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A CAMPAIGN OF CORRUPTION. The character of the campaign by which the Liberals hope to elect Mr. McKeown was exposed in the Star yesterday.

A despatch from Ottawa told of Mr. Emmerson's frantic efforts to induce large government contributions for corrupt purposes in this constituency, and an article by one of the Star's reporters described the despicable means by which Mr. McKeown's agents are endeavoring to obtain votes for him before the campaign fund arrives.

Beside the instances of the latter method of corruption mentioned, the Star is in possession of information regarding several other cases, including the names of those who made the bribing offers of positions in return for support of Mr. McKeown.

If knowledge of further work of this kind comes to this newspaper, such case will be fully investigated, and where credible evidence can be obtained, the facts, together with those already in the Star's possession, will be given full publicity. If such exposure has not the effect of checking the originality of other and more forcible, fully justified by the evidence in hand, will be taken.

Surely the approval of the great majority of the electorate of St. John will be back of any movement for the suppression of the political methods by which the Liberal machine, encouraged by its success in the last local election, is again attempting to launch this constituency.

THE GOVERNMENT UNMASKED. A remarkable letter received by 'For' White from Hon. H. R. Emmerson yesterday, as printed in another column of the Star, unmask the government's motives in this dredging business.

When the carefully qualified offer to begin work on the West Side came from Ottawa the same day as the writ for the by-election, the good faith of the government was promptly questioned, and the majority of the citizens refused to believe the offer other than a dummy attempt at bribery, unless some guarantee was given that the work would go on after election day.

Supporters of the government held up hands of horror at such treacherous conduct. Certainly the government intended to complete the work, they declared. Why else should they begin it? Didn't the government love St. John? And they pointed to the dredges all ready to begin work before election day.

But the city likes to do business in a business-like way and insisted on that guarantee. Now comes the government's admission that there was never any intention of making such a guarantee. From the tone of Mr. Emmerson's letter, the matter had never even been considered until some reply to the city's insistent demand was necessary. Now the government has crawled out from under the demand by agreeing to do the dredging of one slip on the West Side if the city will place all the rest of its harbor at the arbitrary disposal of the government as a return.

The demand is preposterous, as nobody knows better than Mr. Emmerson. But the communication is valuable to the city as proving that when the government ordered the dredges to work at Rodney Slip it had no intention of continuing the work one day longer than it would tend to influence votes in favor of Mr. McKeown.

A POLICY FOR PORTLAND. During the last session of parliament no law in the Grand Trunk Pacific bill was more persistently pointed out by the opposition than its failure to ensure the export of the traffic of the new railway from Canadian ports. And at no point did the government more stubbornly refuse to make any change. Amendment after amendment looking to the interest of St. John and other maritime ports, was rejected by the government's machine majority. The administration was too firmly in the grasp of the capitalists who drew up the contract to permit any such infringement of the financiers' interests. Yet St. John is now asked to endorse the policy. The election of St. John are asked to express their approval of a bill which, as it now stands, means the construction of a road with its chief terminals at Portland, Me., and with practically nothing to prevent the export of all its traffic from that port.

THE LIBERALS APPEAL. As the campaign progresses and the confidence of the Conservative party

grows, the increasing fear of the Liberals is notable. At the opening of the contest they were blatantly confident, talking of majorities of fifteen hundred and belittling the importance of the campaign. Even the enthusiastic unanimity of the Conservative convention in contrast with the strife and dissension of their own, failed to arouse them from their foolish paradise.

But when they got out into the wards; when they began to scan the lists and canvass here and there and find hundreds of most of whom formerly with them, active on the other side; when they felt the deadly apathy that bound even those who were faithful; when they noted the earnest confidence with which their opponents were working, then they awoke in a blind panic. But during the week they slept they lost too much ground, and they know it.

Even were this town not so possessed with the rising anti-Liberal tide, the great advantage now possessed by the opposition would almost ensure victory. As things are, the Liberals know that only one thing can save them, and for that they are waiting as Wellington waited for Blucher and nightfall. Mr. Emmerson is in Ottawa, pleading the desperate need of the party before the government, and it is certain that every dollar which can be spared from the Montreal and Ontario contests, and every influence of patronage will be brought to bear here between now and election day.

But the sense of decency of this city has not yet recovered from the shock of the shamelessly open corruption at the last local election, and an attempt at a repetition of such dishonesty will bring other results than victory.

WILL YOU VOTE FOR THIS? At a crowded meeting in York Theatre a few weeks ago a resolution heartily approving of the Liberal preference policy and giving a cheer for Mr. Chamberlain, was passed with unanimity and enthusiasm. Can any man whose blood was stirred by the contagious patriotism of that evening endorse his vote the Laurier government's refusal to pass a similar resolution at the request of the great Imperialist himself? Can any citizen of loyal St. John, by voting for the government, at a by-election, express his approval of a policy which was dictated to the government by Bourassa and his anti-British clique, whose great influence in Quebec makes them, to a great extent, controllers of the policy of the present administration?

The Impartial Gazette, bewildered by the sophistries of its own arguments, at times slightly mixed. In one editorial of its last night's edition it declared that "the only government that Canada has ever had which has preferred Portland to the ports of the Maritime Provinces, is the Conservative government, which existed from 1875 to 1886." Another editorial in the very next column, discussing Sir Wilfrid Laurier as compared with Sir John A. McDonald, says, "Their policies do not very much differ with reference to the purpose sought to be accomplished."

Now, does the Gazette mean that Laurier's policy favors Portland instead of Maritime Provinces ports, as the Star has always charged or will it admit that it was only speaking in a jocular way about the Conservative policy?

Instead of lauding a contract of which, in its present state, the people know nothing, it would be better, at this time if the government should devote an occasional paragraph or two to the changes in the Grand Trunk Pacific bill which are to be made during the next session of parliament.

Those to whom Mr. McKeown and his agents are obvious purposes, are promising jobs in return for votes, should be sure that the promises are not made—as Mr. McKeown's generally seem to be—in a jocular way.

Now why did the people at the Haymarket square meeting laugh so uproariously whenever the names of Statesman McAlpine and Patrick Geo. Robertson were mentioned?

THE BELATED ROBIN. Lone, hapless bird, storm-beaten wanderer, Mr. Winter's finely striding song, Whither with cheerless chirp and drooping wing, Dost solitary go?

In this wild maze of dreary, dazzling winter, O'er fields long reaped—a frosty waste—Speed swiftly thy southward flight to lands of spices, To balmy breezes haunts.

Thy note dissonant from tree to tree Thrills me with pity for thy quest; Thus call to loud thy timelier mate, long-sped Into the red south-west.

God keep thee, red-breast pilgrim, on thy flight, Greeting thy blown pinions far and free, And give thee rest where palm fronds wave, The lilies fair and sweet.

No single sparrow falls without His will, So, undismayed, belated songster, onward fare! God bless thy wings and keeps thee through The keen December air.

—R. H. Coaker, in Boston Transcript.

LOCAL NEWS.

Wm. Rafferty has been reported for doing a junk business in the city on King square without a license.

George E. Ellis, formerly of St. John, for some years connected with the King's College and more recently with the Wolfville Laundry Co., has moved with his family to Moncton, where his father-in-law, Mr. Cole, resides.

John Emly, which was reported to be coming here from Advocate Harbour has been laid up there. The goods intended for shipment by her from St. John will be sent up by the str. Killis.

The Maritime Amateur Dramatic Society will on the invitation of the vicar, give an entertainment in the Valley Church Sunday school tonight. Those who enjoy good comedy should not miss this, as the two plays, Box and Cox, and Hector, are both very funny.

A letter received yesterday from Capt. Longmire of the sch. Georgia, which recently put into Key West while on her way from Apalachicola to Halifax, states that the vessel was not towed in as previously announced. She was able to get in without assistance. Temporary repairs are being made with the assistance of a diver.

The ladies of Brussels street Baptist church, who have more than a hundred of a high tea, or as they term it, a tea meeting, every year for decades back, have decided to introduce a novelty by serving this year's feast on St. Patrick's night, and naturally the event will be termed a "Shamrock Supper" something quite as appropriate. Extensive preparations are on for the affair.

ST. JOHN PEOPLE INTERESTED. It is thought that among the sufferers by the Baltimore fire is one former student of St. John, who has many friends here. The business college of A. H. Eaton was situated on the corner of Charles and Baltimore streets, within one block of Liberty street, and the accounts received go to show that hundreds of others of the burned district. It is a large and well equipped school, having usually about 100 to 150 students and a staff of nine teachers. There was a splendid outfit of typewriters and other plant. The Messrs. Smith and Mrs. R. Morton Smith, assisted Mrs. Eaton, had not yesterday received any word from Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton do not believe that a residence and farm some miles out.

EMMERSON AND ST. JOHN. OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—Yesterday was about one of the worst days of the season. Hall fell nearly the entire day, but west of Ottawa there was a great storm, and telegraph and telephone wires were down in every direction.

It seems to be the settled policy of the transportation commission to report from time to time on matters arising, rather than to defer their recommendations until they are all embodied in one general report. Through Chairman Barram, the commission have handed to the prime minister a preliminary report on the subject of the St. John, in which important recommendations are made concerning the winter port of St. John and a series of recommendations by the cabinet tomorrow, but it is said here that Mr. Emmerson has telegraphed a summary of the recommendations to Mayor White. A report on Halifax harbor will follow.

ST. JOHN TEMPERANCE. Mr. John Temperance, to remain there until polling day.

THE SPINSTER AUNT'S OPINION. Carrie—Do you think a woman is justified in marrying a man she doesn't know? Aunt—She certainly wouldn't be justified in marrying a man she didn't know.—Boston Transcript.

JUST A HEN STORY. With eggs in Boston selling at 60 cents, it may console the Hub to know that in Tanworth, N. H., a hen has laid six pullets which laid seven eggs in one day. This is no fish story, either.—Concord Patriot.

DEATHS. McQUEEN—At Coles, Peterville, Queens County, N. B., on the 22nd inst. of James McQueen, in the 72nd year of age, after a long illness, his wife and four daughters to mourn the loss of a loving and affectionate father. Funeral on Thursday the 11th inst. at 2 o'clock from the residence of the deceased. Relatives and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

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These Wonderful Kidney Pills Will Cure the Most Obstinate Cases of Kidney Trouble if Only Given a Fair Trial and Used According to Directions.

Read what Mrs. Geo. H. Alward, Whites Point, N. B., has to say about them: "This is to certify that I have used Doan's Kidney Pills for pain in the back and kidney trouble and I do most gratefully recommend them to any person suffering in this way."

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SEPARATE PANTS, double knees and seats, 4 to 11 years, 46c. SEPARATE PANTS, tweeds, serges, worsteds 4 to 12 years, 46c. SEPARATE PANTS, tweeds, serges, worsteds, 12 to 15 years, 46c. ALL CLOTHING AT SALE PRICES.

SOME VERY FINE NO. 7 BROADCLOTHS FOR SPRING C. STUMES. On Monday new Broadcloths were unopened and placed on view. They are a choice lot and will be in great demand again this year.

IN BLACK, NAVY BLUE, GREEN, RED, CARDINAL, PAVON, THREE GREYS, BROWN AND TAN. (Cloak Department)

IT IS ONE OF THE MOST TAKING NOVELTIES in the whole list of spring and summer suitings. In 46 inches wide, and only 80c. per yard.

IN BLUE, with white fleck. IN GREEN, with white fleck. IN BLACK, with white fleck. IN BISCUIT, with white fleck. (Dress Goods Department)

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All Goods Selling at Low Prices. SPECIAL SALE OF TABLE LINENS, 60 inches, at only 25c. yard; 72 inches wide at 30c. yard. These are wonderful values. We have still remaining a small quantity of 4c. FACTORY COTTON. Come at once if you wish any at this low price. Some great values in DRESS GOODS. Nothing like them ever offered in St. John at these low prices, 15c., 25c., 35c. yard. Double width. A big clearing sale of MEN'S AND BOYS' SHIRTS AND DRAWERS. You'll save money here.

BOY WANTED AT ONCE TO CARRY PARCELS.

WHAT FIRE DRILL DID. 300 Children Escape From Burning School in Five Minutes.

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—Shortly before noon today Principal Henry of Jessie Ketchum school, one of the largest public school buildings in the city, discovered smoke issuing from the cellar immediately under the kindergarten room. He hastily interrupted all the teachers who instructed the scholars to dress immediately and the first alarm gong then sounded.

Within five minutes 600 scholars formed into a line and marched out of the building and were dismissed. The fire proved to be a stubborn one and the firemen were at a great disadvantage. The water freezing as it fell, the water worked in the building interior of western wing of the building, containing eight rooms, is completely gutted. The room was very tastefully decorated, and evergreen was everywhere in evidence, giving the place a fresh and inviting appearance. A large crowd visited the site last night. The following are the booths and tables: Fancy table, fish pond, candy booth, post office, ice cream, lotteries, china table, lemonade, apron table, handkerchief table, grab-bag, supper tables, shooting gallery, bagatelle, wheel of fortune.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE. Passenger service to and from St. John, in effect Oct. 1st.

DEPARTURES. By Canadian Pacific. Express for Boston, 6:40 a.m. Express for Fredericton, 8:00 p.m. Express for Montreal, 8:00 p.m. Express for Boston, 8:10 p.m.

ARRIVALS. By Canadian Pacific. Express from Boston, 8:50 a.m. Express from Fredericton, 11:30 a.m. Express from Montreal, 11:30 a.m. Express from Boston, 11:30 a.m.

By New Brunswick Southern. Express from St. Stephen, 7:10 p.m. STAMBOUR SERVICE. By Dominion Atlantic. S. S. Yarmouth leaves St. John every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 1:45 o'clock arriving from Digby at 5 p.m.

By Eastern S. S. Co. Steamer leaves St. John at 8:00 a.m. on Thursdays for Lunenburg, Eastport, Portland and Boston. By Grand Manan S. S. Co. Leave St. John (Turnbull's Wharf) at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays for Grand Manan, Campbellton and Eastport. Returning, leave for St. John on Monday at 1:30 p.m.

A RECORD WINTER. An old resident speaking yesterday of cold weather, said: "This is the second coldest winter within my memory. Not for forty-three years has St. John experienced such continued cold weather. The winter of 1861 was intensely bitter, and the registrations of the thermometer during that winter have never been subsequently equalled. On Friday, the eighth of February, 1861, the mercury dropped as low as 25 below zero. This day ever afterwards was known as 'Cold Friday'."

Throughout the whole of eastern Canada and the Eastern States the winter of 1861 is memorable as one of unusual bitterness. In some places in New Brunswick the mercury froze in the thermometers.

Faulty Digestion. Always precedes and favors the development of consumption. A good thing for anyone who is suffering from indigestion and may be predisposed to consumption, is PARK'S PERFECT PILL, which tones up the digestive system and kills consumption germs.

Blacksmith Coal, Steam Coal, Hard Coal. Carried lots to all points at low rates.

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Quart bottles 25c. 12.5c per dozen. At Grocers and at the warehouse, 100 Water street, or from G. F. Simonsen.

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Good Butter and Pure Lard. Best Creamery Butter, 25c. per pound. Roll Butter, fresh made, 22c. per pound. Good Tub Butter, by the single pound 20c. 18c. by the Tub.

ROBERTSON & CO. 562 and 564 Main Street, St. John, N. B. Talking of Good Things To Eat? YOU'LL FIND THEM AT 16 Campbell's Cash Grocery, Cornhill Street. ALL PRICES RIGHT!

Rubber Bargains. WOMEN'S RUBBERS. MEN'S RUBBERS. BOYS RUBBERS. YOUTH'S RUBBERS. BOYS RUBBER BOOTS. YOUTH'S RUBBER BOOTS. MEN'S RUBBER BOOTS. MEN'S HIP RUBBER BOOTS. INFANTS' BUTTONED OVERSHOES. WOMEN'S BUTTONED OVERSHOES. WOMEN'S HIP OVERSHOES. MEN'S GOOD OVERSHOES. BOYS HEAVY BUCKLED RUBBERS.

REVERDY STEEVES, 44 BRUSSELS ST. WOOD VS. BRICK BUILDINGS. An Old Fireman Claims That Fires in the Latter are Harder to Put Out. In the case of a burning wooden building water has just the contrary effect. Water is absorbed by the wood and if kept falling in a continuous deluge must eventually check the flames.

SPORTING NEWS. CRICKET. St. John Outlook. The St. John Cricket and Amateur Athletic Club met last night to consider cricket for the coming season. It was decided to play the Zingari cricketers of Boston and Philadelphia in July, as they were making another tour of the maritime provinces during that month.

CONSERVATIVE FORCES RALLY. Three Grand Meetings Held Last Night. Large Crowds and Great Enthusiasm in North End, Haymarket Square and Lower Cove. Three big and enthusiastic conservative meetings were held in different parts of the city last evening, and at these meetings calling addresses were delivered on the conservative policy. The audiences were in all cases large and enthusiastic and listened attentively to the erudite arguments against the liberal government.

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EMERSON'S DEMAND. Orders City Not to Cede Property to C. P. R.—Hedging in Dredging Matter. There was another meeting of the Common Council in committee of the whole at the City Hall yesterday afternoon. The subject was the proposed agreement with the C. P. R. as to the provision of a new water supply and facilities. Very little progress was made and another meeting will have to be held to look after the report.

HEALTHY CHILDREN. Absolutely require wholesome bread like Hygienic's Hygienic—matter what else they may eat. We look out for the little ones with even more solicitude than for the grown-ups—they call for themselves. HYGIENIC BREAD is pure, sweet and healthful. Hygienic Bakery, 124 to 128 Mill Street. Phone 1187.

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Classified Advertisements. HOUSES TO LET. STORES TO LET. FLATS TO LET. FOR SALE. HELP WANTED-FEMALE. BOARDING. LOST. TORTURED WITH PAIN. TOO WEAK TO WORK. ULCERS, BOILS AND PIMPLES ALL OVER HER BODY. SHE HAPPILY FOUND RELIEF FROM HER TERRIBLE SUFFERING BY USING BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

ST. JOHN STAR, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1904.

DYKEMAN'S

February Being Made Lively by the Special Sales that are Going on at Our Store.

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fine Zerby Gingham, Lace Stripes Chambrays and Cotton Wash Materials, suitable for shirt waists, shirtwaist suits, aprons and children's dresses.

LADIES' BLACK BATEEN UNDER-SKIRTS at \$1.00 each, the \$1.50 quality.

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THE GREAT ANNUAL WHITE-WEAR SALE, which attraction by itself ought to be enough to crowd this store daily.

A SALE OF LADIES' WINTER JACKETS at \$2.50 each, some of which were as high as \$8.00.

A SALE OF FRENCH FLANNEL WAISTINGS, 50c. quality being sold at 25c. per yard.

A GREAT SALE OF LADIES' White and Colored Shirt Waists, 500 of them being sold at just half price. They are 1904 styles, and are mostly of the richest goods. Prices run from 25c. to \$1.50.

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VALENTINES!

JUST OPENED OUR CASE VALENTINES. Combs, Valentines, 3 for 10c. each. Fancy Valentines, 10c. 20c. 40c. to 50c. each. New Hamburg Embroidery. Big values. 10c. to 50c. per yard. New Valentine Cards, all sizes, 10c. each. Valentine Ribbons for trimming caps, satin bows, 4c. per yard. Get our prices on History, Gloves and Underwear.

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D. P. A. C. P. R. B. POSTER.

"DOYER" NIXON FREE,

Charge of Theft Brought Against Him by Boston Girl Has Been Dropped.

The following from the Boston Globe contains the result of the charges made against Robert D. Nixon, an account of which was published in the Star a few days ago.

Robert D. Nixon, the impressive appearing man who was arrested a few days ago by Inspector Burr on a charge of the larceny of \$50 in cash and the \$5 watch from Miss Carrie Duchemin of 210 Northampton street, was called to an examination in the municipal court today, but he didn't get one.

Lawyer Peter Casey was dying around the court rooms and the corridors all the forenoon with two women, one of whom he said to have been Miss Duchemin, and he said the case wasn't going any further, as Miss Duchemin wanted to drop it.

The allegation made in the case in the first place was that Nixon made love to the complainant when he went to room at her lodging house, and that he agreed to marry her, but he skipped out after he had borrowed \$50 and had been given possession of her watch on the representation that he was going to take it to a jeweler's for repair.

Mr. Casey seemed so anxious to get the case dismissed that a reporter asked him if there wasn't going to be a wedding in a few days' time. He smiled and said he really couldn't say. Casey asked the district attorney and not proceeded to the district attorney and let the thing drop right where it is, but the court refused to do any such thing and then Casey had Nixon enter a plea not guilty. Bail was fixed at \$50, but no one expects, now, that the charge will be pressed before the superior court.

McKEOWN'S RESIGNATION

Will Be Presented to Government Tonight—Local House May Meet February 25th.

FREDERICKTON, N. B., Feb. 9.—The

adjourned meeting of the local government will be held here tonight, and Wednesday. The resignation of Hon. H. A. McKewen as solicitor general will be presented to the House of Representatives. The general impression about the streets is that the house will be opened on Thursday, the 25th inst. It is not expected that a new solicitor general will be appointed until after the session.

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A JEWISH ROMANCE

Catholic Girl Forsakes Her Religion to Marry a Jewish Immigrant From Russia.

Yesterday afternoon there was solemnized a marriage which was the outcome of an interesting romance. The parties were a good looking pair of immigrants who came here on the Lake Manitoba on Thursday last, and who claimed to be already married.

The groom was Adolf Salajko, aged 31, a Russian Jew, who in his statement says that he has loved Helen Rapelko for two years. He is a peddler by occupation, and possesses two hundred dollars, equal to about one hundred dollars.

The girl, Helen Rapelko, is twenty years of age, and quite pretty. She is Polish by birth, and a Catholic in religion. She also says she loved Adolf for two years. They have been living together for some months. The couple at first claimed to have been married, but when pressed admitted that this was not the case. They intended being married in New York, and would have gone through the ceremony sooner only that, according to Russian law, a Jew is not allowed to marry a Catholic or, in fact, any Christian.

Friday night sought advice from Rabbi Rabinovitch and on that same day the girl agreed to renounce her own religion and embrace the Jewish faith. With a few days' instruction she could become qualified to do this, and since Friday has attended the synagogue and yesterday the proper papers having been made out the couple went to the synagogue and were married. They left by last evening's train for New York, as fine looking a couple as ever landed in St. John.

PERSONALS

Miss George Knodell has gone to Montreal to visit Mrs. Fitz Wormald, Wood avenue.

W. J. Steen, of Barnes & Co., will, in company with W. C. Ross, of the Bank Nova Scotia, Monday, leave Halifax on the 18th inst. for the West India Islands. They will visit Turk's Head and Jamaica and return by way of Boston.

Mrs. George Pike, who underwent a surgical operation at the General Hospital some days ago, is rapidly recovering.

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THE GOVERNMENT'S BLUFF.

Vain Endeavour to Hoodwink Electors of St. John Until After Election Day.

The discussion between Mayor White and Mr. Emmerson goes merrily on, and it is evident from the despatches received here that the government is endeavoring to patch up some agreement by which it can fool the electors and satisfy them until after the election. Last night Mayor White received from Ottawa the following despatch:

OTTAWA, Feb. 8.—The government cannot be expected at this moment to approve or disapprove of any lease of wharf or frontage to any particular company, but the government expects that if the city wants them to provide for the improvement of the harbor as desired the city should agree that no alienation should be made without the approval of the government with and its sanction obtained.

EMMERSON.— "To this Mayor White last night replied:— "Can you furnish city with transportation commissioner's report on situation as regards St. John? You will see the advantage of this in discussion of government proposals by council."

WALTER W. WHITE, Mayor. "This morning another despatch was received from Mr. Emmerson to the effect:— "You will be advised today by premier of contents of report. Am just leaving for New Brunswick."

OCEAN RATE WAR.

Transatlantic Traffic Begins Today—St. John Merchants Not Affected.

Today the different steamship lines doing business from Atlantic ports commencing a rate war which will not be limited until those companies which have recently withdrawn from the conference are forced into another agreement. This war has been brought about by the failure of the different companies to agree on a minimum rate for freight from the west to trans-Atlantic ports.

The necessity for trying to make a new agreement was occasioned by the withdrawal of the Leyland Company and the Atlantic Coast Line from the conference. The rate on the Atlantic Coast Line is 20c. less than the rate on the Leyland line, and the rate on the Atlantic Coast Line is 20c. less than the rate on the Leyland line.

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A Great Sale!

Traveller's Samples of Whitewear.



Hundreds of dainty white Cambric and Muslin Undergarments! The variety is large, the styles and trimming most attractive. Then there is the price, which is a special inducement; being samples, they are really 25 p. c. less than regular value and about half what you will have to pay for the same next year, on account of the price of raw cotton. Hurry along and secure some of the unmatchable bargains in dainty, prettily made and thoroughly satisfactory Lingerie.

This is an Opportunity not to be missed!— Nightgowns, 30c. to \$2.50. Undershirts, 40c. to \$3.00. Corset covers, 10c. to \$1.50. Drawers, 10c. to \$1.50.

Morrell & Sutherland 27-29 CHARLOTTE ST. Oppo. Y.M.C.A.

Second Week of Our Great Annual Furniture Sale!

THE GREAT ANNUAL FEBRUARY FURNITURE SALE is acknowledged to be the foremost fixed furniture event that takes place in St. John—a time when prices on high class furniture are reduced to factory prices. Not a cent.

MAGNIFICENT SOLID OAK SIDE-BOARDS, handsomely carved, etc., regular price \$45.00, on sale at \$27.00.

PARLOR SUITES, raw silk, five pieces, each, a snap at \$72.00, on sale at \$45.00.

PARLOR SUITES, five pieces, walnut frames, in silk coverings, regular price \$40.00, on sale at \$25.00.

WILLOW ROCKERS, \$5.50, on sale at \$4.40.

WILLOW ROCKERS, sold regularly at \$5.00, on sale at \$3.50.

A TIMELY TIP. Buy your Furniture now when prices are lowest. That is here. You can save money by looking ahead.

AMLAND BROS., Furniture and Carpet Dealers, 19 WATERLOO ST.

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HERE'S FOOT PROTECTION

To men, whose business exposes them to the elements and who need a protecting shoe, we take pleasure in introducing our new Monahan's Winter Shoe—the best outdoor shoe ever built. Cut higher than usual—leather lined—wide edge sole and invariable cork sole. An ideal shoe for

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Look behind our shoe prices and see the quality.

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Our Meat Department is well stocked with the best to be had in MEATS and POULTRY. Best Ontario Beef (tender and juicy); Small, Medium and Large Turkeys, (very choice); Extra Large well Fattened, Choice Ducks and Geese, Ripe Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Celery.

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When we decide to clear out a line of Shoes, the price is made so low that they move quickly.

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Women's Rubbers, sizes 3, 3 1/2 and 7 25c.

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