

OTTAWA LETTER.

Dr. Borden Paid Two Dollars Per Pound for "Emergency" Food,

That Experts Testify Is Not Worth Over Twenty-five Cents Per Pound.

Dr. Devlin the Contractor for the Purposes of This Contract Owned the Militia Department—The Stuff Accepted Without Analysis and in the Face of a Warning as to Its Character.

OTTAWA, June 20.—The interest in parliamentary proceedings centres most in the Tower room, where the emergency food committee is sitting on its chairs. The dispatches which have brought the evidence down to a later date, and it is not well to anticipate. One matter, however, is worthy of particular attention. During the discussions in the House the minister of militia admitted that a report of the analyst of the inland revenue department had been withheld from the papers brought down. Mr. McNeill had some idea that this report would be interesting, and kept asking for it every day. The minister promised that it should come before the committee with other reports in due time, and in the meantime stated that it would be found to show that the goods furnished to the troops were the same as those tested at Kingston.

The committee obtained this report yesterday from the deputy minister, and found that it made no comparison at all between the goods tested at Kingston and those furnished to the troops. It is merely a test of the sample furnished by Devlin on which the contract was made in comparison with the food sent to Africa. The report proves that the goods furnished by the contractor were substantially the same as the sample. But there is nothing to show that the sample was similar to the food tested at Kingston which the government claims to have been buying. The analyst states that the food sent to Africa contains 16 per cent of protoid, or less than a quarter of the sustenance that is supposed to be obtained in the genuine article. By this analysis it does not appear that the food purchased is a condensed or concentrated food at all. There are plenty of foods, such as meat and peas, beans, and various kinds of raising just as much protoid, which could have been bought in the ordinary way of business anywhere from 5 cents to 25 cents a pound. The only excuse for the purchasing of this emergency ration was the supposition that it contained in a small form sufficient sustenance to sustain life for a long time. In this respect the Devlin food was perfectly worthless, according to the government analysis. Other evidence was furnished which seems to show that the goods tested at Kingston valued at \$700 the goods for which the government paid them \$4,666. But this testimony may be modified later.

In the house the Yukon is attracting an unusual amount of attention. It would perhaps be truer to say that the Yukon was the weak spot in this administration, seeing that there appears to be weak spots everywhere. But there is no longer any doubt that the Yukon district has for the last four years been a particular rendezvous of plunderers and adventurers who have been getting rich or trying to get rich out of the difficulties and necessities of the people there. Mr. Sifton's appointments have been made almost wholly from the ranks of party heaters of professional promoters and unscrupulous speculators who have been helping themselves in one way or another by associating with the business firms, or claim owners, or claim seekers, or contractors, or holders of liquor permits or of timber permits or of dredging licenses. Every motion to enquire into these affairs is voted down. Even a resolution in favor of an independent accounting is rejected. Mr. Sutherland, the acting minister, seems to think his duty when he personally explains to the house that he personally knows nothing about the matter, but that he is sure it is all right and that the opposition is persecuting the Yukon officials and making too much talk about the Yukon business.

Meanwhile every man who comes from the Yukon brings his complaint of incapacity or negligence or plunder or blackmail on the part of the officials in that country. The worst of it is that the officers up there are practically irresponsible. They act as a municipal council, and yet are not responsible to the residents. They have entire charge of the local affairs of the city of Dawson and of the other settlements throughout the district. There is no other municipal institution but the Yukon council. It looks after the streets, the water supply, the sewerage, the liquor licenses and all other licenses. It collects taxes from the residents. Yet the people who paid the taxes and who are governed by the council do not even know what the council does. The people are shut out from the meetings. There is no public record open to the press of that district. The whole thing is secret and arbitrary.

Not only is this council, which is appointed at Ottawa, irresponsible to the people whom it governs, but it is not responsible to anybody here. The public accounts committee has struggled in vain to find out how the council expends its budget of some \$700,000, and has not been able to get any exact returns of the collections of money. The Yukon ordinances are subject to veto here, but not until long after they are passed. The Yukon accounts may be examined by the auditor general months after they are paid. But there is no audit before payment and therefore

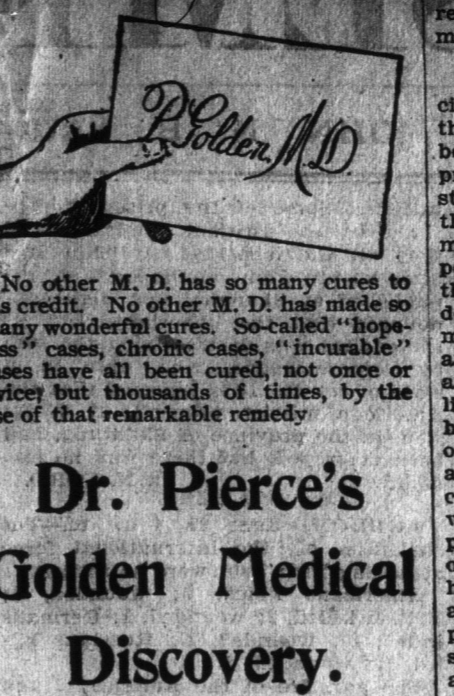
Speaking of the machine, Mr. McNeill yesterday, who pointed the West Huron ballot, seems to have waxed wroth against Mr. Powell, and has poured on him a perfect Niagara of abuse, contained in language which must have been learned during Dan's recent career as a government machine improvement contractor. Capt. Dan seems to have fallen into an error in regard to Mr. Powell, and has led several persons astray whose opinion is perhaps better worth noticing. Various newspaper men have jumped to the conclusion that there was something wrong in Mr. Powell's Westmorland election, because it was reported that he furnished ballots to electors in a certain campaign. Mr. Powell does not notice Mr. McNeill's abuse. He did notice Mr. Powell's abuse yesterday, an observation in the *Charlottetown Patriot* to the effect that there must have been some tampering with the ballots. Mr. Powell explained that the statement in question referred to a local election in New Brunswick, in which the ballots are not handed out by the returning officers, but are supplied by the candidates and others and handed to the returning officer, with the names of the candidates printed on them. The unfortunate newspapers men have been misled astray by supposing that the New Brunswick election took their ballots from the returning officer and marked them secretly, as in the Dominion elections. S. D. S.

OTTAWA, June 21.—Sir Henri Joly will probably be a constitutional lieutenant governor of British Columbia, but it is one of the incidents of his political life. Sir Henri has not long in his career he owes office to the unconstitutional conduct of a governor. A quarter of a century ago Sir Henri became premier of Quebec through the arbitrary dismissal of the previous ministry by Lt. Gov. Letcher. Now he is expected to become lieutenant governor of British Columbia by reason of the unconstitutional behavior of Governor McInnes. In this case Sir Henri goes into office as a protest against high-handedness, whereas in the previous case he went into high-handedness that put him there. But, however he goes, and whether he goes or not, the *Séigneur de Lotbinière* is an honest man and a gentleman.

It was a little more of a demagogue and a business-is-business man and would join Mr. Tarte in proclaiming tri-colored sentiments in the back concessions of Quebec. Sir Henri could not be more business-like and more demagogic than he is. But it was remarked in the previous letter that he would soon have to go, and if he does not soon go to British Columbia he will go out into the cold air of the English market. He is and always has been thoroughly British as well as French. He has never raised a controversy about the right of the government to offer troops to Africa. He has never asked that the act should be his own, the British army, and would doubtless have given himself if he were younger and the act were necessary. He is absolutely without sympathy with Tarteism, as is shown by Mr. Tarte himself, who always goes on his knees to the British minister. French audience how the French element is represented in the cabinet. "The premier and myself sitting at one end of the table," suggested Mr. Tarte at St. Vincent de Paul, "cannot be expected to rest their heads on the neck of the British minister, which would be represented in the cabinet. That was the way the minister of public works excused the first contingent. It has been evident for the last two or three months that an influence was operating at Paris to crowd out Sir Henri, and to put Mr. Tarte in his place. Sir Henri Joly resigned his seat in the Quebec assembly because he refused to follow Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Mercier in the *Rid* agitation. He did not have to resign this time, because the anti-British minister who has been back down. But if Sir Wilfrid and Mr. Tarte had adhered to the programme of October 4th, we should have seen Sir Henri leave the ministry by his own act. As it is, he stands with the British minister, and goes out by the acts of other people.

Assuming it to be true that the governor of the province of Cape Breton can look back on a spectacular two years. There is another ex-governor who can tell of dismissing one ministry, but Mr. McInnes carries on his own, and has turned out two or three governments. He has made three premiers and tried to make another. He has quarrelled with every provincial leader except possibly Mr. Martin, and with every prominent public man in the province. He has looked back at his career of slaughter and conquest and can picture again in fancy the wrecks of the shattered governments which strew his pathway. He is at least can say that while in the hands of others the position of lieutenant governor has been a sort of sinecure. It furnished work for a man who rises to the occasion, but the people of British Columbia have no more hankering after anarchy and confusion. They cry out for peace and stability. They want to be able to go to bed at night and know that they will have a government in the morning. Mr. McInnes is an enterprising governor, and there ought to be a place for him in some of the Central or South American republics.

We have heard from the minister of militia and from Mr. Hatch and the Montreal collector of customs on the subject of protoid or protein or vitallin. The minister puts in a plea of absolute and complete ignorance. Dr. Borden didn't know much about Mr. Hatch before this contract. He did not know what precautions were taken to see that the food bought from Dr. Devlin was the same as that tested at Kingston. He presumed that Dr. Nelson saw to it that the articles were identical. He did not know that Dr. Devlin's vegetable food had a different name and character from Mr. Hatch's protoid. He did not know that the Devlin goods were imported from the United States. He did not know that the analysis made in the inland revenue department was simply a comparison between the



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"My husband had been coughing for years and people frankly told me that he would go into consumption," writes Mrs. John Shireman, of 30, 245 24th Place, Chicago, Ill., "in the Spring of 1888 he took measles. He caught cold, the measles then setting on his lungs, causing such distress that he could not only eat, but sleep. He looked for the bursting of a blood vessel, but he recovered, but he could not get his weight back. After three days coughing he was too weak to cross the room. The doctor who lived with us on the floor did not know what to do, but he tried Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. My husband's recovery was remarkable in its speed. In three days he began using the Golden Medical Discovery he was up and around and in two more days he went to work. Two bottles cured him."

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Devlin sample and the goods provided, and therefore not a comparison between the food tested at Kingston and the food sent to Africa. He did not know that the government analyst had reported only 16 per cent. of protoid in the food purchased and had not even seen the analysis until the enquiry began.

He did have one piece of knowledge that was all his own. When Mr. Hatch wrote him that the goods purchased were spurious and comparatively worthless for the purpose required, the minister seems to have kept this little note to himself. Though he now shoulders the whole responsibility upon Dr. Nelson, he did not tattle Dr. Nelson with a sight of this warning, which ought to have been most valuable under the circumstances. The doctor who had the matter in hand, it would appear that Mr. Monk's charge of negligence against the minister was sustained by the minister's own evidence.

For the rest there appears to be some discrepancy between Mr. Hatch's story and that of the minister. While the minister claims to have paid very little attention to Mr. Hatch, and to have had no long interviews with him, Mr. Hatch asserts that he avoided talking with him on the journey from New York. Mr. Hatch swears that they had a conversation three hours long in the Pullman car on the subject of these foods. The gentleman from Hungary says he drawing on his imagination, and this point will perhaps be cleared up later. The importance of it consists in the fact that Mr. Hatch says there was a very good understanding between him and the minister about these foods, whereas the minister puts it forward that Dr. Devlin was the party he knew in the matter.

Mr. Hatch does not speak perfect English and has a disposition to tell the whole story in answer to a short question. It seems clear, however, that he knows his facts as a food chemist, and he tells an intelligent story about his affairs. Mr. Hatch was trained in the polytechnic in his own country and became a scientific flour miller somewhere about Buda Pesth. He experimented on foods in London and at some attempts at Paris. Afterwards he got the benefit of the McGill University Laboratory and perfected his experiments. He has a partner in New York and credits Dr. Devlin with introducing him to this business as a food chemist, and he tells an intelligent story about his affairs. Mr. Hatch was trained in the polytechnic in his own country and became a scientific flour miller somewhere about Buda Pesth. He experimented on foods in London and at some attempts at Paris. Afterwards he got the benefit of the McGill University Laboratory and perfected his experiments. He has a partner in New York and credits Dr. Devlin with introducing him to this business as a food chemist, and he tells an intelligent story about his affairs. Mr. Hatch was trained in the polytechnic in his own country and became a scientific flour miller somewhere about Buda Pesth. He experimented on foods in London and at some attempts at Paris. Afterwards he got the benefit of the McGill University Laboratory and perfected his experiments. He has a partner in New York and credits Dr. Devlin with introducing him to this business as a food chemist, and he tells an intelligent story about his affairs.

The question turns somewhat upon the value of these goods. It is admitted that the powder bought contained only 16 per cent of protoids. That is the government's own analysis, and the minister, who has not wanted to exclude further testimony on that point on the ground that the facts were admitted. Mr. Hatch says he does not make this class of goods. He cannot afford to do it, because they can be bought so cheap. He buys what he needs from Montreal dealers, who import them from the United States. The price is anywhere from 23 to 20 cents per pound. He would suppose that 25 cents was a fair valuation for the food purchased by the government.

This estimate is a little lower than the valuation made for duty by Dr. Devlin himself. Collector White testified that Dr. Devlin fixed the value of 20 cents a pound, or \$700 on the *Rid* portion, which was sold to the government for \$3 a pound, or \$4,666. The only additional value put upon the goods was the grinding, and the grinder seems to have told the Montreal Star that he was paid one cent a pound for the work. Then it had to be put in cans and labelled, which might be worth another cent or two a pound. On this testimony Mr. Devlin would seem to have made a very good thing out of it unless he had to divide too liberally with the middlemen. There is a rumor that a gentleman in Mont-

real, whose influence was used in the matter, got \$2,000 for his services.

Besides the question of the commercial value of the food there is that of the food value. Mr. Hatch appears to be of the opinion that the quantity of protoids is not sufficient to keep a man strong. Dr. Russell gathered from him that the ordinary food of a workingman contains less protoid. Oatmeal porridge for instance, contains less than 2 per cent, and potatoes 2.5 per cent, deal less than that, since potatoes are mostly water. Dr. Russell in his examination seemed to be working up an argument to show that a man might live on Dr. Devlin's powder as well as he could live on the ordinary ration of potatoes, meat and bread. It would appear that he made out a case. The consequence would be that if a soldier would carry enough of the Devlin powder to furnish a full meal of the ordinary weight which a man takes, he would do well enough. The average working man perhaps eats four pounds of provisions in a day, and it seems to be evident that he would get as much protoid if he ate say four pounds of the emergency food purchased from Dr. Devlin.

But the whole value of the emergency ration is supposed to be that it contains in small bulk and weight a large amount of sustenance. It weighs only 2 cents a pound, contains as much sustenance in the same volume as the Devlin food, why pay Mr. Devlin \$2 a pound for it? When Mr. Russell has made his argument complete he will perhaps be able to show that the emergency food is of equal value to plain, simple food, and that a Canadian soldier could live on it at a cost to the government of 39 to \$1 a day.

The other question relates to the conduct of the minister and the department in testing a food at Kingston at the expense of the contractor, and then, without examination or test of any kind, buying for the same purpose another food by another name from another person, without any proof of its value or usefulness. Mr. Hatch says that the food he supplied at Kingston was furnished at his own cost, and he paid Dr. Devlin for superintending the experiment, that he furnished 60 per cent. protoid on an average, varying the food by furnishing it in two or three forms and of different strength, in order to escape the monotony. He swears that this was the food which he offered after the test to the government, and that he was refused on the ground that the department was not buying foods for the soldiers. He then learned that a purchase had been made of a spurious article, worth only one-eighth of the price paid for it and unsuited for the purpose, that he warned the minister of the facts before the last of the goods were shipped, and before any of them were paid for. This warning the minister admits that he received and that he refused to be satisfied with the department, went on closing up the business. So the matter stands at this stage of the enquiry. S. D. S.

OTTAWA, June 22.—The emergency food committee have apparently got to the bottom of facts in regard to the question whether the food tested at Kingston was the same as that bought for the troops in Africa. In the house of commons Dr. Borden brought down the matter when he declared that they were identical. His words are these, speaking of Mr. Monk: "If the food which he says was thoroughly tested at Kingston, and which he has no doubt drawn on his imagination, it might have been, if that food had been sent to Africa everything would have been the same and the honorable gentleman who have passed the department on the back, that Dr. Devlin was the man who made the department of militia did send to South Africa a food which was the same as which I have before me."

The paper by which Dr. Borden made this report was the recommendation of Dr. Nelson, director of medical staff. In this recommendation for the purchase of the food Dr. Nelson stated that it was the same that had been tested at Kingston.

Since then the committee has examined both Dr. Borden and Dr. Nelson. It was found that Dr. Borden had no knowledge whatever of the matter. He did not know on what basis Dr. Nelson made his statement, but innocently took it for granted that a director knew what he was talking about. At the same time, while leaving everything with the director, the minister neglected to give him a letter received from the man who made the food used at Kingston, and who said that the food which was purchased from Devlin was spurious and useless for the purpose.

Now we have the testimony of Dr. Nelson himself, who swears that he had no knowledge of the identity of the goods purchased with those which had been tested. They were bought on the strength of this test, which had been satisfactory, but without any examination to show the identity. Dr. Nelson accepted the statement of the contractor that he was to have the same article, and made his recommendation on the strength of Contractor Devlin's assurance. So Dr. Borden relied upon Dr. Nelson and Dr. Nelson relied upon Dr. Devlin, and Dr. Devlin was the man who sold 16 per cent. protoid worth 25 cents a lb. or less in the place of 60 to 80 per cent. protoid worth 2 cents a lb. He did this in the face and eyes of the minister, and the deputy minister, and the director of the medical department, and in the face of a letter of warning from a manufacturer of the genuine goods, receiving his pay after the inland revenue analyst had reported that the food purchased contained less than 17 per cent of protoid, and was not a concentrated food nor entitled to its name nor worth \$2 a pound. Analyst Macfarlan appears to be the only man in the whole affair who rose to the occasion. Everybody else seems to have been entirely controlled by Dr. Devlin, the contractor, who for the purposes of the transaction seems to have been minister, deputy minister, medical director and paymaster and contractor and payee.

Dr. Nelson is a soldierly looking man, somewhat advanced in years, whose credulity is magnificent in its proportions, but who seems to be quite honest in his intentions. He was appointed his present office last year, after some experience in the British



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army. Dr. Nelson's story begins with the Kingston tests, but he had no personal knowledge of these, except that he authorized them and that he was present at the end of the tests and examined the soldiers as to the effects upon them. He has a vague recollection that there was an analysis of the food used at Kingston, made at the time by Dr. Rutland of McGill, and that the percentage of protein was 83. He remembers the questions asked the soldiers, but forgets that they all stated that they had been eating Hatch's Protoid. This is an important lapse of memory, because if it had not happened Dr. Nelson might have suspected something wrong when he was asked to buy the same articles from Dr. Devlin under another name.

When Dr. Devlin came to him to talk about the contract, he seems to have first seen the minister, and the minister had previously mentioned it to Dr. Nelson. Devlin gave Nelson his assurance that he was offering the same article that Mr. Hatch had prepared for the Kingston men. The government analyst could have told Dr. Nelson, in a few hours, whether this were so, but the analyst was not asked. Dr. Nelson did not even have a sample before him of the food used at Kingston. Dr. Nelson testified of a comparison was an envelope, partly filled with a powder which had been in it a year, and which had been given to him by somebody, he did not exactly know whom, as the powder that was to be used for the then future tests at Kingston, Dr. Nelson tasted and smelled and looked at this powder. He also tasted and smelled and looked at the sample that Dr. Devlin had with him, and arrived by a magnificent bound to the conclusion that they were identical. This was substantiated by the committee to a tasting and feeling, an optical examination of various powders, and was obliged to admit that he could not judge by this rough and ready method.

After all, said Dr. Nelson, the best test is the test on the living body, and that by analysis. Both these tests Dr. Nelson neglected to make. The department had been in great trouble to make a test on the human body with a certain food. When they brought the food for actual use they altogether neglected the important ceremony of providing the same article.

But Dr. Nelson was not wholly without defence of the Devlin goods. He solemnly assured the committee that he knew the powder was good, for he had tried it on himself. In fact, he had lived on it a whole day, and suffered nothing from the pangs of hunger. This seemed to be a rather limited test to a committee unacquainted with the doctor's habits, but the members were disposed to make the best of it and pursued the enquiry into the details. With the utmost naivete, the doctor explained that at noon he took two ounces of this powder dry, and found it answered all practical purposes. To be sure, he afterwards admitted, he had been provided with a good substantial breakfast at home at the usual hour, say 9 o'clock, and at the close of the day he had gone to his home and partaken of the usual dinner. In the intervening eight or nine hours he had sustained life on this emergency food. This heroic proceeding almost took the breath away from the committee men who were disposed to congratulate the worthy doctor on his happy escape from the imminent peril of starvation. The committee is probably disposed to report that if the soldiers in Africa are provided with an abundant breakfast and a good meat dinner towards night, and are allowed to sit still during the day, a can of the emergency food will keep them alive between meals. But unfortunately this is not the purpose of the emergency food. It is intended to contain in small compass a ration on which the soldier can live during a forced march and during a period of isolation from a base of supplies. Luxurious breakfasts and ample dinners are not guaranteed in Africa, by Dr. Devlin as a part of the contract.

But Dr. Nelson admits that he is not quite satisfied with the results of his recommendation. He thought he was buying more protoid. He expected 25 or 30 per cent. at least, and therefore was disappointed when the analyst reported only 16. This shows that Dr. Nelson's expectations were only moderate, as he did not ask for more nutrition than is contained in a pea meal and many other substances, and only for less than half as much as was contained in the food which Mr. Hatch swears he sent to Kingston. Even these moderate expectations were cruelly disappointed, and now he says that if he had his recommendation to make over again, he would say that the Devlin goods were adapted for the

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Dr. Nelson did not see the warning sent to the minister by Mr. Hatch. He was asked what he would have done if he had seen this statement from the...

Mr. Milton Hersey is the chief private analyst in Montreal. He has established there an employe several people, and tests all kinds of articles with despatch. He has knowledge of food chemistry and gave important evidence at yesterday morning's sitting. Mr. Hersey examined certain cans of food, sent to him by the government...

The committee has its share of turmoil. Mr. Belcourt, whose health is not very good, and who has great lack of patience, is continually in trouble. He started out with the assumption that he was a judge, and the rest were all counsel. He began ruling right and left, ordering other members of the committee not to ask questions and generally taking charge of the committee. About one o'clock Dr. Russell is a good ruler out. He and his friends have refused an analysis of Hatch goods, which was given to the government had a supply left over for Kingston and this had already been tested. It turns out since that every fragment of the Kingston goods has been destroyed. They rule out all that Nelson would have said as to what he would have done if he had received the warning sent to Dr. Borden. They rule out all the story of Hersey's analysis of Devil's food, and the banker's statement of Devil's payments through the bank.

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METHODIST CONFERENCE

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MONCTON, June 25.—The annual missionary service in connection with the N. B. and P. E. Island conference was held last evening in the Central church. Rev. Dr. Courtois, editor of the Christian Guardian, Toronto, was present and introduced by Dr. Lach. He received a warm welcome, which he fittingly acknowledged. The annual report submitted by Rev. Thos. Marshall showed a falling off in the year's receipts as follows:

St. John district—\$1,698.05; increase, \$38.40. Fredericton—\$692.61; increase, \$10.63. Woodstock—\$254.83; decrease, \$64.80. Sackville—\$375; decrease, 81 cents. St. Stephen—\$464.07; decrease, \$17.19. Charlottetown—\$1,462.40; decrease, \$260.64.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The conference standing committees are as follows: Stationing—Revs. R. W. Weddall, G. M. Campbell, Thos. Alsea, W. Harrison, R. Brecken, E. Marshall, Richard Ople, J. Goldsmith, J. Read, D. D. Thos. Pierce, James Crisp, G. W. Fisher, S. Howard, J. C. Berrie, J. W. McConnell, T. Hicks. Sunday schools—Ministers: Geo. A. Seiler, J. E. Gregg, R. W. J. Clements, G. M. Young, Elias James, Harry Harrison, A. D. McLeod, F. C. Wightman, Laymen—E. R. Machum, Martin Lemont, J. A. Lindsay, W. J. Appleton, John Fawcett, G. S. Wall, James Paton, A. K. Henry.

Children's fund—Ministers: Wm. Penna, A. C. Bell, Jos. Parkins, J. A. Ives, H. R. Barker, W. J. Kirby, S. H. Rice, T. Hicks. Laymen—J. E. Irvine, J. J. Weddall, Amasa Plummer, H. W. W. Way, J. M. Palmer, G. L. Wall, W. E. Dawson, E. H. Wright. Missionary—Chairmen of districts and J. L. Thorne, St. John; M. E. A. Burpee, Burton, Sunbury Co.; R. B. Jones, Woodstock; T. A. Clark, Newcastle; Dr. Allison, Sackville; J. D. Chipman, St. Stephen; G. L. Beer, Charlottetown; D. Rogers, Freetown, P. E. I.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

A communication was then read from Rev. Dr. Potts, superintendent of the twentieth century fund, stating that up to May 7th the sum of \$777,272.62 had been received, of which N. B. and P. E. Island had contributed \$23,575.72, since increased to over \$30,000, while the grand total from all parts of the dominion now exceeded \$850,000.

Dr. Courtois, editor of the Christian Guardian, then addressed the conference, saying Dr. Potts was confident that the fund would pass the million mark before the first day of the new century. Proceeding, Dr. Courtois spoke of the advance made in all lines of life during the present century, making special reference to the wonderful discoveries in medical science. He touched upon the great wars of the century, especially the American civil war for the liberation of the slaves and the war in South Africa. He spoke enthusiastically of the imperialist idea in various parts of the empire, and showed the folly of raising race cries. The 19th had been the century of religious life of Bible societies, of Sunday schools, of Young Men's Christian associations, of temperance and many other reforms. It had been a century of remarkable religious growth. In 1801 the Methodists in all parts of the world numbered a quarter of a million members and one million adherents, figures which corresponded with the strength of the denomination in Canada alone today, while throughout the world there were 7,000,000 members and 30,000,000 adherents.

Dr. Courtois's address was received with many marks of favor, and at the close a hearty vote of thanks was extended. Dr. Stewart was given leave of absence to attend the Newfoundland conference, and Revs. Shenton and Brecken were appointed to prepare a letter of greeting. Communications from the dominion alliance relating to temperance and from the Wilmot school board regarding the use of tobacco were referred to the committee on temperance.

THE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

submitted a report showing the following amounts raised within the conference for all purposes:

St. John—\$41,492.86. Fredericton—11,210.02. Woodstock—7,888.79. Chatham—9,150.64. Sackville—15,694.01. St. Stephen—8,795.93. Charlottetown—29,359.30. Summerside—11,451.67. Grand total—\$128,850.22.

Previous year, \$128,755.00. By districts the reports for the different funds have been: St. John—Connexional funds, \$5,178.47; decrease, \$137.07; circuit purposes, \$36,314.39; increase, \$3,871.42. Fredericton—Connexional funds, \$2,626.42; increase, \$77.10; circuit purposes, \$4,557.61; increase, \$80.45.

On motion of Rev. Geo. Campbell the thanks of the conference were extended to Rev. Geo. W. Fisher for his painstaking services as secretary. RECESS. MONCTON, June 22.—At this afternoon's session the general conference collection was appointed to be taken on the second Sunday in August. On motion of Rev. Dr. Sprague the committee authorized to appoint a committee of six from this conference to confer with a like committee from the Nova Scotia conference with reference to the superannuated fund. Conference then proceeded to elect representatives, one minister and one layman, to the Bournemouth council, which meets in London in 1901. Following were elected: Rev. Dr. Stewart, Sackville, ministerial delegate; Rev. G. W. Fisher, Newcastle, alternate; Dr. J. R. Inch, Fredericton, lay delegate; Dr. David Allison, Sackville, alternate.

The conference passed in consideration of the impressive question who have died during the year, and the brethren sang "Asleep in Jesus," after which prayer was offered by Rev. H. Baker. Rev. R. W. Weddall, from St. John district, announced to conference the death of Dr. Pope, which occurred June 8th, 1900. The memorial notice which passed the district was prepared by Dr. Read, pastor of Centenary church, of which the late brother was a devoted and faithful member. From Woodstock district the death of Rev. Fredk. W. Harrison, June 18th, was reported, and Rev. James Crisp read the district memorial. The death of Rev. D. Lodge, which occurred Jan. 14th, 1900, was reported from Charlottetown district by Rev. Mr. Ople, and Rev. G. M. Campbell read the memorial notice.

After speeches by a number of members of conference, the obituary notices were adopted and placed in the minutes, and the session was brought to a close by singing, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord," and prayer by Rev. Dr. Brecken. An educational meeting was held in the evening.

MONCTON, June 23.—The speakers at last night's educational meeting were Dr. Stewart, chairman, Dr. Allison and J. M. Palmer, principal of Moncton academy. The total receipts on account of this fund were \$933.44, against \$1,181.98 the previous year, a decrease of \$248.55. This decrease was regretted, but the speakers attributed it to the extra demands in connection with the twentieth century fund, and for various patriotic purposes. St. John showed an increase of \$62.29 and St. Stephen an increase of \$24.95, but in the other districts there was a falling off.

At this morning's session Rev. John Read, D. D., delivered an impressive address on consecration for the service of the Master, with special reference to the life of Paul. The final reading of the station sheet was made the first order of business for Monday morning. It is understood there will be a number of changes. The report on sustentation submitted the report on sustentation. A considerable decrease in receipts was shown, chiefly due to the death of Senator Lewin, who had been a liberal contributor to this fund, his yearly subscription being \$250. The net decrease was \$209.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

The report on church property was submitted by Rev. H. Baker. Among the recommendations were the following: That the request of the trustees of the Portland church be granted and that the chapel steward and secretary be authorized to dispose of the Stratford property. That the trustees of Kingsclear be authorized to sell the parsonage and land and devote money to payment of debts. That the trustees of Escuminac, Campbellton circuit, be authorized to sell the old church and devote proceeds to purchase of a piece of land adjacent to the new church. That the trustees of Dalhousie be authorized to sell the lot of land given by Louis Edwards some years ago as a site for a church, and devote proceeds for a new parsonage at Campbellton.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Rev. F. A. Wightman of P. E. Island submitted the report on temperance, as follows: Whereas, Intemperance is one of the greatest evils which infests the social and political life of this country, and is the greatest barrier to the progress of the Kingdom of Christ and of the work of His church; and Whereas, the attitude of the Methodist church has ever been one of uncompromising hostility to the liquor traffic; and Whereas, the cultivation of public sentiment and the efficiency of legal reform are only gained by constant effort; Therefore resolved, that the conference of N. B. and P. E. Island is of the opinion that the entire prohibition of the importation, sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquor is the only satisfactory solution of this question; and is the ultimate goal towards which all our efforts should be directed. Be it further resolved, that as a means towards this desired end, we would strongly recommend and urge upon the federal government that the right to prevent the sale and importation be accorded to such provinces as have expressed themselves favorable to such legislation. Be it further resolved, that this conference heartily approves of the action of the government of P. E. Island in having passed an act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in that province, and also that the conference congratulates them on being the first province in the dominion in securing the largest possible measure of provincial prohibition, and also that we are pleased to note that other provinces are moving in the same direction. Be it further resolved, that this conference recognizes and most heartily commends the efforts of the Dominion Alliance for the suppression of this great evil, and in compliance with their request would appoint the Revs. William Penna, Geo. W. Fisher, W. H. Spargo and Jas. Crisp as representatives from this conference to the Dominion council.

REV. JOHN READ

was opposed to anything short of prohibition for the whole dominion, and Rev. Thos. thought they should hold the federal government tight to the point and not aim at provincial prohibition. Rev. Job Shenton thought they should accept whatever they could get along prohibition lines. Rev. Charles Comben said they had asked for the whole loaf and thought they had it. Now if they asked for only half the loaf the government would say they should not have that. Rev. E. A. E. LePage spoke in favor of accepting provincial prohibition, not losing sight of the larger measure. Dr. Allison could not understand why the conference should ask the federal government to grant something which some of the provincial governments were already making a move to obtain. Dr. Inch urged agitation and education along temperance lines as the only way to finally secure total prohibition, and if the people were in dead earnest about the matter he thought we would be able to secure a prohibitory law. No government, he contended, would grant prohibition while Queen's maintained the attitude she did today. W. D. Baskin, St. John, said they should take no lower ground than total prohibition for Canada. The temperance question is gaining ground, and they ought not to admit that any one province would prevent the whole country from getting prohibition. Dr. Allison deprecated the passing of resolutions, and said the dominion government would not care a farthing for the balance proportioned to be raised by this conference in aid of St. James's church relief fund, your committee beg to report that having carefully considered the matter, they are of the opinion that it would not be in the best interest of the fund to make such an appointment as they feel that the cost of collecting the balance would be too large a percentage of the amount. But in view of the fact that the saving of this monument of Methodism in the city of Montreal seems so urgent, your committee would recommend that every effort be made by the ministers of this conference to bring the necessities of the case before the people, and that a special day be appointed by the superintendent of each circuit on which the subject should be brought before each congregation, either by himself or some other person who shall present these claims. This report was adopted.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH RELIEF FUND.

Rev. C. H. Palsey, secretary treasurer of the St. James' church relief fund, reported that this conference had contributed to this fund as near as could be ascertained \$1,900, or which \$891.93 passed through his hands. Among the amounts received by the secretary-treasurer were the following: Centenary (St. John) \$101.55. Moncton (Central) 136.00. Portland (St. John) 45.00. Queen square (St. John) 30.75. Sackville 105.62. While the following amounts were reported as sent direct by the circuits: Bayfield 17.00. Centenary (St. John) add 5.00. Charlottetown 457.02. Freetown (add) 5.00. Sackville (add) 145.00. St. Stephen (add) 100.00. Tryon (add) 47.50. Upham 3.00. Zion church 6.00.

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH.

Rev. Chas. Comben from the committee on the state of the work of the church submitted a report expressing pleasure with the hearty response to appeals for funds for church purposes and the improvement of church properties; also the spiritual progress shown in the Epworth league, flourishing Sunday schools and attendance on public worship, but regretting the small decrease in church membership, due in part to removals and in part to church records, but also in part to "growing worldliness and lack of permanency in revival results." The committee recommended that "while seeking to adapt ourselves and our methods to changing conditions and circumstances we discountenance the use of sensational methods of securing revivals." Some objection was taken to this clause, and also to an intimation in the report that there was lack of diligence in some cases in administering aid to the poor and infants, and the report was referred back to the committee for amendment. Rev. C. H. Palsey submitted the report of the union church relief fund, the receipts being \$103.39, as follows: St. John district 320.70. Fredericton district 15.10. Woodstock district 5.85. Chatham district 10.94. Sackville district 16.55. St. Stephen district 9.00. Charlottetown district 16.77. Summerside district 3.42. The disbursements were the same amount. W. D. Baskin, the editor, addressed the conference in regard to the claims and standing of the denominational press, the Wesleyan, and Rev. Thos. Stebbings was granted credentials for visiting England this summer.

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

W. D. Baskin of St. John submitted the following from the committee on memorials: In regard to the memorial from Rev. D. G. Williams, suggesting that the N. B. and P. E. I. conference appoint a superintendent of some circuit to collect the balance proportioned to be raised by this conference in aid of St. James's church relief fund, your committee beg to report that having carefully considered the matter, they are of the opinion that it would not be in the best interest of the fund to make such an appointment as they feel that the cost of collecting the balance would be too large a percentage of the amount. But in view of the fact that the saving of this monument of Methodism in the city of Montreal seems so urgent, your committee would recommend that every effort be made by the ministers of this conference to bring the necessities of the case before the people, and that a special day be appointed by the superintendent of each circuit on which the subject should be brought before each congregation, either by himself or some other person who shall present these claims. This report was adopted.

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Rev. Mr. Marshall's amendment striking out this clause, was carried unanimously. An attack was then made on the third clause of the report, which petitioned the federal government to enact such legislation as to make valid provincial prohibitory legislation. After some discussion a motion was carried laying the report on the table, and notice of reconsideration of the clause in question was given. The effect of the action taken by the conference with reference to the temperance question is to adhere to the resolution passed last year in favor of prohibition for the whole dominion. The balance of the afternoon was spent in discussing the Sunday school report submitted by Rev. G. M. Young. An ordination service was held tonight. The candidates ordained were H. C. Rice of St. Stephen, L. E. McDonald of St. John, Geo. A. Ross of Woodstock, H. B. Thomas of Sackville, and R. J. Campbell of Freetown. Rev. Dr. Sutherland of Toronto delivered the ordination charge.

A GENEROUS GIFT.

James Buchanan of London contributes One Hundred Guineas to the Dominion Rifle Association. James Buchanan, the great London distiller, is a native of Canada. He was born in Toronto, but ere he was two years old, his parents returned to Scotland. The practical way in which Canada manifested her devotion to the empire, and the gallant conduct of her two contingents in South Africa, have evoked the admiration of all Britons. Mr. Buchanan among the number. Not very long ago Mr. Buchanan intimated to Mr. A. Finn of St. John, with whom he has had extensive business relations for many years, that he desired to do something for the riflemen of Canada. Mr. Finn consulted Col. McLean. The following correspondence tells the rest of the story:

OTTAWA, May 22, 1900. Dear Col. McLean—With reference to the very generous offer made by James Buchanan of London, England, through you, to contribute the sum of 100 guineas to the purchase of the Dominion Rifle Association, I am directed by the executive committee to state that it is with much pleasure that they accept Mr. Buchanan's very handsome contribution. The amount will be awarded as prizes in the grand aggregate match, which will this year be known as the "Buchanan Grand Aggregate Match," and the match is the most important of the aggregate matches on the programme. Will you kindly communicate this proposal to Mr. Buchanan and his approval to the match, and at the same time assure him of his appreciation by the association of his generosity? Will you kindly, when the amount of the contribution is received from Mr. Buchanan, forward the same to the treasurer of the Dominion Rifle Association. Yours truly, (Sgd.) W. E. HODGINS, Lt. Col., Lt. Col. H. McLean, St. John, N. B.

ST. JOHN, N. B., May 25, 1900. Dear Mr. Buchanan—Enclosed please find letter from the secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association. You will note that the association has decided to have the "Grand Aggregate Match" called "The Buchanan Grand Aggregate Match," and that your contribution of 100 guineas will be awarded as prizes in that match. The match is, as stated by the secretary, one of the most important matches on the programme. It was in Ottawa last week, and the members of the Dominion Rifle Association fully appreciate your generosity in offering such a large sum. The offer is especially appropriate this time, when rifle shooting has become of vital importance. I remain, yours faithfully, (Sgd.) HUGH H. McLEAN, James Buchanan, Esq.

A CRAZY HORSE.

A horse owned by W. E. Campbell of St. Martins made a lot of trouble Thursday, with the result that that gentleman mourns the loss of a valuable piece of horse flesh. The trouble was lumpy. The animal while being hitched, broke away and galvanized about the country, breaking through and jumping over fences indiscriminately. James Hennessy, who was working about the residence of a Catholic priest, finally caught the animal, but while trying to pull it, the horse reared and broke away. Hennessy was trampled on by the brute and severely injured. The crazy animal went but a short distance when it encountered the sharp entrance to the grounds surrounding the priest's residence. It raised on its hind legs, evidently intending to leap over, but failed, and falling, was pierced by the sharp pickets. The brute was finally shot.

ROYAL MAIL BURNED.

Her Majesty's mail for St. Martins and intermediate points met with a mishap on Friday. Everything went well until the driver, P. Nugent, put up at York's at Black River for dinner. In fact everything was all right then, but the fates had willed his trip should be an eventful one. While at dinner an alarm of fire was raised and when Nugent got to the barn it was enveloped in flames. After some difficulty the wagon was gotten out, but not before it had been considerably damaged. All Gardner's and Western Creek mail was destroyed and a portion of the St. Martins mail, only some eighty letters being saved.

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THE CHINESE EMPRESS.

In view of the large place which the dowager empress of China fills in the public eye at the present time, there will be general interest in the following letter concerning her, written by the Peking correspondent of the London Mail.

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paratively speaking, is even yet known about the internal affairs of China, and the oriental mind is so enamored of fiction and romance, that the press correspondents have a fine field for the exercise of their peculiar functions.

THE INDIA FAMINE.

Writing on May 23rd to the Lord Mayor of London, Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, compared the present famine with that of 1837. In May, 1837, an area of 205,000 square miles with a population of 46,000,000 persons was affected. In May of this year the figures were 417,000 square miles and a population of 54,000,000. In May, 1897, 3,811,000 persons were in receipt of government relief. In May of this year 5,897,000, which early in June had increased to 5,892,000. Contributions from the United Kingdom in May, 1897, amounted to £700,000; and in May, 1900, to only £270,000.

When we realize that a population greater than that of the whole of Canada is in receipt of government relief the awful condition of affairs in the famine district is made clear. Up to the middle of June, though rains had fallen in southern India and occasional showers in other sections, yet the situation in the famine district was practically unchanged.

BRITISH LUMBER MARKET.

The Timber Trades Journal of June 16th says the general opinion among brokers is that lumber prices will remain steady throughout the season. "High freights and short stocks, together with a prospective enlargement of the Cape demand are," it says, "the sustaining elements." Of recent spruce sales, it states that most of the deals ex S. Mariani from St. John brought £9 10s in London. The fourth deals brought £8 5s, and the battens and scantlings also sold well.

Last week we reported some business done on the West Coast at £7 15s. c. i. f. for St. John spruce, and the figures mentioned for all deals would undoubtedly be cheap; however, in all descriptions of sawn goods the selling value is regulated by the specification. For 55 per cent of 7 and 8 in the price mentioned would be undoubtedly a very fair one; but for an Irish specification, which consists of 25 per cent of 7 and 8 in, and the balance 9 and 11 in, we doubt if shippers at the present time would accept even £8 5s. We are referring generally to the lower port spruce. Probably the sales above mentioned were bay deals, and not St. John's.

Referring to the general condition of trade in the mother country, the Journal says: "It is evident that the wave of prosperity which has imparted vitality to British industries is still flowing, and though the tide is perhaps not running quite so fast as it has been, the period for the reaction is not discoverable as yet."

THE TEMPERANCE CONGRESS.

Referring to the recent World's Temperance Congress in London, the London Mail says there are now six million of teetotalers in England, of whom considerably more than half are children. Among those who took part in this congress were the Archbishop of Canterbury, Lady Henry Somerset, Lady Estlin, Lady Elizabeth Biddulph, the Lord Mayor of Dublin, and Mr. Bramwell Booth. The attitude of the church toward the liquor traffic was sharply assailed, and when a paper by Mr. Booth was read, strongly denouncing the connection between the two, the delegates rose to give "three cheers for the Salvation Army." And this at the call of a venerable Anglican clergyman. The archbishop, speaking at one of the meetings, expressed himself very hopefully concerning the future of the cause of temperance, but deplored the apathy of parliament. When other trades are proved dangerous, he said, parliament checks them. The liquor traffic was harmful to three employed in it and those affected by it, yet the legislature stood aloof and took no notice. We do things better in Canada. We take a plebiscite.

Sir Henri Joly is the fourteenth grit member of this parliament who has taken office to avoid the wrath of the people of Canada. There will be some additions to this list before election day.

ST. JOSEPH'S.

The Annual Commencement Exercises of the University.

Address of Welcome to His Lordship Bishop Casey - The List of Prize Winners - Degrees Conferred.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, June 21. - The annual commencement exercises of the University of St. Joseph were held in the Lefebvre hall this afternoon at 2.30. The weather was all that could be expected and the attendance was very large. An unusual number of distinguished visitors were present, among whom were the Hon. Rev. Bishop Casey, Hon. Leuz. Gov. McClellan and Lady McClellan, Mrs. Carney, Daniel O'Donovan of St. John, LeBlanc of Cape Bald, Ouellet of St. Louis, Judge Landry, Hon. A. D. Richard, Mayor Kelly of New Carlisle, P. Q., and many others.

At 11 a. m. a formal reception was tendered the Lieutenant Governor in Lefebvre hall by the faculty and students, when addresses in English and French were read by Hugh D. Cutler of Cocagne and Ed. Paradis of Montserrat. At 5 p. m. the governor and his lady held a reception in the University parlors, at which a very large number were present.

The programme of commencement exercises was as follows: Duo de Piano - Military March, Schubert. T. Arsenault, A. Melancon. Address of Welcome to His Lordship Bishop Casey, M. C. Collins. Address of Welcome to His Lordship Bishop Casey, M. D. Cormier. Quatuor - Le Depart des Compagnons, R. Gaudet, A. Melancon, T. Arsenault, R. Bourbonnais.

Address - Consideration, John H. Kelly. Quartet - The Phantom Band, A.W. Thayer, R. Gaudet, A. Melancon, T. Arsenault, R. Bourbonnais. Vaudeville, Andrew K. Dyrart. Discours d'adieu, Arthur T. LeBlanc. Distribution des Prix, Collatin des Degres. God Save the Queen.

THE PRIZE LIST. The prize list was as follows: Honor premium - Books, presented by Rev. M. LeBlanc, St. Martin, Que., awarded to Geo. O'Donnell, Debec. Landry prize - Books, presented by Judge Landry for excellence in Latin, French and English: Edgar J. Paradis, Montreal; honorable mention, Joseph Delagarde, St. Isidore, N. B.

Oratory - Books, presented by Rev. A. Roy, C. S. C. for two best discourses - In French and English - given before the public, awarded to Maximilian D. Cormier, Barachois, N. B.; honorable mention, Henry P. LeBlanc, Moncton. Special philosophy premium - The Stonyhurst Series of Catholic Philosophy, presented by Rev. L. de G. LeBlanc, Cape Bald, N. B., awarded for excellence in intellectual and moral philosophy to John H. Kelly, New Carlisle, Que.; honorable mention, A. K. Dyrart and A. T. LeBlanc. Rellly premium - Books, presented by E. A. Rellly, Moncton, awarded for the highest average in mathematics to F. Daigle, St. Louis, N. B.; honorable mention, Philip Hebert, Dupuis Corner, N. B.

Plain-Chant - Special prize given by Archbishop Beign, Que., for excellence in Plain-Chant, awarded to Benoit Poirier, Brophy, St. John, N. B. Special premium, presented by Robert J. Dyrart, Boston, for proficiency in commercial law and commercial correspondence, awarded to Thomas McManus, Bathurst; honorable mention, W. H. Brophy, St. John, N. B. Religious instruction - Special prize, presented by Very Rev. G. Francis, C. S. C., superior general, awarded to F. Daigle, St. Louis, N. B., and John D. Lyons, Waltham, Mass.

DEGREES CONFERRED. B. A. - Michael Charles Collins, Fairville, N. B.; Andrew Knox Dyrart, Cocagne, N. B.; Elzear Arthur Gaudet, Meteghan, N. S.; James Walter Holland, St. John, N. B.; John Hall Kelly, New Carlisle, P. Q.; Hector Louis Landry, Dorchester, N. B.; Arthur Thomas LeBlanc, College Bridge, N. B.; John Daniel Lyons, Waltham, Mass.; Francois M. Richard, College Bridge, N. B. A. - Rev. Frank L. Carney, Debec, N. B.; William A. Dolan, Fall River, Mass.; Rev. Stanislas J. Doucet, Grand Anse, N. B.; Rev. Louis de Gonzague LeBlanc, Cap-Pele, N. B. M. A. (after examination) - Charles D. Hebert, Dupuis Corner, N. B.

COMMERCIAL DIPLOMAS were awarded to Robert Baker, Gaspe, P. Q.; Marcellin Bourque, Fox Creek, N. B.; William Brophy, St. John, N. B.; Hilary Delagarde, St. Isidore, N. B.; Hugh Dyrart, Cocagne, N. B.; Edouard Furer, Rockland, N. B.; Leo Girard, Riviere du Loup, P. Q.; Roch Lafecche, Ste. Anne de la Perade, P. Q.; Richard LeBlanc, Rockland, N. B.; Thomas M. LeBlanc, McGinley's Corner, N. B.; Joseph LeBlond, Grandstone, Magdalen Islands; Timon Legger, McGinley's Corner, N. B.; Thomas McManus, Bathurst, N. B.; David Montrose, Sackville, N. B.; Alfred Picard, Baucouche, N. B.

WELCOMED THE BISHOP. The following address of welcome to the Bishop, to which Bishop Casey made a very appropriate reply, was read by M. C. Collins, son of J. M. Collins of Fairville, St. John Co.: "May it please your lordship to hear a word of welcome from us today. Your lordship, when in the year past, our students occasionally welcomed to church and state, we were not unfortunately called mercenary; but this charge cannot be made today, for the age of bronze, like that of chivalry, is unhappy past and gone. Today the feeling stirring us is unbounded admiration for the learned gifted ones who have planted St. Joseph's banner on heights of safety and eminence, and who have thus demonstrated to all thinking Canada that, if colleges are to be founded, the characters are moulded, St. Joseph's is a college eminently suited to arm men for the most lofty positions in church and state.

Therefore, it is with ineffable sincerity that the students all, old and young, big and little, earnestly join me in extending to your lordship a sincere cordial welcome to your old home.

We students, glorying in the abnormal growth of our college home, feel that it must interest your lordship to see that St. Joseph's is rapidly becoming a power in this province. It is not hyperbolic to say that from a few stray huts on the banks of the river there arose a city that by the magnitude of its conquests astounded the world, so there has sprung up in the valley of the Memramook an educational home known far and wide for its ameliorating influence on the Catholic mind. The French Acadian St. Joseph's has elevated to a "higher, a more ethereal level," to his English brother she has been doing her best to equal, for she has given him the language of France. Even indicating in the past, but especially in the present, the pressing necessity of duality of tongue, St. Joseph's has done a little part to promote Acadian unity - to promote that unity which is the mother of authority. In the history of St. Joseph's be it known that this year has been an era of progress. There are more voices in St. Joseph's halls today than in those of any other college of this province. From the West coast from the Atlantic seaboard, neighbor to the south, and in Canada, to Vancouver - differing in nationality and differing in faith - students have come to drink of the pure knowledge springing copiously from St. Joseph's fount. This phenomenal influx of late years, your lordship, has necessitated that the old buildings make way for grander and more modern ones. If then you old graduates today, in returning to your alma mater to enjoy the banquet of the day, must needs remark that materially St. Joseph's is on the advance, I can assure your lordship that we younger students, who stay at home and read and watch, must say to you, in turn, that intellectually St. Joseph's is advancing ever onward and upward. Priest and doctor, lawyer and statesman, who not long ago in St. Joseph's halls were Bill and Joe, are now bright luminaries in the outer world, reflecting not less glory on the mother that bore them on continents far, but on the benches, on the bench, in the senate, in the house of commons, we can with pardonable pride point to St. Joseph's sons, our elder brothers, The Landrys, the Poiriers, McInernys, Richards and many others. St. Joseph's boys, are brain powers not unknown in Canada, and lastly, be it never forgotten, that Bishop Casey is himself a St. Joseph's boy, most illustrious of St. Joseph's graduates. Welcome then, your lordship, thrice welcome to St. Joseph's.

FIRE AT MOSS GLEN. Saw Mill, Planing Mill and Match Factory Destroyed. A disastrous fire last Thursday swept the mills at Moss Glen pretty nearly out of existence. The fire started about half-past seven, and despite all the efforts to stop it, but for the quick action of the fire department, the match factory, planing factory, saw mill, and wharf at the river front, on which the storehouses were erected, it continued to blaze for hours, the inflammable material in the different buildings furnishing fuel for the flames. The sky was reddened by the reflection from the burning buildings and the fire itself could be plainly seen from Rothesay, to which Moss Glen is directly opposite. The mills are owned by the Moss Glen Mfg. Co. The match factory, with the others, upon which it depends, was comparatively new, and the machinery in it was of the most modern kind. It was at the time it was built the only factory making parlor matches east of Quebec. The establishment was most complete in every particular and a put up the small cardboard boxes in which the matches were sold. For their manufacture there were three machines, and fifty boxes could be completed in a minute. There were in the buildings three saw machines, each capable of cutting 34,000 matches a minute. In connection with the match factory there was a split shop building, 135 by 30 feet, and two dip shops, one 65 by 30 and the other 65 by 35 feet.

The first matches ever made in New Brunswick were made by hand at Moss Glen, and of late, with the latest machinery, the present company has been turning out a large number of matches of a very best quality, and which ranked high in the market. The machines in the factory were built by J. D. Manton, who was for twenty years with the Eddy Co. at Hull. The company had a large number of hands employed, sometimes going as high as seventy-five. Coming as the fire does, at a busy season, the loss is especially severe.

PROF. S. J. CASE, A. M. Ordained as a Minister of the Free Baptist Church, Last Evening. The executive of the Free Baptist general conference, met at 3 p. m., 27th, at Carleton F. B. church. There were present: Rev. Dr. Hartley, chairman; Rev. Dr. McLeod, Rev. G. E. Phillips, Rev. B. H. Nobles, Rev. F. Clarke Hartley, Rev. D. Long, Rev. G. Swin and D. M. L. Vince, secretary. After routine, it was, among other things, decided that the annual session of the Free Baptist conference be held with the First church, Hampstead, on the 6th October, 1900. That Licentiate S. J. Case, A. M., be ordained.

The ordination services were held in the Carleton church at 8 p. m. After invocation by Rev. Dr. Hartley and the singing of a hymn by the choir, a selection of scripture was read by Rev. C. T. Phillips, after which Rev. F. Clarke Hartley offered prayer. After singing hymn No. 796, the ordination sermon was preached by Rev. C. T. Phillips, who took for his text 1 Tim. iv. 6: If thou put the brethren in mind of these things thou shalt be a good minister of Christ Jesus. He stated that the service must be called by God and the service of God should be his chief aim. It was really in the interest of the church, that in these days of competition in all professions, that ministers were not too well paid, as otherwise men would be attracted to the ministry for improper motives. A minister must be a man of faith and appreciate the power

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DURANT WAS INNOCENT. A few years ago, a man named Theodore Durant was executed in San Francisco, for the murder of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams. He died bravely, protesting his innocence to the last. A few days ago Rev. Mr. Gibson, who was at the time pastor of the Emanuel church, where one of the murders was committed, confessed, on his death bed, that he was the murderer, and that Durant was innocent of both crimes. Gibson was an important witness in Durant's trial, and at the time there was a good deal of suspicion against him, but circumstantial evidence led to the conviction of Durant, who is now shown to have been innocent. -Exchange.

Truro, N. S., March 7th, 1900. I could not have attended to business today if it had not been for Kumford Headache Powders. They're all right. J. M. O'BRIEN, Proprietor I. C. R. Dining Rooms. OTTAWA, June 25 - Colonel Stone will inspect artillery corps at the following places and dates: The 10th and 12th Field Batteries will be inspected at Sussex in September; the 15th Field Battery at Sydney in September; the 1st Regiment C. A. at Halifax on the 9th and 12th of August, and the 3rd Regt. C. A. at St. John, 13th to 15th August.

FOR THE CONTINGENT FUNDS. H. D. McLeod, treasurer of the contingent fund, acknowledges receipt of \$70 from J. T. Whitlock of St. Stephen, as the following letter will show: ST. STEPHEN, June 25, 1900. H. D. McLeod, treasurer, St. John, N. B.: Dear Sir - Enclosed please find check for seventy dollars for the benefit of our brave boys in South Africa. This money was contributed by fifteen gentlemen who happened to meet at the Barker House, Fredericton, on St. John's day. Yours truly, J. T. WHITLOCK. Collected by Major Maltby on steam-er Victoria, Masonic excursion to Fredericton, \$15. CAMPOBELLO NEWS. CAMPOBELLO, Charlotte Co., June 23. - At the closing up of the lobster factory last week, E. A. Holmes, owner of the factory, gave the employees and a few invited friends an excursion to Casco Bay on the steam launch Gold Bug. On the return of the party a social dance was held in Flagg's hall. A pie social was held at Wilson's Beach, Campobello, on Saturday evening, for the benefit of the church. Upwards of \$65 were raised. Summer visitors are making their appearance. The families of Messrs. Fell and Cokeran have already taken possession of their cottages. Subscribe for the Semi-Weekly Sun.



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The Messrs. Connolly are now engaged in the removal of some 5,000 yards of rock near the new I. C. R. terminus. It is difficult work to get the stuff out.

Thomas Wesson of Upper Sheffield, writes that on Monday last a wild duck flew down a chimney in his house. The bird was released from its unpleasant position and given its freedom.

Before Chief Justice Tuck, sitting in equity, R. LeB. Tweedie yesterday morning obtained an order to sell real estate of the McLean infants, of Kars, Kings county. The next sitting of the equity court will be held on August 21.

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A man from Sackville was brought in on the C. P. R. Tuesday to be placed in the insane asylum. He was an employe of the Bay Verte railroad, and a short time ago his wife died, leaving him with the charge of nine small children. Since then he has become melancholy and it was decided to have him put in the asylum for treatment.

A large circle of relatives and friends will mourn the death of Mrs. George H. Barnes of Hampton, which took place Tuesday. Mrs. Barnes was 52 years of age. She leaves a sorrowing husband, two sons and one daughter. Mrs. Barnes was a prominent member of the Methodist church and took an active interest in its work at Hampton.

Wm. M. Wallace has received in connection with his patriotic song "The Queen's Brave Canadians," some very complimentary letters from different parts of the empire, and among the many he has received this week is one from his excellency the governor general of Canada and also a letter from Lord Strathcona of London, England, wishing him every success with his patriotic song.

The Sun's Hopewell Hill correspondent writes under date of June 24th: "The sch. Morning Star arrived in the river yesterday with freight from Moncton. The bark Alert finished loading deals at Gray's Island this week, and dropped into the stream, where she is awaiting a fair wind down the bay. The barkentine Enterprise has gone on to the berth at Gray's Island to take in deals for J. L. Peck. Two more large steamers have arrived, one at the Cape and the other at Grindstone Island."

There is a possibility that another pulp mill will be added to the list in New Brunswick. Wm. Pearson of Paris spent this week in the province and with Fred H. Hale, M. P., and M. F. Mooney visited Plaster Rock on the Tobique. Mr. Pearson seemed to be delighted with the prospect up there. He represents English capitalists, being himself Englishman by birth. Yesterday Mr. Pearson visited the Misco mill, with which he expressed himself highly delighted. Mr. Pearson left last night for Montreal to take passage for England.

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WELCOMED HOME. Private Johnston Entertained by the Mayor and Aldermen, Last Evening.

Private James Johnston, who returned the other day from South Africa, was the guest last Wednesday at Mayor Daniel's residence, of the mayor and common council. It was a happy gathering. The city fathers, acting on behalf of the citizens generally, showed Private Johnston that St. John recognized the part he took in connection with the Canadian contingent in the fight for equal rights in the world over. Private Johnston was dressed in the fatigue uniform of the 62nd Fusiliers, and looked a soldier through and through. He had nothing to say as to what he had done, but he spoke in the highest terms of the accomplishments of the Canadians as a body. There were present in addition to Mayor Daniel, Aldermen McMullin, Turris, Seaton, Maxwell, Millidge, Armstrong, Colwell, McGoldrick, Macrae and Baxter.

The spacious dining room in which the company assembled was decorated with small flags. The mayor introduced Private Johnston to the aldermen as one of the heroes of Paardeberg, and then began a round of toasts.

The Queen came first. The mayor spoke eloquently with reference to the achievements of the Canadians in South Africa. He was glad to extend a welcome to Private Johnston, the first man to come home.

Ald. Armstrong proposed the health of Private Johnston in a very pleasing speech, and Mr. Johnston replied, thanking the council for the honor done him.

Ald. McGoldrick proposed the health of the mayor, to which his worship replied.

Ald. Maxwell proposed the health of the Canadian Contingent in South Africa, and responses were made by Ald. Armstrong, formerly the commanding officer of the Artillery, Ald. Millidge, who brother served under Lord Roberts in the charge of the 19th and 24th regiments of the British army, and Ald. Macrae, who was once an officer in the 62nd Fusiliers.

Ald. Macrae proposed the Officers of the 62nd Fusiliers, and in response Ald. Baxter, at present in command of the 3rd R. C. A., and Surgeon Lieut. Col. Daniel, the mayor, replied.

Private Johnston assured the company that the men sent out by Canada did all that men could do and said that he was proud to have been in the ranks, and willing to undergo all the hardships to which the men were exposed.

The aldermen, one and all, declared that when the rest of the contingent come home St. John would see the biggest time it ever experienced.

TEMPLE OF HONOR. Thirty-third Annual Session Held Last Wednesday in Alexandra Hall.

The 33rd annual session of the Grand T. of H. and T. was held Wednesday evening at the Temple of Honor, 12, G. W. T. Evers presided and the devotional exercises were conducted by the grand chaplain. The following were initiated: F. Miller, J. Macfarlane, F. J. Goodwin and C. Elston.

The reports of the officers were then received. G. W. T. J. V. Ellis, in his report referred to the decrease in the membership; but this decrease does not affect the real strength of the temple, nor should it be taken as an evidence of a declining condition. A detailed statement of the membership this year and last was given. Financially the condition is better than last year. The G. W. T. in the close of his report asked that a strong effort be made to make the losses good, and failing this, to make up the deficiency by added zeal and devotion to the cause.

G. W. R. W. C. Simpson reported that the membership consists of six temples, with 314 members reported; two sections J. T. of H. and T., membership, 169; two councils, membership, 39; net membership, 474; last year, 535; loss, 159. Summary of gain and loss, initiated, 53; joined by card, 3; reinstated, 1; total, 57; withdrawn, 119; suspended, 75; expelled, 18; died, 4; total, 216. The treasurer received \$118.96, which he paid over to the treasurer. Further on in his report the G. W. R. discussed the matter of loss of membership. This decrease is partly explained by the failure of a temple and a section to make returns.

C. A. Evers, G. W. T., reported Cash on hand Dec. 1899, \$24.38; received from the G. W. R., June 27, \$64.70; total, \$89.08. Paid out, \$24.13; balance on hand, \$64.95.

The reports were received and entered on the minutes. The election of officers was then proceeded with and resulted as follows: G. W. T., J. L. Eagles; G. W. V. T., N. W. Brennan; G. W. R., W. C. Simpson; G. W. Treas., C. A. Evers; G. W. Chap., I. Stevens; G. W. Usher, W. L. Doherty; G. W. G., R. J. Burke.

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THE CHINESE EMPRESS.

In view of the large place which the dowager empress of China fills in the public eye at the present time, there will be general interest in the following letter concerning her, written by the Pekin correspondent of the London Mail.

Empress Tse-Hsi, it is well known, is the widow of the Emperor Hsien-Fung, who died in 1861. Hsien-Fung was reigning when Pekin was captured and the summer palace looted and burned by the English and French in 1860.

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BRITISH LUMBER MARKET. The Timber Trades Journal of June 16th says the general opinion among brokers is that lumber prices will remain steady throughout the season.

Referring to the general condition of trade in the mother country, the Journal says: "It is evident that the wave of prosperity which has imparted vitality to British industries is still flowing, and though the tide is perhaps not running quite so fast as it has been, the period for the reaction is not discoverable as yet."

THE TEMPERANCE CONGRESS. Referring to the recent World's Temperance Congress in London, the London Mail says there are now six millions of teetotalers in England, of whom considerably more than half are children.

CHINA. It now appears clear that a European concert has been definitely arranged to deal with the outbreak in China. It is hardly probable, in the face of this fact, that the Chinese government will resist the pressure.

paratively speaking, is even yet known about the internal affairs of China, and the oriental mind is so enamored of fiction and romance, that the press correspondents have a fine field for the exercise of their peculiar fictions.

THE INDIA FAMINE.

Writing on May 23rd to the Lord Mayor of London, Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, compared the present famine with that of 1897. In May, 1897, an area of 205,000 square miles with a population of 40,000,000 persons was affected.

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Referring to the general condition of trade in the mother country, the Journal says: "It is evident that the wave of prosperity which has imparted vitality to British industries is still flowing, and though the tide is perhaps not running quite so fast as it has been, the period for the reaction is not discoverable as yet."

THE TEMPERANCE CONGRESS.

Referring to the recent World's Temperance Congress in London, the London Mail says there are now six millions of teetotalers in England, of whom considerably more than half are children.

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ST. JOSEPH'S.

The Annual Commencement Exercises of the University.

Address of Welcome to His Lordship Bishop Casey - The List of Prizes - Winners - Degrees Conferred.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, June 21. -The annual commencement exercises of the University of St. Joseph were held in the Lefebvre hall this afternoon at 2.30.

At 5 p. m. the governor and his lady held a reception in the University parlors, at which a very large number were present. The programme of commencement exercises was as follows: Duo de Piano-Military March, Schubert.

THE PRIZE LIST. The prize list was as follows: Honor premium-Books, presented by Rev. M. LeBlanc, St. Martin, Que.

Special philosophy premium-The Stoneyhurst Series of Catholic Philosophy, presented by Rev. L. de G. LeBlanc, Cape Breton, N. B., awarded for excellence in intellectual and moral philosophy to John H. Kelly, New Carlisle, Que.

DEGREES CONFERRED. B. A.-Michael Charles Collins, Fairville, N. B.; Andrew Knox Dyrart, Colcagne, N. B.; Elzear Arthur Gaudet, Meteghan, N. S.; James Walter Holland, St. John, N. B.; John Hall Kelly, New Carlisle, P. Q.; Hector Louis LeBlanc, St. John, N. B.; Arthur Thomas LeBlanc, College Bridge, St. John, N. B.; Daniel Lyons, Waltham, Mass.; Francois M. Richard, College Bridge, N. B.

COMMERCIAL DIPLOMAS. Were awarded to Robert Baker, Gaspe, P. Q.; Marcellin Bourque, Fox Creek, N. B.; William Brophy, St. John, N. B.; Hilaire Delagardie, St. John, N. B.; Hugh Dyrart, Colcagne, N. B.; Etton Furer, Rockland, N. B.; Leo Girard, Riviere du Loup, P. Q.; Roch Lafache, Ste. Anne de la Perade, P. Q.; Richard LeBlanc, Rockland, N. B.; Thomas M. LeBlanc, McGinley's Corner, N. B.; Joseph LeBlanc, Grandstone, Magdalen Islands; Timon LeGros, McGinley's Corner, N. B.; Thomas McManus, Bathurst, N. B.; David Montrose, Sackville, N. B.; Alfred Picard, Buctouche, N. B.

WELCOMED THE BISHOP. The following address of welcome to the Coadjutor Bishop, to which Bishop Casey made a very appropriate reply, was read by M. C. Collins, son of J. M. Collins of Fairville, St. John Co.: "May it please your lordship to hear a word of welcome from us today."

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CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

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THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, issuing weekly 5,000 copies of the WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers, please make a note of this.

The Sun is indebted to T. H. Bullock for a German newspaper, mailed at Munchen.

The Messrs. Connolly are now engaged in the removal of some 6,000 or 7,000 yards of rock near the new I. C. R. terminus. It is difficult work to get the stuff out.

Thomas Wesson of Upper Sheffield, writes that on Monday last a wild duck flew down a chimney in his house. The bird was released from its unpleasant position and given its freedom.

Before Chief Justice Tuck, sitting in equity, R. LeB. Tweedie yesterday morning obtained an order to sell real estate of the McLennan infants, of Kings county. The next sitting of the equity court will be held on August 21.

SUCCESS FOR SIXTY YEARS.—This is the record of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer. A sure cure for diarrhoea, dysentery, and all bowel complaints. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis', 25 cents and 50 cents.

It is reported that the Messrs. Cann of Yarmouth have been notified by the dominion government that their contract for the Grand Manan service will terminate at an early day. The Grand Manan Steamship Company, which formerly had the Flushing on the route, will, it is said, again undertake the business.

A man from Sackville was brought in on the C. P. R. Tuesday and placed in the insane asylum. He was an employee of the Bay Verte railroad, and a short time ago his wife died, leaving him with the charge of nine small children. Since then he has become melancholy and it was decided to have him put in the asylum for treatment.

A large circle of relatives and friends will mourn the death of Mrs. George H. Barnes of Hampton, which took place Tuesday. Mrs. Barnes was 52 years of age. She leaves a sorrowing husband, two sons and one daughter. Mrs. Barnes was a prominent member of the Methodist church and took an active interest in its work at Hampton.

Wm. M. Wallace has received in connection with his patriotic songs "The Queen's Brave Soldiers," many very complimentary letters from different parts of the empire, and among the many he has received this week is one from his excellency the governor general of Canada and also a letter from Lord Strathcona of London, England, wishing him every success with his patriotic song.

The Sun's Hopewell Hill correspondent writes under date of June 24th: "The sch. Morning Star arrived in the river yesterday with freight from Moncton. The bark Alert finished loading deals at Gray's Island this week, and dropped into the stream, where she is awaiting a fair wind down the bay. The barkentine Enterprise has gone on to the berth at Gray's Island to take in deals for J. L. Peck. Two more large steamers have arrived, one at the Cape and the other at Grindstone Island."

There is a possibility that another pulp mill will be added to the list in New Brunswick. Wm. Pearson of Paris spent this week in the province and with Fred H. Hale, M. P., and M. F. Mooney visited Plaster Rock on the Tobique. Mr. Pearson seemed to be delighted with the prospect up there. He represents English capitalists, being himself an Englishman by birth. Yesterday Mr. Pearson visited the Mispic mill, with which he expressed himself highly delighted. Mr. Pearson left last night for Montreal to take passage for England.

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OFF TO BISLEY.

The Canadian Bisley team, which started Saturday across the herring pond, under command of Lt. Col. DeLampson of Toronto, with Major. Mackay

PROVINCIAL NEWS

SALMON CREEK, June 22.—The ladies of the Free Will Baptist Society met on Wednesday afternoon in the church hall... MRS. W. M. STARKY is spending a few weeks with her mother. Rev. Mr. Cambell of Waterford is holding special meetings here...

WARTS

No longer any necessity to feel embarrassed over unsightly warts. A new remedy has been discovered which removes warts, corns and bunions in a few days. A sure, safe and painless treatment.

Putnam's Painless CORN AND WART EXTRACTOR. Charleaux and quacks have long filled their vocation on the suffering people. The knife has pained to the quick. Caustic applications have tormented the victim of corns and warts...

day morning, caused general regret, the deceased being a native of this place. The remains reached here by train at noon today, and were conveyed to the home of Mr. Prescott, on Church avenue, from which place the funeral will take place tomorrow.

ANDOVER, N. B., June 25.—The members of the church of St. James Presbyterian church, who gave an old folks' concert on May 24th, drove to Centreville, Carleton Co., on the 22nd, and repeated the entertainment there. Scholey's Hall was well filled with an appreciative audience.

ST. STEPHEN, June 26.—A fire that at one time threatened great destruction broke out in Watson's brick block at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The lower floor is occupied by F. Watson, druggist, G. W. Wall, books, stationery, etc., S. McCurdy, barber shop, F. Gregory, grocer, and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Nugent Daly gave a party to a number of young folk on Wednesday 29th, in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Mary. A very pleasant evening was spent by all.

CENTREVILLE, Carleton Co., June 25.—Charles Cliff has workmen looking extensively repairs on his dwelling, enlarging and otherwise improving it inside and out. Farmers are doing seedling.

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The man who asked Daniel to drink wine along with the other youths of the court supposed that wine-drinking would increase the strength and make a man of him.

1. The power of a self-controlled life. 2. The power of a clear-headed mind. 3. The power of a strong character.

DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON ON WINE. (By A. J. H. Crespi, an Alliance News.) How important it is not to preterbe alcohol for the aged and infirm!

NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE.

PARRISOBO, N. S., June 23.—The advance guard of the Nova Scotia Methodist conference arrived here Monday night, and since that time there has been no lack of ministers in town.

At a late hour of the evening, the ministerial session was held on Wednesday, and on Thursday the full annual conference opened with conference prayer meeting, followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

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PARLIAMENTS

Supplement Break A Millions Upon the Finance of All the House Speeches Militia Matter for Twenty-gart Retractions

OTTAWA, June 22.—The House of Commons resumed its session today, including Geo. A. A. Stockton, C. N. Skinkine, C. N. C. J. C. J.

SECOND CONTINGENT.

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JAPAN'S HEREDITARY POLICY.

We have had ample opportunities of knowing that semi-official and non-official propaganda has been going on in Korea since the outbreak of the hereditary policy of Japan for so long would mean the extinction of the island as a first-class power.

For All Lamé Horses KENDALL'S SPAIN CURE. Whether they have Spavin, Ringbones, Splints, curbs, or other forms of blemish, enlargement, use KENDALL'S ...SPAVIN CURE...

PROFESSIONAL. DR. J. H. MORRISON, HAS RESUMED HIS PRACTICE. Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Only. 163 GERMAIN STREET.

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE. THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS, of Sept. 24, 1890, says: 'If I were asked to name a single medicine I should prefer to take abroad with me, as likely to be most generally useful, to the exclusion of other remedies, I should name CHLORODYNE.'

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHLORODYNE IS THE GREAT SPECIFIC FOR DIARRHŒA, DYSENTERY, CHOLERA. CAUTION—Genuine Chlorodyne. Every bottle of this well known remedy for...

DR. PARTRIDGE'S SERMON
Preached to the Masonic Fraternity Upon the Festival of St. John Baptist.

At the Fredericton cathedral on Sunday afternoon on the occasion of the visit of the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of New Brunswick...

But there is another instinct which shows itself more unmistakably among those which strongly influence humanity...

Free Masonry is at the close of this 19th century no more childish and contemptible medium for the display of finery and empty pomp...

And yet it has been assailed with a virulence which is often as bitter as it is unaccountable. It has been proscribed with a ban and attacked with anathema...

SUNDAY SCHOOL
The International Lesson. Lesson II.—July 8.

GOLDEN TEXT: Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life—John 6: 35. THE SECTION: Includes the whole of Jesus' discourse on the feeding of the five thousand...

HISTORICAL SETTING: Time.—Just before the Passover, April, A. D. 29, which began that year on April 16. The next morning after our last lesson.

JESUS THE BREAD OF LIFE.—John 6: 22-40. Read John 6: 22-27. Commandment 35-37. 22. The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea...

IT WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO just so long and so far as its members are true to its great ideal, and are proud of its past achievements.

BURGLAR SENTENCED.

AMHERST, N. S., June 28.—James Campbell, arrested for burglaries committed in this county, was this afternoon tried before Judge Force...

Dizzy Spells and Headache.

Weak, Nervous and Run Down, Weak Shakes with Nervousness—A Terrible Case—A Remarkable Cure. Mrs. Chas. H. Jones, Percepsion, Que., writes: "For years I have been a great sufferer with my heart and nerves..."

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