

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

ROTHESAY. Rothsay, Dec. 28.—It is reported that J. J. Anstey, the representative of W. J. Gage & Co. of Toronto, who has been in the city for some time, will remove to Toronto the first of the year...

HARCOURT. Harcourt, Dec. 28.—On the 24th inst., Rev. H. Staver, at the manse here, Elliot E. Reid, of MacLean's Settlement, and Miss Alice Caroline, daughter of Matthew Little, of Charlville, were married...

RICHBUCTO. Richbucto, Dec. 26.—Miss Lulu Robertson, graduate of Mount Allison, who has been teaching music at the manse here, is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Robertson...

SACKVILLE. Sackville, Dec. 27.—The marriage of Walter C. Clark and Miss Daphne Bickerton was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Issiah Bickerton Mt. View, on Wednesday evening...

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock, Dec. 27.—A special meeting of the council was held last night, Mayor Munro and all councilors present. Treasurer Bourne reported that from the 1st to the 26th Dec. the receipts were \$2,788.40; expenditure, \$4,000.00...

HOPEWELL HILL. Hopewell Hill, Dec. 26.—Herbert L. Brewster, of the I. C. R. office, Moncton, is spending a few days at his home here. He is accompanied by his wife and two children...

ELGIN. Elgin, Dec. 26.—The pupils of the High school here held a concert on the 24th inst. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Elgin Hospital. The concert was a success...

CHATHAM. Chatham, Dec. 26.—The annual festive gathering of the Chatham fire brigade was held in their rooms in the town hall on Christmas Eve. There was a large number of guests and the evening was prettily decorated with evergreen by members of the brigade...

JERUSALEM. Jerusalem, Dec. 26.—The examination of the schools was held on Thursday. Miss Sadie E. Inch, the teacher at the school, left for her home in Fredericton on Saturday. Rev. L. J. and Mrs. Leadford from St. John, of the N. B. Telephone Company, is taking a rest at home...

STARTED SENSATION IN BLISSVILLE MEETING

Preacher of New Theology Should Be Driven from Ministry. ST. JOHN CLERGYMAN BROUGHT INTO IT. F. C. Taylor Brings Up Matter of Non-Belief in Christ's Divinity—Liquor Selling in County Also Given Some Attention—Sunday School Presentation.

A Christmas service was held Christmas night in the Agricultural Institute, Blissville, and developed sensational features. After a sermon appropriate to the season, delivered by Rev. G. W. Foster, Baptist minister, the Bible was read...

ROPE BROKE AND BOAT DROWNED. Wife Had Hold on Line Tied Around Husband Who Was Trying to Rescue Boy in Ivy River.

SAYS DOMINION WILL BE MONGREL NATION LIKE UNITED STATES. Writer in London Standard Gives Extracts From a Letter He Received From Canadian Friend.

EARTHQUAKE DESTROYS HALF OF CHILEAN TOWN. Santiago, Chile, Dec. 26.—Half of the town of Arica, in the province of Tacna, has been destroyed by an earthquake, and a large number of persons have suffered more or less severely.

HEAVY SNOW STORM RAGING THROUGHOUT GREAT BRITAIN. London, Dec. 26.—Christmas of 1906 will be memorable for the heaviest snow storm since the time of the Great Frost of 1815. In the northern counties of England and in the north of Scotland, the snow was accompanied by great gales.

NO ELECTIONS IN NEAR FUTURE ANNOUNCES MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

Hon. Mr. Emerson So Tells Liberals at First Session of Provincial Convention. Decided to Form New Brunswick Liberal Association—Matters Preliminary to Real Work of Convention Arranged and a Number of Speeches Are Delivered—List of Many Who Were Present—Session at 10 O'Clock Friday Morning.

At the first session of the Liberal convention for New Brunswick called by Hon. H. R. Emerson, which was held Thursday in Berryman's hall, it was decided to form a Liberal association for the province of New Brunswick. The officers of the new association will consist of a president, two vice-presidents, secretary-treasurer, and an executive committee consisting of one member from each county. The convention adjourned till 10 o'clock Friday morning.

Some Who Were There. Among the delegates present were the following: Kings county—S. A. McDonald, H. G. Titus, W. Kilpatrick, W. S. Easton, C. O'Brien, M. P. P., Hon. C. D. Biddle, Capt. Peatman, D. O. Langley, S. E. Perry, F. H. Rowe, J. W. Campbell, Westmorland—Geo. C. Copp, Ed. Slack, E. M. LeBlanc, James Noonan, F. L. Ray, Dr. E. D. Steeves, C. J. Osman, J. T. Lewis, A. B. Steeves, C. S. Dowling, J. P. Beatty, R. Hebert, G. A. Murray, E. A. Smith, N. S. LeBlanc, N. W. Robinson, J. A. Berry, John T. Hawke, W. A. Landry, James Dixon, C. A. Murray, J. H. Hinson, A. T. LeBlanc, A. J. Chapman, B. C. Lutes, Jas. Friel, Northumberland—Col. J. D. B. F. McKeen, C. F. Kendrick, F. W. Crocker, John Maloney, Warren Winslow, G. Dumont, G. A. Flett, A. Alcorn, C. F. McKendrick, G. W. Snowball, Jas. Flanagan, S. W. Miller, St. John county and county—John M. Elmore, Walter P. Coughlan, A. R. C. Clarke, James O'Donnell, A. McDonald, C. O'Brien, M. P. P., D. Brown, D. B. Donald, D. Daley, D. 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CHAMBERLAIN IS YET FULL OF FIGHT

Issued Stirring Address to the People of Canada

Says Commercial Bond is the Strongest of Ties, and Binding the Empire Closer Together Will Come When the People Understand the Situation Better—Declares Side Issues Overshadowed Fiscal Reform in Last British Elections.

Montreal, Dec. 26.—A London cable says: The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain sends the following message to the people of Canada:

"I thoroughly appreciate the patriotism of the Canadian people and the sentiment which so strongly moves them in the consideration of all questions of commercial preference between the dominion and the mother country.

"I am profoundly convinced that all the bonds that can unite nations of kindred blood and of kindred language are the strongest and the most permanent. It is the duty of the people of this country to be behind the other parts of the empire in promoting a policy which must tend to place the British empire on a level with the other great associations of nations which it will have to compete.

"The growing strength and prosperity of Canada will give to her decision an importance that it never had before and I do not believe that in the long run the people of this country will be behind the other parts of the empire in promoting a policy which must tend to place the British empire on a level with the other great associations of nations which it will have to compete.

"J. CHAMBERLAIN."

Mgr. Montagnini, Expelled Papal Envoy



Mgr. Count C. Montagnini, who until his expulsion from France last week, had acted as the secretary of the Papal nunciature in Paris, following the severance of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the government of France and the withdrawal of the Apostolic Nuncio at Paris, Mgr. Clair, is regarded as one of the foremost men in the diplomatic service of the Holy See.

His experience has been marked by the display of much ability and he has been a member of many important special commissions accredited by the Vatican to the courts of Europe.

Upon Mgr. Montagnini's French government conferred the decoration of commander of the Legion d'Honneur. He accompanied Cardinal Merry del Val to London as secretary when that prelate, now the secretary of state of the Papal court, represented the late Pope as envoy extraordinary upon the occasion of the coronation of King Edward.

MONSTER CONVENTION AT CALCUTTA, INDIA, DEMANDS HOME RULE

Ten Thousand Delegates Present Pledge Themselves to Carry on an Educational Campaign.

Calcutta, Dec. 20.—At the opening of the Indian National Congress today Dadabhai Naoroji formerly a member of the British parliament, delivered an address insisting upon the rights of the Indians, as British subjects, to govern themselves. The speaker pointed out that the Boers, who the Indians helped to subjugate, had been given self government, while India was still without it and urged the raising of a large patriotic fund to educate the Indians as to their rights and for the carrying on of the campaign in England.

There were upwards of ten thousand delegates present and the speech of Dadabhai Naoroji was received with a tumult of applause.

DASTARDLY ASSAULT ON CAPE BRETON MAN

Rufus McEachern Rendered Unconscious by a Stone Thrown—Lay on Railway Track an Hour.

Glace Bay, Dec. 26.—Rufus McEachern, night operator at Hub Junction, was rendered unconscious last night by a heavy blow from a stone thrown by some party unknown. He fell across the track and lay there for over an hour before being picked up, fortunately no train was running.

A station was raised today but only a few bottles of beer were secured.

It is in the power of every man to be rich, provided he will be content.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN ELMIRA JAIL

Male Visitor to Woman Prisoner—Both Die of Poison

MAN CARRIED FATAL DOSE

Frank Delaney Allowed to Talk to Bessie Wells Through Cell Bars Passed Her Carbolic Acid, and Both Swallowed It Before Guard Could Prevent It.

Elmira, N. Y., Dec. 26.—While talking with Bessie Wells in the Elmira jail tonight, Frank Delaney suddenly passed a vial of carbolic acid to her through the bars of her cell and then pressed a second bottle to his own lips.

A guard who was watching Delaney during his interview with the woman, attempted to arrest the passage of the acid, but he was too late. Before a physician could reach the jail corridor both the woman and her interviewer were dead.

Bessie Wells occupied a cell in the women's dormitory, awaiting sentence which was to have been imposed January 3, on a charge of abducting a young girl and harboring her for immoral purposes.

Delaney, possessing a power of attorney from the woman, called at the jail today and told the warden that he wanted to obtain the woman's signature to some papers accompanied by a guard he was taken to her cell, the guard remaining close by during the conversation.

Suddenly Delaney handed a bottle of poison through the bars of the cell door and as the guard sprang forward placed a second bottle to his own mouth.

Delaney was 29 years old and a railroad man. He comes from a respectable family. The man is said to have been the lover of Miss Wells.

FOUR PARTIES RUNNING IN B. C. ELECTIONS

Tories, Grits, Independents and Socialists All Confident of Winning—'Joe' Martin Out Again.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 26.—The provincial legislature has dissolved. Nominations take place January 19 and elections February 2. The house is to be called on March 7.

The Tories are headed by Premier McBride, Grits by J. A. McDonald, Independents by "Fighting" Joe Martin, formerly premier, and the Socialists with Hawthornwaite, of Nanaimo, as chief. All are sanguine of winning and a desperate mixup is promised. The Independents are placing fully a dozen candidates in the field, Martin himself running in two ridings, Victoria and Vancouver. The Socialists claim to have twenty-five ready for the fray.

Hon. Robert Green, merchant, of Kaslo, minister of lands and works, resigned just before dissolution. The Tories say it was for urgent business reasons, but the others say it was under pressure. Some are calling for an inquiry into the department.

COBALT COMPANIES CAPITALIZED SO FAR AT \$250,000,000

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Cobalt capitalized arrays itself in spheres which almost defy comprehension. To talk of Cobalt capitalized is to talk of millions. Ontario has granted incorporation up to date to companies bearing aggregate capitalization of \$171,148,000. Some of the best of the properties represented have been sold to the public at prices double or triple their value. New York, Maine, Arizona and New Jersey men have organized and are exploiting mining and exploration companies, and they all talk in millions. The market at present calls upon Cobalt to give returns on an estimated aggregate of \$250,000,000. Some of the companies originally incorporated on modest basis have altered their figures from thousands to millions and the tendency always is towards inflated figures. People who have studied the figures from thousands to millions and the tendency always is towards inflated figures. People who have studied the figures from thousands to millions and the tendency always is towards inflated figures.

NO ONE TO BLAME FOR PETER LARSEN'S DEATH

Welfare, N. B., Dec. 26.—An inquest was held here today over the body of Peter Larsen by Coroner M. McCormick. A verdict was brought in attaching no blame to the C. P. R.

J. K. Howard, of Gasperaux, whom Larsen had been working for, was called as a witness, but could give no light on how the man came to be on the track. The body is being buried here.

SUPREME COURT JUDGMENTS

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—(Special)—In the supreme court today, in the case of the Arramore vs. Rudolph, the appeal was dismissed with costs.

Union Bank vs. Spinnery, appeal allowed with costs.

McNeill vs. Fuller, dismissed with costs.

Wood vs. L-Blane, dismissed with costs.

St. John Pilot Commissioners vs. Cumberland Railway and Coal Company, dismissed with costs.

Temiscouata Railway vs. Clair, allowed with costs.

Couldn't Help It.

(Hamer's Weekly).

A well-known Allegheny clergyman recently spoke at a religious service in the penitentiary in Woods Run. He noticed that one of the convicts seemed extraordinarily impressed. After the service he sought him out and continued the good work by remarking: "My friend, I hope you will profit by my remarks just now and become a new man."

"Indeed I will," was the cheerful reply. "In fact, I promise to you that I will never commit another crime, but will lead an exemplary life to my dying day."

"I am very glad to hear you say that," said the clergyman, "but are you certain you will be able to keep the promise?"

"Oh, yes," said the convict. "I'm in jail for life."

ST. JOHN SHOULD HAVE THE MAILS

Attorney-General Pugsley States Reasons Why Halifax Should Back Down

"MAINE" OBJECTION HAS NO WEIGHT

Answers Statement That All-Canadian Route Must Be Used and Not Short Line Through Maine—Halifax Should Work With St. John and Not Against.

Speaking Tuesday on the attitude of Halifax with regard to the British mails being landed in St. John, Attorney-General Pugsley ridiculed the idea that objection should be taken to the C. P. R. carrying the mails by the short line through Maine. St. John, he said, was in the business to help and he believed that the attempt by Halifax to hamper the business must fail in the end.

The attention of Dr. Pugsley was called to the contention that Canadian mails must be carried by an all-Canadian route, and not through Maine by the C. P. R. It should be remembered, he said, that the C. P. R. was assisted in building this road by the government of Canada in order to secure a short line to Montreal and, having got the route, it was absurd not to take advantage of it and send the mails as direct as possible. He thought it was too late to raise any question of that kind.

"I have always felt," Dr. Pugsley continued, "that the proposal of the Allan and C. P. R. to land the mails from the turbines at Halifax and bring those on the Empire steamers direct to St. John was the best arrangement in the interests not only of St. John but of Halifax as well. The mere landing of the mails carried by any route, whereas if two of the best Allan steamers made Halifax their terminus that city would get some advantage from the freight business. As it is, the Allan turbines are now out of commission or they would have to come to St. John.

"One cannot wonder at the people of Halifax getting excited in the effort to quite unnecessary because for years since confederation they were led to believe by many public men that their city was the only winter port of Canada, while St. John had to struggle for a long period for recognition.

"The geographical position of St. John and the splendid efforts of the C. P. R. to develop traffic through this port ought to convince the people of Halifax that St. John is in the business to help and he believed that the attempt by Halifax to hamper the business must fail in the end.

GOOD DEMAND FOR CANADIAN PRODUCTS SAY COMMERCIAL AGENTS

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—A batch of reports from Canada's commercial agents were received today at the department of trade and commerce, W. T. R. Preston, who is temporarily acting as Cape Town, reports that a good market exists for Canadian goods in South Africa. He attributes this to a strong imperial sentiment and a belief that if Canadian bacon is going to hold its own in the British market the shipments must be of more liberal quantities.

Mr. Ross, Melbourne, Australia, says that under the new customs regulations act goods must bear an accurate description in every instance, otherwise they are liable to seizure and forfeiture. There is a penalty of \$300 under the act. In some instances the increased Australian duty on agricultural implements has not affected the quantity ordered.

COUPLE HAVE SPENT 68 CHRISTMAS DAYS TOGETHER

Remarkable Record of Mr. and Mrs. James Dunfield of Portage, Kings County.

There were probably few, if any, couples in New Brunswick or in Canada to whom Christmas had quite the same significance as to Mr. and Mrs. James Dunfield, of Portage, Kings county.

The day was marked by no particular celebration at the home here, but the fact that it was the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage, and that they had spent together as husband and wife almost every day of their 68 years, while Mr. Dunfield is also very active for a woman of 80. Not only the immediate descendants and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Dunfield, but the general public were in hearty wishing the old folks every happiness in the evening of their long life together.

PASSED WRECKAGE OFF THE LURCHERS

Allan Liner Sardinian Reports Menace to Navigation at Mouth of Bay.

The Allan liner Sardinian reports that on Tuesday afternoon two pieces of a wrecked schooner were seen floating right in the track of vessels. One piece of the schooner was bottom up and the Sardinian nearly struck it before it was noticed. The other piece had some timbers standing and was sighted about a mile away.

Capt. Moar reports that as long as the drifting hulls remained in their present position that they constituted a great menace to navigation, but he thought that they would gradually drift out into the bay, where there would not be so much danger.

Capt. Moar has not been in this port since 1879, when he was sailing as mate on the steamer Annelise.

NEWFOUNDLAND HERRING CATCH A FAILURE

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 26.—Because of the mild weather the outlook for frozen herring in Bay of Islands is unfavorable and a number of American vessels have ordered home empty. A total of twenty vessels came from the United States this season, this being the largest American fleet on record to visit those waters. It is feared that half of the vessels will fail to secure cargoes.

The United States tug Potomac will leave tomorrow on her return trip to New York. Friction from the fisheries dispute is no longer feared. A large number of colonial fishermen have abandoned work for this year, only 400 men now being employed.

NOMINATION DAY IN RESTIGOUCHE

William Currie, Government Candidate, Opposed by J. E. Stewart

STIRRING SPEECHES

After Both Nominees Had Spoken Hon. C. H. LaBillois, in Able Speech of Two Hours, Carried the Meeting With His Defence of the Road Law and Government—John Morrissey, M. P., Replied.

Dalhousie, N. B., Dec. 26.—There was a large attendance at nomination proceedings today and everything passed off quietly. William Currie, of Campbellton merchant and lumberman, was nominated as the government candidate and James Edward Stewart, farmer, of Dalhousie, the opposition candidate.

John S. Basset presided after the returning officer closed his court at 2 o'clock and introduced Mr. Currie as the first speaker. The government candidate spoke fluently. He said that if elected he would do all in his power to advance the interests of Restigouche county and do justice to the rest of the province. Restigouche had not yet been developed and he would be found at his post all the necessary improvements.

Mr. Stewart also spoke briefly. He spoke of the position he had held as sheriff and criticized the road law and made an attack on the chief commissioner about road expenditures.

Mr. LaBillois responded in a two hours' speech and made the strongest address he ever delivered on the hustings here. His answers to interruptions by Mr. Mott, ex-Mayor Alexander and others brought forth great applause.

The chief commissioner with proof in hand made an able defence of the government's policy on all public questions. His explanation of the road law was listened to with marked attention.

The opposition had as speakers John Morrissey, M. P., W. A. Mott, ex-M. P., and W. H. Hubbard, and it looked at one time as if neither them would undertake to reply to the chief commissioner. Finally Mr. Morrissey decided to speak. He made a few remarks, admitted that the old road law was a failure, made attacks on the premier and attorney-general and concluded by saying to the electors to weigh what they had heard from both sides and vote conscientiously. The hour being advanced Messrs. Mott and Hubbard did not speak. The day was a great success for the government cause.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL PUGSLEY STATES REASONS WHY HALIFAX SHOULD BACK DOWN

Speaking Tuesday on the attitude of Halifax with regard to the British mails being landed in St. John, Attorney-General Pugsley ridiculed the idea that objection should be taken to the C. P. R. carrying the mails by the short line through Maine. St. John, he said, was in the business to help and he believed that the attempt by Halifax to hamper the business must fail in the end.

The attention of Dr. Pugsley was called to the contention that Canadian mails must be carried by an all-Canadian route, and not through Maine by the C. P. R. It should be remembered, he said, that the C. P. R. was assisted in building this road by the government of Canada in order to secure a short line to Montreal and, having got the route, it was absurd not to take advantage of it and send the mails as direct as possible. He thought it was too late to raise any question of that kind.

"I have always felt," Dr. Pugsley continued, "that the proposal of the Allan and C. P. R. to land the mails from the turbines at Halifax and bring those on the Empire steamers direct to St. John was the best arrangement in the interests not only of St. John but of Halifax as well. The mere landing of the mails carried by any route, whereas if two of the best Allan steamers made Halifax their terminus that city would get some advantage from the freight business. As it is, the Allan turbines are now out of commission or they would have to come to St. John.

"One cannot wonder at the people of Halifax getting excited in the effort to quite unnecessary because for years since confederation they were led to believe by many public men that their city was the only winter port of Canada, while St. John had to struggle for a long period for recognition.

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G. T. P. TENDERS TO BE ASKED THIS WEEK

Sections from Moncton to Chipman and Quebec Boundary Down River

Route Across Province Still Undecided—Line Into Railway Town Will Parallel I. C. R. for a Distance—Railway to Run Through Edmundston and Grand Falls—Wedding Bells—I. C. R. Machinists Going West.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 26.—Tonight's Transcript says: Advertisements will be issued this week calling for tenders for constructing portions of the eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific between Moncton and Levis.

Besides asking tenders for sections between Levis and the New Brunswick frontier, the Transcript understands that this week tenders for constructing the following sections of the National Transcontinental Railway will be solicited. From Moncton city towards Chipman, a distance of fifty miles, will be the first section. The road will enter Moncton from the north of Steeves Mountain and run almost parallel with the I. C. R. from a point just side of Berry's Mills.

Tenders will also be called for a section in New Brunswick for a distance of sixty-two miles from the Quebec frontier towards the town of Grand Falls. The route will be down to Baker's Brook and thence along St. John river valley to Edmundston and following the valley to a point about two and a half miles distant from Grand Falls.

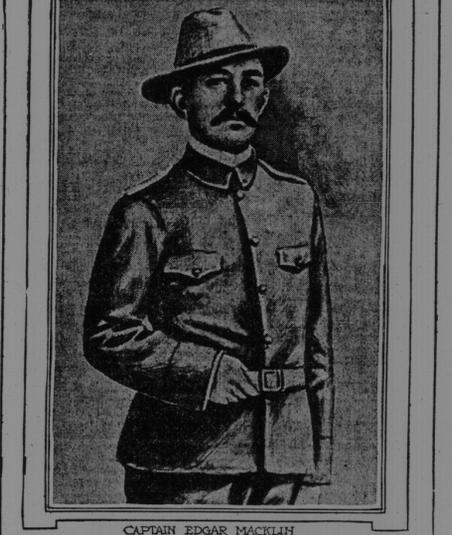
Between the two sections named there will be in New Brunswick three additional sections each of fifty miles, tenders for constructing which will be called early in the spring or as soon as the question of the route has been finally determined by the authorities.

Hon. Mr. Emmerson, minister of railways and canals, who is spending the holiday at Dorchester, has apparently from the foregoing not exhausted his budget of pleasant Christmas announcements. The marriage took place at 7:30 this evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Robinson street, of Miss Jessie M. Sheppard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sheppard, to Dr. A. W. Montague, Winnipeg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. MacDermid in the presence of immediate friends. The bride was attired in a blue cloth suit and unattended. Dr. Montague left on the Maritime express with his bride for their future home in Winnipeg.

A telegram from Springhill tonight announces that Dr. Campbell, father of Mrs. R. W. Simpson, of this city, who was stricken with paralysis, has developed pneumonia and is in a critical condition with no hope for recovery.

Four young I. C. R. machinists, George Hannah, Jas. Malone, Geo. DeGraze and Lorne McFarlane, leave the first of the year for the west to take positions with the C. P. R.

Captain Who Was Shot by a Negro Trooper



Fort Reno, Okla., Dec. 22.—The motive for the attempt to assassinate Captain Edgar A. Macklin, of the Twenty-fifth United States infantry, last night in his home here has not developed. Captain Macklin is conscious and resting easily. The attending physicians are of the opinion that he will recover unless unforeseen complications set in. Captain Macklin was not allowed to talk of the shooting, but enough has been gathered to throw much mystery over the affair.

It is hard to believe here that it was the action of one of the negro troopers who was discharged without honor by the order of the President on account of the "shooting up" of Brownsville by the negro troops. The testimony of Captain Macklin, who is to undergo court martial on account of the act of the soldiers, shows that he did not put blame upon the men of his company.

Captain Macklin was officer of the day at Fort Reno on the night when the shooting took place. Both he and Major Penrose are to face trial by court martial. One motive might be robbery. Another possibility is that of revenge growing out of the death of a member of Company C, who fell out of the ranks during a practice march a few days ago and was found the next day frozen to death.

Captain Macklin has made no statement. His condition continues to improve. Officers and men who began to cheer after the shooting a search for their man were unsuccessful in their quest. Samuel Bartlett, a detective, arrived here early today from Oklahoma City with bloodhounds, which he placed upon the trail of the negro. Captain Macklin says positively that the man who shot him was a negro. He says he knows of no cause for the assault.

Major Penrose, in command at Fort Reno, made this report by telegraph today to the military secretary concerning the shooting of Captain Macklin:—"Captain Macklin was shot twice last evening by an unknown colored man, once in the face, breaking the jaw, and once in the side. The latter wound is only a slight one; and neither wound is believed serious by surgeons and ultimate recovery is assured if complications, which are not anticipated, do not set in. An satisfied, after a rigid investigation, that the shooting was not done by any member of this command. Bloodhounds now on trail. Neither Macklin nor his cook, who witnessed the shooting, can give an accurate description of the man. Am doing everything possible in the matter."

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND ON FRENCH SITUATION NOT LIKED IN ROME

Pope Does Not Concur in His Views About the Clergy, of Whom He Thinks Highly.

Rome, Dec. 26.—In spite of the denials of the French government that it has made any reply regarding the Vatican's protest to the powers on the subject of the expulsion from France of Mgr. Montagnini, until recent secretary of the papal nunciature at Paris, the Vatican has been positively informed that M. Pichon, the minister of foreign affairs for France, has made verbal statements in answer to this protest to several diplomatic representatives at Paris, who telegraphed the minister's communication to their respective governments.

According to the Vatican's authority M. Pichon said that Mgr. Montagnini had no diplomatic standing; that the papacy sequestered at the nunciature were unimportant, that important documents had been removed previously, and as the French government had not allowed the papal nuncio to correspond with the French bishops, much less could it permit Mgr. Montagnini to do so.

The Vatican now declares with authority that the statements that the document was removed from the nunciature were removed from the nunciature.

HAMILTON RIOTER FREED FROM PRISON BY MR. AYLESWORTH

Toronto, Dec. 26.—Thomas Garrett, who was sentenced to Central Prison for two years for rioting at Hamilton during the street railway strike, was released today. He arrived at the prison at 1 o'clock this afternoon and was free fifteen minutes later by order of the minister of justice at Ottawa.

Dupont—"I think your son will be celebrated if he lives long enough."

Rams—"What way?"

Dupont—"Why, for his great age."—Pete Male.

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A man capable of producing a treatise on American laws, institutions and ideas which forthwith was accepted as an authoritative textbook in our universities is unlikely to make mistakes in his conception of our national character, its susceptibilities, its oppositions, its interests, its treatment of momentous international questions.

There is even another reason, than those mentioned by the Sun, which will insure for the new ambassador a sympathetic welcome from many citizens of the United States. He is thoroughly at one with the cause of home rule, and, as shown by his book, "Two Centuries of Irish History," has given as careful study to Ireland and her past as to American state and federal law.

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Regular \$6.00 to \$20.00 Overcoats, Now \$4.95, 6.00, 7.50, 8.75, 10.40 and \$15.00 BOYS' OVERCOATS reduced accordingly.

J. N. HARVEY, Clothing and Furnishings, Opera House Block.



THERE'S DANGER in the ordinary oil lamp—the lamp that sits on the table, but THE ANGLE LAMP is hung above and because of having no under-shadow throws its beautiful, brilliant light everywhere.

W. H. THORNE & CO., LIMITED, Market Sq. St. John

POPE'S GREETING TO DISBANDED ARMY

Rome Dec. 27.—The Pope today received the survivors of the disbanded colonial army, in all 517 men, led by Col. Blumenthal, for the exchange of Christmas greetings.

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THE FARM

POULTRY HOUSES

(By W. B. Graham, B. S. A., O. A. C., Guelph, Ont.)

The poultry houses I have seen on many of the farms in Ontario are mostly of two kinds—those that are small, poorly lighted, and seldom cleaned, and those that are well-built, well-lighted, and frequently kept moderately clean.

The essential points in a poultry house are light, dryness and good ventilation. The houses that have been built warm and tight with the idea of keeping the water from freezing have the objection that in nearly all cases the roosts and walls coat with frost during very cold weather.

The weather moderates the frost melts and you have a very damp house. The house you have a very damp house. The house you have a very damp house.

For a number of years we have been trying to find some way to overcome these difficulties. The best means of ventilating a house that I know of is by using cloth screens, and to keep a house perfectly dry I have found nothing better than a straw mat.

The use of the curtain form is coming more into favor. Under ordinary circumstances a house needs to be one-third of the front of glass in front of the old one. Our daymen have called pretty badly on the ventilation question.

Where floors are made of cement, boards or ground at least four to six inches of fresh earth should be put on each year. Care should be taken to keep the floors well cleaned, otherwise the ground becomes tainted and the common epidemic among fowls more prevalent.

HOW PURE MILK WAS MADE

The United States department of agriculture has just issued a bulletin by Prof. C. B. Lane on the milk and cream exhibit at the National Dairy Show at Chicago.

The herd consists of choice pure bred and grade Jersey cows. It is the practice of the owner to raise her calves from the best cows. The barn is well lighted and ventilated, the floors are of cement, and the walls and ceiling are kept thoroughly whitewashed.

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he shipped long distances and held for several weeks without any other means of preservation than cleanliness and some of the samples remained perfectly sweet after being shipped a thousand miles across the country, put in storage at a temperature of about 32 degrees Fahrenheit for two weeks, and then reshipped a distance of 300 miles to Washington (D. C.), where they were stored in an ordinary refrigerator for several weeks longer, some of the certified milk samples being still sweet after five weeks.

CLEAN THE DAIRY BARN

Did you whitewash the cow stables last summer? The dark fall days and long nights are here. The cows need all the light they can get.

A great many dairymen object to the campaign for clean milk because they say it costs too much. Just try it and you will be surprised at what work and planning can do with the expenditure of only a few dollars.

Every farmer knows that horses are particularly liable to certain acute affections of the digestive and respiratory organs, and in many cases the success of remedial measures will depend on the promptitude with which they are applied.

WINTERING FOALS

The majority of foals are now acting on their own account, having altogether separated from the mares. The latter are growing by it but the foals experienced more or less of a check in their growth.

HOG-PEN FLOORS

While the cement floor may be the ideal one for the hog pen, as many swine breeders, our experience has been that the floor of earth, if it is of clay and gravel, will answer the purpose.

SMALL FRUITS ON THE FARM

A sufficient amount of all the small fruits to supply the family while in season and almost all the year, can be raised on a few acres of land.

STRAWBERRIES

The strawberry is the most profitable fruit to grow on a small farm. It is easy to grow and yields well.

BLACKBERRIES

This berry plays a very important part in the fruit garden account. It is long fruiting season. It begins to ripen about the time the raspberries are done.

to recommend it, some of which are—it is the best to ripen in the early summer. It comes into full bearing in about 13 months from planting.

THE HORSE'S LOVE FOR HOME

The strongest instinct in the horse is that of home—all his thoughts and desires are directed toward the place where he was born.

FIRST AID FOR HORSES

Every farmer knows that horses are particularly liable to certain acute affections of the digestive and respiratory organs.

PLANTING

Plant in the spring on land that has been well cultivated and fertilized the year previous. We plant in rows four feet apart and the plants two feet apart.

VARIETIES

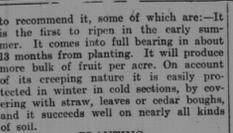
There are two species of strawberry plants known as staminate and pistillate varieties. The latter has an imperfect blossom, and will not produce fruit when planted alone.

CULTIVATION

After planting cultivate at least once a week, and hoe often enough to keep the soil free from weeds during summer.

RECEIPTS OF THE PROVINCE FOR YEAR

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES. Includes items like Total ordinary revenue, Proceeds of debentures, and various departmental expenses.



CATALOGUE

Have You...? This Catalogue - MIDWINTER SALE JANUARY 2nd to FEBRUARY 28th

You'll find in our January and February Sale Catalogue great opportunities for fine quality goods at low prices. The Catalogue tells the whole story.

If you have not received one, write for one to-day.

EATON'S JANUARY AND FEBRUARY SALE. THE T. EATON CO. LIMITED. TORONTO CANADA.

Advertisement for Eaton's catalogue, featuring an illustration of a person and text about winter sale.

Advertisement for Eaton's January and February sale, with large text and company name.

THE T. EATON CO. LIMITED. TORONTO CANADA.

Table titled 'EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS OF THE PROVINCE FOR YEAR'. Lists various government departments and their financial figures.

Statement for 12 Months Ended With October Last

THE ITEMS OF EACH

Ordinary Receipts are in Excess of Ordinary Expenditures by \$8,136.01 - More Than \$217,000 Expended for Education.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 27.—(Special)—The following statement of receipts and expenditures of the province for the year ending October thirty-first is published in this week's Royal Gazette.

It shows a balance of \$8,136.01 of ordinary receipts over ordinary expenditures.

EXPENDITURES

Table of expenditures including Administration of justice, Agriculture, Auditor General's Dept, and various other departments.

Administration of justice... 17,323.24

Agriculture... 29,292.25

Auditor General's Dept... 3,124.49

Agst General, London... 2,000.00

Appeal, Emmons v. Maddison... 2,000.00

Boys' Industrial Home... 1,500.00

Contingencies... 17,622.44

Education... 217,923.07

Education grant U. N. B... 1,000.00

Science building... 3,000.00

Exhibitions, provincial... 1,300.00

Executive government... 32,876.63

Fisheries protection... 2,311.63

Forest... 2,000.00

Free grants... 1,321.67

Factory inspector... 903.51

Game protection... 1,000.00

Guarantee bonds gov't official... 11,633.00

Health, provincial board... 913.30

Health, hospitals... 9,100.00

Health, municipal... 5,315.24

Historical societies... 125.00

Interest... 161,394.03

Immigration... 975.00

Legislative Assembly... 1,000.00

Legislative library... 400.00

Mining... 2,727.29

Natural History Society... 6,470.00

Provincial Hospital... 64,740.00

Printing... 12,942.17

Public works... 197,330.00

Public sinking fund and interest... 23,000.00

Resign on Prince Louis... 1,561.94

Returned crown land... 20.00

Revision Statutes... 1,707.98

Revisors... 912.25

Surveys and inspection... 4,242.23

Stampage collections... 10,000.00

Succession duties collection... 2,800.00

Superannuation... 600.00

Tourist Association... 2,000.00

Unforeseen expenses... 1,442.40

Total expenditure chargeable to ordinary revenue... 879,063.52

Public works for permanent bridges... 74,872.63

Redemption of debentures... 110,500.00

Wharves and grain elevator, port of St. John... 56,000.00

Cap. B... 2,500.00

Credit Foncier, temporary loan paid... 530,000.00

Equity court withdrawal... 11,318.04

Balance... 77,610.00

Total... 817,657.18

RECEIPTS

Balance 31st Oct., 1905... 167,801.17

Dominion subsidies... 491,330.96

Territorial revenue... 304,313.41

Fees, "social secretary's office... 13,822.01

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THE MESHERS OF MISCHANCE

BY GILBERT WINTLE

CHAPTER XXIV.—(Continued)

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What confirmed him, if confirmation was needed, in his own convinced opinion, was an interview he had the evening with Ruth Aymer. During this second week of waiting in his service, Horace had good friends moving north in his service.

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Remand followed remand, but the magisterial inquiry could not be much further prolonged; and Mr. Hancock was forced to admit that things looked very grave for his client.

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CRISIS IN MOROCCO--ATTACK ON FRENCH FORCES



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BAR DOES HONOR

TO E. R. CHAPMAN

Legal Men Give Dinner on Eve of His Departure to the West.

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UNITED STATES

EXPOSED TO ENEMY

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Advertisement for a washing machine, featuring an illustration of the machine and text describing its benefits.

Advertisement for a Christmas party, titled 'TRAGIC ENDING TO YORK COUNTY CHRISTMAS PARTY'.

Advertisement for a Cape Cod Canal, titled 'THE CAPE COD CANAL'.

Advertisement for Westmorland Man, titled 'WESTMORLAND MAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE'.

Advertisement for Rowdies on I. C. R. Train, titled 'ROWDIES ON I. C. R. TRAIN ARRESTED FOR FIGHTING'.

Advertisement for Sackville Burglars, titled 'SACKVILLE BURGLARS GOT THREE YEARS E/C'.

Advertisement for a failed wall street, titled 'FAILED WALL STREET BROKERS SETTLE IN FULL WITH CREDITORS'.

Advertisement for labor official charges, titled 'LABOR OFFICIAL CHARGES RAILWAY WITH PEONAGE'.

First Day Today of the Great Two-Week Overcoat Sale

Prices cannot be duplicated. This is the time of year when we give our profit to our customers. OVERCOAT PRICES DOWN TO SKELETON FIGURES. Here's a little idea of what we are doing during this Great Two-Week Overcoat Sale:

- \$7.50 Overcoats for \$5.00
- \$8 and \$8.50 Overcoats for \$5.90
- \$9 and \$10 Overcoats for \$6.90
- \$11 Overcoats for \$7.90
- \$12 Overcoats for \$8.90
- \$13 Overcoats for \$9.90
- \$14 Overcoats for \$10.90
- \$15 and \$16 Overcoats for \$11.90

Hundreds of men should be wearing our Overcoats for the New Year. THE SEASON FOR SAVING IS NOW. Come, see how well we back our adv. with our prices.

UNION CLOTHING COMPANY
6-28 Charlotte St., Old W. M. C. A. Bldg., St. John. ALEX. CORBET, Mgr.

TER OF RAILWAYS ST. JOHN COMFORT IN BANQUET SPEECH

...of the present time, is in our... of such vital importance not only to ourselves, but to the country at our minister, and to say to him what are not privileged to say in parliament, in order that by the exercise of his offices, we may be enabled to obtain more degree that measure of justice in the hands of the administration, which incidents and accidents of public life depraved us from presenting in the ment of the country.

...other constituency in Canada has ad the material risk which the peo- this constituency have voluntarily With faith in the future and con- in our geographical position we driven to the utmost to fit this port the transactions of business, which we believe nature has intended it to do. In the olden days it was the dream of our Conservative friends that St. John would become the Liverpool of America and while no one finds fault with the pleasant dream, yet their absolute ignoring of the then existing conditions of trade, left us with no hope of the fulfillment of the vision.

Since the advent of the Liberal party a power, instead of being dreamers, this government has been one of workers, and

years of unexampled prosperity, ten years of unparalleled growth, ten years of stupendous expansion and ten years of peace, contentment and growing faith in this country of ours. It is perhaps more than a coincidence that these things have taken place with a Liberal government holding the reins, and under Liberal rule. (Cheers.) The words my friend, Mr. McKeown, used are not too strong in giving recognition to the men who for the past ten years have ruled Canada and I can say so, as my term of office has extended only for the past two or three years.

"I stand here tonight as the representative of New Brunswick in the government of Canada. No one is more keenly appreciative of his shortcomings as your representative in the cabinet, but we must deal with what we find. The gathering is but another incident like that which met in Berryman's hall and which will meet again tomorrow. These gatherings are intended to call attention to the affairs in our own province and to the party which is closely allied with the great party of the Pacific. It is fair to say that we are in a period when stock is taken and we look around and see what has been accomplished.

"That it is due to us to take some account of the conditions in the dominion at the amount not only as regards the Liberal party, but all parties, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is fair to say that we must stop and think what are our possessions and what we are doing. In the great journal of things under the sun we find ourselves in the twentieth century under a government tending more to civil and religious liberty than in the history of any former times. We need fear no danger from without, but there are dangers from within. We must guard against these internal workings which are more serious than those beyond the pale of our western world.

"Abraham Lincoln once said a nation consists of its territory, its people and its laws. The territory is the only durable thing and we have in it a variety of climate and great pretensions. We must use these to the utmost. This is not a platitude but the very pertinent word to the citizens of the port of St. John, and of every port in Canada and the dominion at large.

Transportation.
"The question of utilization is the question of transportation. Cast your eye over the dominion; 802,000,000 will be spent in Canada alone on railway construction during the next twelve months and that does not include the G. T. P. from Winnipeg to Montreal. This means that, through the scarcity of labor, thousands and tens of thousands will be coming to Canada to do this work. It means that railways will be branching out in all directions and into sections until now unproductive. It means that this great territory will be teeming with millions of bushels more of wheat. To where will it go and from what ports? It is the declared policy of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that the products of the west shall be carried over Canadian territory to Canadian ports for shipment across the Atlantic.

"I know we suffer under disadvantages. We are told that government is a system of compromise and if in fighting with geographical conditions we make sacrifices and suppress our sectional ideas there are happily conditions available for the government to take hold of this matter without treading on anyone's corns. When I hear of differences between ports on the maritime seaport I smile. When I hear one port say I must have this or that I wonder why today so many close their eyes to the possibilities of our western heritage. There will be long benediction from the great west for a dozen ports.

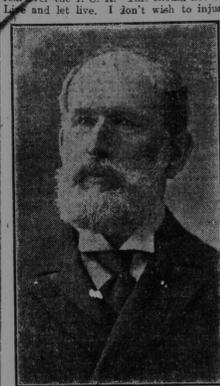
"Does anyone believe St. John will suffer in regard to this traffic? St. John must command a large and major portion of the western produce. There is no need to call attention to the advantages of the port of St. John. No people have made greater sacrifices than the people of St. John in building up the port. Men in the west are always ready to give credit to the possibilities of our western heritage. I believe it will be given as freely as it is given today. Some may believe that because I was not born in St. John I am not in sympathy with her interests. I can recall a similar occasion to this when St. John gave me a welcome hand and an entente in my eternal gratitude. So far as I can exercise any influence at Ottawa it will always be for the port of St. John."

Mr. Emmerson then referred to the interests of the C. P. R. and said it was much to the interest of St. John to see the railway prosper.

Notwithstanding the loss of the three best months in the present fiscal year, the railway would have quite a sum to its credit, and if the I. C. R. proved that it could be maintained and show a surplus, he would propose that in the next twelve months there would be a surplus of half a million. He urged the advantage of extending branches. He had heard at Ottawa, and his friend Mr. Blair had heard it before him, that the capital account of the I. C. R. was closed. He would make this statement that the moment the railway could not make capital expenditure it was paralyzed. The branch lines today were not improved because their powers of borrowing were exhausted. They could not do more than pay running expenses, and had no means of renewing their stock or improving their roads.

St. John and the I. C. R.
After referring to the capital expenditures of the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk

the benefit of expansion on the I. C. R., and it would the branch lines in touch with the metropolis of the province. "Anything," he continued, "that strikes at the interests of the I. C. R. strikes at the interests of St. John. I look with alarm at any proposition which will divert traffic from the road. I will be frank and say boldly that I never will favor carrying passengers, mails and products to the exclusion of the I. C. R. The great transportation companies are receiving thousands of dollars in subsidies, which work against the I. C. R. A man cannot buy a ticket in London or Liverpool to travel to Montreal over the I. C. R. This should not be done and let live. I don't wish to injure



Geo. Robertson, M. P. P.

anyone, but I have a right to claim privileges for the I. C. R. to participate in the expenditure of the dominion to promote trade and commerce."

Mr. Emmerson said as regards the immediate present conditions in St. John were such that it would behoove the government of Canada to deal with them before grasping with the broader question of nationalizing all ports in the dominion. Concerning nationalization, it would have to include the far west and the great lakes. Every port had its aspirations, and it must not be forgotten that all were seeking recognition. In a few years the great trade of the Orient would not be second to the Atlantic traffic, and Canada would be called to assume greater burdens.

As far as the preliminary and essential work in St. John was concerned, it was for the benefit of the whole dominion, and he would exert all his influence in that direction, not only in the interest of St. John but of the province and the people of the dominion at large.

The Senate and Commons.

George Robertson rose to propose the toast of the Senate of Canada and the House of Commons, coupling with it the names of Senator Ellis and Charles Macleod, M. P.

Senator Ellis said the senate was seeking to improve itself. He said facetiously that he hoped if the senators found it necessary to increase their salaries to \$5,000 a year there would be no objection. The senate was a sincere and hearty supporter of the Liberal party. It had given its hearty support to the transcontinental railway scheme. He referred to the minister's treating of the transportation problem, but as he was, with a native of this city and an admirer of this city and if Mr. Emmerson lived here he would no doubt also be as hearty a supporter of this city.

Hon. Mr. Marcell.

Hon. Mr. Marcell, on rising, was greeted with hearty cheers and the singing of H. C. Jolly Good Fellow. He spoke of his regret that Sir Frederick Borden had been compelled to leave, but he was glad of the opportunity of speaking to the assembly on Canada as a whole. He said he had to report progress, that being one of his main duties in the house. He was not altogether a Frenchman, his mother was Irishman. (Applause.) He referred to the peace that now reigned in Quebec and in all Canada on the school question. No one but Sir Wilfrid could have accomplished this. Attention was also called to the action of Sir Wilfrid when the call came for soldiers to go to South Africa.

The French-Canadians of Canada, he said, owed much to the British flag.

For many years the Liberal party was charged with treason to the British crown and their action in dealing with the tariff question dissipated that charge. The Liberal party was the first to give a preference to British goods.

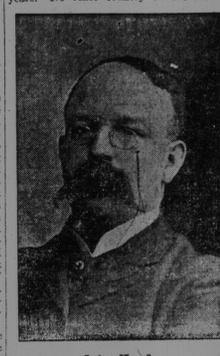
Instead of the disaster predicted when the Liberal party came into power, there had been unexampled prosperity. Canada had made great strides in the past ten years. No other country on the face

of a failure. A certain amount of sea coast was necessary for the nation's power. Attorney-General Pugsley compared very favorably with the parliament at Ottawa and with other parliaments in America. In referring to the great growth of the west of Canada he said the great improvement in a large measure to the generosity of the different legislatures in providing for education, building of wharves, riding for education, industrial conditions, etc.

The legislature was working for the development of St. John as the great western port of the dominion. He said that for other ports, St. John had a great harbor and from a sound business-point of view it could not be denied that it was the most available port for winter trade in Canada.

Away back in the nineties he had gone with a delegation to St. John and asked the dominion government, then Conservative, for the small sum of \$25,000 for improvements at this port. He would here make a statement that had never been in print before. Hon. W. B. Ives, then minister of marine and fisheries, had told them that they came at an inopportune time as the government was just completing arrangements to carry the winter trade of Canada to Portland (Me.) for ten years. Some of the members of the department, hearing this, had used profanity in closing. Mr. Pugsley said that with the exception of nine all the members of the legislature were personal political friends and supporters of the minister of railways.

D. J. Purdy, M. P. P., spoke of the pleasure he felt in doing honor to the great day of the evening. He had always admired him and he was his first political leader. He did not cast any insinuations against his present leader. He thought the legislature was doing good work for the country. Mr. Purdy called on Mr. Blair to speak.



John Keefer.

the earth showed such a growth. He quoted figures showing the growth in every department of trade.

The total exports in 1896 were \$113,000,000; today they were \$236,000,000; the total imports in 1896, \$118,000,000; today, \$291,000,000.

Duties collected in 1896, \$29,000,000; today, \$19,000,000.

Goods entered for consumption in 1896, \$10,000,000; today, \$29,000,000.

The trade of any other nation under the sun, not even Japan being able to approach its progress. No nation of the world had accomplished within ten years what had been accomplished by Canada. France had increased twenty-one per cent, the Kingdom twenty-six, Argentine twenty-six, Italy twenty-six, and

forty-three, Japan ninety-seven, and Canada 100 per cent. (Applause.)

The total exports in 1896 with Great Britain was \$80,000,000. From 1882 to 1896 it had increased \$1,000,000, owing to the preferential tariff. In 1896 it was \$95,000,000, and in 1906, \$322,000,000.

The trade with the United States had increased from \$103,000,000 in 1886 to \$273,000,000 in 1906.

The aggregate foreign trade in 1896 was \$231,000,000, and in 1906 was \$546,000,000.

The Liberal party had been charged with having increased the taxation of the country. He quoted figures to disprove this, and that, on the contrary, trade had been enormously increased.

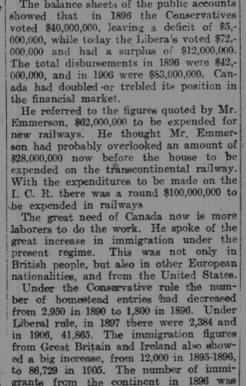
The balance sheets of the public accounts showed that in 1896 the Conservatives showed \$40,000,000, leaving a deficit of \$5,000,000, while today the Liberals were \$72,000,000 and had a surplus of \$12,000,000. The total disbursements in 1896 were \$42,000,000, and in 1906 were \$83,000,000. Canada had doubled or trebled its position in the financial market.

He referred to the figures quoted by Mr. Emmerson, \$22,000,000 to be expended for new railways. The Conservative government had spent \$28,000,000 now before the house to be expended on the transcontinental railway. The Conservative government had spent \$28,000,000 now before the house to be expended on the transcontinental railway.

The great need of Canada now is more liberalization of trade. He spoke of the great increase in immigration under the present regime. This was not only in British people, but also in other European nationalities, and he said that the number of homestead entries had decreased from 2,850 in 1880 to 1,800 in 1896. Under Liberal rule, in 1897 there were 2,384 and in 1906, 41,863. The immigration figures from Great Britain and Ireland also showed a big increase, from 12,000 in 1896 to 88,729 in 1906. The number of immigrants from the continent in 1896 was 4,451 and in 1906 was 44,349. From the United States in 1896 it was 72,412 and in 1906, 37,914. The total immigration had increased from 16,000 in 1886 to 189,000 in 1906.

He said he simply wanted to show the Liberals of this province by these figures, some of which had not yet been presented in the house how Canada was progressing in the terms of Emmenton and his French-Canadian people. He referred to Hon. John Costigan in terms of praise as the only representative in parliament sitting continuously since Confederation.

Hon. John Costigan expressed gratification at being present and humorously said that he was trying to make himself popular just now. He characterized the gathering at Berryman's Hall as imposing and closed with a reference to Mr. Marcell.



Col. H. H. McLean.

present minister of railways and canals for the interest of St. John or whatever part of the province he might represent.

Col. McLean's Criticism.
Col. H. H. McLean in proposing the toast to the city of St. John said that he believed that more politics should be talked at the banquet. The Conservative party had never done anything for St. John. He would have everyone understand that although St. John was represented by two Conservatives that it was a Liberal city. These two Conservatives had been elected by the action of Mr. Blair and complimented Hon. Mr. Blair. Mr. Blair—"I never left the Liberal party."

"No, but Mr. Blair did not stand by the principles of the Liberal party. As an old Liberal, I condemn the action of Mr. Blair. A man who is elected to support the Liberal party should follow only the leader, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in every respect, and if Mr. Blair is elected to represent the party he must do this.

Mr. McLean called on Mayor Sears to reply to the toast.

Mayor Sears said he was present not as the mayor of St. John but as a lifelong Liberal and supporter of the party. He did not believe politics should enter into civic life. He spoke of St. John's growth and complimented Hon. Mr. Blair on his representation of this city in parliament. He regretted that any criticism of this city and its people should be made and was glad to see Mr. Blair go up and make a profession of his faith. There never had been any church or state, the members of which always agreed.

The proceedings closed with Auld Lang Syne and the national anthem.

The chairman announced during the evening that he had a number of regrets from gentlemen unable to attend. He read one which was a sample of all. It was from Sir Richard Cartwright. Others were from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. W. S. Foulden, Hon. Wm. Patterson, Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, Hon. Frank Oliver, Hon. Mr. Templeman, Senator Donville, Dr. C. T. Purdy, of Moncton; A. P. Barnhill and Mr. Reid, of Charlottetown.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

The provincial legislature was proposed by John Keefer and responded to by Premier Tweedie, Attorney-General Pugsley and D. J. Purdy, M. P. P.

Premier Tweedie said for a quarter of a century New Brunswick had had good government and referred to the fact that there were present three premiers. He said the government was carried on by very straight lines. He referred in flattering terms to the Hon. Mr. Blair and his management of the I. C. R. He said that it was always hard to bring out a surplus, but he was glad to say that New Brunswick had now had a respectable surplus this year.

Some said that the eastern provinces were no good but he claimed that with the exception of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia that confederation would be a failure.

SANTA CLAUS PAYS VISIT TO MILLIDGEVILLE

Santa Claus visited St. Clement's Sunday school, Millidgeville, Thursday and caused joy in the hearts of all. It was the annual Christmas celebration of the school and was very much enjoyed.

There was an opening address by Rev. R. P. McKim; then came selections by the St. Clement's chorists, a merry Christmas Bell, children of the Sunday school; recitations by Royden Croft, Enid Smith, Kenneth Holder, Evelyn Osborne, Mildred Osborne, Alice Harrington; solo by the choir; quartette; banjo selections, Harry Bond; diet, Mrs. McCartney and Mrs. Linn; and a song by the choir.

Santa Claus then came and distributed gifts to all the scholars. Another pleasing feature was a presentation to W. A. Steiger, leader of the Bible class and superintendent of the school. The Bible class and school presented to him a very handsome fountain pen.

RESULTED FATALLY

Michael E. Ansborough Dies of Injuries Received on Board Ship.

Michael E. Ansborough, who fell into the Millidgeville harbor, broke his back, died at the General Public Hospital, St. John, last night. The first thing that a fatal result was looked for as the result of the fall. The first thing that a fatal result was looked for as the result of the fall.

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WEDDINGS

Cunningham-Scribner.
At the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. M. S. Trafton, 90 Wright street, St. John, on December 24, Miss Tressa C. Scribner, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Scribner, of Kingston, Kings county, was united in marriage to Harry A. Cunningham, of St. John.

Owing to the recent illness of the bride's mother, the ceremony could not be performed at her home.

Taylor-Ganong.
Miss May E. Ganong, of this city and H. Walton Taylor, of New York, were married on the 9th of December at the Church of the Holy Communion, New York. The bride is well known here as a nurse and is a daughter of John Ganong, of St. John, west. She was matron of the Infection Hospital during the small-pox epidemic here, and did excellent service. Mr. Taylor is a wholesale drug man.

Oakes-Roach.
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