

AMERICAN EXPORTS DECLINING AS THOSE OF CANADA INCREASE

Reciprocity Would Have Given the United States Something They Must Have Anyway, With no Corresponding Advantage to this Country.

It takes the Toronto Globe a long time to see some self-evident thing, and even when it does see them it is not always willing to admit the fact. When the Globe and all the little Globelets of the country were advocating the acceptance of the Washington-made reciprocity pact they conveniently ignored the fact, evident at that time just as much as it is today, that the United States was rapidly becoming a non-exporting country so far as food products were concerned, while at the same time Canada was rapidly increasing its food product exports. All the argument then was that it would be the finest possible thing to encourage friendly relationships with a sister nation by accepting its proposal, which would have gone into the States free of duty. American food products would have come this way on a free trade basis. IN OTHER WORDS THESE GOOD PEOPLE REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT IN GETTING US TO AGREE TO THIS PROPOSAL UNCLE SAM WAS GETTING SOMETHING HE HAD TO HAVE IN ANY EVENT, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME HE WAS FORCING US TO GIVE UP IN RETURN FOR SOMETHING WE WERE WELL ABLE TO GET ALONG WITHOUT.

The Globe has been studying the last United States trade returns, with the result that it finds there stated that wheat exports for the year will probably amount to about 100,000,000 bushels, including flour stated in terms of wheat, exceeding by about 20,000,000 bushels the record of last year, but being less than half that of 1901. In meats and food animals exported the record of the year will be low. The number of cattle exported in the eleven months ending with November was but 44,997, against 152,288 in the same months of last year, and of fresh beef the quantity exported in the eleven months was 1 1/2 million pounds, against 27 million pounds in the corresponding months of last year.

Canada is thus overhauling the United States in wheat, flour and cat-

tle exports. The Canadian fiscal year ends on March 31, and for the twelve months preceding that time Canada exported in wheat or its flour equivalent over 80,000,000 bushels, and of cattle 61,285. During the six months of the present fiscal year ending on September 30, before the movement of the new wheat had begun, Canada's export of wheat or its flour equivalent was 47,675,000 bushels, and there is no doubt at all that the export for the fiscal year will be at least 120,000,000 bushels. Already 85,000,000 bushels of the new crop have been moved to the head of the lakes. In cattle the showing is not so good, the six months export being only 17,843 head.

And these figures lead the Globe to comment as follows:— The figures as a whole, however, indicate that the United States, with over twelve times Canada's population, is providing less surplus food for export than Canada, and that within ten years, unless the American farmer changes his methods greatly and goes in for intensive farming, the Republic will have to look to Canada for a considerable portion of its food. By that time probably our super-loyalists will have decided that Canada's national destiny will not be endangered by selling wheat, cattle, hogs, and other food products of the farm to the American consumer.

With the first portion of this observation the News can find no fault. As for the last sentence, however, the Globe is willfully misrepresenting the case. We know of no super-loyalists who ever argued that there was danger of Canada's national destiny going smash if we sold food products to American consumers. But there were people whom the Globe was pleased to term super-loyalists who did object to Canada being forced into a Washington-made and engineered agreement, with which the Globe editor had a good deal to do, by the way, that would have had the possible effect, as President Taft put it, of making Canada a mere adjunct to the republic to the south of us.—Lethbridge News.

FISHERIES

report of the Canadian fish-
litted to parliament we gath-
details. The value of the
waters of the respective pro-

.....	\$13,677,125
.....	9,367,125
.....	4,886,157
.....	2,205,436
.....	1,868,136
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and Nova Scotia takes
advance in the Pacific pro-
enormous salmon catch which
than half the value. However,
ed that the sea harvest of the three
vinces exceeds that of British Col-
ut when the fisheries of the western
are more largely exploited this lead is like-
cease even although the eastern fisheries
tinue to increase. The great fishing grounds
Hudson Bay are also to be drawn upon yet
and it is more than probable that this will be-
come the main source of supply for the middle
west.

The last previous annual report gave the value of the fisheries as \$29,965,433. This year it is \$34,667,872, an increase of \$4,702,439. The total value of the sea fisheries was \$30,153,982, and those of the inland waters \$4,513,890.

The industry furnishes a means of livelihood for upwards of 100,000 persons on land and sea of whom 65,926 men and boys were employed in vessels and boats and 35,206 persons of both sexes on land in canneries, etc. The fishing fleet consists of 1,648 sailing vessels and tugs of 36,761 boats.

CAN NEVER SATISFY THEM

Our friends, the fire underwriters, are a hard lot to please, and the man who attempts the task is more than likely to give up in disgust long before he succeeds. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful if he could ever succeed, for the underwriters are noted for their ability to discover always something else that needs doing after their last demands are met.

In the east and west, too, in large cities boasting of up-to-date waterworks systems and fire-fighting apparatus, the underwriters never cease urging for some further improvement, under penalty of higher rates if their suggestions are not complied with. In fact, so insistent have they become in their demands in some of our cities that city councils are seriously considering the advisability of urging for legislation which would make some portion of the cost of fire department improvement assessable against the insurance companies, they profiting by them possibly as much as anyone else.

These remarks are prompted by the criticism of a contemporary, which complains of the treatment meted out to consumers of natural gas, which is now coming into such general use in some parts of the province, and which asserts that unless natural gas users comply with certain stipulations laid down by them, the cost of which is quite immaterial to the underwriters, the rate on policies will be raised.

Incidentally our contemporary says, it may be noted that there is no suggestion of a lower rate of insurance where people who have been using gasoline have installed natural gas. Just why this should be the case we are at a loss to understand. Natural gas is a thousand times safer than gasoline, and ought to reduce the risk of fire considerably, but the insurance people do not seem to see it that way.

There is an old saying that "Love will find a way." It would seem that there are other things besides love that will do this, for, failing to find any other grounds on which to obtain a divorce, Mrs. Weisbaum of New York falls back on the plea that "life for her has been almost one continuous headache since she married the defendant, in 1907."

A tailor's advert in the Campbellton Graphic announces that "Here are the big killers." Among the "killers" is the following, in 24 pt. caps "POPUNSRGSSPHINIT TLIAR" followed by the statement "our customers realize just what this means to them." It is to be hoped they do, but we trust it is nothing so serious as it looks.

The Transcript remarks that its esteemed contemporary is never very accurate in its alleged quotations from its (Transcript's) columns. The Transcript should be the last paper to talk about misquotations.

Language reformers are looking for the man who put the needless "s" into "parcels" Post. One does not put letters into a "letters" box.

F. D. SWIM, M. P. P. HAS EXCITING ADVENTURE

Mr. F. D. Swim, M. P. P., narrowly escaped a serious accident a few days ago, while driving home. When crossing the railway track near Doaktown station, the runner of the sleigh caught in the rails and upset, throwing Mr. Swim out with considerable force and landing him on his face amid a pile of lumber sleds standing close by, though he fortunately sustained no injury beyond a considerable shaking up. The horse started off home at a smart pace, taking the sleigh with it, and in the course of its mad career, it created a pile of lumber four feet high, and negotiated a wire fence. Ultimately it was caught and taken home and it is somewhat strange that neither the animal nor the sleigh was in any way damaged.

NEW BATTLESHIPS FOR BRITISH NAVY

According to the "Daily Mail" the work of framing the British navy for the coming year is nearly completed. The one point remaining for decision namely, whether five or six battleships shall be laid down, depends upon the Austrian naval programme. If the admiralty decides to wait before taking action till the Austrian ships are laid down, it may be expected to be five battleships this year. The naval programme will then, according to the present information involve an expenditure of \$240,000,000 and will include five battleships, six light armored cruisers, twenty destroyers, several submarines, and an addition of 5,000 men to the personnel, making a total of 142,500 officers and men.

The battleships will be of a new type, the largest and strongest which science can build or money supply. They will be intermediate between the present Dreadnought battleship and battle cruiser. They will be armed in all probability with eight 16 1/4 inch guns, each firing 2,200 lb shells, or, if the 16 1/4 inch gun is not adopted, with 15-inch guns firing shells that weigh about 1800 pounds.

About once a week dip brooms in hot soapsuds. It can be done on washdays when the suds are at hand it will make the brooms both tough and flexible and will increase the wear of both carpet and brooms.

Before dipping fish, dip in boiling water for a few moments, they will seal much more quickly.

PREDICTS A GREAT STRUGGLE ON PACIFIC

Rev. Principal Gordon of Queen's University, speaking before the Montreal Canadian Club recently, said that the Pacific Ocean was destined to become the scene of a gigantic struggle between Orient and Occident, and Canada as a Pacific Coast nation, must be prepared to take in that struggle.

In an address on Australia Dr. Gordon dwelt at considerable length on the growing importance of Japan and China as factors in world politics.

Australia was being kept as a white man's country, and every bar that could possibly be provided was being raised against alien immigration, he declared. The Labor party, which ruled the country, was as one man in excluding Asiatics from the labor market.

Indeed, the speaker said, the policy of exclusion of the Labor Government was holding back the development of the country, for there was no labor to be had for building of railroads, or the cultivation of the vast farms, which were Australia's chief source of wealth.

Comparing Australia with Canada Dr. Gordon said that in the antipodes the people were more or less all for pleasure. Compared with Canada in other ways, Australia had not yet the broad hopes that this country cherished, nor had Australia come to the same degree of self-realization of responsibility or manhood, though this might be partly due to the fact that Australia's Government was much newer than our own.

In many ways, however, Australia should give Canada a lesson, particularly in its number of botanical and zoological gardens, public museums and art galleries. Parks and playgrounds, too, abundant; their bookstores could not be approached in this or any other country; and the public press of the country was far and away ahead of the Canadian or American journals.

When a poor man desires to call another man a liar he must do it himself. But a rich man can hire a lawyer to attend to the matter for him.

Generally speaking, the line of demarcation between youth and middle age is marked by an exchange of fancy hose for black ones.

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PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS

While cutting wood in the woods at Mass River recently, Mr. John Norman was savagely attacked by a huge bear, and only escaped with his life by climbing a tree.

The Maritime Hat & Cap Company is asking the Moncton City Council to reimburse it for alleged loss to the business due to the natural gas not being installed in Moncton in November, 1912. The Council appointed Mayor Robinson, Ald. Gross and Tucker, to confer with ex-Mayor Reilly and the gas and electricity company to find out where the responsibility lies and how the city is liable.

A sad fatality took place on the road between Woodstock and Newburg on Thursday night when Chas. Cunningham was killed by a kick from a horse or by falling. He was on the way home with his team and was found on the road by a neighbor who was driving home. Chief Kelley went to the scene about midnight and had the body brought to Henderson's undertaking rooms. The unfortunate man was about thirty-four years of age and much respected.

Mrs. Evangeline Belyea, of Sussex N. B., has filed a divorce action in Boston against her husband who, she says, left her and went to Regina, Sask., after less than two years of married life. Mrs. Belyea states that she married David A. Belyea at Sussex, Nov. 4, 1904, and on Aug. 7, 1906 she says, he pulled up stakes and went to Western Canada, leaving her behind. Mrs. Belyea went to Massachusetts after the alleged desertion and now asks the court to restore her freedom.

Edgar West an employee of the I. C. R. shops, Moncton, was hit by a flying piece of steel while at work on Tuesday morning, and as the result he suffered considerable pain and will be unable to resume his duties for some time. His right arm was badly lacerated and he walked from the shops to Dr. Steeves' drug store before medical aid was summoned. He lost considerable blood before being picked up by Dr. L. H. Price, who took him to the hospital and attended to his injuries.

The Dominion Express Company running rights of the line between Moncton and Sackville increased wonderfully. Mr. F. W. Wry states that in the Sackville branch business of his office for the first 10 days in January is much larger than the corresponding period of any previous year. Whereas at one time express matter came to Sackville on but three trains, the company now has the service of the eight trains entering Sackville every week day. To this is attributed the increase of business.—Tribune.

Some time ago an obstruction was placed on the suburban Street Car line at Sunny Brae, and but for the presence of mind of the Motorman the car would undoubtedly have been wrecked. The police have been working on the case and have succeeded in removing the obstruction. They were brought to the Police Station and gave their names as Leo Melanson, John Melanson, Sylvan Boucher and Albert King, all residing at Sunny Brae. On account of their youth they were not brought before the Magistrate, but were given a severe reprimand, after which they were allowed to go.—Transcript.

Two persons were quite badly hurt in three accidents that took place in front of the I. C. R. depot, Sackville, Friday afternoon. Mrs. Gaius Fawcett was thrown out of a double-seated park in which she was riding and received a very severe shaking up when a runner of the pump dropped into the drain ditch running along the side of Lorne Street, causing the pump to lurch suddenly. Mrs. Edgar P. Smith who was with her was unhurt but her young son was pitched against the front seat cutting his mouth quite badly. The other accidents were those of two men who in making the turn in driving away from the depot had their pumps upset but were unhurt.

Report is current in St. John that Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst, have been awarded the contract for the construction of the St. John post office. So far as can be learned there were three tenders: Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst; B. Mooney & Sons and A. R. Clark, St. John, and the proposition is that the contract is awarded the lowest tenderer. The job is a big one involving upwards of \$400,000 and will probably run close to half a million before the building is ready for use. The expectation on the street is that the successful tenderers will get to work with the opening of spring and will rush the work as rapidly as possible. Several St. John builders who were approached said they had heard rumors that the Amherst firm were the successful tenderers for this big contract, probably the most important in the building trade to be awarded in the city this year.—Globe.

Mr. J. R. Stone, commissioner of the Central Railway, says it is by no means certain just when the C. P. R. would take the road over, but it is improbable they would do so till the Minto and Gibson line was finished. At present they are having a thorough survey of the Central made for the purpose of estimating what it would cost to put the property in first class shape.

Handcuffed to Jailer Craven, with his feet tied and closely watched by Officer Craven and Deputy Sheriff Mitchell to prevent any attempts of the prisoner escaping, Hubert Grant, the Halifax murderer, whose death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment was taken to Dorchester early last week to begin his term. Throughout the trip he was as silent as usual.

At a special meeting of Moncton Trades and Labor Council held on Wednesday evening the dispatch which appeared in the daily press which stated that sentiment in the Maritime Provinces was favorable to the transfer of the I. C. R. to a private corporation was discussed by delegates representing the unions of carmen, machinists, blacksmiths and boiler-makers, and it was decided to appoint a committee to draft a resolution to offset any such movement on the part of the Maritime Board of Trade. The action decided upon will have the support of the labor movement from one end of Canada to the other, and it is probable that resolutions of a similar nature will reach the members of parliament from all Trades and Labor Councils. Organized labor stands as a unit against any transfer of the I. C. R.

SUNNY CORNER

A dark gloom was passed over this place at half past nine Saturday evening, Jan. 11th, when the sad news was flashed around that one of Sunny Corner's most prominent men, in the person of Alfred Nowlan, had died of heart disease at the age of fifty-two years, leaving a wife and four children to mourn the loss of a loving husband and father. He is survived by his mother and the following sisters and brothers—Wm. James and Allen and Mrs. James Leach of Sunny Corner, and Mrs. John Harris of Boom Road. The funeral was largely attended by his numerous relatives and friends at half past nine Tuesday morning. Interment was in St. Thomas' Church, Red Bank. The committee extend their most sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

Good, but not forgotten. A manly voice is stilled. A seat vacant in that home that never can be filled. Miss Mary A. McDonald spent a couple of days with her friend, Mrs. Bella Maschett last week. Mr. J. H. A. G. has returned to the woods again. Mrs. Chas. Mullin and Mrs. Wm. McAllister visited Mrs. Jas. McDonald Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Matchett are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Johnston were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Tozer Thursday evening.

WHITNEY

Whitneyville, Jan. 11.—The people of this vicinity welcomed the snow-storm, as it improved the roads, which had been in a dangerous condition. The scarlet fever patients are convalescing. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mullin and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dunnett, are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter in their homes. Miss Agatha Forsyth is spending a few days in Newcastle. The monthly meeting of the W. F. M. S. was held at Mrs. Donald McTavish's on Saturday, Jan. 11th. Mrs. Peter Russell has been very ill for the past few days, but is now slightly improved. We are glad to see Mr. Peter Russell out again, after his recent illness. Rev. and Mrs. J. F. McCurdy were visiting in Strathadam this week. Messrs. Chester Whitney and Justice McKay went to Stony Brook, Northwest Miramichi on Monday last to build a summer sporting camp for R. H. Armstrong, Newcastle.

THE EMPIRE TYPEWRITER

It is easy to understand why so many who are in the need of a typewriter hesitate to introduce one on account of the difficulty of operating the same, and the necessity of learning the machine's mechanism. The former drawback is no longer exists. From the very beginning the Empire is a help and a time-saver. References will willingly be made to those who will state that from the very beginning the machine is a help and a time-saver so simple that it could be operated by a novice without difficulty. FRANK R. FORTWEATHER, Insurance, Fire Apparatus, Typewriters 12 Canterbury St., St. John, N. B. Tel. Main 433. They are.

S. S. URANIUM ON ROCKS OFF HALIFAX

Grounded in Dense Fog but 900 passengers were Quickly Taken Off.

Making for port, after a sixteen days' battle with Atlantic tempests and seas, the steamer Uranium, 3315 tons, from Rotterdam to Halifax, with nearly 900 passengers, ran on the rocks near Chebucto Head at the entrance of Halifax Harbor at 10.45 on Sunday morning. The steamer struck the rocks hard on, at Shoal Point, one of the roughest points on the rock-bound shore, and she was driven so far up on the ledge that her bow was eight feet out of the water. Fortunately, however, she ran into a small cove which provided a shelter from the gales and kept the sea comparatively calm. Fortune, indeed, favored the ship and her complement of close upon a thousand souls. The wind was blowing half a gale, but it was from the south west. Had the gale been blowing from the south east the position of ship and passengers would have been perilous in the extreme. The Uranium was creeping along in a thick fog when suddenly at 10.45 o'clock she poked her nose into the rocks and in a moment was held hard and fast. She was about 1000 yards north of the lighthouse at Chebucto Head and within 300 yards of the shore, but the fog was so dense that the ship could not be seen from the lighthouse. The news of the wreck was sent by wireless to Camperdown and the Lady Laurier was quickly despatched to the scene, while in the meantime, Mr. Mooney of the C. N. R. had arranged for tow boats, and the tug Scotsman, Togo and the steamer Bridgewater were quickly rushed to the aid of the stranded vessel.

Although the steamer was in no immediate danger and it was the expectation of the captain that she could be floated at high tide, it was deemed advisable to take off the passengers. The work of transfer began at four o'clock in the afternoon, and before six o'clock all were safely transferred to the Lady Laurier, the Bridgewater and the Scotsman which forwarded them to Halifax. It was no small undertaking to transfer 820 passengers but it was done expeditiously and without mishap of any kind. The women and children, according to the tradition of the sea, came first. They numbered about 300 and were placed aboard the Lady Laurier. The men were taken off by the three steamers, and the way in which transfer was effected reflects credit on all concerned. Had the conditions of wind and seas been other than it was there might be, and probably would be, a tragic story to tell today. The engines kept working until the tide became too low, and it was useless to make any attempt to back off. There were six thousand gallons of water at the stern and eight fathoms amidships. The bow was sufficiently high out of the water to see the turn of the stern. The bow was considerably smashed by the impact. Three attempts were made on Monday morning to pull the Uranium off the rocks but without success. The steamer did not move a foot and it was decided to lighten the ship before making another attempt.

POWERS STRIVING EARNESTLY FOR PEACE

Turkey Threatened with Severe Treatment Unless She Submits.

Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, and the ambassadors of the powers are making valiant efforts to bring about a settlement between Turkey and the Balkan allies in the direction of peace. They have had additional interviews with Dr. Danef and Rechad Pasha, the heads of the Bulgarian and Turkish delegations respectively, advising moderation on both sides and warning them that either party, if through obstinacy it should plunge Europe into war again, would incur a heavy weight of disapproval. The meeting of the ambassadors was the lengthiest yet held. They discussed the note to be presented to the Porte passage by passage, aiming to meet every possible argument likely to be raised by the Turks. The general impression among the plenipotentiaries is that the definite decision on war or peace must come from Constantinople. Whatever concessions and compromises the Balkan League may make the allies will never consent to the renunciation of Adrianople, which the Turks make the sine qua non of peace. Much is hoped for from Kiamil Pasha, the grand visier, a man of great ability and extraordinary influence. He is perhaps the most powerful among the Ottoman statesmen. He has succeeded in restoring the good relations between Turkey and the triple entente and thus far has been able to prevent the powers from taking an active anti-Turkish attitude. While progress towards peace is at a standstill the Balkan delegations are endeavoring to obtain advantages for themselves in the partition of the conquered territory. The Kings of Bulgaria, Greece and Montenegro are working actively among their relatives and friends to influence the powers in favor of the claims of their countries. At the moment for a decision approaches their efforts become more strenuous. It is known that they have sent special envoys to some of the capitals to support the work of their regular diplomats. The Greeks, unhampered by the armistice which binds the other allies, are continuing the fighting in Epirus, where even today sharp encounters took place with the Turks. According to several despatches to Premier Venizelos, the Greek forces are doing their utmost to surround Janina. Their efforts are now being directed to the north, where the Turks thus far have kept communications open and have thus been able to secure supplies. It has been difficult therefore to take the city by starving it out.

NEW EDUCATIONAL SCHEME FOR BRITAIN

Intended to Link up the Primary Schools with the Seats for Higher Learning.

Despatches from London, say that considerable interest has been aroused in England over the scheme proposed by Viscount Haldane for the improvement of the education of the people of the United Kingdom. This scheme will be the next great reform to be undertaken after the Franchise Reform, Home Rule and Welsh Disestablishment Bills are disposed of. The avowed object of this scheme is to increase the efficiency of the nation as a whole, to make the fullest possible use of the natural abilities of all children, irrespective of their station in life, and to maintain the productive powers of the nation on a par which will give them at any rate equal advantages with any of the great nations of the world. The scheme will link the primary school with the university, so that in future the child of any man will be able to climb to the top of the educational ladder, if he has the mental capacity, and will not be handicapped for want of money. By the scheme the whole structure of national education will be strengthened and made complete. It will work a new era in the development in nation life. Education will begin earlier and continue later, while the universities will be increased in number, with the object of serving local needs. Some of the opponents of the Government profess to see in this scheme a defeat for the Lloyd George section of the Government, and say that this is put forward instead of land reform. I am in a position to state, however, that not only is Mr. Lloyd George in full agreement with Viscount Haldane in this great national scheme, but he is actually associated with him in formulating it, believing that it will form a fitting complement to the Old Age Pensions and Insurance Acts. Mr. Yoxall, M. P., is now advocating a grant of £2,000,000, or £10,000,000, a year extra to the elementary schools.

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N. B. FARMERS' AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOC.

Will Open in Fredericton on 17th Feby.—Women's Institute Convention will Also be Held.

At last meeting of the Provincial Government authority was given for the holding of a Women's Institute Convention—the first ever held in the province—in connection with the annual meeting of the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association. A new departure has been made in the arrangements for the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association meeting and instead of being held the week of the opening of the Legislature it will be held the following week, commencing on February 17th, and continuing until the 21st. Secretary for Agriculture Daggett is busy in making the arrangements for the Convention of the Women's Institute and it is expected that the holding of the convention will give such an impetus to the work that an appointment of a woman official to devote her attention solely to Women's Institute Work in the province will follow. Mr. J. H. Gristdale, the director of the Dominion Experimental Farm Service of Ottawa, is expected to be one of the principal speakers at the Farmers' & Dairymen's Association meeting, while Federal Poultry Expert Brown of Ottawa, will also be one of the principal speakers. The subject of drainage on the farm will be given a leading place on the programme, and Dr. Lynds, of MacDonald College St. Anne de Bellevue, is expected to be the leading speaker on that subject. An innovation at this year's meeting will be an exhibit of wool, and Mr. J. A. Telfer, the Federal Government sheep expert for the Maritime Provinces, is expected to speak on the sheep industry and its possibilities in New Brunswick. The programme for the meeting is now being put into shape and will likely be completed next week.

MONCTON TIMES SUFFERS BY FIRE

Paper Being Printed at Transcript Office for a Few Days.

Fire on Saturday badly gutted the basement and business offices as well as part of the second flat of the Times printing offices. The fire, which originated in the basement near the furnace, spread with rapidity. A carload of news print in the basement was completely destroyed by fire and water, and considerable other stock was more or less damaged, principally by water. The typesetting machines and presses, as well as the book binding and paper ruling machinery, were damaged by water. The insurance was about \$21,250 and the estimated loss is \$10,000. Mr. J. T. Hawke has placed his presses at the disposal of the Times while repairs which will be rushed as rapidly as possible, are completed.

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S. S. SNOWDON RANGE PICKED UP AT LAST

Had Lost Her Rudder and Drifted about for Days.

The British steamer Snowdon Range, about which there has been great anxiety, passed the Irish coast on Monday in tow of the British steamer Welshman, which had picked her up in the Atlantic, five hundred miles to the west. The Snowdon Range left Philadelphia for Leith, Scotland, on Nov. 23. She lost her rudder while on her voyage and as she had not been heard from for long time she had been placed on overdue steamer list. She was recently relinised at the rate of 10 per cent. The Welshman, which left Liverpool on December 1st, found her on the Atlantic and brought her back to Leith. Bronze ornaments can be seen by rubbing them over with sweet oil and then polishing with a soft duster. It will with a piece of

Fire on Saturday badly gutted the basement and business offices as well as part of the second flat of the Times printing offices. The fire, which originated in the basement near the furnace, spread with rapidity. A carload of news print in the basement was completely destroyed by fire and water, and considerable other stock was more or less damaged, principally by water. The typesetting machines and presses, as well as the book binding and paper ruling machinery, were damaged by water. The insurance was about \$21,250 and the estimated loss is \$10,000. Mr. J. T. Hawke has placed his presses at the disposal of the Times while repairs which will be rushed as rapidly as possible, are completed.

THE LONG AND THE SHORT OF THE TUNIC



The Central Part of the Gown

ONE of the oldest stories in the tale of fashion is that of the tunic. Indeed, if you look discerningly enough, the tunic line will be seen in the simple goat-skin thrown across the bodies of men and women in primitive times. Ancient Greece and Rome were further exploiters of the tunic, and from eastern countries the idea swept across Europe. It was used years ago by the arbiters of style, and has never been deposed from a high place among fashion's rulers.

The long and the short of the story of the tunic is very interesting to womankind. It means variety in the line and a general becomingness to all figures and a suiting of all purses. Your tunic may be as long or as short as you wish and still be in style.

On the simple white costume suggesting Grecian lines the tunic of chiffon is edged with silver-beaded trimming and crossed in front over a double-pleated skirt. It is long in back, and the crossed line in front comes about one-third of the length of the skirt below the waist. These lines are a continuation of crossed ones on the bodice running in the opposite direction.

An elaborately beaded chiffon model has a bodice to match and gives a rich decoration on the plain satin underslip. This is a separate tunic, provided with a girdle and the exquisite flower at the front. The sleeves and lower edge are trimmed with fringe. This model is slashed up the front to the waist line. The floral design on this tunic is done in bugle beads.

Hinting of olden times is the full tunic of chiffon slashed in front and reaching to the bottom of the skirt. A conventional bead design is applied to the skirt, and a long narrow double girdle hangs down in front.

The bodice is of chiffon similar to the skirt, with straight lines of beads for decoration.

The short tunic of medieval line is of plain chiffon, with fullness in the bodice, plain sleeves and a hip-length peplum. Beads edge the hem of the tunic, and a beaded girdle adds the touch of the middle age to this effective style. It is a becoming contrast over the pleated chiffon skirt.

Forming the central part of a gown afternoons is a tunic of exquisitely beaded chiffon which extends just a little above the waist line and to below the



The Accepted Diagonal Model



In Simple Crossed Lines.



The Elaborate Beaded Model.

hips, heading the pannier of silk that is draped over the velvet skirt.

Diagonal lines of the tunic are very evident in this year's tunics. The Spanish lace in white over black satin is draped in a slanting line, the point coming halfway down on the right side. The bodice is of the lace combined with black, a delicate orchid finishing the surplice drapery.

Any slip of silk, satin or crepe de chine can be made into a simple foundation over which a tunic can be draped with ease, especially if the draping be done on the form first and the friendly pins are used to adjust the folds in graceful lines. Remember that long lines are the rule, and are easily attained by fastening material at the lower part of the skirt. Looseness is another important feature. Scant lines in the silhouette will be retained, and the girdled gown still holds sway. So put a high, contrasting girdle around the tunic drapery. Tunics can be edged with fur, fringes, which is coming back in high favor, and beads. They can



A Short Hip Tunic

be ornamental or simple, offering successful form.

To cut a long story short, or a short story, the bias, is not impossible, especially if the tunic story. Have you tried it?



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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Post Office Building, Fredericton, N. B." will be received at this office until 4:00 P. M. on Tuesday, January 22nd, 1913, for the construction of a Post Office Building, Fredericton, N. B. Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of Mr. D. H. Waterbury, Surveyor of Buildings, P. O. Bldg., St. John, N. B., at the Post Office, Fredericton, N. B., and at this Department. Persons tenders are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given. Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p. c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, R. C. DESROCHERS, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, January 4, 1913. Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Land Regulations. Any person who is the sole head of a family or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader. Duties: Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister. In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$3 per acre. Duties: Six months' residence upon the homestead pre-emption six months in each of three years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra. A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead rights and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$10 per acre. Duties: Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$500. W. W. COY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. N. P.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

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(Continued) She expected to hear of a prospective visit or a present—nothing very exciting—but at Gran Judith's next utterance her heart leapt. "Well, my dear, I'm going to send you to her. The invitation is of long standing, and I have decided to accept it. This place is too quiet for a young girl, and I want you to have a little gaiety." Myrna threw her arms about her grandmother. "To London, Gran—to live in London?" she cried. "Yes, to live in London for twelve months—more, if necessary. But Margaret will know best. I am placing you unreservedly in her hands, and you will obey her. She will be your guardian, introduce you to suitable friends, bring you out—and—arrange things." "Oh, Gran Judith! How good of you!" Myrna's eyes dilated. In fancy she saw a whirl of beautiful things, tumultuous and indescribable. "Dear Gran Judith! I'm so happy that I feel I could fly right away to London!" "I hope you'll not try, for there's much to be seen. Besides, there may be some delay. Lady Paleston has not yet answered my letter. Still, you need not fear disappointment, so you can set about your preparations." "Preparations!" The word conveyed the sadness of a five-act tragedy, shot through with the sunshine of a girl's anticipations. Myrna had never been away from home, but instinctively she understood that the change from one life to another could not be achieved without trouble—tears, too, perhaps, when she came to think of it—for the old-fashioned house in the wood was dear to her, and it did not seem possible to live away from Gran Judith. Not that her heart overflowed with affection for her grandmother. Mrs. Reeve had been too self-centred to trouble about understanding a child's temperament, but she was the head of the house; her rule was kind, and her word was law. It did not occur to Myrna that Gran Judith would be lonely; nor had she any notion of the love stored in the old lady's heart. Gran Judith was acting from a sense of duty, and Myrna accepted the altered condition of things with the carelessness of youth. Adeline Dancy, listening, controlled her emotions to hide the tremor in her heart but was acutely anxious as to what the change might mean to herself. Six years of battling with the world had made her the mistress of moods, and the cunning that in a less exigent life might have developed into craftiness and scheming. If Myrna went to London Adeline must find another situation, and a varied experience warranted her of a possible change for the worse. She must divert things to her own advantage. While Myrna was given up to irresponsible imaginings, the other girl's mind was sorely exercised, but her comments revealed nothing. "It's like the beginning of a fairy-tale," she said smilingly. "Myrna will exchange one fairy godmother for another. The first waves her wand, and the second appears. Then comes the prince—" "The prince!" repeated Mrs. Reeve in a questioning voice, her dark eyes bent on the governess. "The fairy-prince, I mean." "Oh!" "Myrna on her wedding day will wear a robe of silver cobwebs and pearls, and live happy ever after." "I don't want to be married!" protested Myrna. "I want to—" "There's the postman," interrupted Mrs. Reeve, while Adeline Dancy's glance conveyed a warning. The wish that lay deep in Myrna's heart was not to be revealed at such a time. It might cause dislike, and the governess wanted her own path made smooth. "There was only one letter, but to the group it seemed as if destiny had held the pen that wrote it—" "Dear Judith—Your letter more than delighted me. It is what I have wished for years, and you will never have cause to regret your wise resolve. Myrna shall be as my own. I am cutting short my visit here (where your letter was forwarded) to return to town, and set matters in train for Myrna's stay. Expect to see me soon, as I find it is possible to break my journey at Meerwald, and pick up a later train. All kind wishes till we meet—Your sincere friend, MARGARET PALESTON." "Why cannot you come too? Your housekeeper could attend to your interests," said Adeline. "No, no! My quiet home is worth many Londons. I have been through it all, and want it no more—but Myrna shall see for herself." The talk ran incoherently for a while, Adeline apparently well pleased at her friend's change of fortune. "By-the-way, Adeline," said Mrs. Reeve, "I don't wish you to feel any anxiety over this matter. Necessarily your plans must be altered, and I feel the responsibility of it."

CHAPTER III. Mrs. Reeve arranged that the two girls should drive to Meerton, a shopping centre a few miles beyond Meerwald, to buy a dress-basket and other necessities, and they set out light of heart—with a supply of sandwiches, for the sleek ponies never hastened their pace. On Mrs. Reeve's part it was a manoeuvre to get Myrna out of the way in case Craton should call, and thus she would prevent any pretext for parting words. Myrna, however, did not give Geoffrey Craton a thought. The gates of fairyland were about to open to her, and the work-a-day life would soon be left far behind. But Geoffrey Craton did not make a farewell visit. After a sleepless night he looked soberly and seriously at the position, and asked himself whether he was drifting? He was now by no means sure that Myrna cared for him. Her eyes kindled at his talk, but they would just as easily brighten if anybody else interested her. It was idle to think that because she led a secluded life her nature would awaken to love for the first man who crossed her path. Again, her grandmother was clearly aloof from him. She had given him his dismissal with the careless courtesy of a great lady; he had served a useful purpose and now belonged to the past. Therefore nothing was left but to pack his things and go away with a very heavy heart. Out of the train window he gazed at the house, thinking of the love flowing that had blossomed on the waste and dropped to its death for want of nutrition. It was his own fault, he bitterly thought. There was something insane in these romantic imaginings. Given the moonlight, a summer night, a voice that was almost divine, and common prudence was set at naught. The whisper in the song remained paramount. With the anxious thoughts of a lover he speculated about Myrna's future. Country girl as she was, there was distinction in her breeding. Did the grandmother contemplate a grand marriage for her? Craton wished that he had never come to Meerwald—at the same time he was well aware he did not mean it. "What man, having entered the enchanted land, finds it in his heart to regret, even though his path has been cast about thorns?" "Could he have obtained a glimpse of Myrna's mind just then he would have been startled. It was more marvellous than any of their dreams. Even the governess, eager to profit by coming events, had a shock of surprise. "Oh, I wish I were you!" cried Adeline, as the girls drove along the country road. "You'll have everything you can wish for, beautiful clothes, lovely house to go to, nice friends, continued gaiety—the pick of everything, while I—" She paused at the strange look in Myrna's face. "Surely, Adeline, you don't suppose I think only about dresses and amusements?" "Well, they're not everything. But you get engaged, and make a great marriage." Myrna flicked the reins impatiently. "Marriage! One would think I was just like other girls, without no idea beyond falling in love and getting married. You know that I have a higher aim. For months I have talked of my secret with you." "Surely you don't mean an operative career?" "What else should I mean? I want to make my own career. Gran Judith would like to see me in a position of my own, and with my voice who shouldn't I do so? Doctor Craton said that mine is the most marvellous voice he ever heard. He heard me imitating the nightingale one evening. It drew him to the window, and here he listened to me. Yes, Gran Judith never gives a word of praise. I told him so, and he said, 'Praise she's afraid that you'll want to leave the stage.' I do. I want to be a great singer. Music will work for me—unless I get a chance, and now the chance is at hand." "You're not going to throw up your career for a mere whim all the delight is in store for you?" "A mere whim? It's my dream. It's been growing in my heart since I read that book of Gran Judith's. It's just for a while, to give me a chance. You, with your

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Adeline was agast. "Oh, Myrna! Get the idea out of your head! The stage isn't worth losing the glorious social life that awaits you." Myrna's lips took a scornful twist. "Social life—what is it? If books are true it brings nothing but jealousy and unhappiness—marring for money, and only one desire from first to last to get a step higher. Could Lady Paleston or any other of those society women whose pictures are in the papers away multitudes like Gran Judith did?" "Well, but Mrs. Reeve's solitary life in her old age doesn't strike me as a particularly happy ending of a 'romantic career.'" "She loves the life, and she is happy. She's had the world at her feet, and a glorious past to look back on—" "And great sorrow." "Because she married instead of remaining in her profession. One can't have everything. I'm determined to keep to my resolve, and be true to myself." Thus twenty years puts on the garb of forty, reckless about the fit, and regardless of mirrors! "Lady Paleston would never consent, and Mrs. Reeve would be terribly annoyed," remarked Adeline. "They'll not know anything about it till it's done—till one morning they find a new singer who has captured London. Then they'll forgive me. Gran Judith loves music too well not to forgive a great artist." "But how are you going to do it?" "Ah, that's the troublesome part. I can't think of any way. Lady Paleston, by her portrait, doesn't seem the kind of a woman to be sympathetic. Probably all she thinks about is getting me 'settled in life' and I won't be settled. I don't want my manners moulded, and I hate to be called a 'country cousin.' I can see a manager without saying a word to anyone, but if one should make me an offer I don't know how I'll be able to accept it. I've read about a girl who led a double life—a great singer—yet nobody guessed. I wish I could do something of the kind. Can't you think of a way, Adeline? I am taking you into my confidence, you see, as I know you'll not mention the matter."

"I will be mute." "Then help me." An idea shot into Adeline's head. It was so audacious that she was amazed at it. "We could pretend that we are each other," she said. "You call your self Adeline Dancy, and create a sensation, and I'll be Myrna Reeve going into society. I've no objection to having the good time you desire." "What fun if we only could!" said Myrna with a laugh. "Oh, it's possible enough—the only question is—do we dare?" "Dare!" echoed Myrna. "Why, we would be found out at once!" "By whom?" Myrna turned an astonished gaze on her companion, but Adeline sat silent, with a curious expression. The desire of her heart was self-interest, and with her any path led there. She had the instinct of an adventurer. Six years of earning her living had made her weary of a humdrum life, and she was ready to take any chance. This mad fancy held the germ of possibility. But it implied the possession of a strong nerve. "Why don't you speak?" said Myrna. "If I worked out a plan can I depend on you to keep it secret, Myrna?" "Why, if it's for my benefit. You know what I wish." "We could personate each other quite simply. I feel that I could carry the thing through without detection—but you?" "I do as you suggest." The madness of the project never struck Myrna. Her only knowledge of the world was from books, and in books she had read of girls who impersonated boys, and got on pretty well. She had inherited a capricious nature, which in the quiet life at Meerwald had been kept well subdued. But the first glimpse of freedom was setting like the uncorking of effervescent wine. This wonderful liberty that was coming after years of captivity symbolised the key of the world. She froze on in silence, too excited to reason out the subject, and unwilling only to follow where her inclination led. Adeline Dancy's scheming brain found its meter. "Lady Paleston has never seen either of us," she went on in a reassuring tone. "Mrs. Reeve will not stir from Meerwald, old Teresa will stay there too, as long as she lives. The governess and the tradespeople are not in the least likely to set eyes on either of us again. To this day some of the villagers call me 'Miss Reeve.' There's no one else likely to recognize us. It isn't like a wicked deception, with anything wrong intended. It's just for a while, to give me a chance. You, with your

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ROWING NOVA SCOTIA

Climate Ideal in Many Parts; Tourism Problems appearing. At the meeting of the Pomological and Growing Society of Nova Scotia, held at Montreal, Prof. W. S. Blair, of Halifax, spoke on fruit growing in Nova Scotia. In parts of Nova Scotia that province was ideal for the growing of fruit. The climate was ideal for fruit growing there. The early French settlers there did not have the variety of seedling which were to be seen now. They, however, grew some apples, and when they left the land to the English, the latter brought with them new seedlings, which they grafted over the old ones, from which was sprung the present variety. The Annapolis Valley which was an ideal horticultural district, both from the standpoint of protection and soil, produced a variety which could not be better. Transportation improving. A problem for Nova Scotia, but the growers had faith in the business and gradually overcome the difficulties. The prosperity of Nova Scotia was undoubtedly due to her horticulture. English apples were being developed in the Province, all of the leading varieties were grown, and were of the best grade Nursery stock. That which could not show a clean bill of health was not allowed in Nova Scotia. He predicted that in five years time the province would be exporting large quantities of apples annually. In their methods of cultivation the fruit growers took much care of his stock. The orchards were well tilled, clover crops grown, and every precaution taken by the growers. Hundreds of thousands of tons of fertilizer were shipped to the province where it was used on fruit ground. In the matter of harvest of Nova Scotia 17 1/2 per cent was being realized on fruit trees. Spraying Essential. Hundreds of thousands of dollars had been lost this year, however, through neglect of spraying. There were hundreds of poor sprays, but they had not been used in a year. The speaker here advised the Quebec growers to secure power sprays as they were necessary to successful growing. Of course, he said there were some who went to extremes in the matter of planting too many trees, but this was not advisable, as it prevented proper spraying. Apple-scab was the one thing which was causing any poor fruit in Nova Scotia as in other places, and the lime-sulphur spray was the only way of avoiding it. Canning factories were quite numerous in Nova Scotia, there being evaporators which had been running steadily for six and eight weeks. Vinegar plants were also in operation for the purpose of utilizing the fruit which was not fit for shipment. To their own enterprise the fruit growers owed their success. The Government had helped them only after they had pushed so hard for themselves. The development of the manufacturing industry in the past ten years is an important feature in the apple trade of Nova Scotia. Montreal is using an ever increasing quantity of eastern apples. Halifax, Sydney, New Glasgow and other eastern cities with their army of artisans are providing an ever increasing market at the very door of the Maritime apple grower.

Mr. Rebecca N. Clegg, mother of the tallest family in Kansas, is dead, at the age of 78. Mrs. Clegg was less than 5 feet tall and weighed 90 lbs. Her oldest son, George Clegg, was 7 feet 10 inches in height. Ed. Clegg, tallest surviving member of the family, is 6 feet 10 inches in height. Four sons and two daughters still living are all more than 6 feet in height. The father of the family is 5 feet 4 inches tall. na, may win glory and renown. Picture yourself the bright central figure on an operatic stage, while I get my chance of a good marriage. It's all I ask. Oh, Myrna, I think of the six years of drudgery I've been through—and only a few pounds in the savings' bank to represent those years of hard work." Tears started to Adeline's eyes at the woeful picture she conjured up. Myrna, impassioned and affectionate, made no pretence of hiding her emotions. "I'll help you, Adeline!" she exclaimed. "You shall have your chances, as you gave me mine. When I make a name I'll go to Gran Judith and ask her forgiveness. By that time you'll have made a good marriage, and nobody will say a word, for I'll take all the blame, and being famous, nobody will scold me. The end justifies the means." "Dear child!" exclaimed the schemer, with a caress. But Myrna suddenly started. "Oh, Adeline, you have forgotten the most important thing! Lady Paleston is coming to Meerwald to matters over. She said so in her letter. Don't you remember?"

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WEST PLANNING FOR FACTORIES

Industries Needed for the All-round Development of the Country—A Bright Official. S. Nicholson, Secretary-Treasurer of Tofted, Alta., states that it is proposed to establish an Industrial Bureau in Western Canada, whose main object will be to secure industries for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta. The matter is to be brought to the attention of the Dominion Government, inasmuch as general opinion in the West favors making this bureau a branch of the Trade and Commerce Department. The new organization would assemble all available information as to the industrial needs and opportunities of western municipalities, keeping in active touch with a local Industrial Bureau and Board of Trade. It is also proposed that the bureau would be in communication with Eastern manufacturers, giving all possible assistance in the establishment of new or branch factories in the Western Provinces. "This bureau," said Mr. Nicholson, "would give home manufacturers the first chance, but if they could not build the required factory, then we would give outsiders a chance." "For what industries in the West are there the greatest opportunities?" he was asked. "The brick industry is at present the most attractive," he said. "Edmonton brought brick from Minnesota this summer. These cost the consumer, f.o.b. Edmonton \$36.00 per thousand for faced brick. There is first-class brick clay in Estevan, Medicine Hat, Tofted, Taber and many other western places." Mr. Nicholson also referred to the opportunities in the West for the manufacture of glass and piping of all kinds. Flour and oat mills were needed. A closer supply of iron manufactures was needed. At present the dealer has to buy in too large quantities. Companies are numerous also for plants where many of the small parts of machinery could be made and assembled with larger parts, which might be shipped in. Twine and rope factories, and jute mills were also needed. Regarding labor for factories, Mr. Nicholson has no fear, but would encourage it by the establishing of clothing or other factories where women and girls are employed. If the mechanic or laborer could obtain employment for his family as a the Eastern Canadian cities, he would as a rule sooner go West than remain in the East.

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SAVINGS DEPOSITS

Average to Each Depositor Highest in Protected Countries. One of the best tests of prosperity of a country is the savings bank deposits of its people. Agriculture is the basic industry, and if agricultural conditions are not sound, it will be reflected in the savings of the people. The following table shows the amount on deposit in the savings banks of Great Britain and foreign countries:

	Per Capita
United King., 1907	1,048,268,260 \$ 84
Austria, 1905	1,098,256,165 197
Belgium, 1905	155,739,160 65
France, 1905	974,372,850 79
Italy, 1906	616,183,030 92
Netherlands, 1905	92,551,665 58
Russia, 1905	8,964,235 171
Sweden, 1905	156,312,455 98
Norway, 1906	112,069,261 177
Denmark, 1906	221,787,468 177
United States, 1907	3,791,306,500 441

It will be seen that the savings deposits in the United States are more than double those in any other country. Those countries in which the average savings to each depositor exceeds \$100 have enjoyed tariff protection to some extent. In the United States, where tariff walls are built high, the average to each depositor in the savings banks was \$100. The average in the Netherlands, where the protectionist has had a hard fight and has not always won, is low. While the tariff is not the only consideration in relation to savings, the above figures show that where protection has been stable the average savings has been highest.

UNITED 143 FAMILIES

Imperial Reunion Association Does Its Festive Work. The Imperial Reunion Association, which aims to unite old world families in the Canada of endeavor and opportunity, grows apace. Since its organization in Toronto it has passed upon so less than 650 applications of British immigrants who desired assistance in bringing their families out to join them, and has by its efforts in this connection, already united 143 families in Canada. "Treasure Island" Sold. Christmas Island, the original "Treasure Island" of Robert Louis Stevenson's great story and around which many another less famous tale of adventure and black magic has been woven, has been sold to the

ROUND THE TOWN.

The Advocate is a day late this week owing to an accident to some of the machinery in the office. It is anticipated that the matter will be rectified before the next issue is due.

1000 Shoppers Wanted
In costume, to attend the Big Carnival on Wednesday night. You'll be sorry if you miss it.

The Ocean Limited
The Ocean Limited will probably be continued all winter, in accordance with requests received by the management of the Intercolonial.

Circuit Court
The dates for the sittings of the Supreme Court in this County have now been fixed by the Judges. The summer session will open on Tuesday, May 27th, before Mr. Justice McKeown, and the winter session on Tuesday, December 2nd, before Mr. Justice White.

Temperance Meeting
A mass temperance meeting will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday evening at 8.15 o'clock, after the close of the regular services. Short addresses will be given, and the singing will be led by a male choir, using the John H. Roberts music sheets. Everybody is invited.

Special Attraction at Opera House
The special attraction at the Happy Hour for the last three days of this week will be The Frisco Comedy Co. in singing, dancing and comedy acts. There will also be four reels of fine pictures which will make a very pleasant evening, for which admission will be 25c.

Fortcoming Bospiel
Plans are being made in St. John for a bospiel under the auspices of the New Brunswick Branch of the Royal Caledonia Curling Club. It will take place some time in February and will last three days. Invitations have been sent out to all the curling clubs in the province and it is expected that about ten clubs will compete in the contest. Among the outside clubs expected to compete are Moncton, Campbellton, Newcastle, St. Stephen, Fredericton, Bathurst, Chatham and one or two other places. Suitable prizes will be awarded to the winners, and it is the intention of the executive to make the bospiel a memorable one, and one of the largest ever held in St. John.

Elected Officers
Whitneyville Division, No. 452, S. of T., have elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter:
W. P.—Wm. Sheppard.
W. A.—Mrs. Addington McLean.
R. S.—Miss Jean Adams.
A. R. S.—Garvie Rae.
P. S.—Miss Mary Rae.
Treas.—Addington McLean.
Chap.—Miss Roberta Adams.
Con.—George Sheppard.
A. Con.—Neil Rae.
I. S.—Harold Jordan.
O. S.—Mark McKay.
S. Y. P. W.—Mrs. Chas. McKay.
Organist—Miss Melvina Forsyth.
P. W. P.—Clifford Parker.

Looking for Foxes
Moncton Times: Two gentlemen from Calgary, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Murdoch are in the city in connection with black fox farming. They are interested in the fox industry in the west, and are making a tour of the east, including Moncton, Halifax, St. John and Prince Edward Island, visiting some of the large fox ranches and making speculations. They will shortly open up a farm in Vancouver Island, and intend investing about \$25,000 in two pairs of foxes as a start in the business. It is with the intention of buying their first foxes that they are making this trip in the east. Climatic conditions being something the same in Vancouver as they are in P. E. Island, Vancouver Island should be a very suitable location for the purpose of raising foxes. Messrs. Marshall and Murdoch left Moncton on their way to the west.

Lively Runaway
Some little excitement was caused on Castle Street this morning by a runaway. Mr. John Young, of the North West Miramichi, had left his horse and sleigh outside Russell's blacksmith shop on Jane St., whilst he went in, when for some reason the animal started off. Turning the corner by Hennessy's store it came down Mitchell Street into Castle Street at a pretty smart clip. Opposite J. D. Paulin's store the sleigh came in contact with the house occupied by Chas. Delano and it and the horse parted company, the latter continuing its mad career towards the square, where it was ultimately caught. As it passed the Hotel Miramichi, W. Dunn's big sleigh and pair which were standing outside, joined in the race, but they only got as far as the Town Hall when the sleigh overturned and the pole broke. They were soon rescued. Mr. Young's horse was unhurt. The deceased was well known

Wedding at Redbank
At Redbank Manse on the 14th inst., Robert Allan Nowlan and Miss Mary Matchett, both of Redbank, were married by Rev. J. F. McCurdy.

Keep up the Reputation
The Newcastle River has the reputation for its best salmon on the river. Let this year eclipse all others. Get your costumes early. It is sure to be a big time.

Left for Vancouver
Mr. Clarence Parker of Derby, whose home was burned down a few months ago, recently sold his farm and on Monday left with his wife and family for Vancouver, where they will reside in future.

Agricultural Meeting
A meeting of Agricultural Society No. 122, will be held at Whitney on Saturday, when Mr. H. H. Flewelling of the Dairy Division, Ottawa, will be one of the speakers, his subject being Cow Testing and Record Keeping in Dairy Herds.

Carnival Costumes
All girls and boys in Hockey, Baseball or Soccer costumes will NOT be permitted to the rink until after the prizes are awarded. The rink wants GOOD costumes only.

Belcher's Almanac
A copy of Belcher's Farmers' Almanac for 1913, published by the McAlpine Company, Halifax, has been received at the Advocate office. It contains 456 pages, full of useful information concerning New Brunswick and Nova Scotia and Canadian affairs generally. Tide tables for many maritime ports are given.

I. O. F. Secretary
The High Standing Committee of the I. O. F. has appointed Mrs. Emma A. McLaren, daughter of the late Judge Emmerson of Moncton, to carry on the duties of the office of High Secretary of the order held by her late father, until the next annual meeting. Mrs. McLaren has acted as her father's secretary for some time and is familiar with the duties of the office.

Fire at Napan
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McDiarmid, Napan, met with a serious loss on Tuesday when fire completely destroyed their home together with all the furnishing of the upper flat. The loss is over \$1500 and there is no insurance. The main house was first consumed and then the ell which contained the kitchen also was destroyed by the flames. None of the barns or outhouses were burned.

OBITUARY

JOHN MCGINNIS
The death of John McGinnis occurred at his home in Winnipeg, Man., on Friday, Dec. 27th, aged forty-two years and nine months. He leaves a widow, formerly Gertrude Wilkinson, of Montreal, and the following sisters, Mrs. W. A. Touchie, and Mrs. D. C. Smallwood of Newcastle, and Mrs. Catherine Venables of Moncton. Interment was made at Winnipeg.

MRS. JOSHUA BASS, Sr.
The death of Mrs. Joshua Bass, Sr. occurred at Douglastown at midnight on Wednesday. Deceased had suffered from heart trouble and had been seriously ill for more than a month. She was formerly Miss Martha Fairman, of Newcastle, sister of the well known foundry man, who lived here until recently. She leaves her husband, a brother, George Fairman of Douglastown; two sisters, Mrs. May and Mrs. Ivory of Chatham, and the following children; by her first husband, Mr. Craft, Wm. Craft of Chatham, and two daughters married in the States, and by her last husband, Mrs. Jos. McBride, Chatham, Miss Josephine of Portland, Me.; Miss Hilda, David, Roland and Albert at home. Deceased was an Anglican and much respected.

MICHAEL WELSH
The death occurred at his home at Bristol, Carleton County, on Thursday of Mr. Michael Welsh, the well known Miramichi lumberman. He had been in falling health for nearly a year and news of his death did not come as a surprise. Mr. Welsh carried on extensive lumbering operations on the Miramichi for many years. For some time past he has operated a saw mill at Foreston, Carleton County. He was a man of most genial disposition and was highly respected by all who knew him. His wife, who was formerly Miss Love of Glassville, predeceased him by a few days. It is said that Mr. Welsh left an estate estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000, which will go to his daughter and adopted son.

HARDING POND
Harding Pond of Boiestown died at his home Saturday night as the result of injuries sustained in falling from a staging at Nappadogan earlier in the day. The deceased was about thirty-five years of age and is survived by a widow and child. The deceased was well known

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

J. D. Phinney, K. C., is in town this week.

Mr. C. C. Crocker of Millerton was in town on Thursday.

Mr. John O'Brien is on a trip to Boston.

Mr. Earl MacDonald was in Chatham on Thursday.

Mr. Wm. Brown is spending a few days at his home here.

Mr. Arthur Metcalf of Moncton, is visiting friends in town this week.

Miss Laura McGrath of Chatham is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wm. McGrath.

Miss Theresa Duan of Nelson, is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Frank Gillis.

Dr. Schwartz, who recently settled in Redbank, is building up a fine practice in that vicinity.

Mr. Frank H. Sears of the Toronto Type Foundry Co., Montreal, was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Bateman, of Fredericton, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bateman in Nelson last week.

Hon. John Morrissey returned Wednesday from attending a meeting of the C. M. B. A. at Kingston, Ont.

Miss Annie Gorman who has been in St. John for the past year, returned to her home in Nelson last week.

Mr. Jas. Walsh of Strathadam, left Tuesday for Boston to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Julia Walsh.

Mr. Warren M. Power, who has been home attending the funeral of his father, has returned to his duties in Lowell, Mass.

Rev. Father Murdoch has returned to his home in Renous from Chatham, where he was being treated at the Hotel Dieu Hospital.

Mr. Perley Vanderbeck of Millerton has accepted a position in the C. P. R. offices at St. John, and will in future make his home there.

Mr. Arseneau of St. John has succeeded Mr. Gallant as manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Co.'s office here.

Miss Genevieve Carruthers of Chicago, who is visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carruthers of Millerton, was in town on Thursday.

Mrs. R. K. Galloway will be at home to her friends on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, Jan. 22nd at the residence of her mother Mrs. Robert McMurray.

Mr. John Williamson has returned from Montreal, where he accompanied Miss Olive, who is receiving treatment at the hospital there. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that she is improving.

Mrs. Thos. Vanstone and children left on Friday for Gibson after spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. John Daughney. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Maud Daughney who has been visiting her mother.

Newcastle Division, S. of T., has elected the following delegates to attend District Division, which meets at Bathurst, Friday, Jan. 17th, Mrs. H. H. Stuart, Mrs. F. N. Atkinson, Miss Addie Bockler, Miss Helen McLeod, Miss Ella O'Donnell and W. C. Day.

Mr. A. E. Massey was in town this week in the interests of the Palmer-McLellan Shoeack Co., of Fredericton. This is Mr. Massey's first trip in the interest of this new firm, among whose directors are Messrs. R. W. and W. A. McLellan, two former Newcastle boys, who are secretary and supt. respectively.

throughout the province and news of his death will be received with regret by all who knew him. He was one of the representatives of his parish on the County Council. He was a Veteran of the South African War and was also prominent in the militia being an officer in the 73rd Northumberland Regiment.

Details of the accident are not known definitely. The deceased was working on the railway shops being built at Nappadogan. In some way he slipped from the staging and fell a considerable distance to the ground. Dr. Moore of Stanley was summoned to attend him and the injured man was removed to Boiestown as quickly as possible and died a few hours afterward at his home there.

The funeral took place on Monday with full military honors. Amongst the local officers of the 73rd Regiment present were Col. Mersereau, in command, Capt. W. H. Belyes and Lieuts. Robert Weldon and Arthur McKenzie of Chatham.

BORN

At Newcastle, Jan. 7th, to Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour Stothart, a son.

At Douglastown, Jan. 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dinan, a son.

At Newcastle, Jan. 11th to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Copp, a daughter.

At Newcastle, Jan. 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Basil Thibideau, a daughter.

At Newcastle, Jan. 16th, to Mr. and Mrs. Allan Black, a daughter.

At the Meadows, Redbank, on Jan. 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Murphy, a daughter.

Miss Bella Russell is spending the winter in Augusta, Maine.

Miss Julia Major is teaching in the Nelson school this term.

Miss Agatha Forsyth of Whitney, is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. John Dennis is visiting relatives in Renous.

Miss Annie Harriman is visiting friends in Nelson.

W. S. Loggie, M. P., was among the visitors in town on Saturday.

P. A. Forsythe of Whitney was in town on Monday.

D. McCatheri, jr., of Fredericton, was in town on Wednesday.

Rev. Canon Smithers of Fredericton spent a few days in Bathurst and Chatham during the past week.

Messrs. Chas. Martin and George Fleigher of Chatham, were in town Wednesday on business.

Misses Joy Gaynor and Nellie Gilmore of Chatham were in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. David Smith of Upper Nelson is spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. W. A. Touchie.

Miss Annie Burke of Chatham, is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Alberta Rae.

W. J. McNeil of the Campbellton Graphic, spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss Cecilia Nowlan is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. W. J. Dyan.

Miss Isa Leighton has returned from a pleasant vacation spent with friends in Montreal.

Mrs. Charles McKay and daughter Frances, of Whitney, visited friends in town on Tuesday.

The Misses Muriel and Marion Bate returned to their studies at "Edgell" on Wednesday.

The condition of Rev. Mr. Calhoun of Millerton, who has been ill for the past six weeks, remains unchanged.

Miss May Murphy went to Fredericton last week to resume her studies at the Normal School.

Mr. John Rundle of Chatham, is spending a few weeks with his sister, Mrs. E. A. McMillan.

Miss Annie Porter returned on Tuesday from a visit to friends in Blackville.

Miss Macrina Murphy visited her grandmother, Mrs. Vickers, at Blackville this week.

Mr. Jas. Dunn left on Monday for Bangor where he has accepted a position.

Miss Jennie Gremley has returned from a trip to Boston, after spending a very pleasant holiday.

Dr. F. L. Pedolin returned last week from a very pleasant trip to South Carolina.

Miss Dorothy Wilson of Millerton was the guest of Mrs. A. E. Shaw last week.

Miss Bella Falconer who has spent the last few months with her sisters, the Misses Falconer, returned to Boston last week.

Mr. A. E. Tingley returned to Blackville on Monday, accompanied by his friend Miss Harris of that place.—Albert News in Times.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fury of Millerton, left on Tuesday for Winnipeg, where they will make their home in future.

Mrs. Currie, who has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Ryan, returned to her home in St. John on Wednesday.

Miss Florence Giles has returned from a visit to her sister, Miss Laura Giles, who is station agent at Picton, N. S.

Miss Margaret Meahan has returned to St. Mary's Academy, after spending the vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Meahan at Bathurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Craig, who were in town attending the funeral of Mr. Craig's mother, the late Mrs. Christopher Craig, returned to their home in Moncton on Sunday.

The engagement is announced of Miss Maude Alma Maltby to Mr. Wm. Johns of Detroit, Michigan, the wedding to take place the latter part of this month.

Miss Margaret Robinson leaves this week for Boston, where she will spend the winter with her brothers, Messrs. Major and Alexander Robinson.

Miss Russell, who is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Robert Armstrong, Bathurst, spent the week end at her home here, returning on Monday.

Miss Winnifred Whalen, who has been spending some time with her brothers, Messrs. James and John Whelan at the Miramichi Hotel, returns to New York this week.

Miss Florence Ramsay, student nurse at the Alexandria Hospital in Montreal, returned Sunday to her duties after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. F. Copp.

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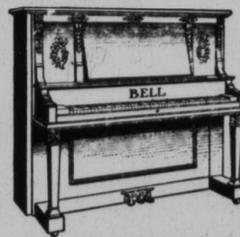
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