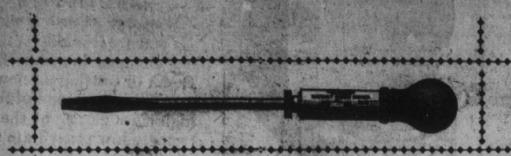


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LEGISLATION AFFECTING RAILWAYS.

One Bill to Reduce Fares—Another to Increase Taxation.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 30.—Senator Pierson to-day introduced a bill for the reduction of fares on railroads. All roads having passenger earnings of \$1,500 a mile and over are required by it to sell tickets at 2 cents per mile. Roads having earnings of from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a mile must sell tickets for 2 1/2 cents, while a 3-cent rate is permitted on roads earning less than \$1,000 a mile. No rate greater than 3 cents a mile is permitted. The bill al-

so provides for the sale of family mileage books.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 30.—The railroad tax commission prepared by the state tax commission were submitted to the legislature today. Two forms of taxation are presented, the legislature to take its choice.

The license bill provides a graduated tax on gross earnings, beginning with 2 per cent on gross earnings of \$2,000 or less per mile, and raises the tax one-tenth of 1 per cent per \$100 of additional income, up to 5 1/2 per cent on gross earnings of \$4,400 and over per mile. One-half the license fee is to be paid in January, when the license issues, and the remaining half on or before Aug. 10 following. This bill would increase the tax on railroads about \$600,000 a year.

Second Edition

AT REST.

Queen's Body Laid in Frogmore Mausoleum.

Beside That of the Late Prince Consort—Imposing Procession and Ceremony.

WINDSOR, Feb. 4.—Hundreds of people poured into Windsor through out the morning and at nine o'clock the Long Walk was already black with spectators, mostly from the surrounding country, waiting for a last glance at the coffin containing the remains of Queen Victoria. The sun was shining brightly. The final obsequies promised to be as stately as the initial stages. The representatives of royal families arrived from London at about one o'clock and drove to Windsor Castle. The streets of the old town were still hung with wreaths, sadly faded since Saturday. The stores were closed during the interment.

The Kings of Portugal, Belgium and Greece returned to Windsor this morning to attend the ceremony of placing Queen Victoria's remains beside those of the Prince Consort at Frogmore. The Duke of Cornwall and York has recovered enough to sit up for a brief period today.

WINDSOR, Feb. 4.—The final rites over the dead queen were concluded at 2.30 p. m. and the body was laid to rest in Frogmore mausoleum.

King Edward, Queen Alexandra, Emperor William and others of royal family attended the services beside the coffin at an early hour this morning.

WINDSOR, Feb. 4.—Dismounted life guardsmen, in their scarlet cloaks, the white plumes in their helmets glistening in the sun, kept the route clear from the castle slope. Amid the bare boughs of trees below, the mist arose from the damp earth, trampled into mud by the uneasy thousands. The air was sharp and cold.

From the Albert Memorial chapel to the mausoleum, nearly a mile from the great gate of the castle, there is a steep slope of 500 yards, at the bottom of which is the lodge gate and a fence. On the castle side of this were hundreds of ticket holders. On the other side, where the long walk commences, the public was massed.

At 2.45 p. m. Sir Walter Parrat and his choir walked down the slope through the crowds to the mausoleum, then minute guns commenced firing, the Windsor church bells tolled solemnly, and the strains of the band, gradually growing stronger and stronger, echoed from the castle quadrangle.

At 3.15 p. m. the procession passed slowly out of King George's arch in the following order:

The Queen's Company Grenadier Guards, with arms reversed. The governor and constable of Windsor Castle, the Duke of Argyll, Highlanders and pipers. Royal servants. Band of the Grenadier Guards.

The Bishop of Winchester and the Dean of Windsor.

The lord chamberlain and the lord steward.

The gun carriage with the coffin, supported by the late Queen's equerries and household, flanked by the same officers as appeared in Saturday's ceremony in London.

Following the coffin walked King Edward, the Duke of Connaught, Emperor William, the King of the Belgians, Prince Henry of Prussia and all the other royal personages, including Queen Alexandra and the Princesses, with the exception of the few who already had left England. Those present were accompanied by their suites.

The route was through the Norman gateway, across the Quadrangle, through the George IV archway, down the Long Walk, through the lodge gates and then from the Long Walk to the mausoleum. The route was lined with troops under the command of Col. Napier Miles of the First Life Guards.

The Queen's Pipers played from the gates to the mausoleum itself. On arriving there, the Queen's Company of Grenadiers opened outward and formed in double rank on the steps of the mausoleum.

The choir met the funeral cortege on the steps. The Highlanders, the pipers and the servants went into the mausoleum and took up the positions allotted to them. Then the coffin was carried into the mausoleum, preceded by the choir and the clergy.

The members of the royal family took places on each side of the sarcophagus, the royal household standing in the transept.

The rest of the ceremony was private, as the space inside the mausoleum was limited.

The choir sang Sir Arthur Sullivan's hymn, "Yes, Though I Walk," the anthem, "Sleep Thy Last Sleep," and Tennyson's "The Face of Death is Turned Towards the Sun of Light," set to music by Sir Walter Parrat.

An Ohio man, aged 112 years, is threatened with nervous prostration. His physician attributes it to the excessive use of tobacco during the last 97 years.

BISHOP THOBURN

Sees Vast Results to Come From British and German Friendship.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Bishop Thoburn, missionary bishop in Asia of the Methodist Episcopal church, made an address yesterday to the first Methodist church that created something of a stir among his audience, inasmuch as he launched into a review of the political questions likely to arise from recent events in China and the death of Queen Victoria. The bishop said: "There is a new power entering Asia and no one seems to notice it. Many significant things will result from what has just passed between Emperor William and Emperor Edward VII of England. Before many years the old Austrian empire will die. The old empire will then fall to pieces and what will be more natural than that Germany will possess the part of it which comes bordering on the Baltic. The German empire will then be continuous from the North Sea to the Mediterranean. Germany has already built railroads in Asia Minor between the Tigris and the Euphrates rivers. European governments do not build railroads unless they intend to operate them. Germany will secure that part of Central Asia which Russia covets. All of Southern Asia from China sea west to the Mediterranean will be in possession of Germany and England. Germany will have the southern coast line and the British empire will have secured Arabia."

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Pall Mall Gazette's Tien Tain correspondent cabled as follows: "There is an impression here that a German expedition, commanded by Von Troth, has gone to the northwest for the purpose of escorting the emperor to the capital. Von Waldersee will shortly join Von Troth's force."

ST. ANNE DE BELLEVUE.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—Fire this morning devastated the village of St. Anne de Bellevue, the pretty summer resort at the Junction of the Ottawa and St. Lawrence, 20 miles from Montreal. Seven houses were burned, and the beautiful parish church is partially destroyed. Among the buildings which perished is the old stone house which was occupied by Thomas Moore, the poet, when he was in Canada. It broke out at four o'clock this morning.

The fire started at 2.30 a. m. in A. Blais' hothouse, burning the store and the house. The others who were burning out were On Lee, laundryman, Mr. Haldimand's house, Pierre Meullier, blacksmith; A. C. Dore, butcher; Pierre Vienst's house and Isaac Legault's blacksmith shop. There was no insurance. Fifteen families are affected.

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.

Puts itself on Record Against a Compromise With Sin.

The Evangelical Alliance met this morning, Dr. Read in the chair. There were present Revs. T. F. Fotheringham, I. Smith, J. O. Morley, D. Long, D. J. Fraser, J. Shenton, B. N. Nobles, H. F. Waring, J. A. Clark, G. A. Sellar, W. Fenna, A. H. Foster, A. S. Morton, G. Steel, A. White, C. T. Phillips, Dr. Black, R. W. Weddall.

Rev. T. F. Fotheringham moved, seconded by Rev. D. Long, the following, which was carried unanimously: "With reference to the question raised during the recent police investigation as to whether certain houses of ill-fame should be tolerated under police supervision as a matter of expediency, and as a means of minimizing the evil which they represent, this alliance is emphatically of the opinion that a Christian community cannot compromise with sin, and that the constituted guardians of public morality should exert themselves to suppress the notorious houses referred to and all other similar places.

It was decided that the above should be forwarded to the board of safety.

The committee appointed to draw up resolutions in regard to Her late Majesty reported through Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, as follows: "This alliance regards with personal sorrow the death of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, our beloved sovereign. Her long reign has been most fruitful in blessing to the whole of her vast empire. The influence of her personal character has been incalculable in elevating the tone of morality and sound life, and her sympathetic disposition has called out reciprocal affection from all classes of people. Her entire life was governed by a strong sense of duty, fully carrying out the sentiment of her girlhood regarding her position when she recognized that it would display much splendor, but splendor conjoined with proportionate responsibility. No words could more appropriately declare the principle that governed her life than those spoken when first she learned of her nearness to the throne. "I will be good." So as Victoria the Good her name will descend to posterity. It is the earnest prayer of this alliance that her royal son and successor, His Imperial Majesty King Edward VII be enabled by Divine grace to walk in her footsteps. That his reign may display even greater material progress, moral improvement and religious purities and zeal.

Rev. D. J. Fraser read a paper on the Trend of Religious Thought in the 19th Century. The discussion on the paper was very general. Rev. A. S. Morton made a supplementary statement dealing more particularly with the trend of thought at the opening of the present century. The thanks of the alliance were given to Mr. Fraser. Dr. Black was introduced and made a member of the body.

The old historic town of Louisville has just elected its first mayor—at least under British rule—and Captain W. W. Lewis is the honored incumbent.

SOUTH AFRICA.

The Boers Capture a British Post at Madderfontein.

Despatches from Kitchener Show That DeWet and Other Leaders are Still Aggressive.

BLOEMFONTEIN, Feb. 3.—The British have re-occupied Petersburg. LONDON, Feb. 4.—The war office has received the following despatch from Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief in South Africa: "PRETORIA, Feb. 2.—Our post at Madderfontein, on the Gatsrand, southwest of Krugeradorp, was attacked by a thousand Boers. The relief column sent out from Krugeradorp failed to prevent the fall of the post. No details yet at hand, but officers and men captured at the post are arriving at Vereeniging."

LOURENCO MARQUEZ, Feb. 3.—There is a commando of 2,000 Boers on Portuguese territory. It is supposed that their intention is to rescue the Boers here.

The Portuguese authorities have decided to remove to Madera such Boer refugees as decline to surrender to the British.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief in South Africa, reports to the war office as follows:—"PRETORIA, Feb. 4.—Our casualties at Madderfontein were two officers killed and two wounded. It appears that the post was rushed on a pitch dark night during a heavy rain, the enemy numbering 1,400 with two guns. Campbell, south of Middelburg, engaged five hundred Boers, who were driven back with loss. Our casualties were twenty killed or wounded. French is near Bethel, moving east and driving the enemy with slight opposition. Four of our ambulances, while seeking wounded, were captured. The doctors were released. DeWet's force is reported south of Dewetsdorp."

PROTESTANTISM.

Effort to Secure Its Introduction in the Philippines—One Hundred Baptized.

MANILA, Feb. 3.—Fewer than four hundred persons attended the meeting called today by Senor Buenacampo, pastor of the Protestant church, at the "evangelical movement." Considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings, and there were some expressions of approval of the address. No attempt, however, was made to commit the meeting to Protestantism, that aspect of the case being left for subsequent action, at his discretion, to Rev. Jas. B. Rogers, a missionary of the Presbyterian board, who was present. Senor Buenacampo explained that religious effort was wholly outside the federal party, which had been organized solely to promote political peace.

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Senor Buenacampo argued in favor of supplanting the present priests with Filipinos having the privilege of marrying. Gradually he led up to Protestantism, and asked whether they were any longer to submit to the authority of a pope or an archbishop. Some shouted "No," others remained silent.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers preached a short sermon. He refrained from any criticism of Roman Catholics.

The Rev. Mr. Proutch, of the Methodist mission, offered the four gospels in Tagalog and anti-friar tracts, which were sold at the door by Nicholas Zamora, a native Methodist revivalist, who conducts exportation meetings every Sunday. Prior to the meeting in the Rial theatre was a political gathering attended by practically all sects. She was always looking for the great fundamental truths that unite all mankind. Queen Victoria kept her court pure. The chief jewel in her diadem was purity. No scandal or loose living was ever tolerated there. Victoria stood pre-eminently for peace. She had an especial love for her kin on this side of the Atlantic. I rejoice to know that this sentiment is also shared by her successor."

After Mr. Carnegie's address Edwin Markham read a poem upon the queen. Robert G. Ogden presided at the meeting, while the Rev. Dr. Donald S. Mackay conducted the devotional exercises and also paid a tribute to the late queen.

ANARCHIST ASSASSIN.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—Le Rappel publishes a despatch from Rome saying: "Agents of the Italian detective department in the United States report that Calceano, an anarchist, has left for Europe to make an attempt on the life of King Victor Emmanuel, and that he is acting under the orders of the Paterson anarchist. The Italian police are watching the ports and frontier stations."

THE BISHOP SURPRISED HIM.

(Detroit To-Day.) An Episcopal bishop made Mr. Pin-gree's acquaintance. Belligerent as he was, Mr. Pingree gave evidence of backwardness and shyness, for he was never too well posted on bishops and didn't know just how to take them.

"I see by the papers that you are much addicted to swearing," said the bishop.

"Yes, I've seen something of that kind in the papers myself," said Hassen, acting very much like a snail in the act of pulling in its shell.

"Well," said the bishop, "judging by what you have to contend with, I would not be surprised if you did swear pretty often."

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CARNEGIE'S TRIBUTE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Andrew Carnegie, the steel king, spoke in Carnegie hall this afternoon upon "The Moral Character of Queen Victoria."

The meeting was held by the West Side Y. M. C. A. in honor, as the program said, of a "Womanly Queen and a Queenly Woman."

"One of the important traits," said Mr. Carnegie, "of Queen Victoria was her large, liberal and generous tolerance of all sects. She was always looking for the great fundamental truths that unite all mankind. Queen Victoria kept her court pure. The chief jewel in her diadem was purity. No scandal or loose living was ever tolerated there. Victoria stood pre-eminently for peace. She had an especial love for her kin on this side of the Atlantic. I rejoice to know that this sentiment is also shared by her successor."

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AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, Feb. 4.—The newly-elected reichsrath was opened today with a speech from the throne. Emperor Francis Joseph recalled his "heartfelt sorrow at the death of my 'dear ally' the late King Humbert, the 'victim of an execrable crime,' and the demise of Queen Victoria, 'who was a shining exemplar of all sovereign virtues, and who are united to me by sentiments of true friendship.' His majesty proceeded: 'The cordial feeling which characterizes our closer relations with the powers allied to us is unaltered, and I rejoice to recall the evidences of German sympathy, which received such touching expression on the occasion of my visit to Emperor William from the inhabitants of the capital of Germany.'

In conversation with events in China the emperor said:—"The efforts of the powers are directed towards the restoration of an ordered condition of things while upholding the integrity of China. Happily, therefore, no apprehension could be entertained that events in that part of the world will react upon the peace of Europe."

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### ST. JOHN STAR.

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### A NEAT REMINDER.

A well informed writer, in the Toronto Mail and Empire replies to the Toronto Globe's charge that the Canadian producers when they carry American goods on a through bill of lading at a proportionately lower rate than they carry Canadian goods a shorter distance. This writer says that last year nearly 8,000,000 tons of through or American traffic passed through Canada by rail, and that in the nature of things the railways were obliged to grant lower rates per mile than on local traffic. He argues that if they were prevented from doing this they would lose the business to American roads and be compelled to charge higher rates on local traffic. Having argued the case out on this line the writer forcibly directs the Globe's attention to the fact that Mr. Blair's I. C. R. management is open to the same condemnation as that of the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk. "I am informed on good authority," he says, "that American grain has been carried from Parry Sound to St. John, via the Canada Atlantic and I. C. R. this winter for six cents per bushel. As, technically speaking, the Canada Atlantic originates the traffic and hauls it as far as Montreal, nearly 400 miles, the I. C. R. must get considerably less than six cents for hauling it from Montreal to St. John, a distance of 740 miles. Yet the I. C. R. rate on Canadian wheat originating at Montreal and going to St. John exceeds six cents. Here is a discrimination against the metropolis of Canada. . . . And it is actually suggested by Mr. Blair himself that he should extend the I. C. R. to Parry Sound, to enable him to carry grain at a still lower rate." The writer observes that he does not print this out to condemn Mr. Blair, but to show that any condemnation of the other lines must include Mr. Blair's railway.

### ENTERPRISING PORTLAND.

Boston and Portland papers are devoting a good deal of attention to the announcement that the Dominion line will make Portland, instead of Montreal, its summer terminus. The Boston Globe points out that the business men of Portland have been making very strong efforts to build up their port, and that they have found a strong friend in General Manager Hays, of the Grand Trunk, whose object it is to revolutionize and Americanize the great railway. It is announced that a greatly improved passenger service will be maintained between Montreal and Portland in summer, to divert, if possible, a considerable portion of the passenger traffic which now goes to Boston. Naturally the Boston people are speculating as to the possible effect of the growth of Portland upon their own city as well as upon Montreal.

### THE NEGRO PROBLEM.

There is but one colored man in the United States congress, and his term is about to expire. In the house, a few days ago, this gentleman, Mr. White, of North Carolina, delivered his valedictory. The burden of his address was that the condition of the colored race in the United States is not hopeless; that they are gradually improving their condition. This New York Mail and Express summarizes the remarks of Mr. White, in which he replies to the charge of negligence and indolence, so often preferred against the colored race.  
Mr. White replies that in forty years of freedom of intermarriage among them has decreased 45 per cent. They own 140,000 farms and homes, worth \$750,000,000, and personal property amounting to \$170,000,000. Their schools are valued at \$12,000,000, and their churches at \$40,000,000. Their race includes 2,000 lawyers, and an equal number of physicians, and its members are competing with the white men in almost every branch of industry.  
The New York paper, noting the above statement and referring to such men as Mr. White himself and Booker T. Washington, concludes that the negro must be dealt with hereafter "not as a mere serf, but as a stout-hearted, cheerful competitor in the race for knowledge and wealth."

### THE CRIMINAL RECORD.

Thomas McHenry, a lumber merchant of Bloomsburg, Pa., was shot by thieves in his barn early yesterday morning.  
Rev. John Keller, secretary to Bishop Starkey, of New York, was shot by Thomas G. Barker, of Arlington, New Jersey, yesterday morning. Barker gave himself up. The shooting is said to have been the result of a disclosure made by Barker's wife. Rev. Mr. Keller may recover.  
Hugh Kerr, father of one of the men convicted of the Bowdoin murder in Patterson, N. J., is dead. The son's crime broke the father's heart.

### NOVA SCOTIA NEWS.

George W. Sanford, postmaster at Bridgewater, Maine, committed suicide in Hamilton Friday.  
The former Lemonsarian was towed into Halifax Saturday with her tall shaft broken.  
Mr. Daley, formerly of Digby, was lately married to Miss Margaret Edwards, of Salt Lake. They will reside at Rawlins, Wyoming, where Mr. Daley owns a sheep ranch.  
Rev. Charles Connell, of Woodstock, has purchased a summer residence at Digby.

### THAT ROTHEASY LIST.

It is an open letter to the Telegraph Mr. C. J. Milligan, manager of that journal, explicitly denies that he had anything to do with the revision of the Rothasy list; or that he mailed the list to the county secretary; or

that either he or his clerk had ever seen the list. Mr. Milligan further points out that under the registered letter system "it would be absolutely impossible for the postal authorities to say by whom the letter was registered."  
Mr. Milligan's positive denial must, of course, be accepted. It is, however, to be regretted that the secretary of the New Brunswick Liberal Association has waited so long. The statement was made Jan. 2nd in the Kings County Council that the list in question had been registered in St. John in the name of Mr. C. J. Milligan. Mr. Milligan's formal denial of any knowledge of the affair comes on Feb. 4th. The reputation of the liberal association would not have suffered any if the denial made by its secretary had been made more than ten days ago.

We have still the fact that the list in question was mailed, and that it was mailed in Mr. Milligan's name. It would now appear to be necessary for Mr. Milligan to make some observations on the subject. He was asked in the Kings County Council by whom the letter was mailed, but so far as the Star is able to learn, did not reply. What Mr. Milligan knows, or what he does not know, should now be stated so that the investigation might proceed a step farther.

### DR. PUGSLEY'S SUCCESS.

"The Telegraph says:—  
"Attorney General Pugsley created a splendid impression in Charlotte-town in the East Queens election case, and evidently displayed his usual forensic ability in conducting the case."  
Dr. Pugsley is an able lawyer, but in this case his client is unseated and the heeler is to be reported for corrupt practices. In this particular case Dr. Pugsley has less reason for congratulation than the young doctor of another kind who "pulled the old man through."

Frank James, the famous retired highwayman, who claims to have lived a life of virtue since he surrendered to the authorities, was an unsuccessful candidate at a recent election. He now complains that the people have refused to endorse his recent honest life. Next time the fabricators of the bogus Rothasy list will have the audacity to seek office. But surely they will first own up and surrender like Frank James.

### NOBLE HELEN GOULD.

Gives Nearly Half a Million for the Naval Y. M. C. A.

To the sum which Miss Helen Gould had already contributed for the building of a naval branch of the Young Men's Christian Association in Brocklyn, N. Y., she has recently added a further donation of over \$500,000. In all she has now given upward of \$1,500,000 toward carrying out the project which was first suggested by the late Admiral Philip. She has also given the navy yard. Miss Gould originally gave \$500,000 of the \$1,000,000 at first thought to be necessary to carry out Admiral Philip's plan. Later, when subscriptions lagged, she withdrew, she informed Admiral Philip that he could draw upon her to the extent of \$150,000. Subsequently she became still more interested in the work, and decided that the institution should be a memorial to her father. New plans for a more commodious and more completely equipped building were made a few months ago. The entire cost of which will be borne by Miss Gould. It is understood that the Women's Auxiliary of the National Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association will furnish the home.

The building will be situated upon a plot of land facing upon Sand street, and two blocks from the navy yard gate. It will be seven stories high, with a double basement. There will be 100 sleeping rooms, a bath, a bowling alley, shooting gallery, library, reading and smoking rooms and an auditorium with a capacity of 500. When the building is completed it will be put in charge of a sub-committee of the National committee, composed largely of naval officers with Admiral Barker as chairman, but the deed of gift will be made to the full committee. Miss Gould does not, and the institution. The Admiral Philip Endowment Fund, already amounting to \$20,000, will provide for this on the death of the Admiral's widow. The construction of the building will be begun early in the spring, and it is expected that it will be ready for occupancy some time next fall.

### IN THE CHURCHES.

Rev. Ralph Brecken, D. D., of Mount Allison University, conducted the service in Zion Methodist church yesterday morning and in Centenary in the evening.  
Rev. W. L. Boers, the new Unitarian pastor, opened his ministry in this city by an exhortative and instructive address last evening on The Life of Service.  
Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, the pastor of Tabernacle Baptist church, will begin a series of special services in his church this evening, which will last throughout the week.  
AT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.  
At the memorial service in St. Luke's church yesterday morning, the preacher, Rev. J. O'W. Cowie of Fredericton, who had spoken of the Queen in his sermon of the Sunday before, discussed the problems of the future in reference to the character and ability of the new king.  
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### THE WHITE PLAGUE.

Conference to be Held at Ottawa Feb. 14th to Discuss Tuberculosis—Lord Minto Will Preside.  
(Mail and Enquirer)  
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### TOOK HIMSELF APART.

And Secured an Interview With the Sultan of Sulu.  
(Boston Daily Advertiser.)  
Michael Dowling, speaker of the Minnesota Legislature, is a remarkable man. He is the product of a Minnesota blizzard, Dec. 14, 1850, he was lost in a roaring blizzard in Yellow Medicine county and so badly frozen that it was necessary to amputate one leg above the knee, the other above the ankle, one arm at the elbow and all the fingers of the right hand.  
Twenty years later to a day he had won a victory in a hard contest for speaker, a victory so overwhelming that when the legislature met not a single opponent was left.  
When the blizzard had done its work and left him a mere physical reminder of his former self he was so poor that he became a public charity. But Dowling was determined and ambitious, and that tells the rest of his life story in brief. He got a good education, became an adept on artificial legs, returned to Renville, a county adjoining the one from which he had been so ignominiously excluded, got a small local public office; worked in the ownership of a weekly newspaper; then appeared in the sessions of the state legislature as a clerk; next became secretary of the National League of Republican Clubs, being nominated to that position as the "frozen son of Minnesota." He secured recognition as a man of executive ability and a good campaigner. Next he turned up as a newspaper correspondent in the Philippines, where he visited all the principal islands from Luzon to the Sulu.

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A merchant cannot afford to be on bad terms with his competitors any more than he can with his customers. Customers are the only ones likely to gain from the flow of bad blood between merchants, and what the former gain the latter lose.  
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Poor little Babette! Her little figure seemed so frail. There was such a delicate flush in her cheeks. Her great brown eyes had such a plaintive, pitiful look in them.

Babette lived seven miles from the nearest town. Every market day she had to carry dozens and pounds of butter and dozens of eggs to the market.

It is so hard for a girl to have to sit at a stall in a market-place in all the heat and dust; to sit there just looking and looking, selling eggs and butter.

"What about the good father," Babette would say; "will he wed us tomorrow?" And if they were silent, poor little Babette shook her head.

Babette knew that beauty is no more lasting than eggs and butter; that men like that life to be worthy of the same, must be carried on at a certain outlay.

Babette's stall was right under a studio window. The studio there worked so hard, so foolishly hard, an ambitious youth.

He wanted fame. He wanted fortune. He wanted Babette! Day by day he would watch her sitting there. He almost wept when he thought of that long walk with those heavy baskets of butter and eggs.

"What shall we live on?" she asked, dreamily. "I will write. I will sell my pictures," he answered, enthusiastically.

She knew that eggs and butter sold by a lovely girl would fetch a high price. She knew that pictures painted by an unknown man would fetch a low price.

She still gazed at the studio now and then. He would watch her sitting there. He almost wept when he thought of that long walk with those heavy baskets of butter and eggs.

"Now," he said, "now you need have no fear for me; I am rich." "My dear friend," answered Babette, tearing filling her eyes, "I am bowed down with grief. How was I to know? Yesterday I accepted Adolphe. He is so wealthy; so stupid! Oh, my friend, if I had known yesterday!

"Oh, yes, I no," she responded and had to write it out for him; he could not read the full force of her reply. "De trop! Free Press."

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BAPTISTS CONDEMN CATHOLICS.

Serious Charges Openly Made Against the Clergy of the Roman Church.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 28.—The Rev. Dr. C. H. Hobart, a professor in Crozier Theological seminary, in speaking of a resolution presented by the Rev. Kerr Boyce Tupper to the conference of Baptist ministers today, made a sensational speech in which he charged representatives of the Roman Catholic church in New York state, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines with stealing public funds and committing other injustices.

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Dr. Hobart made a vigorous speech. He said that the Philippines were already subject to "Roman Catholic Jesuitical control," and that "the vestra of certain bishops to the White House might serve as an explanation."

THE CYCLIST IN WAR. Splendid Success of a New Force. CAPETOWN, Jan. 13.—The experiment of a corps of military cyclists is attracting enormous interest.

The corps is split into sections of twenty-fives and thirty-fives, and is being trained thoroughly conversant with the country traversed.

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U. S. Consul Myers attended with the St. George's Society at the service in Trinity church on Saturday in commemoration of Her late Majesty.

Members of the Darktown Fire Brigade are requested to meet at Miles Carroll's, Haymarket Square, at 7 o'clock this evening in uniform.

Rev. Mr. Stackhouse yesterday lost three drawings of church windows. Mr. Stackhouse would be greatly obliged if the finder would communicate with him.

John C. Rodgers, formerly of this city but now of New York, who has been in the city since Friday last to attend the funeral of his father, will leave again for the states this afternoon.

Rev. Dr. Fraser, and not Rev. A. S. Morton, as previously announced, may be expected to read a paper this morning before the Evangelical Alliance in the Y. M. C. A. on the Occasion of Religious Thought at the Beginning of the 20th Century.

Morton McLaren, a son of Policeman McLaren, while coasting on Mill Hill, Cartwright, Saturday afternoon, was severely injured. His sled collided with that ridden by another boy, and McLaren had two or three ribs broken.

At the meeting of the Boys' Evening in Carpenter's hall last evening an admirable address and reading were given by Mrs. E. A. Smith. The musical programme was provided by the choir of St. Andrew's church and a choir of the boys led by the mission orchestra.

The local government have accepted the tender of the Berlin Iron Works of Three Rivers, Quebec, for the construction of the steel bridges over the Bay of Fundy, at the mouth of the St. John's river.

Judge Forbes, grand master, is visiting the Masonic lodges of Charlotte county. On Sunday he held a "Lodge of sorrow" at St. Stephen. Today he will visit St. George and Tuesday St. Stephen, Wednesday evening the Thursday Judge Forbes will go to Fredericton to act for Judge Wilson, who is interested in a case which comes up in the county court.

The death occurred Saturday evening of Mrs. John Kerr, widow of the late John Kerr. The deceased, who was well and favorably known throughout the north end, was a most estimable lady, and her loss will be deeply felt by her many friends.

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BRIEF DESPATCHES.

KIEL, Feb. 4.—Prince Henry of Prussia has been placed in a suite of the British navy. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The 464 sick soldiers who came from Manila on the transport Warren, were landed at the Presidio general hospital. The majority are in a convalescent condition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The body of Policeman Thomas J. Fitzpatrick, who was reported missing after the fire in the Wickie building, last week, was found today in the ruins.

AT THE INSTITUTE THIS WEEK.

Lovers of Shakespearean drama will have an opportunity on Friday and Saturday evening and Saturday matinee to enjoy the acting of Edward D'Oise, supported by Miss Katherine Erie and an excellent company. The company comes well recommended, and the press notices of the performances in other cities are very flattering. As a matter of fact, this is not the first appearance here of Mr. D'Oise, and his old admirers will be glad to see him supported by a company of his own.

TONIGHT.

Haymarket Square. Polymorphian's carnival at Victoria rink, 8 p. m. Special meeting of Thistle Curling club, 7.30 p. m. Valentine Stock company at Opera house in A Social Highwayman, 8 p. m. Dr. Macrae lectures before St. Stephen's church guild. Salvage corps meeting. Gordon division, S. of T., Market building.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

A grand rally of city officers and soldiers will unite in Mill street barracks tonight at 8 p. m., for a very special meeting, also a grand welcome to Ensign Parker, T. P. S., of the eastern provinces. There will be tea and cake served preceding meeting. All are welcome.

Rev. C. Flemington, of the Newfoundland Methodist conference, has made application to be transferred to the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island conference.

ANOTHER CUT IN RUBBER.

The United States Rubber company has sent out a circular to the trade announcing the expected cut of 18 per cent. in the prices of its manufactured goods, to take effect Feb. 1st. With the recent cut of 5 per cent., this latest cut makes a total reduction of 23 per cent., which independent manufacturers are expected to meet.

WANT ADS.

In order to be of as much service as possible to the working people of St. John, the STAR will insert FREE all advertisements of Situations Wanted. For any other Want Ads. there will be a small charge.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gordon division, S. of T., meets this evening in Market building, Charlotte street.

The annual anniversary of the Douglas avenue Christian church will be held on Friday evening, the 15th inst.

The Young Men's association of St. Luke's Episcopal church will hold their annual high tea on Thursday evening next.

A flow of water from under John Ryan's house on Brussels street has been reported by Police Officer Finley.

Daniel Starkey, of the Star line steamer Victoria staff, is at present employed in a shoe store in Waterville, Me.

There is a ladder standing against a brick residence on Union street with a beaten track around it. St. John people are still believin' in things.

The official period of public mourning will end tomorrow. Flags will then be either full masted or withdrawn altogether, and somere drapings taken away.

The H. M. S. Polymorphia carnival this evening promises to be one of the most successful affairs of its kind held here for some time. Some new and original costumes will be on the ice.

The special services in Lestner street church will continue all this week, excepting Tuesday evening. The services have been largely attended, and great interest evinced. Rev. Alex. White will speak this evening.

Rev. R. H. A. Haslam, M. A., curate of St. John's (stone) church, addressed the Y. M. C. A. men's meeting yesterday afternoon on Inclination vs. Aspiration.

Rev. L. G. Macneill, pastor of St. Andrew's church, leaves this afternoon to attend a meeting of the Foreign Mission board of the Presbyterian church at Halifax.

Corporation employees are engaged in cutting gutters through the ice, and breaking up the snow and ice beds in the principal thoroughfares. This is one of the first signs of spring.

A week from Thursday will be St. Valentine's day. The book stores and penny goods shops have brought forth their stock of hideous caricatures and paper-lace love tokens, and the impressionable maiden is aglow with ecstatic expectancy.

Mrs. J. E. Irvine of Garden street is at present in Sussex, at the home of her father, W. H. White. Mr. White is a little improved after the serious paralytic stroke he sustained early last week. His physicians are using every effort to prevent a second stroke.

The High School orchestra will have a concert on Friday evening in the High School assembly hall. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the orchestra and athletic association of the school. There should be a liberal patronage.

Hudson Breen will probably be the choice of the Victoria Cycling, Skating and Athletic club to send to the Canadian championships at Montreal in about a week's time. He is in excellent form, and although the matter is not definitely settled Breen, it is said, has the chances in his favor.

Saturday evening's sky attracted a lot of attention. Diagonally across the city, extending almost to the horizon, it seemed to be divided. To the west and southwest the heavens were deep blue in color, with stars shining brightly, while on the other side a grey haze shut out the stars and rising moon. It seemed as if a barrier divided the sky.

Mrs. Charles White, wife of the former manager of White's Express, who is now living at Akerley's wharf, Washademoak, is quite ill. About ten days ago Mrs. White's life was despaired of, but it is thought she is now out of danger. Allan Gallup of Metcalfe street, Indiantown, Mrs. White's father, returned from Akerley's last Wednesday.

G. T. Black, the Indiantown restaurant proprietor, and George Brannan, steward and purser of the steamer May Queen, arrived home from their provincial driving tour on Saturday night. They had been away for two and a half weeks, and in their travels had visited Gagetown, James White's Cove, Cromarty, Fredericton, Marysville, Chipman and Woodstock. Their horse was a first-class roadster, and fine weather predominated most of the time.

The Carleton Baptist church was not re-opened yesterday, but will be ready for occupancy next Sabbath. The interior of the auditorium, which is being sheathed in ornamented steel and daintily tinted, will be exceedingly beautiful. The re-opening exercises will be held in the morning, commencing at 10.30 o'clock. A city clergyman will preach at 2.30 in the afternoon and at 6.30 in the evening the pastor, Rev. B. N. Nobles, will speak.

COMMON COUNCIL.

J. A. Chesley, J. O. Stackhouse and Geo. Waring Apply for the Position of Director of Public Works—Other Communications.

At the meeting of the Common Council this afternoon, the following communications were received: A petition from a number of residents of Pleasant, asking that the water supply system be placed along Mt. Pleasant avenue, N. K. & M. Conolly, through L. A. Curry, K. C. gave notice that they objected to the assessment levied on them on the ground that they are not residents of the city.

A number of the residents of Queen's ward called attention to the fact that the smoke from the chimney of the John Campbell, injured by an explosion, is a source of great annoyance, damaging and destroying clothes, which may be hanging out to dry, and prayed that the evil be remedied as early as possible.

The masters and mates in the ferry service prayed for an increase of wages. They claim that the present rate of paying engineers and firemen more than the masters and mates respectively is not fair.

A petition was received from some thirty citizens asking that Blair street be made a city street. It is an outlet from Rock street to City Road, and is a very desirable one, encumbering it as they please, to the annoyance of residents of Rock street.

John A. Chesley, J. O. Stackhouse, and Geo. Waring applied for the position of Director of Public Works, made vacant by the death of A. Chipman Smith.

Mrs. James Frink called attention to the imperfect condition in which the catch basin at the corner of Germain and North Market streets is maintained.

G. A. Emery and James Myles, arbitrators, appointed to appraise the house belonging to John Wilson, Protection street, west end, reported the valuation at \$2,500.

R. R. Lee made application for the lease of lots Nos. 549 and 723 Germain street, west side. W. A. Barnes asked to be heard in regard to his taxes.

Miss Ellen M. Dibley applied for the position of collector of taxes, made vacant by the appointment of William Howard as inspector of the Board of Health. His application was backed by a petition signed by a number of citizens.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS. West India line steamer "Erna" left Bermuda at 9 o'clock a. m. yesterday for St. John, and she will therefore be due to arrive here on Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. Her next sailing date from here is Saturday, 9th inst.

Manchester line steamer Manchester importer arrived here from Halifax at 9 o'clock this morning, when she was docked at the I. C. T. terminal, where the inward cargo is at present being discharged, after which is completed she will take on board some grain.

The remainder of the cargo will be loaded at the I. C. T. berth with St. John, and the steamer will probably leave here on Saturday afternoon next.

PARKER ANXIOUS TO MEET DUFFY.

William Gillespie, Fen. Parker's trainer and manager, called at Victoria rink this morning to meet Bart Duffy in order that a match race might be arranged. Duffy was not present, but Gillespie left word with the rink manager that Parker was desirous of skating Duffy on Tuesday evening, Feb. 12th. The distance may be a half-mile.

KING'S DAUGHTERS' TEA.

The Lend-a-Hand circle of King's Daughters five o'clock tea promises to be a very successful and enjoyable affair financially as well as socially. Numbers of tickets have been sold, and the committee are sparing no pains to make it pleasant for all who may attend. The afternoon tea will be furnished during the evening.

The S. S. Aladdin arrived today from Philadelphia with coal for the I. C. R.

The directors of the Exhibition association will meet on Wednesday, at 3 p. m.

The regular monthly meeting of the Natural History society will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 5th, at 8 p. m. Papers for the evening by A. Gordon Leavitt, G. U. Hay and Prof. Ganong.

D. H. Nase of Indiantown, who has received the appointment of postmaster of Indiantown, in the place of W. G. Brown, deceased, says he will take over his new duties about the fifteenth of the month. The post office will be moved down to his store at the foot of Indiantown hill, and of necessity, some changes will be made in his store.

Yesterday the feast of St. Blasius, bishop and martyr, was observed in the Roman Catholic churches. Thousands had their throats blessed. In the afternoon the street cars were taxed to the utmost capacity, taking men, women and children to and from St. Peter's church, north end. Hundreds of children, as small as infants in arms, received the priest's blessing.

The friends of Isaac Stevens of Metcalfe street, Indiantown, will learn with pleasure that he is now able to sit up, after a very critical stage in his illness a few days ago. Dr. McIntyre, his physician, is confident of bringing the well known resident back to his usual health in a short time.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

To the Editor of the Star. Sir.—Would you kindly permit me to ask through your columns "Is any street work being done this winter?"

At the corner of Wentworth and King street, east, the gutter has evidently been neglected and forgotten, and the result is that it is about as much as a person's life is worth to venture near it. A like state of affairs exists about half way up Peters street, on the westerly side, but I suppose as the taxes are so low in St. John we can't expect anything attended to.

CITIZEN.

To the Editor of the Star. Sir.—City by-law are supposed to be very important things, in fact so important that notice of application for a new one must be for some time published in the papers.

Now, if I am correct, one of our city by-law states that all horses left standing without a driver must be secured with a foot-strap, or in some way prevented from running away, should the animal so desire. I do not know the exact wording, but that does not much matter.

It is, however, a notorious fact that but few of the great number of horses used in this city are secured when left standing, and it is also a fact that almost every day we have one or more runaways.

It would seem that the proper authorities should be publicly denounced for their non-enforcement of the law, and that the city by-law in law has been broken and damage done. Some of the nice work done lately by runaways has been the knocking down of people and the tearing out of the fronts of stores, and last, but not least, the breaking of a young lady's limb, and it is well just here to notice that the horse that accomplished this last feat, in about a week ran away a second time.

Now, Mr. Editor, I do not wish to take up too much of your valuable space, but surely if those whose duty it is to look after the public safety, from a runaway horse standpoint, are either not willing, or not capable of doing that duty, it is high time that men capable of action were in their places.

"PEDESTRIAN."

A ST. JOHN MAN.

J. W. Ewing, of Milford, Mass., whose poem, "Farwell Victoria," appeared in Saturday night's Star, is a St. John man. He left here about fifteen years ago, and is now successfully engaged in the United States.

He still has, however, a very warm spot in his heart for his native country. When in St. John he was leather cutter for Robinson & Ralston, stove manufacturers, and beside this work engaged somewhat in literary pursuits, being at one time editor of that bright little publication the Western Review. Mr. Ewing is a nephew of Robert Ewing, living Waterloo street, cousin of Mr. Ewing in the Savings Bank employ, and a cousin of Mrs. Cameron of Carmarthen street.

AT WELSFORD.

A memorial service was held in the Welsford school house on Friday evening, Feb. 1st. The room was suitably decorated for the occasion. Speeches were made by Rev. W. B. Armstrong, Rev. W. Penna, J. J. Pinkerton and Wm. Howe. Patriotic songs were sung by the children, led by the teacher, Miss K. L. Phillips. A very pleasing feature of the service was the presentation of memorial badges to the children by the secretary, H. W. Woods. The service closed with God Save the King.

THAT CARLETON FLAGPOLE.

The flagpole on Courtney hill, head of King street, west end, has a flag floating from it now. For months this new pole stood sentinel on the commanding site without vestige of bunting. The people wondered and then came to the conclusion they were being made the butt of a civic joke or something. The Star said a few things about the flag that wasn't there, and on Friday Director Wisely of the public safety board sent over a handsome new British ensign in time to be lowered to the mourning position on Saturday.

THE KING'S THANKS.

The warden of Kings county, H. Montgomery-Campbell, has received the following: OTTAWA, Jan. 26th, 1901. Warden Kings County, N. B.:

I am directed by the governor general to inform you that his excellency has been commanded to express to you and the county councillors of Kings county his majesty's heartfelt thanks for your kind message of sympathy.

CAPT. GRAHAM, Governor General's Secretary.

PROBATE COURT.

The accounts in the estate of the late Michael Blackhall were being passed today. C. H. Hanington for the administrator; J. H. Belyea for Robert Blackhall; A. W. Macrae for Mrs. De Forest; and J. R. Armstrong, W. W. Allen, T. P. Regan, D. Mullin, S. Fairweather and W. H. Trueman for the creditors.

ELECTION PETITION.

In the matter of the Restigouche election petition Judge McLeod this morning referred the argument to the full court to be heard at the present term, the matter to be entered on the motion paper by the respondent.

CARNIVAL JUDGES.

The judges at tonight's carnival of the Haymarket Square Polymorphian club will be: Mrs. George West-Jones, Mrs. John H. Thomson, Mrs. Charles J. Conier, His Worship Mayor Daniel, Alderman T. Barclay Robinson and R. O'Brien, city editor of the Globe.

PERSONAL.

Miss Fannie Smyth came to town from Sussex Friday night and was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Gregory, Harding street. She returned to Kings county today.

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THE POLICE COURT.

At the police court this morning the Armentan prisoner, Antonio-Zaraca, arrested on suspicion of stealing \$27 from Masson Azor and Millid Azor, two immigrants, was remanded. His case will come up tomorrow.

Richard Collins, whom Officer Greer arrested for making a disturbance in his mother's house, on Winter street, Saturday afternoon, at his own request was given a short time in which to leave the city. He said he would go to the Quebec lumber woods, and promised of his own accord not to show up in St. John again for a quarter of a century. His aged mother was in court, and although she had given her son in charge, was inclined to plead for leniency. Nevertheless, according to her story and that of the officers' Collins had been very unruly, throwing the stove lids about and using very disrespectful language to his mother, all on account of over-indulgence in liquor.

Aaron Colwell, whose name was given considerable prominence in the morning papers, as having taken a quart of oysters and some crackers from J. D. Turner's, on King square, Saturday evening, explained his mistake. He confessed to having been a little under the influence of liquor and went into Turner's, as he had been doing for a number of nights, to order oysters and crackers. The luscious bivalves and crisp crackers being placed on the counter, he was under the impression he had already ordered them. His case was remanded.

P. A. Smith, of the Central fish store, Sydney street, appeared in answer to the summons of the court on the charge of selling "short" lobsters. The charge was laid by Fishery Inspector O'Brien. Mr. Smith said he was not the proprietor of the Central fish store, but a man named Belyea was. Then Mr. Smith and Mr. O'Brien had quite a lively discussion of the fishery law regarding lobsters. The inspector maintained that those exposed for sale in Mr. Smith's (or Belyea's) store were only nine inches long. The St. John county law says they must be at least ten and one-half inches. However, in Charlotte county and in other places shorter lobsters are allowable. The unfairness and inconsistency of this regulation is what Mr. Smith dwelt upon, but Mr. O'Brien held that it was the law, as yet unaltered, and must be maintained. The case is not finished.

There were three \$8 drunks and one at \$4.

NEW BRUNSWICK NOTES.

A court of the Canadian Order of Foresters has been organized at Beaver Harbor. Work is progressing favorably at the manganese mines at Jordan Mountain, Kings County. Twenty members of the Sussex fire brigade intend to take part in the firemen's sports at the Queen's rink Wednesday evening. Judge Wedderburn will attend at Sussex on Friday to administer the oath of allegiance to officials and bar-risters.

Patrick Cassidy, of Houlton, is in jail in Bangor, charged with smuggling his outfit from New Brunswick. This is his second offence.

CANADIAN NOTES.

The Stanley piano works at Peterboro, Ont., were burned Saturday night. Loss \$13,000. When parliament opens, the address in reply to the speech from the throne will be moved by Hugh Guthrie, M. P., and seconded by Charles Marcell, M. P.

BRINGS UP THE REAR.

The Telegraph is the only morning newspaper in St. John receiving the entire service of the Associated Press.—Telegraph.

The Telegraph does not get the afternoon press, which the Sun Printing Co. does. Therefore the Telegraph is behind, as usual.

John S. Nickerson, ex-alderman, was buried from his home, Wentworth street, this afternoon, in the Church of England burying ground. Beside a large attendance of citizens Hibernal lodge, A. F. & A. M., marched in a body in civilian's dress. Rev. D. J. Fraser conducted the solemn services.

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