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VACCINATION OF
LUMBERMEN.Maine State Board of
Health Takes Action

And Provides Regulations Which It is
Hoped Will Lessen the Danger
From Smallpox.

BANGOR, Aug. 22.—Not a single lumberman appeared at the special meeting of the state board of health, in Bangor, Aug. 19, held for the purpose of giving a hearing to any lumbermen or lumber operators who wished to present their views in regard to the rules and regulations of the board relating to the vaccination of lumbermen, or to make suggestions for co-operation. Prof. F. C. Robinson, as a member of the board, presented the following resolution:

Whereas the rules and regulations relating to the vaccination of lumbermen, made at the second annual meeting of the State Board of Health, June 27, were submitted to the honorable governor and council for approval and have since been approved, and whereas the law provides, but no action was taken upon them and they therefore became ineffective.

Whereas at the last meeting of the governor and council the suggestion was made that the State Board of Health hold a meeting for the purpose of conferring with lumber operators and of giving them a hearing, and whereas a special meeting was called on this day, but no action was taken, and after duly considering all suggestions which have been made, and believing that the re-enactment of said rules and regulations is urgently needed for the protection of the general public and for the prevention of expense and trouble for many towns and persons;

Resolved, therefore, that the State Board of Health fully consider it its duty again to make said rules and regulations and again to offer them to the governor and council for their approval, and do hereby make the following rules and regulations of the State Board of Health relating to the vaccination of lumbermen:

VACCINATION RULES.

Section 1. No person shall work in or about any lumber camp or in any other place where smallpox is known to exist, who cannot show a good vaccination card and who cannot prove by a certificate from a legally qualified physician that he has been vaccinated within three years.

Section 2. No lumber company, lumber operator, or agent of any lumber company or lumber operator shall hire any man to work in the lumber woods or in any lumber camp in any part of

this state who cannot show by a good vaccination card and prove by a certificate from a legally qualified physician that he has been vaccinated within three years, and all persons employed in this section shall make special inquiry when employing men whether they have or have not been vaccinated. This resolution was seconded and carried.

It was voted that the secretary be instructed to put upon the records the following statement of the reasons why the board deemed it necessary to make the foregoing rules and regulations. Smallpox is sufficiently prevalent in these regions from which the supplies of lumber are taken, and it is largely due to the belief that there will be much danger the coming season of the introduction of smallpox into camps. Smallpox still exists in the counties of the province of Quebec between the Maine boundary line and the St. Lawrence river and at no time this year to the present has smallpox been absent from the Madawaska region, and at no time has it been safe to suspend work there.

II. A general and honest compliance with the requirement of vaccination would effectually prevent the introduction of smallpox into lumber camps, as compliance with the requirements of the statute law of 1889 that only vaccinated persons shall be employed in paper mills, where smallpox has been known to break out in those places. Every outbreak of smallpox which has been found in lumber camps the last two seasons has been due to neglect of vaccination.

III. One objection to these rules and regulations that has been raised is that the requirement of vaccination increases the difficulty of obtaining men. To this it may be said that the experience and investigations of the state board and all its inspectors indicate that this difficulty would not be very real if the lumber operators would all pull together and co-operate with the State Board of Health. Some operators who have firmly required vaccination as a condition of employment have had no difficulty in obtaining men. The Canadians are supposed to be as reluctant to vaccination as any class of men, but the testimony of the inspectors at the station above Jackman, and at Lowellville is that they do not know of a man who has turned back and relinquished the chances of getting a job because vaccination was required. Neither can it be learned that there was any diminution in the number of men who came into the state through these two points of entry.

COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS

HALIFAX, Aug. 24.—It was reported tonight that A. S. Mitchell of West India firm of G. P. Mitchell & Sons had been appointed collector of customs at Halifax. Mr. Mitchell, asked about it, said that he had not heard of it, that he is not anxious for the position and does not know whether it will come his way or not. There are men in Halifax who are working for the place and who will be glad to know that the prize has not yet been landed at Mr. Mitchell's feet. One of the names most frequently mentioned in connection with the vacant collectorship is that of Dr. Kendall. M. P. for Cape Breton.

STUMPAGE RATES.

Reduction Has Been Made
on Fir.

Some Lumbermen Will Not Cut Any

Logs This Year—Others Reduce

Their Cuts.

The Lumbermen's Association has not yet received any official reply to the memorial which they presented to the provincial government at Fredericton a short time ago. At that meeting the representatives of the association strongly condemned the action of the government in reference to the millage and stumpage rates, and presented arguments why these rates should be modified as soon as possible. The meeting seemed hopeful for the lumbermen and they fully expect the government to take a favorable action at their next meeting, which will probably be held early in September.

It has been ascertained indirectly, said a prominent member of the association to the Sun yesterday, that the government has already reduced the stumpage rates on fir, from one dollar and twenty-five cents to eighty cents per thousand superficial feet. Before this the rates on even the inferior qualities of fir were just the same as those for such lumber as spruce and pine. This state of affairs the lumbermen felt was unreasonable and it was the unanimous feeling of the association that it should immediately be remedied. The reduction was made about a fortnight ago. The lumbermen have already decided to curtail their cuts this winter and hope by so doing to assist in bringing the market up from the condition in which it has fallen, to a fair condition at least.

The Dalhousie Lumber Co. have agreed to curtail their operations this season fifty per cent. H. H. H. Bros. of this city have also made that agreement. The Miramichi lumber concern which last year cut over seven million feet will not cut a log this winter. Most of the other important operators have made similar agreements, and in addition to this a large number of logs now on hand belonging to last season's cut, will be held over. Several mills of last season's cut, which are being closed down, some of the most important ones belonging to Messrs. Ritchie, Lynch and Burns.

RIVER STEAMER ON FIRE.

Passengers on the Majestic Had a
Little Excitement Yesterday.

The passengers who were on board the Majestic on her trip up river yesterday had quite an exciting experience. While the boat was near Woodville a fire was discovered in the woodwork around the pipes on the upper deck. The hose was at once attached and a stream of water turned on. For a short time the smoke was quite thick, but the fire was at once under control and the passengers were not alarmed. The fire was a beautiful day, perfect picnic weather. William Babbitt, the well known painter, and his family are going to Calgary, where they will reside in future. Mr. Babbitt has been in very poor health for some time and hopes the change of climate will be beneficial to his health. He has disposed of his property on George street to Moses Mitchell, who has in turn sold it to Mr. Edgar Hanson.

FREDERICTON.

Exciting Yacht Race For
the Morrison Cup.

Tourist Business is Now Booming—

Mrs. Landry's Brother-in-Law

Dead.

Inspected the barracks and other military buildings today and tomorrow will review the R. C. R. in marching order. This evening the colonel was entertained at dinner at the officers' barracks.

John E. McCarthy received word today of the death at Merrimack, Mass., of his brother-in-law, James Barlow. Mrs. Barlow was formerly Miss McCarthy of this city and a sister of Mrs. (Judge) Landry of Dorchester.

The tourist travel, though late in making start, is now exceedingly good. The river steamers this week have been doing a thriving business. The Majestic yesterday brought up some sixty more than she has brought up in any one week. Among the latter were W. M. Jarvis and Dr. W. P. Broderick of St. John.

The yacht race yesterday between the Athore and Doreen for the Morrison Cup proved quite exciting, and the finish was highly interesting. The Doreen managed to beat out her rival by a narrow margin. The race makes three wins for the Doreen, the Athore's four. The contest is one of nine races, the yacht winning five captures the cup. Should the Athore capture one more race she becomes the final possessor of the trophy, as she has won it the two previous years.

There were two Sunday school picnics today, the Church of England and the Presbyterian. The former went to Copenhagen by the Canada Eastern. The morning train carried over six hundred passengers, and this afternoon some two hundred more went up. The Athore and Doreen were in attendance. The Kirk picnic went down to Swan Creek on the Aberdeen, about three hundred taking the outing. It was a beautiful day, perfect picnic weather.

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SARDINE CANNING.

Many Persons Flocking to the Fac-
tories at Eastport.

EASTPORT, Aug. 24.—Strangers from neighboring towns along the St. Croix valley and many from Canadian islands and towns in the bay have begun to arrive for the sardine factory work, which seems to have opened in earnest after a somewhat of a lull. For some days the sardine have been very plentiful, and as there is not enough labor to handle the supply the island city has quite a floating population for the balance of the canning season. While the majority of the employees have boarding places, many camps are in use at the present time, and as Saturday will be one of the largest pay days of the sardine season plenty of cash will be in circulation during the afternoon and evening, and most of the merchants are now coming in for good business after a long season of uncertainty when the fish were keeping out of sight of the weirs.

It is stated that one of the largest independent factories, which has been idle all the season, will be opened later in the year if the supply of sardines continues, and this will give employment for more than three hundred more people at good wages.

BRITISH GUNBOAT FLOATED.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Aug. 24.—The British gunboat Columbus, one of the vessels of the squadron patrolling the Newfoundland fisheries, which struck on a rock in Snooks Arm, Green Bay, Monday last, was refloated today and will be brought here and docked for repairs. The vessel sustained serious damage.

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The Same Game as Was
Worked in 1900.

Government Making Extravagant Contracts, Becoming
Very Generous All at Once, and Getting
Ready for an Election.

OTTAWA, Aug. 25.—Such latent activity as is to be discovered in the departments just now seems to be directed in the main towards carrying out orders in council having for their object the bolstering up of the liberal party in the country for the forthcoming general elections. Yesterday for instance, it was announced in militia orders that a board of officers had been appointed to report in effect upon the advisability of handing over St. Helena island to the corporation of Montreal. Today regulations respecting the payment of bounty on Canada petroleum were promulgated and the announcement was also made that the government has given a contract to the general election of 1900, when Blair entered into a contract with the Clergue

syndicate to supply 25,000 tons of rails a year for five years at a price to be based upon the existing rates in England. This bargain, which was never shown out, because of the failure of the Clergue company to produce the rails, was shown in parliament at the following session to rival in extravagance and improvidence the famous steel rails contract made by the Mackenzie administration.

The deal just consummated is on a somewhat smaller scale than that of 1900. It contemplates the purchase of 10,000 tons only, but at what price the government refuses to divulge. It will probably be left for parliament to find out next session when it will be too late, of course, to do more than to show up the transaction. But what the bargain was entered into within a fortnight after the prorogation of parliament casts suspicion of a political significance upon the whole deal.

BALFOUR SPEAKS.

Government Will Carry On
ders to Russian Ships

Telling Them Not to Interfere Any

More With British Merchantmen

—The Incidents Ended.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Prime Minister Balfour announced this evening that the British government had ordered two cruisers from the squadron at Cape of Good Hope, without delay, to locate the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Simonsen and St. Petersburg and to convey to them the orders of the Russian government that they must not further interfere with neutral shipping. The premier stated that this action was taken at the request of the Russian government.

This extraordinary statement was made when the premier by appointment received a deputation of the London chamber of commerce, which was appointed at a meeting held earlier in the day by the China and East India section of the chamber. These in attendance included representative shipowners and others interested in trade in the far east. A resolution was passed at the meeting expressing the hope "that His Majesty's government will take such immediate and effective steps as will afford all reasonable protection of British shipping and ensure to it the same degree of immunity from vexatious stoppages and exactions as is enjoyed by the shipping of other nationalities."

At the same time the meeting prepared a letter addressed to Lord Lansdowne in which it was stated that the continuance of the present situation was having a disastrous effect on shipping and was causing irreparable damage to the whole course of trade with Japan and the far east. The deputation from the chamber of commerce, which was headed by William Keewick, M. P. (a member of the firm of Jardine & Co., China merchants), also included a member of the legislative council of Hong Kong, stated the object of the deputation had in view and presented the resolution and the letter.

Mr. Balfour said that before making a general statement he desired to hear evidence tending to show preferential treatment by Russia, which was a most important phase of the situation. This was given by members of the deputation, who quoted the cases of the American steamer Arabia and the British steamer Calchas; the British steamer Malacca and the German steamer Scandia and the sinking of the British steamer Knight Commander and the German steamer Thea by the Vladivostok squadron, in which instances the vessels of the other nations were treated with more consideration than the British ships.

Balfour said he hoped therefore that they might really consider the episode connected with the volunteer fleet as now entirely ended.

"Most assuredly," said the premier, "should the volunteer fleet steamers attempt further captures, which I do not think they will, no such captures would be recognized by us or by the Russian government."

WANDERERS WON.

HALIFAX, Aug. 25.—The Everett, Mass., cricket team played one day's match with the Wanderers here today. The Wanderers won by 61 runs. The Everests are a well balanced team. Thorpe, who is playing with them, was a member of Lord Hawke's first American team. They play the Garrison tomorrow.

C. M. B. A. MEETING.

Judge Landry Mentioned as
Possible President.

Changes in Rates—Numerous Sug-
gestions Will be Brought Up—

Special Committee Reports.

TORONTO, Aug. 25.—At the C. M. B. A. convention today, Judge Landry of St. John presented the report of the special committee to which was referred the executive committee's report on the shortage of the last grand session, S. R. Brown. Special committee's report, which practically endorsed the executive's action, was adopted by the convention. The remainder of the day was devoted to a consideration of the report of the committee on laws. A. B. Lauder of Davenport spoke on rates. At present rates are levied as death claims arise. Last year seventeen levies were made, but collections under this system are unsatisfactory, and it is probable a flat monthly rate will be adopted.

The names mentioned as possible candidates for the presidency are: Hon. M. P. Hackett, for re-election; Judge Landry, St. John, N. B.; and Geo. Lynch-Staunton, K. C., of Hamilton; and those for the office of secretary: J. J. Rehan of Kingston, present secretary, and James O'Hara, Toronto.

There are numerous proposed changes in the constitution, and these are printed in English and French, among the most important proposals being: The establishment of an emergency fund by an extra annual assessment on the members, this fund to be used to assist aged and disabled members. It is also proposed that a fund be established out of which the fidelity of all branch officers shall be guaranteed, and that grand council officers be guaranteed a company; that females be eligible for membership; that a surrender value be attached to all certificates for the benefit of members attaining 70 years of age; that grand council officers shall not hold office longer than two terms, that is six years; that annuities of \$50 be granted to members over 70 years of age; that the monthly rates for insurance be increased to all members, and that a fine of 25 cents be imposed on members absent from regular meetings without cause. Compulsory membership in the sick fund of the association is proposed, and the reduction in the number of delegates entitled to attend grand council.

The Rev. M. A. O'Keefe of Grand Falls, N. B., proposes that grand council meet every five years instead of every three years, as at present, and that branches pay the expenses of delegates to grand council, or that grand councils be formed, which alone shall be represented at the grand council. He calculates that this would mean a saving of \$10,000 every three years in the expenses of the grand council, and that this sum should form the nucleus of a sick and funeral fund, which he urges should be made compulsory throughout the jurisdiction.

HALIFAX WANTS IT.

Will Ask for Privilege of Holding

Dominion Exhibition.

HALIFAX, Aug. 25.—At a meeting of the city council held tonight a resolution was unanimously adopted asking that the Dominion fair for 1906 be held in this city. It was pointed out that the city and province had in Halifax the necessary buildings and grounds and that the city was most conveniently situated.

PORT ARTHUR.

European Section Said to
be in Flames.

Russians Think That Japanese

Siegers Are Growing Tired

Their Work.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 24, 3 a. m.—The latest information from the front as summed up in today's despatch from Chefoo to the Associated Press shows that the Japanese in the assaults on Port Arthur August 21 and 22 were again repulsed with heavy losses. Despite the assertion made in Tokyo that all the attacks so far on the fortress have been merely preliminary to a grand infantry assault, the feeling grows here that the repeated attacks and defeats must be gradually dissipating the energy of the besiegers and that Japanese may find after all that they "have broken their teeth on the stones of Port Arthur."

Nothing can be ascertained here regarding the reports from Tokyo of the sinking of two Russian torpedo destroyers at Port Arthur.

The fact that the Port Arthur squadron is already so crippled and scattered has greatly reduced its importance as a tactical factor in the eyes of the authorities here. Accounts of the misfortune to the battleship Sevastopol and of the sinking of the cruiser Novik are allowed to be extensively printed and it appears that the balance of the sea power in the Far East is thoroughly upset pending the arrival of the Baltic squadron in oriental waters.

CHEFOO, Aug. 25, 9 p. m.—Golden Hill, White Marble Mountain and Liangt mountain, according to Chinese advices dated Aug. 23, are now the only main forts securely held by the Russians at Port Arthur. Others are occupied by them, but they are subjected to an artillery fire which renders their tenure uncertain. The Russian section of Port Arthur is in flames. Owing to the mud and brick construction of the buildings, however, it is probable that the fire is not general. It is said that the Japanese are using 800 heavy calibre guns taken from the harbor defences of Kobe, Nagasaki and Yokohama.

CHEFOO, Aug. 25, 9 p. m.—A sailor reports that when off Liangt Promontory last evening he heard two loud explosions. One occurred at 6.20 p. m., the other at 6.45 minutes. This may be a confirmation of the report from Tokyo that two Russian destroyers had struck mines, as the report agrees with the one from Tokyo in respect to time.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—News has reached England that the Russian auxiliary cruiser Ural stopped and examined the British collier Penacolek on Aug. 12. The Penacolek was bound from Cape Horn to Malta with coal for the British navy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 25.—Lieut. General Sakharoff, commander of the eastern army, telegraphs that the rains have ended and the first wheat has set in, but that the roads are still impassable. The excessive heat of midday has caused a recurrence of dysentery.

Skirmishing is frequent, the general says, there have been outpost encounters at Anshanban, and a cavalry engagement southeast of Liandianlan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 25.—It is announced that the Baltic fleet, with the exception of the new battleship Orel, left Cronstadt today on a ten days' cruise.

MAY BE NOVA

SCOTIA SCHOONER.

Seen Floating Bottom Up Off Moose-
pec Light

Capt. Thompson of the Eastern Line

steamship St. Croix, which arrived

here from Boston about nine o'clock

last night, told the Sun that while in

Eastport he learned from Capt. Ray

of a schooner which had just arrived

there, that while off Moosepec about

seven o'clock Wednesday night Capt.

Ray had sighted a derelict schooner.

The vessel was floating bottom up and

was being badly washed by the heavy

sea. Both her masts had been broken

off and were floating alongside. Capt.

Ray said the schooner was about 100

tons register and resembled very

much a St. John woodboat. Although

he stood close to the bulk he was un-

able to ascertain her name owing to

the fact that she was so heavy in the

water.

When the St. Croix left Eastport for

St. John the crew of the unknown

schooner had not been heard from, nor

had any word been received (that

would lead to the identity of the un-

fortunate craft.

The St. Croix brought one hundred

and twenty-eight passengers, most of

whom passed right through the city.

She had a good run down.

EASTPORT, Me., Aug. 25.—Sel-

mary F. Pike, which arrived here to-

day from New York, reports having

passed within forty feet of a 150 ton

schooner, bottom up, at 2.15 yesterday

afternoon 13 miles southeast by south

from Moosepec light. The schooner

was evidently light, her mainmast was

broken off and rudder gone. She gave

no evidence of having been ashore.

Those on board the Pike could not see

the name of the schooner but believed

her to be of Nova Scotia build.

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THE ELECTION IS AT HAND.

It is certain that the government party leaders in St. John have been informed that the general election for the House of Commons will take place early in November. Even if this intimation had not been given out it would still be evident from the peculiar activities of the ministers that an early election is contemplated. The Grand Trunk Pacific deal is an election measure, and the government intended to appeal to the country on it last year. This plan failed because the promoters, after signing the agreement, held up the government for a better deal. Now even the Grand Trunk Company is satisfied and unless some new discouragement occurs, the election will soon come off. It is time to get ready.—Sun.

A CRUEL JOKE.

The Toronto Mail and Empire thinks that the commission for the construction of the railway from Moncton to Winnipeg "is a cruel joke." That journal says:

"The chairman, F. B. Wade of Annapolis, Nova Scotia, is a lawyer and political stump. Of railways he has no knowledge save such as is obtainable through travelling on the Intercolonial. He was not considered in parliament as a man of any weight, except physically. His first colleague is a Mr. Brunet of Montreal. This is not the Brunet who went to jail for ballot box stuffing, nor is it the statesman of that name in whose behalf the raceability was committed. The commissioner is said to be a relative of these shining heights of liberalism in the east, and is known as a politician. The third railway constructor is a Mr. Young of Winnipeg—a grain buyer. His qualification is the fact that he is a relative of a senator who was formerly prominent in Manitoba politics. The Ontario man is Mr. Robert Reid of London. Robert Reid has worked very hard for the party. In that sense he is entitled to some consideration. He is at present a liquor license commissioner under the Ontario government, while his business is that of a stationer and bookbinder. Here we have an enormous railway to be built. It is to pass through an unexplored and practically unknown region, and the cost is to be \$75,000,000. In the choice of men to build it one lawyer, one grain buyer, one professional politician, and one stationer and bookbinder are named."

Why, asks the Mail and Empire, were not men found who had some knowledge of railway construction? Its own answer is this:

"It is not a railway these men are building. They are planning a scheme through which they can distribute the public money among their political friends. This entire eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific is a job of the worst kind, and the appointment of a lawyer, a professional politician, a grain buyer, and a bookbinder—all of them politicians—to construct the railway and distribute 'the stuff' makes the swindle more obvious."

THEY TOOK IT SERIOUSLY.

Members of parliament who desire to be candidates again will do well to take warning from the history of Robert Bickerdike, the liberal member for the St. Lawrence division of Montreal. Mr. Bickerdike has frequently stated that his position was burdensome and that he remained in parliament at great personal sacrifice. Two days ago there was a gathering of the

party in the division, which passed a resolution setting forth that no further demand should be made upon Mr. Bickerdike's time and strength, but that a candidate should be selected "who will not have to make any undue personal sacrifice in the proper fulfillment of his parliamentary duties." It was further resolved that Mr. Edward Halley should be placed in nomination, and he promptly accepted the responsibility.

BAPTIST UNION.

After the action at Truro Wednesday, it can no longer be said that there is an agitation for Baptist union in the Eastern provinces. The project has passed that stage, and has reached the period of organization. It may be possible to delay the consummation by long negotiations over the basis, but it seems to be accepted on both sides that union is necessary and inevitable. Both bodies are congregational in polity and the representative bodies have far less to do in the matter of union than they would have if the churches were organized on the Presbyterian or Methodist system. The question of open or close communion is largely settled at present by congregations. While the Baptists are represented as close communionists, the practice in many congregations is such that union on the proposed basis would make no change. No one would think of proposing to disestablish a Baptist pastor or a congregation on the ground that the practice in regard to this ordinance was the same as that of the Free Baptists. The difference in faith which gives the Free Baptists their distinctive name has almost ceased to be regarded as a barrier among churches. Methodists and Presbyterians are traditionally supposed to be at opposite poles on this question. Yet they are discussing the question of union, and whatever obstacles stand in the way this question of doctrine is not supposed to be one of them.

The union of the two Baptist bodies, or of three if we consider the Nova Scotia Free Will Baptists as a different church from the Free Baptists of this province, may call for some difficult and delicate business adjustments. These bodies have their educational interests, their home and foreign missionary work, their provision for aged and infirm ministers, all of which will need to be re-arranged. But men of the world settle affairs of this kind every day and it should be possible to find in the church organizations the same capacity and the same disposition to make concessions. The Baptist bodies are to be congratulated on the fraternal feeling, the earnest desire to increase their power for good, and the "sanctified common sense" displayed in these negotiations.—Star.

AS SEEN BY MR. LEMIEUX.

Solicitor General Lemieux returns to Canada from England with the announcement that he "did not meet with a single well thinking man of either party who did not regret Lord Dundonald's lack of tact and judgment." He also announces that the press of London after the explanations of the Canadian government were made, was unanimous in condemning Lord Dundonald. It is impossible to contradict what Mr. Lemieux says about his private conversations. Possibly he decided on the spot that every one who did not condemn Lord Dundonald was not a well thinking man. But some of us in Canada see London papers and do not find in them the same unanimity which Mr. Lemieux reports.

THE MEMBER FOR NORTHUMBERLAND.

A rather offensive intimation concerning the federal member for Northumberland is made by the Chatham Advance, an opportunist journal which always supports all the governments in sight. The Advance says that Mr. Robinson has strongly advocated the purchase of the Canada Eastern by the government, and felt so strongly on the question that he "would not return to the liberal party until the 'Canada Eastern was taken over.' The Advance adds that since this important question has been settled "it is expected that Mr. Robinson will return to his old party allegiance and help reunite the liberals of Northumberland so that they may send a man to Ottawa to assist Mr. Emperman."

This recalls similar announcements from the same source four years ago, before the last general election. The answer to these intimations came from Mr. Robinson himself in the form of an election address, in which he declared that he had given his support to the liberal conservative party in the past and would continue to do so. This pledge has been loyally fulfilled. Three times Mr. Robinson has been elected to Ottawa as a conservative. So far as we know he has never belonged to any other party. No man in the house has been more consistent than he in standing by the party to which he belonged and the principles to which he was pledged. In view of this record it will probably take something more than the predictions of the opportunist Advance to shake the faith of the Northumberland conservatives in their representative. If the elections are near at hand as they appear, it will not be long before Mr. Robinson will give his own answer, as he did four

SENATOR LODGE AND RECIPROCITY.

It is announced by the New York Herald that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, has been asked not to take part as a speaker in the presidential election campaign. The reason given is that Senator Lodge is a strong opponent of reciprocity with Canada, and that the movement for reciprocity has gained such headway in New England as to make it dangerous. It is well known that Henry M. Whitney, president of the Boston chamber of commerce, well known as a financier and promoter of enterprises in Cape Breton, has taken the lead in this agitation, and the New York Herald says that 67,000 republicans in Massachusetts alone have signed petitions in favor of reciprocity. President Roosevelt is reported by the Herald as having reached the conclusion that his party has most to gain in New England by suppressing Mr. Lodge, who on the subject of reciprocity is regarded as the leader of the opposition. But Senator Lodge is not an easy man to suppress.

WHEAT CROPS AND PRICES.

So far as Manitoba and the Canadian West are concerned it appears certain that the stories of heavy loss by the wheat rust are greatly exaggerated. There will probably be some loss from this cause, and the crop will be expected. Yet it is likely to be an average yield, and even at prices much lower than those now prevailing the crop will be exceedingly profitable to the producer.

United States estimates cover a large area, and many different conditions. The wheat crop may justify the rather hysterical prices, but that is doubtful. It is more likely that a considerable number of disciples of the Yomper-Number are laying up for themselves trouble and sorrow. Unfortunately for some of them they are not so fortunate in a father as the junior Leiter.

THE OLD APPEAL.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier owes his leadership in the party, and whatever position that leadership has given him to the success of the agitation in Quebec, following the execution of Louis Riel. This agitation, which was certainly sincere on the part of many followers, was presided over by the late Sir Adolphe Chapleau not only office and power, but a sum of money equal, as he said himself, to five years salary as a federal minister, if he would place himself at the head of a Nationalist party. The eloquent French-Canadian rejected the offer and set himself boldly and loyally against the movement. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the late Mr. Merlier were ready to take up the campaign, and the premier's Saskatchewan musket speech is a matter of history. This was nearly twenty years ago, but at each election since then the old story of the execution of Riel is made to do duty in the province in the interest of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It is a sign that the campaign is on when Le Soleil, home organ of the premier himself, publishes a sketch of Mr. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice, in which is the following paragraph:

"Who does not recall the far-famed trial of Louis Riel, accused of high treason? There was a question of raising subscriptions to send to Riel to employ counsel, when Messrs. Fitzpatrick, Lemieux and Greenhalgh, resolved to proceed at their own expense to the assistance of their unfortunate fellow-citizen. Despite their forensic skill and their eloquence, Riel was ruthlessly condemned to death, to satisfy the vengeance of the Orangemen. What could they do in the face of violent fanaticism so cunningly organized? Riel was sacrificed. The raider Jameson, of the Transvaal, and many such like, have been found guilty of the same crime, and were never executed. The one was French and Catholic, the other English. This difference alone sufficed to obtain a different sentence. This is a perfectly grotesque misrepresentation. It does not mention the blood-curdling murders committed by Riel, nor the fact that his was the second rebellion which he had organized after he had been spared the first time. The comparison with the Jameson case is maliciously false. Whatever offence Dr. Jameson committed it was not high treason. He was not a subject of the Transvaal government, and was not even accused of the offences committed by Louis Riel. Everybody knows that Louis Riel would have met the same fate had he been an Englishman or a Scot. This old appeal, which done duty in four Dominion elections and in five provincial elections in Quebec, ought now to be dropped.

If the government organs in the premier's own city can give us no better reasons why he should be continued in office than the fact that Louis Riel was executed and Dr. Jameson was not, the case must be desperate.—Star.

THE CZAR'S MANIFESTO.

The reforms and concessions promised in the Czar's manifesto are largely personal and temporary in their character. Amnesties and mitigations of penalties are, no doubt, acceptable to the offenders. But they do not provide against oppression and injustice in the future. What the Finlanders desire is not amnesty to unauthorized emigrants, or the remission of past

finances imposed upon those who escaped conscription. They ask for constitutional liberty and the full measure of self-government guaranteed years ago. The Jews will probably be glad of the mitigation of penalties imposed upon them, but they require protection for their lives and property. The nation at large needs better government more than it needs mercy to wrongdoers.

Sir Richard Cartwright, who seems to have been denied a re-nomination in Oxford, is to go to the senate. He has already moved four times. He went from Lennox, where he was defeated in 1878, to Centre Huron; thence to Centre Wellington, where he was defeated in 1882; next to South Huron, and in 1887 to South Oxford, from which apparently safe seat he seems to have been evicted by his own party. But no one can turn him out of the senate.

Employees of the Montreal woolen mills which have been shut down may not quite agree with the statement that Canada never saw such good times as we have now. Stockholders in the Sydney and Sault Ste Marie industries, lumbermen in this province and elsewhere, and farmers interested in cheese and butter production may also have their doubts.

The conservative majority in the Pillolet, B. C., by-election was only 84. But 84 is a fair majority in a poll of 300 votes. The liberal candidate got 13 votes more than half the number polled by the conservative. Mr. McBrice's government appears to be perfectly safe.

REFUSED TRIAL.

Accused Pickpockets Wait

Until Regular Session in October.

Judge Wilson Sees no Reason Why

They Should be Now Disposed of

by Speedy Trials.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 25.—The accused pickpockets, Grant, Williams and Howard, the men of many aliases, clean shaven and neatly dressed, appeared before Judge Wilson at the trial of the Speedy Trials Act at 10 o'clock today and through their counsel, Mr. McLeod and Mr. McKewen, applied for trial under the Speedy Trials Act. J. H. Barry, K. C., was present in behalf of the crown and opposed the application.

Shortly after their preliminary examination the men had declined to be tried by speedy trial and under the law they would have to await for a grant of justice to do so. The judge granted the request. After hearing argument his honor decided against the application.

His honor in opposing the motion said that the witnesses were scattered all over the country and that it would take some three weeks to get them here. In the application were granted he would have to wait for a three weeks' postponement and that would bring the trial very close to the opening of the regular court session. Mr. McLeod and Mr. McKewen, however, were strongly for a trial at an early date. The men had been confined in jail for a long period and they were anxious to get their freedom.

His honor in delivering judgment said: "When the prisoners were first brought before me to elect as to whether they would be tried under the provisions of the Speedy Trials Act, and once without a jury, I had no discretion in the matter had they claimed the benefit of the provisions of that act. They refused to take advantage of those provisions and elected to be tried by a jury at the next term of the York County Court. They have now changed their minds and through their counsel wish to be re-elected and be tried by me without a jury. I can under the provisions of an amendment to the code, so try them if in my opinion it is in the interest of the administration of justice to do so."

I think it is always in the interest of the accused as well as the crown to have the assistance of a jury when the case is as described are almost all those of facts as they necessarily be in such a case as this. It is moreover a case of great importance to the travelling public, and on that account if for no other, the assistance of a jury should be had.

It was no doubt the intention of the legislature in passing the Speedy Trials act to give persons accused of certain crimes an opportunity to have their cases disposed of at once so that they would not be subjected to imprisonment for a long time in many cases before the general sessions of the court.

The prisoners in this case have not taken advantage of the provisions of the act and have voluntarily submitted to imprisonment for a greater portion of the time between their arrest and the session of the court in October. Then again the prisoners would gain very little as to time if I did consent to try them for the reason that the crown would need considerable portion of the time between now and the session of the court to get their witnesses here and prepare for trial which would bring it very near the holding of the court in October. The object therefore for the passing of the act does not exist in this case. I shall therefore now refer to try the prisoners under the provisions of the Speedy Trials act, believing in so doing that I am acting in the interest of the administration of justice.

Barry reminded Mr. McKewen that the witnesses would be subpoenaed in time to allow them to be here at the opening of the court.

NOVEL BRIDAL TOUR BAPTIST.

Young St. John Couple Sur-

prised Their Friends

By Going Away on an Automobile

While the Party Waited at the

Station to Bid Them Fare-

well.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downing Paterson left Wednesday on their wedding trip in Mr. Paterson's automobile, to the great surprise of their many friends.

It appears that the bride and groom had made all necessary arrangements, but did not say a word about their intentions even to their near relatives. After the reception following the marriage ceremony, they entered a coach, ostensibly to be driven to the depot, but instead of going there, where many friends were waiting to see them off, they transferred to Mr. Paterson's auto, and left at once on the way to their honeymoon.

The marriage was performed at three o'clock yesterday afternoon in St. John's (Stone) church by Rev. John McLeod. The bride, Miss Ethel Kaye Allison, daughter of Mrs. Frank O. Allison of Garden street, wore white lace veil and orange blossoms. She was accompanied by her bridesmaid, Miss Florence Kaye and Miss Muriel Lyle. The groom, Mr. Robert Downing Paterson, second son of Robert W. Paterson of the Paterson Downing Co. of New York, was supported by Mrs. Carr, of St. John's church was prettily decorated for the marriage. The centre aisle was reserved for friends, and Frank D. Allison and Chester Gandy acted as ushers. Dr. Arnold Fox presided at the organ and the choir of the church assisted in the singing. After the ceremony a reception was held at 10 Peel street, the home of Mrs. J. J. Kaye, grandmother of the bride.

Miss Allison was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, that from the groom being a gold chameleon brooch set with emeralds and diamonds. Upjohn, who was present, presented Mr. and Mrs. Paterson with a residence on Crown street.

THEIR NAMES ARE ALIKE

And Two City Clergymen Are Reading

Each Other's Letters.

There are two men in town whose names are very much alike, and as both are clergymen, the prefix of Rev. to their names adds to the possibilities of confusion. These men are Rev. David Long of Victoria street Free Baptist church, and David Lang of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. They reside in different parts of the city, but in spite of this, mistakes are frequent.

Of these clergymen told the Sun yesterday that for a time he had been in the habit of opening letters which he spoke of subjects with which he was unfamiliar. Sometimes private matters were mentioned, but he at once understood that the letter was for the other man.

A short time ago this clergyman received a bill for some writing material which he had never purchased, and which was bought while he was in the city. He did not pay the bill. Mistakes are not now so frequent, as both the clergymen have grown into the habit of looking carefully at the address on each letter they receive before opening it.

BOUGHT FISHING WATERS.

Ontario Syndicate Has Secured Lower Division of the Nepisiguit.

BATHURST, Aug. 22.—The lower division of the Nepisiguit, up to this date owned by Ivers W. Adams of Boston and Henry Sampson of New York, has changed hands. J. E. Creighton of Ottawa was here for several days last week searching the records and verifying the lines of the many lots of land which compose this valuable privilege, and it seems to be a fact that a syndicate composed of Ottawa and Toronto gentlemen have purchased it. With proper protection this can be made one of the best salmon fishing waters in the Dominion. The Mr. Creighton mentioned above was one of the young engineers who accompanied the late Marconi Smith, C. E., on the first survey for the Intercolonial, and his visit to the North Shore at this time revived many interesting reminiscences.

DO YOUR CORNS ACHE?

Of course they do. But you can cure them in one day with Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor—no delays. For nearly fifty years Putnam's has been the safe and painless corn cure. None so good as Putnam's.

AN UNFEEBING GIRL.

Mary sat upon a pin, and showed no sign of perturbation. For some of her was genuine. And some was imitation.

COSTA RICA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature

CONVENTION.

Closing Session Held on

Wednesday Morning.

Canadian Congress Will be Asked to

Meet in St. John—Union Pro-

ject Further Discussed.

(Continued from Page Three.)

TRURO, N. S., Aug. 24.—The Baptist convention after the passing of the amendment report of the committee on the union between the two Baptist bodies, the convention arose as one body and sang Blest be the Tie That Binds. Some confusion then arose as to the relation of the F. B. of N. B. and the Maritime convention. It was also believed that if the basis of union adopted by this convention should be adopted by the F. B. conference then a special convention should be called as soon as possible.

Rev. Dr. McLeod, called to the platform at midnight, believed there was a strong feeling in this Baptist convention in favor of union. He did not know whether the F. B. conference would adopt the basis of union or not. He was not going away with a heavy heart but with encouragement. "Let us be loyal to the King and the kingdom," a resolution was then passed that this convention reappoint the committee on union to consummate the work of the union with the F. B. body as possible. This committee consisted of Dr. G. O. Gates, Rev. W. E. McIntyre, Rev. H. P. Adams and Rev. Dr. J. W. Manning and Rev. J. H. Hughes.

A special session of the Baptist convention was held Wednesday morning to dispose of surplus of business crowded out by the discussion of the question of union between the two Baptist bodies. The report of the foreign mission board was passed.

The report of the committee on resolutions was somewhat bulky. The government of Canada was called upon to do its utmost to encourage the peace and harmony of the Anglo-Saxon races. A resolution was also introduced inviting the Canadian congress to come to the Maritime provinces and that the place of meeting be the city of St. John, N. B.

The request for financial assistance from the churches of B. C. was denied on account of pressure of 20th century second forward movement not yet completed. A vote of thanks was extended to the members of the Baptist churches and other friends of Truro, the choir, the press, presiding officers, etc.

The matter of a world's congress then came up, and the motion was made that we co-operate and that a committee be appointed to name and appoint delegates. This congress meets in London in the summer of 1905. The committee on the year book reported recommending that only 2,000 copies be printed to be sold at ten cents each.

Rev. J. W. Porter of Bear River presented the report of the Sunday school committee. He reported that the work of arranging for a summer school was prevented by the want of funds, the difficulty of securing speakers and teachers and the difficulties attendant upon getting a widely scattered committee to take up the work and carry out the wishes of the convention.

Some discussion followed the report of the board.

Dr. Gates thought the summer school should be a matter of provincial concern, holding sessions in each province. But it was thought necessary to secure some strong personalities to lead summer schools. The report was passed and goes on record as calling for a summer school next year and calling upon the committee to ask the Sunday schools for five cents per number for the support of this work. The committee on 20th century fund has collected \$37,891 in addition to the regular pledges.

The convention is invited to meet in Charlottetown next year.

The chairman of the Maritime Publishing Co. offered a resolution that the next issue of the Messenger and Visitor be made a special number, a number embodying the basis of union between the two Baptist bodies pro and con and other matters of interest to this body.

The committee of credentials reported 321 delegates.

Some comment was elicited by the report of the press, which was not satisfactory to the convention. On the strength of this the matter of reporting was left with the present committee with instructions to arrange for the report of all future conventions.

Gagetown.

GAGETOWN, N. B., August 25.—The Gagetown Episcopal church held a very successful garden party on the grounds of J. A. Steward last evening. Japanese lanterns and plants adorned the grounds. Swings and games amused the young and all patronized the refreshments tables. A fancy quilt was sold by ticket. Mrs. Wm. Cooper being the lucky one. A neat sum was realized, which goes toward a furnace in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph and children of Fredericton, drove down to the village last night and are staying at the Simpson House.

NEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL.

HOPEWELL HILL, via Albert, Aug. 25.—H. Copp & Co. of Seattle, who are building the new court house at Hopewell Cape, have been given the contract for the erection of the new consolidated school building at Riverview. The contract price is a little under ten thousand dollars.

MEN OF PROMINENCE

(Use Pe-ru-na for Catarrh.)

Pe-ru-na Cures Catarrh Wherever Located.



F. Y. FITZPATRICK, M. C.

Hon. F. Y. Fitzpatrick, Congressman from Kentucky, writes from the National Hotel, Washington, D. C., as follows: "At the solicitation of a friend I used your *Peruna* and can cheerfully recommend it to anyone suffering with catarrh or who needs a good tonic."—F. Y. Fitzpatrick.

Peruna is the remedy for catarrh. Almost everybody knows that by heredity and thousands know by experience. "What can be done in the beginning is a week or two by using *Peruna*, it allowed to become chronic, may require months of faithful treatment. You had better take *Peruna* now for by and by you may be obliged to take it for some time in order to get well. Now the warm, dry weather will assist in your cure. You are not liable to catch fresh cold and delay your cure."

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If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of *Peruna*, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be obliged to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of the St. John Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

NO ONE TO BLAME

CHARLOTTETOWN, Aug. 25.—In the case of Thomas Hickey who was killed in John M. Clark & Co.'s mill in Summerside at noon by the explosion of an empty wheel, the coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental death, attaching no blame to anyone. The wheel, which was about one foot in diameter, broke in two and one part struck Hickey in the head, completely taking off the upper portion and leaving the brain exposed. Hickey was picked up unconscious and died after half an hour.

WINNERS OF GOVERNOR'S MEDALS.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 24.—The following are the names of the winners of the lieutenant-governor's medals for the annual counties, as reported by the board of final examinations: Albert County—Ruby Farris, Hillsboro Sup. School.

Carleton County—Gertrude McManus, Woodstock Gram. School.

Charlotte County—Walter Lawson, North Grand Manan Sup. School.

Gloucester County—Laura Young, Tracadie Sup. School.

Kent County—Amanda Bourque, Baie Verte Sup. School.

Kings County—Percy Robinson, Hampton Sup. School.

Northumberland County—Gertrude Clark, Harkins Academy, Newcastle.

Queens and Sunbury County—Dale C. B. Spencer, Gagetown Gram. School.

Restigouche County—Douglas J. Mc Campbell, Grand Gram. School.

St. John County—Stanley Reed, Fairville Sup. School.

Victoria and Madawaska—Lena McCluskey, Grand Falls Sup. School.

Westmorland County—Eveline Bradshaw, Moncton Gram. School.

FOUND OUT WHAT TIME IT WAS.

An innocent man from somewhere up Moncton way, went to Boston yesterday and while in St. John station asked one of the officials the time. He was told that there was a clock at the end of the hall. A few moments later he returned and told the official he couldn't tell the time by that clock. The official went to see what was wrong. The man pointed to the weighing machine and wanted to know how anybody could tell the time by that. "Oh," said the official, "you must drop a cent in it. I'll show you." He dropped the coin and wanted to know how anybody could tell the time by that. "Oh," said the official, "you must drop a cent in it. I'll show you." He dropped the coin and wanted to know how anybody could tell the time by that. "Oh," said the official, "you must drop a cent in it. I'll show you." He dropped the coin and wanted to know how anybody could tell the time by that.

THEY WERE NOT WHAT THEY SEEMED.

Oysters Quietly Passing Themselves Off as Clams in Moncton.

MONCTON, Aug. 24.—Policeman Leslie Chappell of Moncton, has accepted the position of marshal of Shediac in place of A. W. Belyea, retired.

Fish Inspector Chapman today seized and confiscated four barrels of oysters addressed to city restaurants and labelled clams. A few clams were on top of each barrel.

Odellfords observed today as decoration day, marching to the rural cemetery and depositing floral emblems of the order on the graves of about twenty departed brothers and sisters. The oration of the day was delivered by Rev. W. W. Ross.

COMFORT FOR OLD PEOPLE.

Much of the suffering of the aged is due to the kidney derangements which lead to backache, rheumatism, lumbago and body pains. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills bring comfort to the old folks by keeping the kidneys healthy and active, and so eliminating from the body the poisonous acids which cause joint aches and fatal disease.

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CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

together With Country Items From Correspondents and Exchanges.

To cure headache in ten minutes use Kuntfort Headache Powders, 10 cents.

Col. Tucker on Monday received word from Hon. Mr. Hyman, acting minister of public works, that the contract for the Dipper Harbor breakwater had been awarded to Messrs. Lyons & White, of Ottawa. The contract price is \$46,480 and the work will be begun almost immediately.

The heating plant is at present being installed in the new I. C. R. route house, Marsh Creek. The Sturtevant system, manufactured by a Boston concern, is being installed. The work was commenced last Friday and will probably be completed this week. The installation is being supervised by a Boston expert.

VALUABLE SILVER GIFTS.

The best Canadian wheat cereal—Orange Meat—is a nutritious and tasty food. "I not only use it myself, but I advise my convalescent patients to use it," says G. M. Stratton, R. D. 3, Napes, Ont. Every leading grocer can show samples of heavy silver-plated ware given free for coupons enclosed in every 1 lb. package. A splendid line of tea and dessert spoons in sets of six and three respectively, a beautiful pattern in a sugar shell, and a handsome new design butter knife, all of very heavy silver plate, without stamp or advertisement, are among the premiums which may be secured along with this excellent Canadian food.

GAVE THE MONEY TO A WOMAN.

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 24.—Edward Gould, who was arrested at Worcester, Mass., last week and brought back to Moncton on the charge of stealing \$400 from the clothing of Wm. Steeves, a heavy stable keeper here, a couple of months ago, was today in the court at Dorchester. Gould was not at first suspected of the crime, but gave himself away by entrusting the money to the wife of the man with whom he boarded before he left the country. The fact that he possessed this large sum of money and his sudden departure aroused suspicion and when Gould was confronted with the facts he virtually admitted to the officer that he was the guilty party.

CONSUMPTION IMPOSSIBLE.

You'll never develop consumption if you inhale Catarrhoxone. Why it kills the germs instantly, cures catarrh and throat trouble like magic. For coughs and colds there's nothing so quick as Catarrhoxone. Used in hospitals, prescribed by doctors, endorsed by thousands. Catarrhoxone never fails. Try it.

FORESTERS' PICNIC.

Welford Foresters and their brethren in this city are looking forward with much pleasure to the picnic that is to be held on the grounds of H. W. Wood on Tuesday next. The City Cornet band has been engaged for the occasion and a good time is assured for all who attend.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

Mrs. Weyman and Mrs. McDonald, who were thrown out of a car at the foot of King street a few days ago and badly shaken up, have decided to bring an action for damages against the St. John Railway Co., and have retained Messrs. Macrae & Sinclair. The case promises to be an exciting one, and the opposing lawyers have been doing some preliminary sparring already.

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Persons whose nerves are affected by blue and discouraged, are easily irritated and annoyed and learn to look on the dark side. The restorative influence of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food soon shows its effect on the feelings. It gives new life and courage, new energy and confidence by creating nerve force it affords new vigor and vitality for both mind and body.

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MOST GENEROUS GOVERNMENT.

OTTAWA, Aug. 24.—A board of officers has been appointed to report whether St. Helene Island, opposite Montreal, is required for military purposes. If the report is favorable the government will hand the island over to the city. The eye of a general election is prolific of deeds of generosity on part of the present administration.

Orange Meat

The National Cereal

HUNDREDS OF HEAVY GUNS ARE SHELLING PORT ARTHUR.

Final Assault on the City Expected at Any Moment—Russian Lines Are Weakened—The Warships at Shanghai Will be Disarmed at Once.

TOKIO, Aug. 24, 10 a. m.—The final assault on Port Arthur is imminent. Hundreds of Japanese guns continue to pour a destructive fire into the city and harbor, along the lines of forts and entrenchments, preparatory for the infantry assault. It is evident that the Russian lines have been weakened and partly penetrated in the vicinity of Aussahan and Iasshan forts. The entire line of Russian defenses immediately about the harbor are within range of the Japanese guns. A number of Russian forts and batteries continue to be vigorous. The Japanese death toll will be heavily increased before they are captured. The direction of the Japanese attack creates the impression here that the city and defenses on either side of the harbor entrance will fall first. The final stand will be made at Liaotshan. Japanese official channels of information remain closed and the navy department's announcement of the striking of a mine by the battleship Sevastopol, and the sinking of the Russian cruiser Nishin and the Japanese battleship Asahi were detailed to watch the Sevastopol. Her commander reported that the Russian battleship emerged from Port Arthur yesterday morning and co-operated with certain Russian batteries in bombarding the Japanese forces on shore. This thing had been kept up for several hours and the Sevastopol suddenly struck a submerged mine. The explosion caused her to list heavily to starboard and at the same time she lurched forward, almost burying her bow under water. She was towed back into Port Arthur by a tug.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

Milltown.

MILLTOWN, N. B., Aug. 23.—The death of Mrs. Wm. Wade occurred Saturday, after an illness of several weeks, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Christie Jackson, jr., Pleasant street. The funeral was held this afternoon, Rev. J. C. Robertson, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, officiating.

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OTTAWA, Aug. 24.—A board of officers has been appointed to report whether St. Helene Island, opposite Montreal, is required for military purposes. If the report is favorable the government will hand the island over to the city. The eye of a general election is prolific of deeds of generosity on part of the present administration.

The single fact that the day to which a large portion of the public looked forward with superstitious dread passed without the fall of the fortress suddenly encouraged the popular hope that the christening of the Casarevitch will mark a turn in the tide.

Reports that General Kuropatkin is about to make an important move continue to be circulated, but the character of the move is not hinted at.

As the reports from the front agree that the rains have ceased and that the roads are drying, a resumption of military activity is expected.

Nothing has been received from Russian sources confirming the report that the battleship Sevastopol struck a mine outside of Port Arthur yesterday.

TOKIO, Aug. 24, 9 a. m.—Further details of the disabling of the Russian battleship Sevastopol have been received. It seems that on Tuesday afternoon while engaged in shelling the Japanese land forces from a position outside of Port Arthur, the battleship struck a mine and was disabled.

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The corresponding of the Associated Press was informed that it was not certain whether the orders to destroy the vessel which had reached the Smolensk, as she did not report after leaving Suze; but a ship was sent out to convey the orders to her. If the vessel was destroyed, the Russian ports that the Smolensk stopped the Comedian prove to be correct, the foreign office has not yet been able to establish the identity of the Russian cruiser which recently examined the papers of the British steamer Comedian, the southeast coast of Cape Colony. Telegraphic reports from the authorities at Durban confirm the examination of the papers, but as no person on board the Comedian could be traced, the character of the examination is not clear. There is reason to believe that Ambassador Hardinge would have been in the city to express the hope that neither the Smolensk nor the St. Petersburg are continuing the examination of neutral vessels contrary to the assurance given by Russia. In view of the fact that the ambassador will enter a fresh protest against the examination of a neutral ship at a point so distant from the scene of hostilities.

PARIS, Aug. 24.—A despatch to the Temps from St. Petersburg says the Askold, Grozovoi and Diana will be disarmed if Japan will give the powers a specific promise not to attempt thereafter to seize them.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 24.—In view of the fact that the Chinese minister of foreign affairs has given the Russian legation four days in which to make repairs, the attitude is believed to have become more serious.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The correspondence of the Times at Shanghai in a despatch dated Aug. 24, 11.35 p. m., says that orders from Emperor Nicholas have been conveyed to Captain Reitzelstein commanding him forthwith to disarm the cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi and that the flags on both vessels were lowered at 7 o'clock tonight.

Edith Kennedy, V. C. T.; A. G. McFarland, rec. sec.; Nellie Currie, asst. sec.; Hayden Tracey, P. sec.; Herb. Corey, treas.; Rev. E. O. Hartman, chap.; Wendal Tracey, guard; Wm. Nevers, sentinel. The lodge starts out under favorable circumstances with a charter membership of about forty.

The Reformed Baptist Sunday school are holding their annual picnic this afternoon on the grounds adjoining the school garden.

BELEISLE STATION, Aug. 24.—Miss Lena Northrup from St. John, who has been spending her vacation at home in Belleisle, returned to the city on today's train.

Clara McCracken, the personage last week to resume work in her school at Elgin, Albert Co. Miss Ada Northrup has also gone to her school at Goheen, Quebec Co.

Miss Norma Baskin from St. John, west is visiting at the Methodist parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. Penna returned from the city on Wednesday morning.

MONCTON NEWS.

Hector Landry Going to the West—Another Political Aspirant.

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 25.—I. C. R. Divisional Superintendent Jarvis of Truro, is holding an investigation here into the case of the man Phalan, night watchman at North street station, who was stopped by Officer Jones of Amherst, recently for displaying a badge and claiming to be a detective. Officer Jones was here to give evidence.

Minister of Railways Emmerson was here today and in company with General Manager Pottinger paid an inspection visit to the I. C. R. shops. P. E. Wade of Amnapolis, who is to be chairman of the Grand Trunk Pacific construction commission, passed through here today on his way to Ottawa.

Senator McKee, Cape Breton, was a passenger by the Ocean Limited this afternoon on his way home from the west.

Vice-President Patton of the Pennsylvania railway and a party of friends passed through here today in a private car on the way to Halifax.

I. C. R. Driver Townsend of Sydney has been sent back to Moncton by the result of the agitation of drivers on the eastern division who claim that the importation of drivers interferes with the present drivers.

Hector L. Landry, son of Judge Landry, who has been practicing law in Moncton for the last year, leaves next month for Moosemin, Assiniboia, where he is to be associated with the well known firm of White & Ellwood.

Aug. 24.—Miss Wetmore of Boston is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wm. N. Raymond of Simonds.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Neatherington of Hopewell Hill have returned home.

An I. O. G. T. lodge was organized last evening, with the following officers: W. D. Keith, O. D.; H. F. Parker, C. M.; Jackson, C. M.; C. M. D.

ST. MARTINS.

ST. MARTINS, Aug. 24.—The remains of Mrs. Samuel McCormack, widow of the late Samuel McCormack, who died in the St. John Lunatic Asylum, Aug. 22, will arrive here by train this afternoon and will be interred in the cemetery at arrival of train. Interment will be in the cemetery adjoining the Baptist Church. Mrs. McCormack has for many years been a respected resident of St. Martins. She is upwards of 90 years of age and until her late unfortunate illness has been known as a remarkably healthy and energetic woman. For many years she kept a boarding house and by her genial qualities won a large number of friends.

The Presbyterian Sunday school held their annual picnic Tuesday at Brown's Beach, being conveyed thither by teams. A large number of outside visitors attended, while the school turned out en masse. A most enjoyable day was spent.

The Episcopal Sunday school will hold their picnic Wednesday on the same grounds, they also being conveyed by teams. A good time is expected.

Miss Grace Fowles is spending a week in St. John, the guest of Mrs. John Godard, Douglas avenue.

Councillor and Mrs. Wm. E. Emmanuel of Alma, Albert Co., are visiting here, this being their former home.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

At the last meeting of the P. E. I. cheese board the highest bid was eight cents. This was accepted by the board, which sold 150 cheeses.

Rev. Bernard McDonald, who returned a few weeks ago from Rome, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

John Jimmo, the well known Miramichi pilot, visited Ruxton last week, bringing the tug R. Coll from Miramichi. He took with him on return the tugs R. Coll and Bridgetown. Schooners Arctic, owned by Corvill Bros., which has been engaged in the trade with the West Indies for some years, has been sold to a firm in St. Pierre, Mikusson.

AUGUST WEDDINGS.

(From Thursday's Daily Sun.)
FREDERICTON, Aug. 24.—The wedding takes place tomorrow evening at the residence of the bride's parents of Miss Jessie Andine, only daughter of William Vandine, and Bruce McDermott, formerly of this city but lately of St. George.

GALISHEN-TURNBULL.
The marriage took place at Stanley today at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Turnbull of their daughter, Miss Elsie Turnbull, and James Galishen.

DUFFY-MICHAEL.
The wedding took place in St. Dunstan's church on Monday evening at 9 o'clock of Thomas Duffy, a member of the crew of the tug Fanchon, and Miss Nellie Michael, daughter of Mrs. T. B. Burgoyne, the proprietress of the Lorne Hotel.

MCLEOD-POND.
Lawrence A. McLeod, son of Alex. McLeod of Parker's Ridge, and Miss Teresa Pond of the same place were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. T. Clarke Hartley. The happy couple left immediately afterwards to drive to their future home at Parker's Ridge.

GIBSON-BUSTIN.
A pleasing event took place at the residence of Mrs. William Harvey Gibson, at 6.45 o'clock this morning when her sister, Miss Martha Bustin, daughter of Robert Bustin of Washville, was united in marriage to William E. Gibson of Calais, Me. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Jas. Crisp, and after a dainty wedding breakfast had been served at the home of the bride, the young couple drove to this city and took the str. Victoria for St. John.

McGIBBON-THOMAS.
At 2.30 this afternoon at St. Ann's church Rev. Canon Roberts united in marriage James McGibbon and Miss Maud Thomas, both of P. E. Island. The ceremony was a quiet one and attended by only the immediate friends of the bride.

BLACK-PURDY.
The announcement of the marriage of George E. Black of Dawson to Mrs. Maud Purdy of Chicago the first of this month came as a great surprise to the friends of that gentleman in this city. The ceremony was performed on August 1st by Rev. W. H. Barradough, Methodist clergyman at present stationed in Dawson. Mr. Black is well known in this city, where he has a host of friends. His bride with her children has resided in the Yukon for several months and has been known as the energetic managing owner of a mill corporation. Dawson papers to hand report that Mr. Black has been the recipient of many congratulations.

JOHNSON-PAISLEY.
SACKVILLE, Aug. 24.—The marriage took place this morning of Louise, second daughter of Rev. C. H. Paisley, D. D., of Mount Allison University, to Rev. Chas. H. Johnson of Calcutta, Queens county. The ceremony was held in the Paisley residence. Rev. C. H. Johnson, assisted by Rev. David Johnson, father of the groom. The guests were immediate friends in this town. The bride received an address from the officers of the Methodist church and Epworth League thanking her for her valuable services in church work. The happy pair left on the C. P. R. for St. John and Digby.

ELECTIONS SOON.

A meeting of the leaders of the liberal party was held in this city yesterday morning. It was rather exclusive and was called in consequence of the fact that the Liberal party in this city would be held between the first and the middle of November. The exact date, so the message said, would be determined at the next meeting of the caucus. At yesterday's meeting some preliminary arrangements for organization were made.

The government party in St. John is somewhat unsettled on the question of candidates. It is well understood that Richard O'Brien will again go to the convention, and it is thought probable that after the lesson of last winter he may do better than he did before. Mr. McKewen will be brought forward again, but perhaps not this time as a rival of Mr. O'Brien. There is now room for both. Colonel McKewen is now in London, and so of course is Colonel Tucker, whose friends do not see why he should be thrown aside after his large financial sacrifices for the party. If George Robertson, M. P. E., has not been elected, he will be a general before the time comes to choose a candidate, a large number of delegates will probably go to the convention to determine who to run him for Ottawa. Daniel Mullin has been regarded as a likely candidate ever since his recent declaration of faith.

Other deaths include Mrs. John Levesley of Wellington; Mrs. Thomas Clark of Millville, aged 28; James Carr of Millville, aged 53; Jennie A. Wood of Millville, aged 24; Joseph Murphy of Chatham, aged 28; Melinda Arbinger of Pictou, aged 28; John Brooks of Murray Harbor, south, aged 81; Wm. Bowley of Midgell, aged 81; Mary M. Steele of Scotchport, aged 20; Donald McEwen of Summerside, aged 20; William McKay of New London, aged 64; Annie Fisher of Charlottetown, formerly of St. Peter's Road; Fanny McMillan of Bloomfield, aged 18; Mrs. Neil J. McNeil of Irving, aged 24; son of David J. Irving of Cherry Valley, was killed by a moving train in Brockton, Mass. He attempted to board the train, but was crowded by the throng and fell beneath the wheels. His left arm and left leg were badly crushed and he died shortly afterwards. His remains were brought to St. John for interment.

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