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**NEGRO BURNED FOR ASSAULT ON WOMAN**

Traced by Bloodhounds from Scene of Crime

Made a Desperate Resistance But Was Shot Down and Bound—Crowd Dispersed After the Burning.

ROCKWELL, Texas, March 8.—After burning Anderson Ellis, a negro, who attempted to assault Mrs. Arthur McKinney at a stake in the public square of this little town late last night, the crowd quickly dispersed. Ellis was taken from the Rockwell County Jail and securely tied to an iron stake, then cordwood saturated with kerosene was piled about him, and upon his refusal to make a statement, beyond admitting his guilt, in the presence of Mrs. McKinney, who truly identified him as her assailant, the torch was applied. As the flames licked about his head the man did not utter a cry nor show any symptoms of losing his nerve. He was dead in less than ten minutes. Mrs. McKinney was seized by the back of her head early Friday morning by the negro, an employee of her husband, she fought desperately, and the negro fled, threatening to murder her if she revealed his attempted act. The alarm spread quickly and the entire section turned out, joining the authorities in the chase after the negro. The search continued through Friday and Saturday. Yesterday a posse arrived at the farm house of Andrew Clark, a negro farmer. Demand was made to search the premises on the supposition that the negro Ellis was there in hiding. Upon their refusal the inmates were commanded to surrender and two negroes were seen running from the rear of the house. Shots were fired, and one of the men, Will Clark, son of the farmer, was killed. The other negro, now known to be Ellis, escaped for the time being, but bloodhounds were put on his track, and about eight o'clock last night he was surrounded at a farm house three miles south of Cadogan Mills. Ellis was armed and made desperate resistance, but he emptied his weapon at the posse without effect. He was wounded twice and at the end of the posse overpowered him and tied him securely. He was then hustled off to jail, but when it became known that he was a prisoner, determined men overpowered the jailors and obtained the keys. The burning at the stake quickly followed.

**RAILROADS WIN AGAIN**

**THE TWO CENT FARE RATE**

Judge Decides That Rates Fixed by Statute Do Not Permit a Reasonable Profit.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 8.—A notable decision in favor of the railroad has been handed down today by Judge McPherson, of the United States district court, in the two cent fare and maximum rate cases, involving eight Missouri lines. The railroad contended that the rates fixed by the statutes of the state were not remunerative but that the rates were fixed by the statute and that the enforcement of the statute was enjoined. The state brought proceedings to have them enforced. "The question," said Judge McPherson, in his decision, "is whether the traffic wholly within the state of Missouri generally referred to in the evidence as local traffic can be carried under the freight rate statute of 1907 and the passenger fare statute of 1907 at such a profit as will give a reasonable return after paying expenses, upon the investment, or whether such traffic is carried at a loss or less than such reasonable profit. The court has reached the conclusion that upon this question the statutory rates fixed by either and both statutes are not remunerative."

He says further as to the abolition of passes that the evidence shows the passenger revenue is increased by reason thereof less than one per cent.

**BRIEF DESPATCHES.**

BROCKTON, Mass., March 8.—The factories of the W. L. Douglas shoe Co. resumed their customary activity today with the return of the 42 strikers who had been on strike since March 1st, causing the enforced idleness of about 1,000 operatives. At a conference between the strikers and their employers last Saturday a satisfactory agreement was effected, but the terms were not made public.

CADIZ, March 8.—The physicians in attendance upon Vice-Admiral Cervera who was reported to be in a dying condition at Puerto Real last week, are now of the opinion that the Admiral has a chance of recovery.

BOSTON, March 8.—Colonel Charles Rivers, who returned from the Civil War in command of the 11th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry after having taken part in 34 battles, died. For 17 years he was deputy surveyor of customs for the port of Boston.

**ITALIANS ON G.T.P. CONSTRUCTION BLAMED FOR THE EPIDEMIC OF TYPHOID NOW RAGING**

By Their Unclean Habits They Pollute the Water, Says Dr. Rankin—A Hundred and Fifty Cases in Four Places, Edmunston Having 46 and Woodstock 49 Today.

**NEGROES PLAN A BIG WELCOME TO JOHNSON**

Rochester Yacht Club Defends Its Position

League Players Getting Down to Work—Twenty Four Teams in the Six Day Race.

MOBILE, Ala., March 8.—Headed by Napoleon Lajolo, the manager and second baseman of the Cleveland American League Club, the fielders reached the city yesterday and are quartered with the pitchers and catchers who preceded them and will remain here two weeks training.

THE CANADA CLUB.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 8.—The Rochester Yacht Club has been holding a series of regattas for the cup, the Great Lakes, defending its position in the proposed race for the Canada Cup since 1906, which has been officially declared off, after a long controversy with the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto. A paper defending the action of the Canadians in refusing the Herreshoff built boat, the Seren, winner of the last series, for the cup, the right to compete again, has been in circulation and this answer to it defends the eligibility of the boat. In the opinion of the Rochester Club.

**EX-NAVAL OFFICER ON TRIAL FOR LIBEL**

Dis honorably Dismissed From Service, He Now Faces Serious Charges.

BERLIN, Mar. 6.—In the presence of many distinguished officers of the German navy, ex-Captain Berger, late commander of the scouting division of the high sea battle squadron, was yesterday placed on trial, charged with criminal libel on Admiral Tirpitz, secretary to the imperial admiralty. Admiral Tirpitz, chief of the emperor's naval cabinet, and Vice Admiral Schmitt, director of the general marine department of the admiralty. Herr Berger in his opening statement which was uttered with such passion and fury that the presiding judge had to call him to order, depicted himself as a "naval Dryfus." Raising his voice to a shout and striking the table violently with his fist, he declared: "These people wanted to destroy me to tear my uniform from my back!" Herr Berger was dis honorably dismissed from the service in 1907, after having been court-martialed for conduct unbecoming an officer. He made unsuccessful attempts to rehabilitate himself in the civil and naval courts. Desperate at these failures, he aired his grievances in the columns of the Blue Book, charging the heads of the navy with persecution and with defeating the ends of justice by suppressing documents. He also attempted to interest the Kaiser in his case.

**GUARDIAN OF KINGS SEEKS PRIVATE LIFE**

PARIS, March 6.—M. Paoli, the police commissary and friend of kings, who has been the special guardian of crowned heads visiting France during twenty years, has retired from the service at the age of 74. He was responsible for the safety of visiting sovereigns from the moment they set foot in French territory until they left it. The commissary was a great favorite of Queen Victoria and also of King Edward. His official acquaintance with the latter began when the King was Prince of Wales. During one of his recent visits to France King Edward presented him with a gold watch as a souvenir of their long friendship, and of this Mr. Paoli is very proud. The retiring official had the tact of an ambassador and a fund of wonderfully good stories, with which he more than once delighted royal ears. M. Paoli in his day has been deputed to keep a protecting eye upon, among others, Queen Victoria, King Edward, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Czar, the late and the present Kings of Italy and Sweden, the King and Queen of Norway, the King of Greece, King Leopold, and the ex-Empress Eugenie. He possesses more foreign decorations than perhaps any sovereign of Europe. M. Paoli contemplates publishing his memoirs and they should make pleasant reading.

**WOODSTOCK, N. B., March 8.**—For some cause not yet explained by the doctors in charge, typhoid fever has been raging for some weeks on the upper part of the St. John River. There are today twenty-seven cases at Grand Falls, forty-six at Edmunston, twenty-nine at Plaster Rock and then very few cases until we reach Woodstock, where forty-nine of our people are ill with the malady. The local doctors with one exception, claim that the germs come from the water. Typhoid fever is a water born disease. There are cases due to dust, flies or sewer gas carrying the germs, but ninety-five per cent. of the cases arise from water. Drs. Rankin, Griffin, Kierstead, Grant and Prescott so agree. Dr. Sprague thinks the germs come from some other cause as applicable to Woodstock at this time. Dr. Rankin's theory is that some thousands of Italians and other foreigners not used to cleanliness, now working on the railway near Grand Falls, have not lived up to the laws of hygiene, and the rains have washed the waste matter into the river at Grand Falls. To a certain extent during the summer months, with the sun shining, the water would purify itself but it reached Woodstock in winter it comes down under the ice in a mass and we get the germs through the intake at the water works.

**LOVE ROMANCE LEADS TO SPLENDID CHARITY**

Chivalrous Russian Desires to Wed Erring Woman, But Princess Forbids.

PARIS, March 6.—Three years ago a wealthy Russian princess and her son, a youth of 23, visited Paris. During a reception the Prince met a young widow of good family, who had been left almost penniless by her husband's death. He fell in love with her, but the Princess's mother, on learning of the attachment, took him back to Russia. The two lovers exchanged letters for some time, but ultimately the correspondence ceased. About a year ago the Prince paid another visit to Paris, and at a music hall at Montmartre he encountered his old sweetheart. Her story was a sad one. Left without a penny, she was driven to earning her living as best she could. The Prince chivalrously wished to marry the woman, but his mother, in horror, vetoed the match. Through the police she brought pressure to bear upon the woman, and induced her to leave Paris and renounce the projected union. Touched by her renunciation, the Princess settled upon her a pension of \$8000 a year. She also gave M. Leglise a check for \$5000 to establish a fund for the rearing of young girls who have taken the first false step. Mrs. Roussau, daughter of the director of the fund, is the administrative of the depot, and M. Clemenceau has accepted the honorary presidency. The annual report was presented yesterday, the generous founder attending the meeting in person.

**TOOK THREE SHOCKS TO KILL THIS MURDERER**

Negro Proved a Stiff Proposition for the Electric Chair in Sing Sing.

OSBURNING, N. Y., Mar. 8.—William Jones, a negro, was put to death in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison this morning. He was brought into the death chamber shortly before six o'clock attended by the Rev. S. D. Jones the prison chaplain. The first contact consisting of 1540 volts was kept on a minute and five seconds. After a heavy examination the current again was turned on and kept up for six seconds. A second examination showed a third contact to be necessary. It lasted six seconds and at its close, ten minutes after the first shock was given the train was declared dead. William Jones killed Llewellyn Bunn, in Hempstead, L. I., on Sept. 1, 1907.

**CHATHAM IS WELL AGAIN**

CHATHAM, N. B., March 8.—Michael Murray, inspector for the board of health, took down the last pleaser for diphtheria this morning, and the town is now clear of that disease and scarlet fever as well.

**SHOT THE MAN WHO RAN OFF WITH HIS SISTER**

Brother of Bride Takes Revenge on the One Who Forsook Her to Elope.

CHICAGO, Mar. 8.—Frank Serino was shot and killed yesterday because a week ago, according to his slayer, he held a revolver to the head of Mrs. Joseph Fresno, 19 years old, a bride of 10 days, and forced her to elope with him to New York. Serino's slayer was the brother of Mrs. Fresno, Michael Pesalano, 30 years old. He had traced the couple to New York and forced Serino to accompany him back to Chicago with the girl. Here, according to Pesalano, Serino refused to consent to marry the girl. He then shot Serino and took possession of the girl.

**SELECTING JUDGES FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE**

SACKVILLE, N. B., March 8.—Hon. A. S. White, Dr. R. Magill, of Halifax, and either Chief Justice Barker or Judge McLeod will be the judges in the coming debate between Mount Allison University and the University of New Brunswick. Hon. Mr. White and Dr. Magill have been agreed upon and one of the other two gentlemen will be selected as the third judge. They have been suggested by the U. N. B. and Mr. Allison makes the choice. Judge Barker will probably be selected. The debate takes place in Fredericton on the twenty-fifth. The marriage took place in St. John's recently of Miss Janet D. Goodwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Goodwin, to Mr. Carrville Tremblay, of Bayfield. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. A. B. Chipman, pastor of the Methodist Church.

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**OKUMA SAYS TAFT'S POLICY IS SENSIBLE**

Federal and State Rights Should be Settled

Big Navy is Not a Threat of War—Immigration Restriction Only a Temporary Method of Avoiding Friction.

TOKIO, March 8.—Count Okuma, former President of the Progressive Party, has written a signed article for the Tokio Mainichi, in which he unreservedly praises President Taft for his policy as embodied in his inaugural address. In regard to that portion of the address dealing with the treaty rights of aliens, Okuma says that it would be a matter thoroughly compatible with national credit and honor and the standing of the United States as a highly civilized power. In respect to the naval program as laid down in the inaugural speech the count professes to recuse fully. He writes that President Taft believes that such an outcome in an unavoidable demand of the times and indicates the idea that it is directed against Japan. He asserts that this idea is a gross misrepresentation of both Japan and the United States who believe equally that a strong navy is the best guarantee of peace. Regarding immigration the count cannot entertain the idea of restriction as a principle, but he is unopposed to it as a temporary measure for preventing unnecessary excitement and irritation when Japan is unfortunately the object of unwarrantable American prejudice. In conclusion, he says "Japan's real motive was proven on the occasion of the visit of the fleet, and is now being fully by estimable Americans. Local anti-Japanese is not of serious concern and will disappear when Americans cease to be haunted by a needless suspicion."

**HOLLAND'S PLAN TO STOP DRINKING**

Fixed Fees to Look After the Safety of Drunken — All Sorts of Conveyances.

LONDON, March 8.—They have a strange way of combating the evils of alcoholism in Holland. In fact, the methods of the Anti-alcoholic League would suggest at first sight that they rather encouraged drinking than otherwise. The league undertakes for certain fixed fees to look after the safety of those who have been drinking, but too well, thus no doubt making considerable revenue from a falling whose eradication is supposed to be the sole object of its existence. When the officials of the league come upon a man whose ambulatory movements are a matter of speculation from one moment to another, they undertake instead of ducking him in the nearest ditch to escort him home for the sum of 75 centimes. Should he wish assistance in negotiating the roughest parts of the road, he can pay another 25 centimes to secure the best of extra care. If his legs have passed beyond his control, he can pay another 25 centimes to secure a journey in a seat carried by two stalwart attendants. The next grade of transportation is a wheelbarrow with a rug, price 1 franc 75 centimes, specially recommended for those whose drunkenness have a nasty habit of throwing themselves out of the perpendicular when their owners have overindulged themselves. So far the trip progresses until finally he comes to the donkey cart, a conveyance de luxe provided at 2 francs 50 centimes for those intoxicated persons whose obesity renders them more than ordinarily incapable of helping themselves.

**ELMER GOODES IS A WELL DRESSED YOUNG MAN WHO WAS ARRESTED SOME DAYS AGO FOR WANDERING ABOUT MILLIDGEVILLE AND NOT GIVING A SATISFACTORY ACCOUNT OF HIMSELF. THIS MORNING HE WAS TAKEN BEFORE MAGISTRATE RITCHIE, WHO TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS LIABLE TO A TERM OF TWO MONTHS JAIL. GOODES WAS ALLOWED TO GO AND TOLD TO LOOK UP WORK.**











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### THE SENATE.

Since Parliament opened, several propositions differing materially in their principles, have been presented with regard to the constitution of the Senate. Although none of these have led to any serious consideration there has been sufficient discussion, of a more or less desultory nature, to create the impression that there is actually in existence some sort of movement in the way of senate reform. It is a pity that the grandfathers of Confederation—those still forming a majority in the upper house—that they could perhaps manage to get through a little more work without hurting themselves, and maybe render some trifling service to the people who pay their salaries, without injuring their constitutions. Still whatever belief there may exist that the senate itself desires to be reformed is distinctly erroneous.

A thoughtful member of Commons, one Lancaster by name, has advocated the abolition of the upper house, and suggests as a means of bringing about this end, that a resolution embodying the change be presented to the imperial parliament. It is of course necessary that the body which created the senate should have a voice in any proposal affecting it. But, however, laudable Mr. Lancaster's ambition may be, the suggestion to abolish the senate is almost in the nature of an insult to that venerable institution. The state of the upper house has never been an issue in Canadian politics, it has not been made a part of any policy, and hence such a radical move could not well be expected to attract much without direction from the people. If reform is to come—and there are many who think some benefit might be wrought by a judicious change—such reform must under existing conditions originate in the senate itself, and a variation in the constitution or working of that body will be considered by the government only upon the request of the chamber to be affected. Such a resolution leaves before the people of Canada only one serious proposal, respecting the upper house, namely that brought forward a few days ago by Hon. Mr. Scott. It is true that during the past decade there have been a great many suggestions of a somewhat similar nature, but few so forcibly presented and backed by such wide experience as Mr. Scott possesses. Yet it is not apparent that any in the past have aroused more enthusiasm or interest among the senators themselves than did this most recent suggestion which was heard by only a score or so of members. It is to be feared that as in many other things, some of the senators talk senate reform merely for recreation, or as a means of passing the time while pretending to be busy. Doubtless some few, like Mr. Scott, realize that the institution to which they belong could be made a much more valuable working force than it now is, but generally speaking they are disinclined to disturb the existing order of things. So long as this indifference is displayed, and so long as the senate continues to be some a less and less valuable branch of the government, just so long will the feeling grow among the electors that the upper house is not wholly necessary. And by and by its extinction will become a live issue—not as in the case of the House of Commons in Britain, which does too much work, but because on the contrary it undertakes too little and fails to provide an adequate return for the outlay made on it. The senate, if it were conducted in a manner consistent with the abilities of the men who form it, could find many valuable opportunities for effective work, but it is not unfair to suggest that the men who—chiefly because of service in other positions—have been honored by elevation to the upper chamber, now desire first of all, to lead the simple life and to avoid all subjects of a controversial nature.

### THE DEATH SENTENCE.

Many people in New Brunswick will breathe easier because of the verdict of death pronounced on the murderers of Edward Green. It is a very serious matter but in this case there can be nothing but agreement with the verdict. The murder for which these men must suffer was planned in cold blood simply for the sake of the victim's money and it is impossible to find a single circumstance to mitigate the brutality and repulsiveness of the crime. Under some circumstances those who have red blood in their own veins find it hard to condemn a fellow-being to death for murder which may have been committed in the heat of passion or where the man considered that his honor was concerned. In this case, however, there is no excuse to be offered for the perpetrators of the crime and no appeal for sympathy for the

### NEWS OF EASTPORT.

Lubco Sardinia Company Will Rebuild Old Factory Burned During Last Season.

EASTPORT, March 6.—The Lubco Sardinia Company will rebuild as once the big factory which was destroyed by fire during the season of 1908. The new structure will be of all-iron and concrete and will be fitted up in the most approved fashion. The cost of concrete work will be correspondingly lessened. When a sardine factory pretty well seasoned with oil is set on fire there is not one chance in a thousand of saving anything, but the water-submerged foundation rapidly spread the flames. On this account insurance rates are very high, and the owners who have experienced one or more fires are beginning to realize that wood is not the cheapest construction material after all. The big can-making plant of the American Can Company here is an object lesson in this respect. The big concrete and steel foundation of concrete and it is said that in the future more of this kind of construction will be used. Rumor has it that the Sardinia Sardinia Company contemplates in the near future the erection of a big concrete and brick factory on the site now occupied by the wooden factory known as No. 4.

It is expected that the big can-making plant will be started up during the present month, probably about the third week in March. The sardine packing season opens, according to law, on April 15, and it has been customary to start the manufacture of cans a month ahead of that date. Shipments of sardines to market are being made regularly from both Eastport and Lubco, and by the time open season arrives, the amount of goods on hand from the 1908 pack will be comparatively small. There is going to be a better demand for Eastport sardines in the future, according to opinion of parties who have close touch with the market, the improvement in the quality of the goods being packed as to warranted belief that the watchword of the packers who have learned by the experience of last year is a demand for a good article and is willing to pay for the same. With the improvement in the quality of the goods, the slightest difficulty in putting up a sufficient quantity of goods to supply the market will be a serious matter. As from every starry place Peeps a little cherub face, In the centre of each light a watch to keep.

### THE DIPPER.

Do you know my darling, why, Hanging up there in the sky, We can see a golden dipper, shining bright, Listen with your pink shell ears, I will tell you what appears, When my little child is sleeping in the night, First there comes a joyous strain, Drooping down like summer rain, Then a mystic silence follows strange and deep, As from every starry place Peeps a little cherub face, In the centre of each light a watch to keep.

While two hands, so soft and fair, Take the dipper from above, From its place, and turn it gently over—No! Till the darkness sprinkles through the violets of blue, And the buttercups and grasses where they grow.

Then from out the dipper streams Down a silver mist of dreams, Over all the little children, where they lie. They are messages of love, Coming to them from above, From the other little children in the sky.

Next there comes a tender calm, Floating southward like a balm, Bearing with it, Oh, so many lovely things, Comfort for the sick and sad, Help and pity for the bad, Echoes of the angels' song—feathers from their wings.

### THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

Notices were given out yesterday in all the Anglican churches, of a special missionary campaign Sunday on March 14th. Special addresses will be given in six of the city churches at the regular services, and at a mass meeting for men that will be held in Trinity church, at 8 p. m. Bishop Richardson, Rev. R. W. Norwood and Mr. Silas McBee, editor of the New York Churchman, will be the speakers. Bishop Richardson is more than ever of missionary enthusiasm since his return from his western trip. Rev. R. W. Norwood is one of the ablest preachers from the diocese of Nova Scotia, and Mr. Silas McBee, one of the most prominent laymen in the American Church, and a great enthusiast for the work of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

### THE USHER WOKE UP.

At a certain county court the judge is in his private capacity a kind hearted man. The usher of the court is aged—very aged—but as he had been a faithful servant for many years he was retained in that capacity. One morning he fell asleep in court and began to snore. The noise he made naturally disturbed court proceedings, but the judge displayed great tact in dealing with the matter. "Usher Jones," he called out loudly, "some one is snoring." The usher woke up. He jumped to his feet and glanced around. "Silence!" he roared. "There must be no snoring in court!"—Exchange.

### A Tonic or a Stimulant?

Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a tonic. It does not stimulate. It does not make you feel better one day, then as bad as ever the next. There is not a drop of alcohol in it. You have the steady, even gain that comes from a strong tonic. Ask your doctor all about this. Trust him fully, and always do as he says.

### THE QUESTION OF INCREASING THE NAVY.

(Harold Spencer, in the Daily Chronicle, London.)

It is agreed by everyone who has followed the official return that Great Britain at present possesses a complete preponderance of ships, amounting to slightly more than a Two-Power standard. If we include European powers only, the Cavalor return of last season gave British battleships at 27, American at 26, and German at 22, making an equality in numbers between Britain on the one side, and the other two powers combined on the other. The "Naval Annual" of 1908, including all the ships building, gives Great Britain at 32, Germany at 28, and the United States at 29, leaving us a majority of three over both. We launched three Dreadnoughts last year, against the German one, and three new invincible cruisers. At the present moment, therefore, our superiority is greater than ever, and these figures do not take into the reckoning our immense superiority in tonnage and in personnel.

So far so good. Why, then, all this fuss? THE GERMAN PROGRAMME. Because in the year 1906, the German Reichstag decided upon an important quickening up of the German programme started in 1898 and already accelerated in 1900. The 1908 quickening was effected by shortening the life of the German battleship from twenty-five years to twenty. The result was a German building programme which works out as follows in big battleships, or, practically, Dreadnoughts:—

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### WIDOWED AT SIXTEEN; GIRL ADRIFT, HUNGRY.

Arkansas Child Married at Thirteen and a Mother at Fourteen.

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—Ezzer Richardson, married at 13, a mother at 14, a widow at 15, and homeless, penniless and adrift at 16, is the latest victim of the "hooker" in St. Louis. Her correct name is Mrs. Esther Pryor, but when she came to St. Louis from Athens, Ark., to look for work, she resumed her maiden name, to conceal the fact that she was a child-widow. She was married three years ago at Terre Haute, Ind., to Charles Pryor. He was 18 years old. He deserted her, she says after her baby, Elsie, was born, two years ago. Two years ago she learned that he had been killed in a gambler's fight in a mining camp in the Ozarks. Last year the girl left her home with her parents on a cotton plantation near Athens. During the fall and up to Christmas she worked as a cotton picker. When the season closed and there was nothing for her to do, she came to St. Louis, arriving New Year's Day.

### LOST JOB IN 10 DAYS.

She went to the home of her uncle, Sherman Mercer, 234 South Eleventh street. She obtained employment at the Fulton Bag Company, at Seventh and Poplar streets, but was discharged after ten days. Not wanting to tell her uncle of the loss of her employment, she left his home without telling where she was going. She rented a room at 308 Olive St. For four days she was ill. Her little store of money was soon gone. Her room rent was due Friday night. She could not pay it and so she left the house and wandered about the streets. At 11 o'clock a policeman saw a man talking to her at Fifteenth and Pine streets. He took her to the Central District station and placed her in the care of Matron Kintzing.

### BEAT HIM.

Guzzle (after he had succeeded in waking his wife)—Open the door! Mrs. Guzzle (head out of the second story window)—Are you sober? Guzzle—Yesh. Mrs. Guzzle—Then say "reciprocity."

### TAFT WILL KEEP THE COMMISSION.

Work of the Conservation Commission Will be Continued.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 6.—The National Waterways Commission had its first meeting today. Senator Burton of Ohio was elected secretary and Senator Gallinger, vice-chairman. A commission was appointed to secure the necessary assistants for the commission.

The Conservation Commission will continue its existence under the Taft administration. This conclusion was reached today at a conference between President Taft and the members of the joint commission representing the state organization appointed last December.

### REASONS FOR "GOING SLOW."

To answer that, it is necessary to remember two important points. (1) Building in excess is a source of strength, but of weakness. The ships may become obsolete and yet the money will be spent. The moral of the last few years is surely that we should keep our resources well in hand and keep a careful eye on the construction of new types. Nobody has said this more clearly and yet the money will be spent. The moral of the last few years is surely that we should keep our resources well in hand and keep a careful eye on the construction of new types. Nobody has said this more clearly and yet the money will be spent.

### ICELAND WANTS TO BREAK AWAY.

Country's Relations With Denmark Are Very Much Strained. COPENHAGEN, March 6.—The relations of Iceland with Denmark have recently become greatly strained. Iceland has long had home rule and during the past few years she has obtained all possible liberties from Denmark, but the majority of the Icelandic parliament has been a secessionist of all governmental ties with Denmark. Iceland's minister of home affairs, Mr. Hafstein, who supports the policy of secession, has been forced to resign. Bjorn Jonsson has been nominated to succeed him, and he is strongly hostile to Denmark. If his candidature prevails it will be taken in Denmark as a serious affront.

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### YOUR EYES!

If you or your children's eyes trouble you, and it's a question of proper glasses, consult D. BOYANER, the only exclusive optician in the city. 38 Dook St.

### KILLED AT SYDNEY MINES.

SYDNEY MINES, March 7.—Rod McKenzie, yard master of the Nova Scotia Steel Company, was instantly killed at 9 o'clock this morning by being crushed between cars while coupling cars in a train. He was aged forty, and leaves a wife and eight children.

### BLUE CORAL, WHICH IS THE MOST PRECIOUS KIND, IS OBTAINED IN THE BAY OF BENIN.

Blue coral, which is the most precious kind, is obtained in the bay of Benin.

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### CANADIAN ORDER FORESTERS.

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### NIGHT OF MEETINGS CITY COURTS.

COURT ST. JOHN, No. 40—Orange Hall, Germain street, 1st Friday month.

COURT UNION JACK, No. 549—Orange Hall, Germain street, 4th Wednesday.

COURT NORTH END, No. 67—Union Hall, Main street, last Tuesday each month.

COURT YUKON, No. 728—Orange Hall, Simonds street, 3rd Wednesday.

COURT HIAWATHA, No. 753—Temperance Hall, Market Building, 1st Wednesday.

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D. R. KENNEDY, District Organizer.

### WATCH THE VILLAGE BISCUIT.

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### ASK YOUR GROCER.

### BIRTHS.

ALLISON—On Sunday, March 7th, at 114 Wentworth street, to Mr. and Mrs. William Scammell Allison, a daughter.

### DEATHS.

McCLUSKEY—In this city, on the 7th inst., Emma L., beloved wife of William McCluskey, in the seventy-fifth year of her age, leaving four sons and three daughters to mourn their loss (Campbell papers please copy) Funeral from her late residence, 155 Brunswick street, on Tuesday, the 9th inst. Service at the house at 2:30.

BARTON—In this city, on the 6th inst., Ruth Pearl, infant child of Charles E. and Laura Barton, aged 3 months and 7 days.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Cotton futures opened steady. March 8.45; May, 9.45; July, 9.38; Aug., 9.30; Oct., 9.23; Dec., 9.19; Jan., 9.15.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Wall Street.—Opening dealings in stocks affected but small changes in prices for the most part with the gains the more numerous.

Wallah advanced 1 and the Preferred 1 1/4 on the report of a traffic arrangement with Union Pacific.



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### NEW BRUNSWICK

#### AFTER SETTLERS

Campaign to be Waged Immediately by the Provincial Govt.

### REV. J. H. A. ANDERSON

#### YESTERDAY'S SPEAKER

Says That the Gospel and Temperance Must Go Hand in Hand

C. A. Duff-Miller, agent general for New Brunswick at London, is a passenger on board the Allan liner Virginian now on its way to this port. It is stated that Mr. Duff-Miller's visit is significant of a more vigorous immigration policy on the part of the Board of Immigration.

There was a good attendance at the Thorne Lodge meeting yesterday afternoon. A. H. Patterson was chairman and the musical programme consisted of a duet by Mrs. Pitt and Miss M. Thompson and a solo by Mrs. M. A. Thorne.

Rev. J. H. A. Anderson addressed the meeting and took for his theme the term Gospel Temperance, and showed during his remarks the vital connection in the phrase. The Gospel ideal, said the speaker, is a temperate man. Temperate in the broadest sense, one who does not indulge the appetites of the body and keep the mind and spirit in a state of control. Christ exemplified this ideal and through all His teachings tried to elevate man to a state where the body, mind and spirit were as a unit striving for this end. The efforts of the Gospel were to release man from the bondage of his passions and to make him in the fullest sense a free man. The spirit of the Gospel was carried out by men who have been reached by it and changed from a life of indulgence to a state of sobriety. These in turn strive to bring other men to a higher plane of living and through these efforts become stronger and more temperate themselves.

Mr. Anderson closed an eloquent address by showing conclusively that the Gospel and temperance must go hand in hand to the accomplishment of great and lasting good. Thus temperance bodies must be inculcated with the Gospel of Christ in order to attain the ends they have in view.

#### MISTAKEN IDENTITY.

A man, going home at a late hour in the night, saw that the occupants of a house standing flush with the street had left a window up, and he decided to warn them and prevent a burglary.

Putting his head into the window, he called out: "Hello good people!" That was all he said. A whole lot of water struck him in the face and, as he staggered back, a woman shrieked out: "Didn't I tell you what you'd get if you wasn't home by nine o'clock?"

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Largest Sale in Canada of any High Class Brand.

## REPORTED THAT BIG LOAN IS TO BE MADE

G. T. P. May be Helped Out of Difficulty by the Government

### A PRECEDENT

MONTREAL, Mar. 7.—It was stated today by members of the Ottawa House back for the week end that important developments are understood to be under way between the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Dominion government, involving a loan to the G. T. P. of ten million dollars in order to help them tide over their alleged financial difficulties. It is understood that the government will bring down legislation authorizing this loan at an early date, the company, of course, giving ample security for the loan. It is stated that the company has been instantly demanding certain modifications in its contract with the government, but that the latter is not inclined to alter the contract and the people and that the government loan was finally decided upon as a compromise.

Precedent for this action will be found in the fact that the Macdonald government lent thirty millions to the Canadian Pacific at a time when it was in great financial difficulties, and the personal guarantees of Lord Mount Stephen and Lord Strathcona, while the C. P. R. as a result of this help was in a position to repay the loan long before it was due.

## FIRE BUGS ARE BUSY AT TRURO

TRURO, March 7.—What appeared in a casual investigation to be a deliberate attempt to burn the Truro post office was made evident tonight by the discovery of a fire in three distinct places in the basement of the building. The discovery was made by Roy Christie, an employee who went in to make up the mail for No. 9 train. He smelled smoke, and going to the basement observed a fire among pipes and the stairway. Calling in the aid of Policemen Snide they undertook by means of the stationary fire pipes and hose in the hallway to extinguish the blaze. This they did and then found another and greater one, and still a third at a distance from that.

This justified an alarm, and when the town apparatus arrived all the danger was disposed of by a stream from the chemical engine. During a discussion with Justice Smith, who was in bed at the time of the discovery, it was learned that the west door of the office had been left open while young Christie was in the interior making up mail and that the fire bug probably got in and performed his work without noise or difficulty.

## ITALIANS MAY NOT BE HANGED

ANDOVER, N. B., Mar. 7.—There is little change in the condition of the two Italian, Leon Beppegi and Tony Arcata, now in jail here awaiting execution. The order of the two declines to eat. Tony, however, has finished a fairly good meal.

To your correspondent today, Tony again protested his innocence. He feels his position keenly and adheres to the story told at the hearing. He states that he could prove his innocence if he were allowed to go to the camp.

It is understood that efforts will be made immediately to have them removed from the camp to the prison. Mr. Dugan of Montreal, who represented the relatives of the deceased Edward Green at the trial, has professed his willingness to have the sentence commuted.

Rev. Father Ryan spent a considerable part of the day with the prisoners.

## REJECTED SUITOR FIRES AT WOMAN

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 7.—Waking early this morning at her home in Beaver, thirty miles west of here, Mrs. Mennie McKee, a young widow, found William G. Wilmer, a rejected suitor, standing at her bedside. When she declared again, in answer to his question, that she did not love him he fired four bullets into her head. Wilmer then killed himself by taking poison and then shooting himself. Late tonight Mrs. McKee is living with no possible chance of recovery.

FIFTY-SIX SALOONS, BUT NO DRINKKARDS.

LONDON, March 6.—Although there are fifty-six licensed houses in the parish of Whitlesey, Cambridgeshire, not a single case of intoxication occurred last year among the 9,000 inhabitants.

## DOYING PEOPLE ON MARS.

A drying race in a desert world—a race spurred on by the terror of hunger and thirst to stupendous and hopeless efforts to avert the doom which it sees approaching. Such, summed up in brief, is Professor Lowell's account of the Martians in his latest and most fascinating study of the mysterious planet, "Mars as the Abode of Life."

That life actually exists on Mars will no longer be doubted by any but those sceptics in the face of the evidence which he marshals once more with all his accustomed skill. The storm of incredulity which greeted Professor Lowell's discovery of the extraordinary marks on Mars, now more than twenty years ago, has passed. The doubts which he professed to see in those marks some optical illusion, some mistake of the observer, some delusion of the camera, have been proved beyond peradventure that the marks are there. The so-called "canals" exist, and are not a mere figment of the brain of man.

OTHER DOUBTERS.

But now that the objective reality of the "canals" is admitted other doubts have arisen who affirm that no water exists on Mars, that the caps on the poles of the planet, which look to the terrestrial observer like snow or ice, are really liquefied carbonic acid gas, and that the climate of Mars is far too cold to support life. Such sceptics would ascribe the canals to some natural cause such as produces the straight lines in crystals. One such photograph has come to the aid of Professor Lowell. Last year photographs were at last taken, after innumerable unsuccessful efforts, showing that water vapor does exist in the spectrum of the atmosphere of Mars. If there is water vapor, the carbonic acid gas theory is almost untenable, as also the theory that the cold is too great to support life. Moreover, experience and further observation are confirming his original conclusion that living beings can exist on Mars.

WORK OF THE MARTIANS.

And if there are living beings—intelligent beings—it is by the effect of intelligence on nature that mind should speak to mind across the almost infinite abysses of space. The effect of artificial work on the surface of Mars should recognize companions in the universe. The planet is peculiarly favorable to the observation of such works. It has no mountains; that is now admitted by all the astronomers. Its surface is monotonous and level. It has no seas; they have long since vanished. From its small size it is possible to see the whole of the planet at once. The work of the Martians is so much work that could be performed on Mars with the same amount of labor as on the earth. It is a question of time, not of power, to see the works of the Martians on Mars to be so obvious that they would watch the disappearance of the forests, the change in the color of the earth, the destruction of the dark cloud-covered spots which are cities, the advent of belts of green in the irrigated districts of India and Egypt; and they might even catch a glimpse of a network of fine lines representing roads and railways, and know what these meant.

But our puny works on earth are dwarfed by the colossal magnitude of the Martian canals. These stretch for hundreds or even thousands of miles with perfect mathematical straightness. They form geometrical patterns which instantly and insistently suggest that they are the handiwork of man, not of nature. And why were the canals made? Professor Lowell answers by studying the planet and comparing its phenomena with those of earth. Mars is older in its evolution than the earth. It is much smaller than the earth, and has cooled more quickly. All planets, as they advance in age, are doomed to lose their water. Some of it descend into the interior as this cools, and be for ever lost to the surface. The rest of it will be slowly and steadily dissipated into space, until a dead and waterless sphere spins on its orbit.

### A DYING PLANET.

Mars is a planet in which water is becoming scarcer and scarcer. It is drying up under our very eyes. The greatest part of it is shown to the powerful telescope as an ochre or reddish expanse. Ochre or red is the color of deserts on earth.

Beautiful as the opaline tints of the planet, look down the far vista of the telescope tube, they represent a really terrible reality. To the bodily eye the aspect of the disc is lovely beyond compare; but to the mind's eye its import is horrible. That rose-ochre enchantment is but a mind mirage. A vast expanse of arid ground, world-wide in its extent, striding the planet completely in circumference, and stretching in places almost from pole to pole, is what these opaline gleams signify. . . . But this very color, unchanging in its hue, means the extinction of life. Purely terrestrial, the opal here bears out its attributed sinister intent.

Five eights of Mars is an arid waste, unrelieved from sterility by surface moisture or covering of cloud. "I fear itself," it is miserably held up to a broken sun, unprotected by any shield of shade. . . . But the extraordinary interest of

the spectacle which meets the gaze of the astronomer is that it is the prefiguration of the fate of the earth. It is as though he were caught up in the time machine of the Wells and whirled forward almost inconceivable ages. For the earth too, is drying up, though more slowly.

With a steady if stealthy stride, Sahara . . . are even now possessing themselves of its surface. The outcome is doubtless yet far off, but it is as fatally sure as that tomorrow's sun will rise, unless some other catastrophe anticipate our end. It is perhaps not pleasing to learn the manner of our death. But science is concerned only with the fact, and Mars we have to thank for its presentation.

Within historic times water on the earth has become scarcer. On the littoral of North Africa can be seen the ruins of great cities which waxed and waned in Roman times. Aqueducts lead from them to points where now no water flows or flows that could fill their conduits. In the desert regions of Egypt and Arizona are found the fossil remains of forests where the pitiless climate would today support no vegetation.

MARTIANS' HOPELESS STRUGGLE.

The disappearance of water has been gradually proceeding on Mars, as it is gradually proceeding on the earth, only in Mars it has advanced much farther. And so, as Professor Lowell suggests, the Martians must have advanced by stages. They may in the first instance, have been comparatively small, and have been slowly extended as the precious fluid grew more and more scarce. But the struggle with environment must be drawing to near the limit in Mars, and the last resources of ingenuity have been invoked in the struggle with the inexorable conditions of the universe.

It is Professor Lowell's belief that in a measure of time which is nothing with the ages of cosmic development, Martian battle will end in defeat.

To our eventual descendants life on Mars will no longer be a possibility. It will have passed beyond the hope of study or recall. Thus to us it takes the form of a Martian life goes out. The drying up of the planet is certain to proceed until its surface can support no life at all. . . . Which the last ember is thus extinguished, the planet will roll a dead and waterless sphere on its evolutionary career for ever ended.

### ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 6.—The army transport Logan sailed today for Honolulu, Guam and Manila. Brigadier General Drush and Carter with their families and aides were among the passengers, and the vessel carried a full complement of troops.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Three hundred bluejackets from the battleship of the North Atlantic squadron now at the Brooklyn navy yard, after their round-the-world cruise, were entertained by Miss Helen Gould today at a reception and tea held at the naval branch of the Y. M. C. A.

MANTUA, March 6.—The Atlantic squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Giles B. Hale and consisting of cruisers Charleston, Duquesne, and Calver, sailed from Mantua on Wednesday, to cruise for several months in northern waters. The ships will visit every important port in the north, including Hong Kong and Vladivostok and will later pass a month in Japanese waters.

### PENSION LOST BY JOY.

LONDON, Mar. 6.—It was stated at the last meeting of the Belling Pension Committee that the old pensioner, N. D. Acklars, was caused by the explosion of a lamp which set fire to the bed in a bedroom. Efforts were made to extinguish it without the use of water by the fire department, but this proved impossible. The room and furniture were badly damaged. The loss is covered by insurance.

### SIGNALMAN'S SUBSTITUTE.

VIENNA, Mar. 6.—A signalman at Kirschvarad, in Hungary, has been arrested for placing a dummy dressed in his own uniform with a lantern in his hand to signal to the midnight mail train while he slept peacefully in his box.

### WOMEN VOTERS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Mar. 6.—The total number of women voters for county councils in England is 563,861, and in Wales 41,945. For county borough councils in England and Wales the number is 253,882 and for the non-county borough councils 137,234.

### IMPERIAL COMMERCIAL CONFERENCE.

SYDNEY, Mar. 6.—The president of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce states that a conference of imperial chambers of commerce will be opened at Sydney on September 14. Extensive arrangements will be made to entertain 250 delegates and to give them an insight into Australian life.

### REPENTING IN HASTE.

PARIS, Mar. 6.—Raphael Boisselouche, an attendant at the Hospital of Salpêtrière, fell dangerously ill a fortnight ago, and when all hope of his recovery had been abandoned he confessed that he had been the author of several mysterious fires. He has now made a marvelous recovery, and is bewailing his rash repentance in jail.

## MANILA STIRRED BY STREET CAR STRIKE

Policemen With Loaded Shot Guns Guard Traffic at Night—Wage Reduction in Steel Industry.

MANILA, The strike of the Manila street car men which was declared March 4th, has not spread beyond the railroad operatives yet, but it is possible that other labor organizations will go out in sympathy. The various labor unions of the city held a series of meetings on Sunday to organize an effective boycott against the street railway, but the general public continues to patronize cars freely as has been the case since the strike began. There has been no disorder. Details of police armed with shotguns are placed aboard the cars at night, but the officers have not been called upon to quell any riots.

### DIVERS RECOVER

#### LOST SIGNAL CODES

Were Thrown Overboard by Sailor in Fit of Frenzy—A Difficult Search.

LONDON, March 6.—For many a day His Majesty's handy men will tell a story of how a diver recovered a box of lost secret signal books and codes from the depths of the sea off Torbay. The books and codes had been thrown overboard, and their recovery was of the utmost importance, as otherwise it would have been necessary for the admiralty to at once have issued a revised signal code for the whole of the service. As it is, a diver's pluck assisted by good fortune has resulted in the valuable articles being returned to the admiralty. The box was cast into the sea during the visit of the channel fleet to Torbay, and was responsible for the detention there of the cruiser Diamond after the fleet had left for Portland owing to the fact that the diamond was being used for a large number of ships to lay with strong easterly winds and a heavy ground swell.

At the time no reason was assigned for the Diamond not accompanying the fleet, although it was considered remarkable that the ship should have been left in Torbay. The night after the departure of the fleet, Vice Admiral Sir A. S. Milne, acting commander-in-chief of the Channel Fleet, saw direct orders from the Admiralty for the termination of the three year voyage agreement on March 31st.

The precedence of the commodities case decision is one of the various incidents which directed attention last week to the consideration of government proceedings against corporations. The inauguration of the new president was studied by Wall Street for its bearing on this subject, and the determination expressed in the inaugural address to adhere to the policies of his predecessor in these matters and to perfect the governmental machinery for doing so has been known from a mass of public opinion and to the surprise of the financial community professes to feel an assurance of more strict regard for legal restrictions on the part of the new president in the pursuit of his policy than has been the rule and of corresponding gain in orderly adaptation to changes which may be in progress.

There is not lacking an undertone of questioning whether the new policy may not prove a more effective instrument against corporations than the old. The refusal of the New York public service commission to grant the modifications asked for in the terms of the franchise of the New York Edison was another incident showing the new hands in which corporation actions are being handled.

### YELLOW FEVER AND PLAGUE

#### HAGING IN EQUADOR

QUAYATUQU, Ecuador, March 6.—During the month of February sixty-one cases of bubonic plague were reported in Quayatutiqui of which eleven were fatal.

### FIRE IN AMHERST.

AMHERST, N. S. Mar. 7.—A fire this evening in the residence of N. D. Acklars was caused by the explosion of a lamp which set fire to the bed in a bedroom. Efforts were made to extinguish it without the use of water by the fire department, but this proved impossible. The room and furniture were badly damaged. The loss is covered by insurance.

### ANOTHER CHILD MURDERED.

GLACE BAY, March 7.—The little seven-year-old girl of Daniel Dunn, of Caledonia Mines, was burned so badly this afternoon that death ensued about two hours after the accident. The mother had left the child alone, but only intended to be away a few minutes. The little one attempted to remove the blowers from the fire, and her clothes caught, enveloping her in flames, which burned all the flesh from her body.

### BARK FOUNDERED.

LUDERITZ BAY, German Southwest Africa, March 7.—The Norwegian bark Auckland, Captain Githufark, has been wrecked in a gale off Possession Island. All the crew were lost. The Auckland was bound from Rosario, Jan. 27, for this port.

READING, Mass., Mar. 6.—The Congregational church here was destroyed by fire tonight at a loss of between \$30,000 and \$35,000. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is believed to have been set. Help was summoned and responded from Stoneham and Wakefield. Although a small number of persons had gathered in the church to take part in revival services, all escaped safely.

## REDUCTION IN WAGES SEEMS CERTAIN NOW

May Mean Strike in Steel Plants

### MARKET UNCERTAIN

Effect of Taft's Message on Wall Street—Money Market

NEW YORK, Mar. 7.—The irregular and uncertain movements of last week in the stock market were the reflection of the unformed speculative sentiment. Drawings were small and were in the hands of professional operators largely. The disturbing effect of the threatening open of the steel market seemed to have passed to some extent and conditions in that trade were reported to have cleared somewhat, but the prospect had not shaped itself with sufficient definiteness to prompt a new position in the stock market. Price concessions in steel products were reported to be still in progress and the possibility of wage reductions by the Lackawanna Steel Company opened up the phase of the process of readjustments going on in the steel industry. Wage reductions are considered inevitable to conform to the lower basis of selling price for the product and anxiety is felt for possible disturbance in effecting the changes.

The developments in the copper trade have been read and the obscurity and confusion concerning them has served to keep alive the effect of steel trade developments. Reports of some large drawings were small and were in the hands of professional operators largely. The disturbing effect of the threatening open of the steel market seemed to have passed to some extent and conditions in that trade were reported to have cleared somewhat, but the prospect had not shaped itself with sufficient definiteness to prompt a new position in the stock market. Price concessions in steel products were reported to be still in progress and the possibility of wage reductions by the Lackawanna Steel Company opened up the phase of the process of readjustments going on in the steel industry. Wage reductions are considered inevitable to conform to the lower basis of selling price for the product and anxiety is felt for possible disturbance in effecting the changes.

The labor outlook was crowded by the preparations for the struggle in the anthracite trade incident to the termination of the three year wage agreement on March 31st.

The precedence of the commodities case decision is one of the various incidents which directed attention last week to the consideration of government proceedings against corporations. The inauguration of the new president was studied by Wall Street for its bearing on this subject, and the determination expressed in the inaugural address to adhere to the policies of his predecessor in these matters and to perfect the governmental machinery for doing so has been known from a mass of public opinion and to the surprise of the financial community professes to feel an assurance of more strict regard for legal restrictions on the part of the new president in the pursuit of his policy than has been the rule and of corresponding gain in orderly adaptation to changes which may be in progress.

There is not lacking an undertone of questioning whether the new policy may not prove a more effective instrument against corporations than the old. The refusal of the New York public service commission to grant the modifications asked for in the terms of the franchise of the New York Edison was another incident showing the new hands in which corporation actions are being handled.

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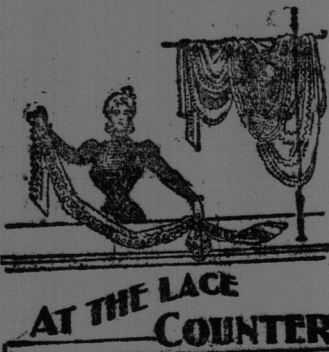
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Ladies' Winter Shirts at half price, 50c to 1.00 each.  
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### THE WEATHER

Maritime. — Fair today, Tuesday, strong northeast to north winds, local snow falls.

### LOCAL NEWS

A message from Digby to the Star says the Northwest Lodge Buoy broke adrift and is stranded near Centreville, Bay of Fundy, badly damaged.

A scarf found on Main street, and a stonking cap found on Mackenzie street, await the owners at the central police station.

It's in every body's mouth—the great shoe sale of C. B. Pidgeon. No wonder; never before were there such remarkable bargains in this entire community.

No. 2 chemical engine was called out yesterday afternoon for a slight fire in the home of Mrs. Mary A. McKinnis, 58 Harrison street. The damage done was insignificant.

The bills and by-laws committee will meet at City Hall this afternoon to consider the various bills which have been referred to them.

Rev. Dr. Hahn will address the monthly consecration meeting of the Young People's Society of Ladies St. Baptist church, West End, this evening. Subject, "Lessons from the Psalms."

At St. Luke's church tonight, Rev. H. J. Hamilton, of Noyova, Japan, will tell the story of his work among the soldiers in the recent war with Russia. Mr. Hamilton will also show some very fine lantern pictures with electric lantern.

John Davis pleaded guilty in the police court this morning, to being drunk and disorderly in the home of his father-in-law, Edward Quirk, Brussels street. Evidence was given that Davis was frequently disorderly and it appeared that nothing could be done with him. The prisoner was fined \$8 or 3 months jail. Being without the fine he was sent to jail.

The C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple with a fair general cargo and two hundred and eighty-eight passengers arrived from London and Antwerp. The officers report a fine passage. The steamer was sent west by special train this afternoon.

### ATLANTIC EXPRESS DELAYED.

Owing to a slight accident on the Maine section of the C. P. R., the Atlantic express is six and one-half hours late.

A freight car broke a journal near Jackman on the Moosehead section at four o'clock this morning and blocked the track. A wrecking train with an auxiliary crew was sent from Brownville, but some time was consumed before the track could be cleared.

In the meantime the Atlantic express which arrived on the scene of the trouble, was sent back to Jackman to allow the passengers to be transferred to the regular train. The express was completed about ten o'clock and the express will be due here at 6:30 p. m.

### PROBATE COURT

Estate of Hugh McGill, West End, yeoman. Last will proved whereby the deceased gave his property to his son Hugh McGill, Jr., longshoreman, subject to the maintenance during his life of his stepmother, Selma McGill, and he nominated his said son and another son, Charles, executors. The latter resources and Hugh McGill, Jr., is sworn in as executor. No reality. Personal estate \$1,250. Mr. John Willist, K.C., proctor.

Estate of Miss Jane Carruthers. Citation returned to pass the accounts of William J. Caverhill, of Fredericton, farmer, the executor. The accounts are duly passed. Mr. S. A. M. Skinner, proctor for the executor, Messrs. Barnhill, Ewing and Sanford, proctors for one of the legatees.

### PERSONAL

Mr. J. Daye, of 174 Victoria street, who has been shipped for Jer. Harrison and Co., Mill street, for the past twenty-one years, met with a serious accident Saturday which will confine him to his home for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Waldron wish to thank their many friends for their kindness and sympathy in their recent bereavement.

Mrs. L. G. Crosby and Miss Crosby returned this morning from Boston where they have been visiting Mrs. Crosby's daughter.

J. Ritchie Bell, the evangelist, arrived on the Boston express today.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Jones came in on the Boston express at noon.

Jas. H. Crockett, of Fredericton, is in the city.

Mrs. Louisa Mitchell, formerly of this city but now residing in Ailston, Mass., celebrated her 85th birthday on the 20th February. She received numerous presents from her many friends residing in the Province and United States.

### LATE SHIPPING.

Entered Today.  
Steam Tug Peloponnes, 78, Sweet, St. Martins for Bath, Me.  
Schr. Arthur M. Gibson, Howard, New York.  
Schr. Mount Temple, London and Antwerp, C. P. R.  
Schr. Aldine, St. Andrews.  
Cleared.  
Tug Little, Parde, and Schr. M. D. S. Graham, for St. Martins.

### ROBERT TURNER.

The funeral of Robert Turner took place from his late home, Rodney St., at three o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Mr. Scovill conducted the services and interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

### BOARD OF TRADE TAKES VIGOROUS ACTION

Protests Against Proposed Shipping Legislation and Will Send a Delegation to Ottawa if Necessary.

The council of the Board of Trade met this morning in their rooms on Prince William street to discuss certain proposed shipping legislation. After consideration of the bills it was decided to enter a strong protest against their enactment, and if necessary a delegation will be sent to Ottawa to lend further weight to the protest.

The bills which have been introduced in the Dominion House by Mr. Lewis, of Western Ontario, and have been referred to the marine committee providing certain measures for the protection of passengers and crews on all vessels of four hundred tons or over.

The first deals with the load line and provides for something similar to the Plimsoll mark in use in ocean shipping. The board decided that the provisions contained in the bill would be ruinous to our coasting and river trade.

Special types of vessels have been developed to meet the different requirements of the trade, and it was thought that the proposed legislation would add little to their safety and would make it impossible to operate them except at a loss.

The second bill provided that all vessels over four hundred tons carrying passengers should be provided with a life preserver, an axe and a saw for each passenger, and a life boat or life raft.

The third required all boats of this size to be equipped with a wireless telegraph system, and to carry a qualified operator for the same.

While the second bill was regarded as too severe in its requirements, the third was considered simply ridiculous applying as it would to all the little potato and lumber schooners, which form a large part of the maritime trade.

On motion, it was decided to memorialize the Dominion Department of Marine and Fisheries protesting against the passage of any of the three bills. If it is learned that there is any chance of the bills being passed a delegation will be sent to Ottawa to voice the objections of the St. John Board of Trade.

### BAPTISTS DECLARE AGAINST SUNDAY FUNERALS

Urges the People to Arrange for Burials on Days Other Than the Sabbath.

The Baptist ministers met this morning in the mission room Prince William street. The committee appointed to bring in a resolution regarding the Sunday funeral services, presented the following:

"Whereas, the Sabbath was originally given by God, that men might rest from physical toil and secular employment, and also have opportunity for Divine worship and moral culture, and whereas, the multiplying of Sunday funeral services, in part, for the purpose of which the Sabbath was given, by making it necessary for men to work by imposing additional services on already busy pastors and by largely interfering with Sunday schools and other religious services,

"Therefore resolved that we, the Baptist ministers of St. John, while recognizing that Sunday funerals are sometimes necessary, as in the cases of those who die of infectious or contagious diseases, would strongly urge the people to assist, by trying to maintain the sanctity of the Lord's Day by arranging for the burial of the dead on some day, other than the Christian Sabbath."

A communication was also received from Dr. Geo. M. Campbell, secretary of the Canadian Bible Society, asking that the church give up its Wednesday evening prayer meeting on the 11th inst., so that the ministers and members might attend the annual meeting of the Bible Society, to be held in Centenary church. After due consideration it was decided that it would not be wise to interfere with the prayer meetings and the secretary was instructed to write Dr. Campbell and suggest that, if possible the Bible Society hold its annual meeting on Thursday evening.

Rev. M. E. Fletcher reported having baptized twelve candidates yesterday morning. Rev. G. Swin reported having baptized two last night.

Four special services are being continued in several of the churches.

### METHODIST MINISTERS REPORT ACTIVE WORK

At the Methodist Ministers' meeting this morning good reports were received from all the churches. Dr. Flinders of Centenary, reported a service of special interest yesterday forenoon.

Rev. S. A. M. Howard, of Exmouth street received nine members into the church yesterday. Rev. Neil McLaughlin, of Portland street church, reported special services as the result of which between fifty and sixty decided to live the Christian life.

Rev. C. W. Squires, of Carnarvon street church, has also been holding special services with good results.

### GETS TWO YEARS FOR ABDUCTING YOUNG GIRL

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Mar. 8.—Robert Burt, an Elizabethtown farm hand, who two weeks ago went to Coppehagan, N. Y., and abducted Ethel May White, the fifteen year old daughter of Mahlon White, and brought her to his home, while his wife and children were absent on a visit to friends, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Burt's wife and two children, one a baby in her arms, were present and the former collapsed when the sentence was pronounced. Burt is a recent arrival from the Old country.

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### THE MILITARY COURSE.

Capt. Mills, of Quebec, is due here today, to assist in the instruction of the officers of the 2nd R. C. artillery, who are taking the special course to qualify for certificates.

For the past 3 weeks both commissioned officers and non-coms. have been at work under the direction of Capt. Cox. This work has been of a practical nature and under Capt. Mills the officers will take up the scientific side of the course. The classes will last for about another three weeks.

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Best Canned Peas, 7c. Can; 80c. Doz.  
Best Canned Corn, 7 1/2c. Can; 85c. Doz.  
Best Canned Wax Beans, 8c. Can; 80c. Doz.  
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We carry one of the largest and best assorted stocks of BOYS' UNDERWEAR in the City and our prices are as low as is consistent with the quality.

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