawson by his son, and from Vancouver by two daughters from the United States—P. E. L. Guardian, 26th. RECENT DEATHS. The death of Mrs. M. F. Ritchie, Exmouth street, took place late on Friday night after a lengthy period of illness. Mrs. Ritchie was the wife of the late George Powers, a prominent man at Black River and St. John in the early days of settlement, and five children. Her numerous friends will regret to hear of her death. The death took place at Manning, Grand Lake, after a long illness. Mrs. Sarah McManis, wife of Charles McManis of that place, aged 74 years, leaving besides her husband four daughters and two sons. Her husband was highly esteemed in the community where she resided. She was for forty years a member of the Baptist church at Newcastle, Grand Lake. The death of W. S. Edmiston of Edmiston, Alberta, is announced. Mr. Edmiston was a native of Scotland, an architect by profession, and was for several years mayor of Edmonton, He was a brief address of thanks, given by the late Frederic C. Frith of this city, and two children. ST. MARTIN'S. The members of the W. C. T. U. at the Seminary, the residence of Mrs. A. W. Fowles, tendered the boys of the Y. M. C. A. who are in camp at St. Martin's, with a grand reception. The large halls were tastefully decorated with evergreen and wild flowers. A reception committee consisting of the president and others met the guests who came in a body at 8 o'clock. Besides the boys a large number of the visitors' mothers and fathers were invited, the company numbering upwards of 150. After an interval of social intercourse the following program was carried out: Prayer, Rev. A. Barham; address of welcome, Mrs. R. C. Riddick, president of the W. C. T. U.; chorus by the choir of the various churches; "The Maple Leaf Forever"; address by Rev. Donald Stuart; address by Rev. A. Barham; Duo, "The Tint"; reading, Miss Lottie Carson, "St. Martin's by the Sea"; quartette, "By the Boys"; duet, R. Brown and E. A. Titus; Mr. Whitaker asked the Tuesday, July 21, issue of the camp paper, "The Camp Lyre"; Mr. Wilson, leader of the choir, sang the following: the regimental song of the Queen's Own Rifles. At the close ice cream and cake were served. Tuesday evening's mail brought to Rev. C. W. Townsend a bill for a check for one hundred dollars from Robert Moran of Liverpool, Eng., to add to the mid-summer roll call amount. This munificent amount swells the sum to \$187. VISIT FROM FORMER ST. JOHN BOY. There was a large attendance of the Gordon Division, S. of T., last evening to hear the address delivered by Angus McKay, Past Grand Worthy Associate of Ord. 4 years. During the evening other speeches were made by Deputy P. W. J. Law, and S. P. McCavour of Gordon Division, and appropriate music furnished by the members of the order. Mr. McKay is a native of St. John and is the first time he has visited the city for 34 years. He is a son of the late Walter McKay, of the old parish of Portland, and now meets but a few of his schoolmates. He is a Hubbarston, Mass. with a population of a little over 1,300, has 25 families who are 80 years and over. The average age of these people is 55 years; all agree with the exception of two, are in good health.



PROVINCIAL NEWS.

SUSSEX, July 24.—Prof. J. H. Nichols, lecturer for the grand lodge, I. O. G. T., is to speak next Wednesday evening in Sussex.

The provincial rifle match will be held here, opening on August 1st. Miss Maud Cougle of Worcester, Mass., is visiting in Sussex. Miss Beatrice Skinner of St. John is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. H. Nichols.

Grover C. Keith has secured a position on the government tidal survey staff and has gone to Newfoundland, where he will join the steamer Quinan, now engaged in that work.

The only Sussex representative at the maritime boys' camp at St. Martins this year is Harry Kirkpatrick.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., July 24.—Miss Sherrard and Miss Jane Sherrard of Bloomfield, Carleton Co., arrived yesterday. They are on their way to St. R. Bradford on Water Street at Mrs. J. R. Carpenter, customs officer at Bloomfield, Carleton Co., arrived yesterday by C. E. E. and will go to St. Stephen by steamer in the afternoon.

Yesterday was a disagreeable day, raining and foggy. This morning the indications point to finer weather. Wind about west.

NEWBURG JUNCTION, July 22.—Father Bradley's picnic came off on Wednesday last, and was liberally patronized. Although the weather was not so favorable as it had been, the picnic was otherwise the receipts would have doubled. The funds go towards procuring a new bell and organ for St. Joseph's church here.

Farmers have started heavy to some extent, but the weather is unsettled. The grass is fully ripe in some places, but is still growing in other places. There is likely to be on the whole a good crop. The outlook for a heavy harvest has never brighter. Wheat and barley are good. Potatoes are promising for years, and the potato crop is present to average above the average. All kinds of root crops are excellent.

Walter Robinson and wife have returned to Kowloon, Mass. Mrs. Florence Robinson is visiting in Sussex. She saw deck on the Acker Creek bridge, which has greatly improved it. Mr. F. W. Wood, formerly of the Shaw Creek bridge, is nearly completed.

MONCTON, July 24.—Hiram Kerr, who lives near Salisbury, was in town yesterday. He is a pearl diver and has an inch in diameter which his daughter Jessie had the good fortune to find in a fresh water clam taken from the Petalouche river yesterday. The pearl is perfectly formed. Mr. Kerr recently received some good offers he declined to part with it, holding out for a hundred dollars.

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SUSSEX, July 28.—Capt. Peter McKay, an old and highly respected citizen of Sussex, died at noon Saturday, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. Richmond, Church avenue, at the age of 82 years. Capt. McKay was born in Guysborough county, Nova Scotia, and early in life began to follow the sea. For 44 years he was a ship master and sailed his own vessels between the maritime provinces and West India ports. Twenty-three years ago he sailed to Sussex, and carried on the mercantile trade here for 12 years. This he held years ago, and since then has been living mostly with his children here. He was much interested in the moral and public welfare of the community, always speaking out his opinions in matters of public wrong. He was a Methodist of the N. B. and P. E. island conference. On Sunday evening a service was held by Rev. J. B. Knowlton.

LEO XIII PONT MAX.

The Simple Inscription on the Pope's Sarcophagus.

An Extract from the Last Will and Testament of His Holiness—Press Stories About the Election of the Next Pontiff.

ROME, July 28.—Several thousands of the faithful crowded St. Peter's today to pay tribute before the sarcophagus of the late pontiff, the remains of the late pontiff, on which is the following simple inscription in gilded letters: "Leo XIII, Pont. Max."

Meanwhile requiem masses continued in the Chapel of the Sacrament as well as in many other Roman churches. The will of Leo was read today. While nominally leaving the estate of Carpineto to his nephew, Ludovico Pecci, it really makes no change, as the whole family property, amounting approximately to \$125,000, is to be divided among his three nephews, Count Camillo having already sold his share.

The congregation again today made further progress with the arrangements for the conclave. Cardinal Gibbons arrived today, but did not attend the meeting. A wall being built around the apartments where the conclave will be held. It is already up to the high.

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Robert Bell & Sons, the island manna, are very busy this season. Robert Bell, is just getting over a bad fall he received four weeks ago by being thrown out of his boat.

Sch. Yarmouth Packet, Capt. Shaw, arrived here on the 17th inst. with a cargo of empty barrels for the Burnham Mill Co., to be filled with lobster bait.

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Getting wet, catching cold, change of water, eating food that does not agree, or eating unripe fruit may cause an attack of Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Colic, Cramps, etc.

The most reliable medicine to carry with you is DR. FOWLER'S EXTRACT OF WILD STRAWBERRY.

Relieves pain and checks diarrhoea quicker and more effectually than any other remedy.

FALL CARNIVAL. That St. John is to have a grand week of sport this year, beginning October 1st and ending October 15th, is assured. There will be a horse show and athletic and aquatic sports of all kinds.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Ottawa, July 28.—Some advice regarding the marketing of fresh eggs and the preservation of eggs for future use or shipment, is given by the poultry division, Ottawa. Concerning fresh eggs, Dr. Hays says: Eggs to be palatable should be strictly fresh.

THE TRADE IN EGGS AND SOME USEFUL ADVICE ABOUT IT. The trade in eggs is a city trade in fresh eggs throughout the country. Fresh eggs shipped from the farm to the city merchant weekly are usually of the quality of the Canadian goods.

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OTTAWA LETTER.

Government Using the Public Departments for Party Advantage.

Decision to Make Sifton Minister of Railways and Canals Caused Great Surprise in Grit Circles.

The Coming Cabinet Shuffle.

(Special Cor. of the Sun.)

OTTAWA, July 28.—The extent to which the public departments are utilized for party advantage was shown by an answer to a question put by Mr. Blair of Peel, in the house this week. J. L. Latour is postmaster of the department of public works, although goodness knows what the necessity for the office is. For this sinecure he receives a salary of \$1,000 per annum. Mr. Latour is well known throughout the province of Quebec, and when the liberal leaders in Montreal discovered that Mr. Tarte was not going to hand over his newspaper, La Patrie, to them, they had to get about getting a personal organ of their own. Accordingly Le Canada, a French liberal morning paper, was established in Montreal about three months ago. In order to work up the subscription list and to assist in putting the paper up on its feet, Mr. Latour was called from his position in the public works department and sent on the road as canvasser for Le Canada. Needless to say that he carries with him a copy of the civil service list, and the first person he calls upon on his arrival in any town or village are those who may happen to be on the federal pay list. Mr. Latour is being handsomely paid for his work, but before he would accept the position of subscription canvasser for Le Canada he insisted upon some holding down his office in the public works department, and accordingly his young son, who has barely entered into his teens, is filling the father's job until all the faithful have been approached to cash up their subscriptions for Le Canada. Young Latour up to July 1st had drawn \$300 from the public treasury, and his father is still engaged in the congenial work of squeezing the civil servants.

MONEY FOR MUSQUASH.

More to Be Distributed at Once. Meeting of the Musquash Fish Commission yesterday in the mayor's office, it was decided to distribute fifty per cent of the money remaining after the pay of all fishers equal among those who burnt out and who are ready to all who suffered by the Musquash have received sixteen per cent of their losses in cash. Later the same day the committee will distribute the remainder of the money.

- Local contributions to the fund: St. Martin's, \$4.00; Clarke, St. John, \$1.00; Lellan, St. John, \$5.00; club, per Chas. Damsy, \$1.00; Kickham, \$1.00. Total, \$14.00.

In connection with the bill to amend the fisheries act there was an interesting discussion on the subject of the use of purse seines in the waters of both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The bill authorizes the minister of marine and fisheries to issue licenses for Columbia waters, with a view to off setting the practice of trap net fishing pursued by the Americans near the mouth of the Fraser. It is felt that with the use of purse seines that to extend the British Columbia canners will be benefited and the American trap fishermen correspondingly crippled. This provision led to a general discussion as to the merits of this kind of fishing. The Nova Scotia and P. E. Island members insisted upon one uniform law; that British Columbia fishermen should not receive the benefit of a concession which was withheld from the maritime provinces. Hon. William Ross declared that American seamen were frequenting the coast of Nova Scotia in the spring of the year with large catches of mackerel caught in this way. He thought that this method of fishing should be forbidden by both the Canadian and United States governments. Since, however, the American fishermen were permitted to use the purse seines outside of the three mile limit and frequently poached inside that limit, when not watched, Mr. Ross argued that it was a decided hardship to the Canadian fishermen not to be able to use the same method for catching mackerel within their own waters as the American fishermen used in their immediate neighborhood. Mr. Kaubiach of Lunenburg, pointed out that the use of these purse seines American fishermen were depleting Canadian waters, while the government regulations put the Canadian fisherman under a serious disadvantage. He insisted that either some arrangement should be made with the United States government, or else tardy justice done to the Canadian Atlantic fishermen by granting them the same privileges as the American fishermen enjoyed. Finally Mr. Prefontaine agreed to make representations to the American authorities, pointing out that if they insisted in loosening these restrictive methods of

ishing that the Canadian government intended to do the same. That the senate shares in the general belief that the government is not sufficiently master of affairs to bring the business of parliament to a conclusion within reasonable limits, is shown by Senator Ellis' notice of motion to adjourn the upper house for two weeks on Thursday. Although this is a ready an exceptionally long session the great contentious measures which were outlined in the speech from the throne are known only to the secretive gentlemen of the cabinet. From time to time since the very opening of the session the leader of the opposition reminded the government of the duty it owes to parliament and the people of Canada. Just as often has Sir Wilfrid Laurier been compelled to admit that the government was still undecided. The resignation of Mr. Blair has cast a lurid light upon the probable reasons for this long delay. In spite of the traditional secrecy which surrounds the deliberations of the cabinet it is generally known that there is considerable dissatisfaction, almost amounting to disaffection among the ministers. Hon. Ferguson is reported to have objected very strongly to the iniquitous Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, and it is even said that he has thought of resigning rather than even tacitly consent to such an exploitation of the public resources. Those who are able to form a juster estimate of Mr. Paterson scarcely expect that he will show the courage so recently displayed by Mr. Blair. Both he and the other ministers will probably display that patriotic self-abnegation which Sir Wilfrid Laurier so highly prizes in Sir Richard Cartwright and allow their principles for the sake of party and office. In spite of this the government will have a very hard job holding their followers in line on the question. The dissatisfaction in the cabinet is reflected in the outspoken disgust of many liberal members, who make no bones about it that they will be obliged to face their constituents with such a millstone tied round their necks. As the signs of disintegration in the liberal ranks become more apparent the unanimity of views which prevails among the conservatives stands out in strong relief. Mr. Borden grows stronger in the estimation of his followers as the cabinet grows weaker. His leadership is utterly unimpaired by any of the opportunities and trimmings which is such a conspicuous feature in the "policy" of the government. It is not necessary for any of his followers to imitate the ministerial self-abnegation and sink their own convictions of what is right in order to retain their place in the party.

In the meantime public business is dragging along. The government is reduced to desperate expedients to make time while they are trying to reach some conclusion as to how they will handle the situation. Even Mr. Bourassa has been brought into the session had reached its fifth month, the government actually faced the prime minister's call, however, Mr. Bourassa jumped into the breach and for two hours warred the house with an academic and useless discussion on the cabinet shuffle. However, the member for Labelle did his duty well. He succeeded in practically wasting a whole day, and so deferred the inevitable moment when the government must make up its mind upon its transcontinental railway proposition. This is causing such anxiety in the cabinet that they have quite lost what grip they ever had upon the affairs of the house, and day after day drifts along with practically nothing done. It is thought that the dissident minority in the cabinet have been so long placated, but the long delay in bringing down the subsidy resolutions, which were promised for last Monday, shows how difficult Sir Wilfrid Laurier finds it to control his colleagues in the government members as well as ministers. Justly fear means inevitable defeat to the party whenever they dare to appeal to the country.

The cabinet shuffle which is to result from the accession of Mr. Blair is another source of difficulty for the already sufficiently embarrassed government. The decision to give Mr. Sifton the portfolio of railways and canals came as a great surprise to the party. When it became known that Mr. Sifton had been appointed to the interior and wanted to secure control of the great spending department of the cabinet, great efforts were made to induce him to withdraw his demand. As usual, however, the young Napoleon had his way. What the cabinet had to do was to give Mr. Sifton the portfolio of railways and canals, and to give Mr. Blair the interior. Mr. Sifton will think of this fresh evidence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's declining grip on the party is not hard to understand. It is scarcely probable that New Brunswick will tamely submit to being deprived of a representative in the cabinet for the first time since confederation. Mr. Sifton's translation will considerably improve Hon. Mr. Templeman's chances for a portfolio. It is also said that after the session a fat salaryed berth is to be found for Hon. Mr. Bernier and that Mr. Bourassa will be given his seat in the cabinet as a reward for coming to the aid of the government in the present emergency.

OTTAWA, July 24.—Whose political head will drop in the basket next? No member of the Laurier government knows what may turn up within twenty-four hours to force him to resign from the administration. Mr. Blair, a few days before his retirement, was looked up as one of the strongest members of the cabinet, but the storm came and the ex-minister of railways had to divorce himself from the new statesmanship or submit to ignominy which was boundless. With such a feeling of uncertainty among the ministers, it is impossible for them to transact public business, and little knots and rings are being organized among themselves for self-preservation. Every minister watches

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every other minister, carefully noting any indication of new developments which may result disastrously to somebody. Under the circumstances the present government cannot remain as it is for any great length of time, and the public does not expect to hear further resignations announced before many months will have elapsed.

There is a perfect reign of terror existing. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who is the nominal head of the government, is in the midst of the first crisis in his political life, and he is utterly unequal to the task of controlling the warring forces. Many staunch liberals express surprise that the leader of the party should allow himself to be so completely out of the cabinet. Once they are there, and the success which attended their efforts in driving Mr. Tarte from the cabinet gave them an unready. The resignation of Mr. Blair has cast a lurid light upon the probable reasons for this long delay. In spite of the traditional secrecy which surrounds the deliberations of the cabinet it is generally known that there is considerable dissatisfaction, almost amounting to disaffection among the ministers. Hon. Ferguson is reported to have objected very strongly to the iniquitous Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, and it is even said that he has thought of resigning rather than even tacitly consent to such an exploitation of the public resources. Those who are able to form a juster estimate of Mr. Paterson scarcely expect that he will show the courage so recently displayed by Mr. Blair. Both he and the other ministers will probably display that patriotic self-abnegation which Sir Wilfrid Laurier so highly prizes in Sir Richard Cartwright and allow their principles for the sake of party and office. In spite of this the government will have a very hard job holding their followers in line on the question. The dissatisfaction in the cabinet is reflected in the outspoken disgust of many liberal members, who make no bones about it that they will be obliged to face their constituents with such a millstone tied round their necks. As the signs of disintegration in the liberal ranks become more apparent the unanimity of views which prevails among the conservatives stands out in strong relief. Mr. Borden grows stronger in the estimation of his followers as the cabinet grows weaker. His leadership is utterly unimpaired by any of the opportunities and trimmings which is such a conspicuous feature in the "policy" of the government. It is not necessary for any of his followers to imitate the ministerial self-abnegation and sink their own convictions of what is right in order to retain their place in the party.

While it is suggested that Mr. Sifton is the most likely candidate for the portfolio of railways and canals, it is also well known that among cabinet ministers there is a feeling that Manitoba's representative in the government is too tricky and treacherous to be trusted. Sifton having secured wealth by his old methods, now wants power, and he is one of those who believe that the end justifies the means. He will sacrifice his closest friends to reach his end. To the points he wishes to reach, and to the points his colleagues are said to have formed a defensive league, which may ultimately result in the minister of the interior retiring from the cabinet. Of course this would not be accomplished without a big fight, but as has been observed above, anything is possible today in the Laurier government. Sifton is based on the principles which underlie Tammany Hall rule, and once the minister of the interior is forced to relax his grasp to the slightest extent, it will take long to make short work of him.

While the Sutherland-Sifton element has been much in evidence during the past few weeks, it is generally conceded that the Fitzpatrick-Mulock aggregation is rapidly coming to the front. Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Mulock, like Mr. Sifton, aspire to the leadership of the liberal party, and while they are willing to join forces in order to remove others from their joint path, the final battle for supremacy between the two men would be long and bitter. Mr. Fitzpatrick is the only man from Quebec who is capable of taking over the duties of premier, and he no doubt believes that he would have no doubt the backing of the Quebec members should he offer himself to caucus for election as the chief of Canadian liberalism. On the other hand, Sir William Mulock is possessed of unlimited wealth, which he has used without stint in advancing the interests of his party in Ontario. It cost him a small fortune to defeat Hon. Geo. E. Foster, but he did it because he wished to strengthen himself with the Ontario contingent. Being one of the valiant men in the cabinet, he would naturally resent the selection of another as the head of Canadian affairs, and being like Mr. Fitzpatrick, a fighter who never gives up until every trick is exhausted, the struggle between the two will doubtless be marked by scenes even worse than those which are now disgracing our public life.

Troubles of Ex-Chief of Police.

COULD NOT STAND BEFORE DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. Mr. Charles Gilchrist Had Diabetes for Years—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him. PORT HOPE, Ont., July 24.—(Special)—Mr. Charles Gilchrist, Chief of Police here for fifteen years and afterwards Dominion Fishery Overseer, is always willing to add his testimony to the volume of proofs from all parts that Dodd's Kidney Pills never fail to cure any form of Kidney Disease. "I am a healthy man, tried the doctors, but could get no hope till I was advised to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. They have made me a new man." Mr. Gilchrist is getting on in years but he feels young. That's what Dodd's Kidney Pills do for a man.

months. Western liberals do not want to see the maritime provinces get the first plum on the government side, and Mr. Fielding will have to make a wonderful fight if he hopes to secure an office, which up to a short time ago was unanimously his. It is not known that the weakness his colleagues have developed lately can be attributed to any other cause than the ambitions of his conferees, but this is perhaps the strongest obstacle which the finance minister will have to overcome, if he wishes to become the head of his party.

What will be the outcome of this bar-garden style of government? Nobody at Ottawa would venture to form an estimate for over twenty-four hours. Each meeting of the council is attended by more complications, and before the Grand Trunk Pacific deal is disposed of, more startling announcements than those already made, may have to be chronicled. The days of the Laurier government are numbered. The very elements upon which the prime minister depended for strength are working for his overthrow. With treachery, want of confidence and personal ambition, he is contented with the closing days of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's political career are indeed sad. J. D. McKENNA.

MORE STEAMERS FOR ST. JOHN.

New Steamer from Here to Jamaica Proposed.

(Jamaica Gleaner, July 15.) G. Eustace Burke, the popular Mayor of Kingston and zealous commercial agent of Canada in this island, leaves today on a visit to Canada, via the United States. Mr. Burke after seeing one or two of the America's cup races, will proceed to the Dominion. It is his intention to visit such cities as St. John, N. B., Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, and Ottawa, the seat of government. The visit to the business centres of the Dominion will be made in order that Mr. Burke might interview the business men and do all in his power to improve the commercial relations between the Dominion and this island—an idea that has long been dear to his heart. He means to try all he can to impress on these business men the importance of carrying out the proposal for the establishment of a fast direct line of steamers between this island and St. John. This government has already voted an annual subsidy of \$2,500 a year towards such an undertaking; and the hope is held that the Dominion government will supplement that vote. Mr. Burke has for several years been preaching to the Canadian and local governments, continually impressing on them the vast possibilities of such a service, and that his efforts are about to be crowned with success; and it is a fitting moment he has chosen for a visit to the Dominion. He will be able to give to the Canadian government and business men information which they could hardly obtain otherwise.

Mr. Burke, when interviewed by a Gleaner reporter yesterday, was enthusiastic over the proposed steamship line and the future of trade between Canada and Jamaica. "I hope to see something directly of service established soon," he said, "St. John is undoubtedly the best port of call on the other side. The facilities will be splendid. A large fruit trade would be bound to follow the establishment of the line. Our fruit is already well known in Canada, large imports being now made through the United States, at a disadvantage. And direct transportation will surely increase the demand in Canada for our fruit in the same way as it will increase the demand in Jamaica for products of the Dominion." "Yes, there are lots of things other than bananas that might be exported if the new line materializes. There is sugar, of course, and rum, coffee, ginger, hides, pineapples, etc., all of which Canadians will be glad to get from us direct. It is only a matter of transportation. The produce is here to be shipped and there is no new market to be established. The establishment of the new line will remove the most bitter cause of complaint on the part of local importers as to high rates of freight and delay in getting goods from Canada—two principal drawbacks to better trade. The present Halifax service is good, but it is not able to take the trade to Jamaica, Bermuda and Halifax, and the voyage takes too long, besides the service is only monthly. We want a direct line added to the present service. It is a matter of time, and it is doing good work, too. But it cannot cover all the trade, and the service is not direct. There is quite enough business to keep the existing lines and the proposed line fully employed, and four might be needed before long." "Another thing is the tourist trade. Tourists would be able to come to Kingston direct from Canada, instead of leaving to come via Boston and New York to Port Antonio. When tourists come to Kingston they travel all over the island, but do not get to see those who land at Port Antonio, never go very much, if any, further.

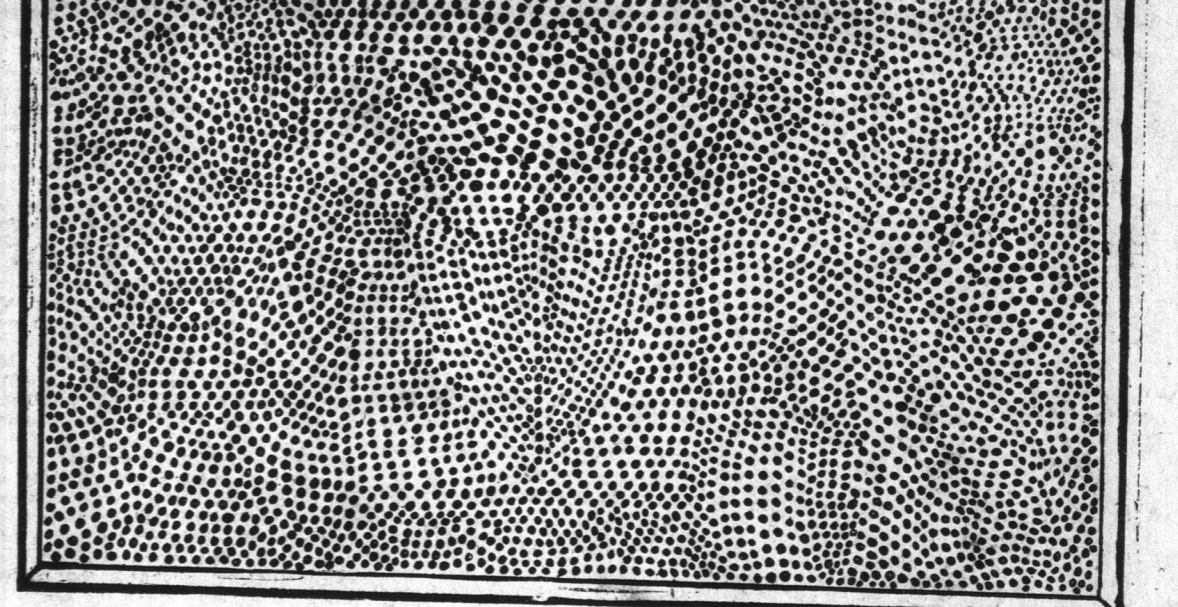
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NO ONE CONNECTED WITH THE SEMI-WEEKLY SUN, not even the manager, knows the correct count of these dots, or will know until the contest closes and the answer, with diagram, is received from the postmaster. That the contest may be absolutely fair and above suspicion, all employees of the SUN and their families are barred from the contest.

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MEMORANDA.

Passed Synod report, July 24, str. Crown Prince, from St. John's, N. B., for St. John's, N. B.,...

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Postcard, July 25-Quilley bell buoy, at Boothby Harbor, is reported as being in place, but put in working order as soon as...

CORNWALLIS.

Horse and Cow Killed by a Fall--The Monument to Harold Borden.

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BIRTHS.

HARB--At 63 St. James street, St. John, N. B., on 18th July, 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. George G. Harb, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BROWN-CREGAN--At the Free Baptist parsonage, St. John's, N. B., on 23rd July, Rev. David Brown, M. A., of the Rev. Dr. J. G. Cogan, to Mrs. Bertha Cogan, of St. John's, N. B.,...

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DOG SWALLOWS \$52.

Animal of Ostrich Appetite Had Presumably Swallowed a Record Eating Atomizer and Rubber Ball.

MOURNING FOR THE POPE.

Pontifical High Mass of Requiem Celebrated at the Cathedral Yesterday Morning.

Preacher--A Large Congregation Present.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 25.--That the appetite for indigestible articles is not confined to the great has been proven by a valuable bulldog owned by Thos. J. Hamlin, editor of the Minneapolis Union.

JAPAN'S POWER IN THE EAST.

Her Influence Over China Growing Steadily.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

PEKIN, June 18.--The growth of Japanese influence in China since the uprisings of 1890 has attracted little attention in Europe and America, largely because it has developed gradually.

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