

## DELIBERATE CONSERVATIVE CAMPAIGN OF SLANDER IS FULLY EXPOSED BY THIS WEEK'S REVELATIONS.

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### CHATHAM ASSAULT MAY PROVE FURTHER

Neil Black, Aged 60, Was Brutally Beaten—Assaultant Arrested

CHATHAM, N. B., Oct. 14.—One of the most vicious and cowardly assaults that has ever started this community occurred last night shortly before midnight. The victim of the assault, Neil Black, an old man of sixty, lies in a precarious condition with terrible bruises on his body, four cuts on his face, one eye closed up completely, and the other black and blue. One cut extends from the nose through the lip and down along the cheek, and two others are on each side of the temples. The assailant was William Murmur, who was found by Officer Coughlin lying on his back at Thomas Hickey's, at Morrison's Cove. Just how the affair took place no one seems to know, but when the police were summoned Black was found by Officer Coughlin lying unconscious in Hickey's stoneyard, his face and body covered with blood, where his assailant had used fists and boots upon him. He was conveyed to Thomas Murphy's house and Dr. Leslie summoned. Officer Coughlin learned from some bystanders that Murmur had committed the deed and Snowball and is held to have a most bitter tongue. Oritik was at the bottom of the whole affair. Murmur was arrested this morning in the police court and was remanded.

White Ross, of Pokemouche, had his right hand amputated in the Thorne's Mill yesterday. He had hurt it years ago and lately rheumatism set in so severely that amputation was deemed necessary.

Ernest Haley, of West End, fell and broke a bone in his leg last evening in the vicinity of Harry's stoneyard.

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### LYNN SHOE STRIKE IS DECLINED OFFERS

Firms Grant Principal Demands Made by Strike Leaders

FACTORIES RESTART

LYNN, Mass., Oct. 14.—The strike of Lynn shoe makers which has brought operations in the majority of the Lynn shoe factories practically to a standstill for the past two weeks, was finally declared off today and the men will return to work in all the factories shortly. The Joseph Caut Company, at whose factory the strike started on Sept. 23, has granted the principal demands made by its leaders and has agreed to submit the other differences to arbitration. At the other factories, where the strike was purely sympathetic and has been in force since Oct. 2, the manufacturers will take back all the men who went out. Sixty-seven factories have been affected by the strike and although the number of lasters who went out was only about 1,500, the shutting down of their departments necessitated the suspension of work in so many other departments that about 15,000 operatives were forced into idleness. The strikers have held firm throughout, but there has been no dissatisfaction with the terms offered. The strikers in the other factories were so thoroughly convinced that the workers at the Caut company were defending a principle which would affect all lasters that a sympathetic strike was called and one after another the factories found it well without any lasters until sixty-seven shops were involved.

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### PUT UP A VICTIM IN VICTORIA-MADAWASKA

Conservatives Nominated Dr. Kirkpatrick—Ald. Pickett Speaks

GRAND FALLS, N. B., Oct. 14.—Dr. Kirkpatrick was nominated here today by the Conservatives to contest the seat in the House of Commons. He was nominated by a public meeting held at the Victoria Hotel. Dr. Kirkpatrick was supported by Ald. Pickett and Dr. Kirkpatrick was somewhat shaky throughout, and T. J. Murphy of St. John West, asked him a number of pointed questions. Mr. Murphy lined the favor of the audience and was warmly applauded.

Little doubt exists in the minds of the voters here that Pius Michaud, the Liberal standard bearer, will be returned and that Dr. Kirkpatrick will lose his deposit.

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**SMOTHERS**  
A SLUMBERING BABE  
Body Found by Mother in the Morning.

**WV. Pa., Oct. 7.**—Elmer, led son of Annie Coleman, died this morning in its kitchen of the mother under the weight of a pig.

**cribs had been placed in because the mother conceived that the warmest room. When look at the child this was horrified to find the weighing nearly fifty pounds across the baby and the ill and cold in death.**

**is attached to the life of the child. Engaged to travel, her lover pretended two tickets for this county board the steamer and some pretext to return to return. She has been nary year.**

**ATE OF \$2,000,000**  
B. C., Oct. 8.—The will Mrs. Joan Dunsmuir was of and disposed of an estate in the neighborhood of \$2,500,000 to the more dollars, after which the residue, equally amongst five who are named as executor. Governor Dunsmuir is.

**BIRTHS.**  
To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas at their residence, Hardingville, on the 4th instant.

**HER.**—At Rothesay, Oct. 14, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. A. L. a daughter.

**MARRIAGES.**  
EVEES.—At Grafton, N. B., Oct. 14, by Rev. C. T. D., Edward Riddler of M., and Maud Steves of P.

**QUARRIE.**—On Sept. 20th, Mrs. P. O. Quarrie, Church, Gordon Dickie, C. Frank of Cavendish, P. E. I., to McQuarrie of this city.

**ORNE.**—On Sept. 30th, at street, by the Rev. J. C. R. D., Catherine T. C. of J. L. Thorne, to Hattie, of Woodstock, N.

**ILSON.**—On Wednesday, at the Central Methodist, Brookton, Mass., by the Rev. Anthony Silvey of J. Wilson, of St. John, the wife of Thos. F. Davis.

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CHUGH NOTE FOR BUSY MEN

GENERAL.
Fether Vaughan is again ralling at the English woman suffragist as a creature who has leaped from her lofty position and taken her place in the arena with the common folk...

The Chicago Catholic University being erected by the Jesuit Fathers will be one of a group of ten buildings artistically arranged on a 16 acre tract of land at Devon and Lake Michigan...

Emerson—"Christianity has given as the Sabbath, the jubilee of the whole world, whose light brings welcome alike to the closet of the philosopher, into the garret of toil, and into the prison cell, and everywhere suggests, even to the vile, the dignity of spiritual being."

The census of New Zealand, taken in 1906, but now just published in a large and interesting volume, gives a total population of 888,578, exclusive of the Maoris and the people of the recently annexed Pacific Islands...

Are you the son of a minister, or are some of your boy friends ministers' sons? It is a common saying that ministers' sons turn out badly. Well, don't you believe it...

There are 43 Protestant churches in Paris, and in the outskirts of the city 47 more.

The Home Missionary committee of the Presbytery of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, at its recent session, found that after 44 new fields had been provided with supplies, 25 ministerial overights, the demand for men being so great.

Church extension in Ottawa has become a necessity, and to meet this in part the Methodists at the capital are laying plans for an early Forward Movement along this line at an early date.

From the Presbyterian we learn that in their anxiety to provide church accommodation for the new arrivals in the west, large amounts have been borrowed, upon which there is now due over \$14,000 for interest, much of which is for arrears. The building fund committee has a serious problem to deal with.

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

GOOD CLOTHES.

This is not a tailor's ad., although the tailors' guild ought to pay for it; but it is a hint to the seedy, shabby people who can afford to dress better than they do, but are careless or lazy. It goes without saying that a man who regularly dresses well is fond of his job, so good dressing assures personal cleanliness. No sensible man would go to work dressed in a dirty body, or over unclean linen.

MONCTON DEFEATS ST. JOHN
MONCTON, N. B., Oct. 11.—A team of nine players from the St. John Golf Club played Moncton Golf Club here yesterday, the Moncton team winning by a score of twelve to four. The score was as follows: Moncton—Hooper, 1; Baskin, 0; Keasen, 0; Jack, 0; Miller, 0; Dr. Kenny, 0; Blufford, 0; Doherty, 1. St. John—Doherty, 0; Galloway, 0; Thompson, 3; P. Knight, 2; B. A. Williams, 2; J. McKeitch, 0; Roberts, 0; Porten, 2.

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not get fat, on a small salary. To be well dressed is to be dressed appropriately. A man is not well dressed who wears fine clothes at work which quickly soils them. To be well dressed (sometimes) is to wear very poor clothes.

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JUDGE FORBES TALKS OF SYNOD MEETING

Church Hampered by Western Emigration FINANCES ARE GOOD

Wants Church to Fight Tuberculosis—Parsons as Stock Judges

Hon. J. G. Forbes, who last week attended the meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of the Maritime Provinces at Truro, talked to The Star yesterday of the work accomplished at the gathering.

There were about four hundred delegates present and the synod meeting was of a bright and breezy nature. On Tuesday evening an opening meeting was held and a sermon delivered by Rev. A. B. Dickie. Rev. Robert Cumming of Westville was elected moderator. The claims of the Presbyterian Witness were put before the synod. This paper, although published in the interests of the church, is a private enterprise. The managers intend to issue a special fiftyth anniversary number in December and the assistance of the church was solicited.

The Halifax Ladies' College is another institution which although under the protection of the church, is not controlled by it. Its management came in for severe criticism.

The work of French evangelisation was ably presented by Rev. Mr. Mesnon. The reports of the French Missionary Society, who will be in St. John next week, addressed the synod for the purpose during the year.

Mr. Cooper of the British and Foreign Bible Society, who will be in St. John next week, addressed the synod on the work of the society. The method of appointing the standing committee of the church caused a lively discussion. It was felt that too many were appointed from the Halifax Presbytery and members of the other ten felt they had been slighted. The advantage of having the members accessible was recognized, but it was decided in the reorganization of the committee to make a more equitable arrangement.

Foreign missions were interestingly presented on Wednesday night by Rev. D. MacRae of Korea, Rev. Dr. Grant of Trinidad and Rev. Dr. Miller, the convener of the committee.

Home missions were presented by Dr. Feinberg of the Yukon Superintendant Ross and Mr. Sutherland, the convener. The report of the committee on moral and social reform caused quite an interesting debate. The majority of the committee advocated work along educational lines. Dr. McGill, on behalf of the minority, advocated more active work for social betterment and urged the church to join in the war on tuberculosis and other similar work.

The Sunday school report showed many new schools and increased attendance. All the funds were reported to be in excellent condition except the foreign mission fund. The activity of the laymen is hoped to better this. An interesting feature of the meeting was the visit of about 250 of the delegates to the agricultural school and model farm, where many of the country parsons showed themselves expert judges of stock.

Although the church is doing good and active work, yet the advance made is not great, owing to the constant drain of emigration to the west. The synod will meet in St. David's church, St. John, next October.

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THE REFORMER WHOSE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WAS BANNED BY THE HOLY RUSSIAN SYNOD



It had been arranged that Count Tolstoy's 80th birthday should be regarded as a jubilee and celebrated with considerable circumstance. The Holy Synod, however, addressed an appeal to all believers to ignore the event. This appeal did not seek to minimize the great services rendered by Count Tolstoy to literature until his 70th year, but argued that his literary activity from that point onward had shown a great change of attitude, and that in it is displayed hostility to the Christian doctrine and the Orthodox church in general.

TOLD OF MISSIONS IN ASIA MINOR

Rev. T. J. Barker in German St. Church

Only Knew of Three Mohammedans Converted and They Were Beheaded

Rev. T. J. Barker, who after an absence of eight years spent in mission work in Turkey, is now visiting his brother, G. M. Barker of this city, who was in Germany, at the Baptist church last night. He is a clear and forcible speaker and kept the close attention of the congregation for a full hour.

In opening, the speaker said that it was necessary to live for a while in a non-Christian land to appreciate the pleasure it gave him to meet again with a Christian congregation. His text was Matt. ix—28—29. The church only needs to stop and look at the multitude of heathen to be moved with compassion for them and to be impressed with the need of more laborers. To the objection sometimes given to foreign missions that there are enough heathen at home, he said they were heathen by choice.

Turning to his own field the speaker pointed out that in Asia Minor, where he labored, Mohammedanism was a predominant religion, although there were other religions among the various peoples, such as Armenians, etc. The conversion of a Mohammedan is very difficult. He only knew of three who had openly professed Christianity. These three were beheaded, as one of the tenets of the religion is that he who spares an apostate endangers his own soul. Many, however, believe secretly.

Comparing the two religions, he said that the devotion which the Mohammedans displayed might shame Christians. There is, however, a spirit about our worship which their lacks. Study of the Koran shows how much ignorance and sin their religion contains. No doubt the recent political changes will make work easier among these people. At present, however, they devote themselves chiefly to the Armenians, who are a terribly oppressed people. The American mission board entered the country with great difficulty some time ago and the missionaries they worked under many difficulties. They were only tolerated on account of the influence of their home governments. However, they see brighter days ahead.

In the little city in the Taurus Mountains where he labored, the mission had been started by a woman after a long time spent on her first approach to the city. One of the leading features of their work was the founding of orphanages and educational institutions. Both of these are important in building up the church. The children returning to their home towns take with them the lessons of Christianity. In the interest where he works, the fact that many Europeans do not reach them is regarded as a fortunate circumstance, for on the coast the influence of the foreigners is frequently debasing.

The work among the people of the country was very encouraging. Crowds were easily gathered to hear the gospel and the people were so deeply interested that the missionary could not find time to teach all who wanted to hear. Speaking of the difficulties of the work the speaker said that he had fallen into the hands of robbers and on one occasion he was almost killed. They had found, however, that the heathens more than balanced the hardships. He closed with an appeal to the congregation for the prayers and support for the work of missions.

WAR CLOUD IN THE BALKANS IS VANISHING

Servia Realizes She Can't Fight

WOULD DESTROY HER

Powers Await Result of Conference Going on in London

Belgrade, the storm centre in the present Balkan situation, has quieted down. After a long secret session the national assembly has taken no definite action with regard to making war upon Austria-Hungary. The city itself has quieted down, the people apparently realizing that war would mean the destruction of Servian nationality.

All the great powers are awaiting the report of the conference which have been going on at London and which will continue on Monday between M. Iswolsky, the Russian foreign minister, and Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary for foreign affairs. The King himself took part in the conference on Sunday, when he had as his guest at Buckingham Palace the representative of Russia, who also is completely informed on the French side.

A despatch from Gibraltar says that the British Atlantic fleet of six battleships is making ready to sail for Malta, from which the British Mediterranean fleet sailed a few days ago for the Aegean sea.

Paris hears that Great Britain is keeping Turkey advised every step of the negotiations going on between M. Iswolsky and Sir Edward Grey, to make the assent of the Porte secure, a final programme. It is expected will be definitely outlined at London on Monday.

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TRAGEDY IN HOME OF ST. JOHN FAMILY

Mrs. Thos. Culverwell Attempts Suicide

And Woman Could Not Bear To See Him Die

Thomas J. Culverwell was for years a well known resident of this city, and some years ago moved to the United States, taking up his residence in Boston, where he was engaged in business. His friends will learn with regret that he is not expected to live, having been ill for some time. The strain was so great on his wife that she attempted suicide.

The following is an article on the affair as taken from a Boston paper: Unwilling to see her husband die, Mrs. Margaret Culverwell of 3 Lincoln square, Roxbury, last night choked herself up in the sitting room of her house and inhaled gas from a tube.

While her husband on the next floor breathed his last, the woman tried every way in her power to follow him, and is now at the City Hospital, expected to die.

Her husband, Thomas J. Culverwell, aged 42 years, had been an invalid for some time with acute gastritis and a complication of stomach troubles. His malady took a serious turn at supper last evening.

Mrs. Culverwell sent her three children out on unimportant errands, and then watched the tube from her mother's mouth. She then staggered to a window and fell across the window sill just as the fresh air streamed into the room.

Dr. Pratt, who was passing the house, hurried the girl out into the air and turned her attention to Mrs. Culverwell. She was almost dead. Officer Charles Riley notified station 12 and the police ambulance drove to the house and took the woman to the hospital. In the sitting room in Mrs. Culverwell's handwriting was found. It read as follows: "Forgive me—I waited until I saw the last hope gone. I waited for three or four days in the hope that my husband would get better. I know now the end is near—I could not see it."

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 10.—Joseph O'Connor, chief of editorial staff of the Post-Express, died suddenly last night while sitting in his chair in his home in this city. Death was due to acute indigestion.

CROP ESTIMATES INDICATE AN EXCELLENT PRODUCTION

Wheat Will Probably Amount to 115,951,000 Bushels and Oats 267,651,000 Bushels—Wheat Yield of the Northwest Will Be 95,816,000

OTTAWA, Oct. 10.—The following statement of the estimated yield and quality of field crops in Canada has been given out by the census and statistics office. The returns are based upon actual threshing results so far as these have been obtained. The average yield of wheat is estimated at 37 1/2 bushels per acre, indicating a total production of 115,951,000 bushels. Oats 267,651,000 bushels. Barley, 29,3 bushels per acre; total production, 50,723,000 bushels and rye, 16,8 bushels per acre; total production, 1,835,000 bushels. Mixed grains, 32,9 bushels per acre; total production, 19,113,000 bushels. Flaxseed, 11,3 bushels per acre; total production, 1,575,000 bushels and corn for husking, 57,4 bushels per acre; total production, 2,007,000 bushels. Potatoes average 164 bushels per acre, with total production, 73,228,000 bushels. Turnips and other roots, 392,7 bushels per acre; total production, 34,675,000 bushels.

THE YIELD OF WHEAT. The yield of wheat per acre, based on the official figures for the crop of 1905, is not maintained by the present threshing results. The total yield of wheat as now estimated being 115,951,000 bushels per acre less, or a diminution in the total production as then estimated of 9,039,000 bushels, but the drop is almost entirely due to the returns from the province of Saskatchewan and Manitoba, where climatic influences appear to have had greater effect upon the yield than were indicated by the appearance of the crop at the end of August. In Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the estimated yield of wheat is 26,958,816 bushels of oats, 2,007,000 bushels, and of barley, 25,362,000 bushels.

Estimates of quality based upon threshing results are expressed as numerical percentages of a standard condition represented by 100 and the number would indicate that the grain has been well head and well shelled and have not been affected by frost, rust or smut, etc. to any appreciable extent.

Hay and clover are estimated at 1,400,000 tons per acre, the total yields being 11,442,000 tons, and fodder corn 10,9 bushels per acre; total production, 2,385,000 tons.

LEBLANC GIVEN GREAT OVATION

Popular Member For Kent Addresses Enthusiastic Audience

EMERSON SPEAKS

REXTON, Oct. 10.—The Liberal meeting which was held in the public hall here this evening was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience composed of people from different parts of the county. John Jardine occupied the chair. The first speaker was Hon. O. J. LeBlanc, who spoke in English and then in French. He referred to the intention of the Laurier government to purchase the branch railroads, which would be a great benefit to the people of Kent county. He emphatically denied the report made by Hon. D. V. Landry in this hall a week ago, that he (Mr. LeBlanc) had asked his constituents in St. Mary's to vote for the Laurier government on account of the leader being a Frenchman.

Hon. H. R. Emerson next addressed the meeting and for about an hour and a half ably discussed the questions of the day. He pointed out the great improvements made in Canada under Liberal rule. He charged the present administration with a denial and explained the charges made against the government a week ago in the hall here by Hon. W. J. Bousvar, attorney general of Vancouver. John T. Hickey, editor of the Montserrat Transcript was next called upon and elegantly explained the great progress of Canada during Liberal rule. The speakers were warmly greeted and the meeting closed with three cheers for the King, three cheers for Laurier and three cheers for O. J. LeBlanc.

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TURKIS ISLAND DAMAGED. HALIFAX, Oct. 12.—The West India Line steamer Boston, two days overdue, arrived from Turkis Island, Saturday night, after a stormy trip. The steamer reports heavy damage by storms at the island.

IN VENICE. "Yes," remarked Mrs. Malaprop in Partington, "we had a lovely time in Venice. There are no cars there, you know, because the streets are all full of water. One hires a chandler and he rows you about in a gondola."

NOT THE SUITOR'S FAULT. Fond Father (trampling with apostrophes) You are audacious! You are heartless! She is my only child! Sutor (wishing to pacify) But, my dear sir, you—er—you can't blame me!

Advertisement for a product, possibly a medicine or food, with a large illustration of a person and text describing its benefits. The text is partially obscured and difficult to read.



# CLARK SECURES CONTRACT FOR NEW GOV'T. WHARF

**West Side Contractor's Tender is the Lowest**

**New Rodney Slip Berths Ready for Next Season**

**Tenders for Courtenay Bay Dredging Art All in They Are the Lowest Ever Made for Harbor Work**

The tenders for the new government wharf in Rodney slip have been opened and though the contract has not yet been formally awarded, the Sun is able to announce that T. C. Clark, of the West Side, who has built several wharves for the city in the past, has submitted the lowest tender and will probably be given the contract. The conditions call for completion within eighteen months, and Mr. Clark says that he will easily have the new berths ready for work next season.

The tenders submitted to the department of Public Works were received by Dr. Pugsley Saturday from his chief engineer in Ottawa. Mr. Clark's tender, in the vicinity of \$250,000, was the lowest and was recommended by the engineer. The Minister in turn has recommended the acceptance of this tender to the government and the contract will probably be awarded at once.

As an instance of the Minister's care for the interests of the people of St. John it is worthy of note that by his instructions the plans upon which tenders were made provide that labor on this work must be paid not less than \$1.75 per day.

Mr. Clark when interviewed by The Sun last night was inclined to talk. He had received no word of the awarding of the contract, he said, though he had been unofficially informed that his tender was the lowest. He was in a position, he said, to start work within 24 hours and as the dredging was completed he would have no difficulty in having the berths ready for next season's traffic.

The new wharf, which is to be an extension of the Clarke and Adams wharf in Rodney slip, will run 322 feet from the northerly portion of that wharf and to the harbor line, thence down stream for 297 feet. The southerly face is a straight extension of the present wharf to the harbor line.

### Courtenay Bay Dredging

Dr. Pugsley informed The Sun last night that he had received a telegram from his chief engineer stating that several tenders were in for the dredging in Courtenay Bay and down the harbor from Sand Point, for which an appropriation of \$400,000 was provided in this year's estimates. These tenders are now being figured out according to the classification of the work and the successful competitors will be announced within a few days. Suffice it to say that the work will be done far cheaper than any dredging in this harbor heretofore. The tenders as a rule are considerably below the price paid for any of the West Side work.

### ARRESTED ON SERIOUS CHARGE

TORONTO, Ont., Oct. 11.—Wm. Jenkins, a private in the Royal Canadian Regiment at Stanley Barracks, was arrested Saturday on a charge of indecent assault on a little girl in Halifax, alleged to have been committed while Jenkins was quartered there some time ago. Jenkins was arrested at instance of Halifax authorities.

### SUDDEN DEATH OF I. C. R. CONDUCTOR

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 12.—Frank T. Etheridge, a private in the Royal Canadian Regiment, died suddenly this morning at his residence in the city. He was down town last evening and was apparently in the best of health. Mr. Etheridge returned home about 11 o'clock and at 4 o'clock was taken suddenly ill and passed away.

## LAUDS THE REFORM PARTY IN TURKEY

**Rev. T. J. Barker Declares Country is Now Enjoying Great Freedom**

### PEOPLE ELATED

Speaking to a Sun reporter of conditions in Turkey, Rev. T. J. Barker, returned missionary, warmly praised the efforts of the reform party which have lately been crowned with such signal success. During the last five years he has watched the progress of the party, which has been working secretly to free Turkey. Many of the leaders have been discovered and killed, but the movement has finally resulted in success beyond his expectations. Turkey now experiences more freedom than it ever has before and the Sultan is no longer regarded as a monarch but as a constitutional monarch. The last few months have seen a high place in the esteem of his people.

The Armenians under the old regime suffered much oppression. Among other things they were not allowed to leave the country and those who were in this country have escaped either through secrecy or by bribing officials. The restriction is now removed and as a natural result the people do not wish to leave the country. It is expected that many who are in America will return to their old homes as soon as the new parliament, which meets on November 4th, puts the seal on the new order.

The missionaries hope that the regulation allowing freedom in religious matters will make it much easier for them to work among the Mohammedans. Mr. Barker in speaking of the war which threatens to involve Turkey, said that he feared such a war would cause a setback to the plans of reform. Regarding Turkey's readiness for war, he said that all men are required by law to spend seven years in military service and in time of war every man can be called out. They are, however, not as well trained or as thoroughly equipped as modern standards would require.

## HUNTER MISTAKES MAN FOR A MOOSE

**Fires Three Shots and John Robertson Dies in Great Agony**

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 11.—John Richardson, Sable River, aged eighty years, who was shot by John Chivers of that settlement, died yesterday in intense agony.

Richardson had gone into the underbrush to gather firewood and was returning slowly with a log upon his shoulder when Chivers, who was moose hunting, mistaking him for one, fired three shots. The first two lodged in a log which Chivers supposed was the moose and finding they took no effect, aimed lower. This shot took effect and Richardson fell to the ground, groaning. Chivers ran hurriedly over expecting to find the moose dying and was horrified at his discovery. Graced with fear, he was unnerved for a time and finally regarding his reason, he sought quickly for help.

Richardson died soon after he reached his home.

### PEOPLE IN GLASS HOUSES

Fear!—Some one just laughed at our Merry Widow hats.

Eh!—Who was it, dear?

Pearl—Why, that college chap in the ingrown hat with two corners turned down and a blue and yellow band.—Detroit Tribune.

### MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

BERLIN, Oct. 11.—The international balloon race, which started today from the suburb of Semard, and was the occasion of a thrilling incident, two American aeronauts having a miraculous escape from death. The American can balloon conqueror, the only American-built craft in the contest, having on board A. Holland and Augustus Post, less than two minutes after it started, burst at an altitude of 4,900 feet. For 2,000 feet it shot down like a bullet, the aeronauts clinging to the overhanging ring, and then the torn silk spread out like a parachute and the rapidity of the descent was checked. Coming close to the earth, however, the basket dashed into the roof of a house, but the two men escaped with but slight injuries.

The cause of the accident is not known.

## SMITH MAY ALSO QUIT LIBERALS WILL REDEEM KINGS BEYOND DOUBT

**Said to be Tiring of Hopeless Fight**

**Carvell Given Rousing Reception and Closely Followed**

### McAlister Gaining Everywhere

**E. H. McAlpine is Loudly Cheered at Norton and McAlister at Collina**

HARTLAND, N. B., Oct. 11.—The largest political gathering ever seen in Kent parish was that which turned out at Bath last night to hear F. B. Carvell and his standard bearer, Joe Cready's hall, which seats over six hundred, was full and as has been the case with Mr. Carvell's meetings many were unable to get entrance. John Farley, stipendiary magistrate of Bristol, was chairman, and seated on the platform were many grey haired veterans, life-long supporters of the Liberal cause.

County Councillor John E. Kinney was the first speaker. He said he had been a life-long Conservative and hitherto a strong supporter of those now in charge at Fredericton, but he had become thoroughly disgusted with that party which did nothing but talk. The great question in that locality was the erection of a bridge across the river. "Now," said the speaker, "that bridge has been definitely promised to Bath people, and Upper Kent voters. It has been just as definitely promised to them." He will vote for the Carvell, not merely to spite the opposite party, who have shown themselves unworthy of support, but because Carvell had proved himself the stuff that parliamentarians are made of.

W. B. Moran spoke briefly but pointedly and was followed by Frank Hagerman, who in his speech, pointed out the truth about the opposing party appear ridiculous. He travels over the country selling farm machinery, and says that, some time ago he met in one day three old Conservatives who had vowed their intention to vote Liberal and every day since then he has met other men of the same mind.

Warden Frank R. Shaw, in an hour-long address, made a splendid impression. Given Close Attention.

The candidate spoke for an hour and was given the closest attention until he sat down. Among the other topics he touched on was the local matter of the bridge. Some weeks ago there was a Conservative meeting addressed by the candidate and local speakers. It had been announced that Messrs. Fleming and McAlister were to be there. Why were they not there? Because, said the speaker, they feared to answer a certain question, they were not going to do so. He has promised it to both us and to Upper Kent. Neither Fleming, Munroe, nor McLeod dare face the people of Bath or the parish of Kent at this moment.

Kent, which has always been a Liberal parish, is today solid for Carvell. Wicklow, also, is solid for Carvell, up to the fact that they want Laurier and Carvell for theirs. Throughout the county such is the word.

This week Mr. Carvell will visit Peel, the home parish of his opponent. He will speak at Mount Pleasant on Wednesday and at East Florencoville Thursday.

There is a rumor, the origin of which comes from near Florencoville, that the best friends of B. P. Smith, M. P., are advising him to put up the nomination and hold his present position. This Mr. Smith is said to be carefully considering and has openly admitted that he is not in support is too slender for safety. He also now realizes that he has lost much prestige by resigning the position the people placed him in last winter.

### LONGBOAT VICTORIOUS

TORONTO, Oct. 11.—One hundred and fifty-two sprinters started in the Ward Marathon race Saturday afternoon. The course, nineteen and a quarter miles, was won by Longboat, who having three consecutive victories to his credit, became the owner of the handsome cup given by Controller Ward as a prize. Longboat's time was one hour, fifty-one minutes and twenty-two seconds. The second man, who was a blue and yellow band.—Detroit Tribune.

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### CYCLE HUNT FOR TRUANTS

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The meeting at Collina was a great success, in spite of the fact that Dr. McAlister was suffering from a severe cold. Dr. McAlister, against the advice of his physician and friends, drove to the meeting, and his presence was the friends of his boyhood near his birthplace. He got a great reception, which was repeated again and again during his hour and a half speech. Many of those who could not support him on the local government ticket last spring will show what they can do for the boy they thought so plain and unassuming. Those who since has been with them, year after year, in their trials and sickness.

Dr. McAlister will go to Westfield tomorrow night to speak at the hall at Westfield Beach with Mrs. P. King in the evening. Tuesday evening he and Mr. King will speak at Round Hill, Greenwood, and Wednesday the people of Collina will hear him. He will speak the same evening in the temperance hall, Downeyville. The reports from all over Albert and Kings indicate that Dr. McAlister's election is surer every day.

### Friends Confident

His friends are confident. In Albert it is difficult for McAlister's betting supporters to find takers for their money and in Kings, Fowler's workers are rapidly losing heart over the prospect. It is quite evident that it is only a matter of time before the Conservative party to practice what it preaches. Purity has been the cry of the leaders of the party and their anxiety to make it a reality is evident in this regard. It has been quite amusing. A rather funny contradiction to their purity professions was apparent when the late wain stopped Saturday night at Appahqui. A Conservative chairman and county councillor left the train there and had some parcels that he was sending in for the night at Appahqui. A stalwart Liberal, amid laughter from the onlookers, groaned under the weight of a case of cholera pills. The Conservative chairman, who receives is about a quart or more of water and plenty of fresh air every day. Strange to say, Miss Godard does not feel the effects of her long fast. In fact, she feels exceedingly strong and in good spirits. She is apparently in no manner inconvenienced by not eating and the only thing that the modest young woman strongly objects to is the publicity that she is receiving. She is taking the treatment as a cure for this rare ailment and finds that she is being greatly benefited and is satisfied that she is being cured. Miss Godard says she intends to fast for five or six days longer and will not partake of food until she becomes ravenously hungry, and then she then commence eating a little at a time.

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The meeting at Collina was a great success, in spite of the fact that Dr. McAlister was suffering from a severe cold. Dr. McAlister, against the advice of his physician and friends, drove to the meeting, and his presence was the friends of his boyhood near his birthplace. He got a great reception, which was repeated again and again during his hour and a half speech. Many of those who could not support him on the local government ticket last spring will show what they can do for the boy they thought so plain and unassuming. Those who since has been with them, year after year, in their trials and sickness.

Dr. McAlister will go to Westfield tomorrow night to speak at the hall at Westfield Beach with Mrs. P. King in the evening. Tuesday evening he and Mr. King will speak at Round Hill, Greenwood, and Wednesday the people of Collina will hear him. He will speak the same evening in the temperance hall, Downeyville. The reports from all over Albert and Kings indicate that Dr. McAlister's election is surer every day.

### Friends Confident

His friends are confident. In Albert it is difficult for McAlister's betting supporters to find takers for their money and in Kings, Fowler's workers are rapidly losing heart over the prospect. It is quite evident that it is only a matter of time before the Conservative party to practice what it preaches. Purity has been the cry of the leaders of the party and their anxiety to make it a reality is evident in this regard. It has been quite amusing. A rather funny contradiction to their purity professions was apparent when the late wain stopped Saturday night at Appahqui. A Conservative chairman and county councillor left the train there and had some parcels that he was sending in for the night at Appahqui. A stalwart Liberal, amid laughter from the onlookers, groaned under the weight of a case of cholera pills. The Conservative chairman, who receives is about a quart or more of water and plenty of fresh air every day. Strange to say, Miss Godard does not feel the effects of her long fast. In fact, she feels exceedingly strong and in good spirits. She is apparently in no manner inconvenienced by not eating and the only thing that the modest young woman strongly objects to is the publicity that she is receiving. She is taking the treatment as a cure for this rare ailment and finds that she is being greatly benefited and is satisfied that she is being cured. Miss Godard says she intends to fast for five or six days longer and will not partake of food until she becomes ravenously hungry, and then she then commence eating a little at a time.

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## MOB CLASHES WITH AUTHORITIES OVER POSSESSION OF PRISONER

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Oct. 10.—In the heart of Spartanburg, with its 20,000 population, a mob of infuriated citizens, at times numbering a thousand or more, fought today and tonight with the military authorities for the possession of John Irby, a negro who attempted to ravish Miss Lillie Dempsey earlier in the day while the young woman was on her way here from Saxon Mill village, four miles away. Four persons were wounded, one of them seriously, and John Sparks, a restaurant keeper, was arrested on the charge of poisoning Sheriff Nichols, who was slightly injured in the exchange of shots.

Beginning about noon, a mob of negroes gathered about the court house square, and high wall enclosing the jail, but no leader appeared and the mob by 8.30 tonight had pretty well spent their energy and contented themselves with jeers and swearing.

### GUARD WAS AUGMENTED.

Just before midnight the guard at the jail was augmented by the arrival of the Morgan Rifles, fifty strong, from Clifton. The Hampton Guards, forty strong, and a local company of state

## SIX PERISH WHEN THE SIROCCO STRIKES A REEF AND BREAKS UP

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Oct. 10.—Six men are believed to have perished and two others were only rescued after the greatest of hardships after their vessel, the Sirocco, struck on the West Indies.

The two survivors, Mate Joseph Laing and Cook G. Roberts, were brought here on the British steamer Liverton from Galeston, which put into port today for coal. Captain Munroe and five other members of the Sirocco were last seen clinging to a piece of wreckage and have been given up as lost. The Sirocco was bound from Brunswick, Ga., to Wilson City, Bahamas. She ran into an easterly gale on Oct. 1 when off the Bahamas was demolished and after running before the wind until noon of that day, struck Mantella reef and broke up. The captain and the unfortunate five men with him were washed away with the debris from the wreck.

### GRASPED POOP DECK.

Laing and Roberts grasped a portion of the poop deck and drifted together until evening, when they were separated, the captain and the five disappearing. Roberts displayed great heroism. Several times he jumped into the water from the wreckage upon which he and his companion were cast away, and saving Laing when the latter, who could not swim, had been washed away by high waves.

The two men on their improvised craft were tossed about until last Monday noon. They were without water, food or sleep during all that time. Finally they were sighted by the Liverton and rescued in latitude 26.

# PLANS FOR ABODED REPAIRS GOES BACK AGAIN TO THE ENGINEERS

## Matter Left to Peters, Murdoch and Hunter Last May, But Plans Were Hastily Prepared While Hunter Was Out of the City and Council Wants His Approval—Afraid Cost May Exceed Estimates—Will Look Into Suggestion for Sewage Reservoir

At the adjourned meeting of the general committee of the Common Council held yesterday afternoon, it was decided to refer the plans for the repairs to the Marsh bridge abutment back to the three city engineers for their joint report. It was decided to accept a majority report for, as an Alderman remarked, if they waited for three engineers to agree it would take a long time. In their deliberations on the plans they will take into consideration Aid. Pickett's suggestion for a sewage reservoir above the bridge and also the committee's suggestion that sewers should be extended beyond the bridge. There were present Mayor Bullock, Aldermen Vanwart, McGoldrick, Lewis, Eilkin, Pickett, Kelley, Holder, Scully, Willet, Baskin, Sprout, Christie, Hamm, Baxter and Rowan, Director Peters, Superintendent Murdoch, and the common clerk. The meeting of the general committee was called to order by Mayor Bullock. The committee consisting of Aldermen Pickett, Kelley and Brink and the Director, reported that after viewing the locality in company with Aid. Sprout and Director Murdoch, they would recommend that the sewers emptying into the basin should be extended so as to discharge below the bridge at least at low water, and if it is necessary that they should discharge above the bridge at high water that a reservoir be dredged there to keep a certain amount of water always in the basin. They also complained that the plans had not yet been approved by Engineer Hunter and until this was done they would not think that tenders should be called for. Aid. Willet moved that the report be taken up section by section. Aid. Pickett said that the whole point was that the plans presented were hurriedly drawn up in a day and the estimates as hastily made. Engineer Hunter had told him that he had been deputized by the other engineers to make a survey of the proposed work. He has not yet been doing this, but the information was still in his desk and had not been called for. He had not seen the plans which were before the board. Aid. Kelley drew attention to the fact that among the sewers emptying into that place was that from the cotton factory, which discharged much offensive matter; the taxidermy and the glue factory sewers also discharged there. The Mayor asked if there had been any complaints from this section, and was answered in the negative. Superintendent Murdoch, when asked for a statement, said that Mr. Hunter had volunteered to do the work and when he wanted to draw up the plans he received from Mr. Hunter his uncompleted surveys, and had used them in his plans. He already had in his possession plans of his own more complete in details. Aid. McGowan asked if the present plans included the roller dam at the bend to retain the water of the creek at a higher level. The engineer replied that this was only a politician's scheme, and had nothing to do with the present plans. Aid. Kelley moved in amendment that the matter be referred back to the three city engineers to report jointly with all convenient speed. Aid. McGoldrick urged that this matter be hurried to completion. He thought that the work should be done this fall. Aid. Eilkin moved in amendment to the amendment that the plans should be accepted and tenders be called for immediately. Aid. Baskin, in seconding the amendment, drew attention to the fact that Engineer Hunter was still being retained at a large salary and expressed the opinion that the city could get along with one less engineer. Aid. Pickett said that the engineers had been appointed to do this work last May and now while one of them was out of town the plans had been hurriedly drawn up. After waiting since May he thought they could afford to wait a few more days to ensure having the work done properly. The amendment to the amendment was lost and the amendment, that the plans be referred back to the engineers, was carried. The meeting then adjourned.

# STRANGE TALES OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND

There is no institution that has more romance attached to it than the Bank of England. It has been nearly ruined on several occasions. It has been besieged by thieves and robbers. It has over \$500,000 thirty years ago—forgery and frauds have been practiced upon it by the most accomplished criminals in history, and yet "safe as the Bank of England" is a saying which, in spite of the institution's ups and downs, is true to the letter.

**SAVED BY A RUSE.**

Had it not been for a very smart ruse on the part of one of the directors, the bank would have smashed over as early as 1825. This is what happened. A panic spread up and down the bank-note holders, a panic that spread and spread before anyone was aware of what was happening.

One morning, just after the Bank opened, an angry and excited crowd thronged the street demanding cash for notes. There was actually double the money in notes in the hands of the bank and the outlook was a bad one. Gold had to be got in to pay off every claimant, but that took time. So the directors sent men with notes into the crowd, whose claims they attended to first, and paid each claim in sixpences and shillings. Some men walked away with sacks of shillings over their backs, but the time gained by this method of payment saved the bank, and every claim was paid.

After this the bank decided to reassure its depositors by displaying in the Bank windows and near the cashiers' desks sacks overflowing with sovereigns, but the public did not know that the sacks were full of coal with only a layer of sovereigns on top.

**BANK FOUGHT A FORGER.**

The man who gave the Bank the most trouble was one named Charles Fries, and he was given the nickname of "Old Patch" because he often wore a black patch over his right eye for no reason save as a disguise. He was one of the finest engravers in the world, beating even the Bank engravers. He put forged notes into circulation with surprising skill, and a battle royal began between him and the Bank.

Had he not been a master of disguise he would have been caught long before he was, but he managed to outwit the bank out of more than \$300,000 before he slipped into the hands of the law in a curious manner. He used to dress in a long black cloak which generally covered the lower part of his face, and although he employed more than a dozen agents

# McADAM MEN CAN'T GO BACK

## Report Says C. P. R. Won't Take Them STAYED OUT TOO LONG Supt. Downie When Seen Declined to Discuss Matter

The Sun was informed last night by telephone from McAdam that the C. P. R. mechanics who have been on strike there for some time would not be taken back as their brother workmen have been in upper Canada and the west. The reason for this was said to be that the McAdam men hold out a day longer than the western and upper Canadian men and did not come to any agreement with the company after a settlement had been effected by Bell Hardie at Winnipeg. The reason for the McAdam men delaying was said to be a misunderstanding of the terms of settlement.

Wm. Downie, superintendent of the C. P. R. in this division, when asked on the phone last night, declined to discuss the matter. He absolutely refused to say whether the strikers would or would not be taken back.

# NAVIGATED CHURCHILL HARBOR IN JUNE

## Major Moodie Reports Experience in Hudson Bay—Emigrants Being Closely Watched.

OTTAWA, Oct. 12.—In a report to Ottawa under date of July 1, Major J. D. Moodie, who is in charge of the Royal North West Mounted Police post on Hudson Bay, states that the ice in the Hudson Bay this year on June 15th. A patrol boat which left Fullerton on June 3rd found all the ice well off shore until within 100 miles of Churchill, where currents had driven the ice in shore and the patrol was detained for thirteen days near Deerpoot Point. The ice in Churchill harbor broke up on the night of June 15th but owing to continuous northerly and easterly winds the ice never got north with the current and consequently travelled in and out with the tides for some days. Major Moodie states, however, that the ice in the river a steamer would have no difficulty in working through.

The close and thorough inspection of immigrants now being maintained along the interior of the Hudson Bay is evidenced by the fact that during last month 145 persons were refused admission to Canada as being likely to prove undesirable citizens.

# FROM CHURCH TO JAIL

## Formerly in Charge of Church in Maine Now Charged With Incendiarism

HOULTON, Me., Oct. 12.—T. V. Hunter, who, up to eight months ago, was in charge of a church in Monticello, is now confined at the county jail on charges of incendiarism. The charges were made by a letter from land falls on September 28, when a house and barn were burned. Hunter was brought before trial justice George H. Donham in Island Falls today and charged with incendiarism. It was claimed that he used kerosene to start the fire and that he spilled some of the oil on a rug in his carriage, that he was seen in the vicinity on the night in question and that his answers as to his whereabouts were conflicting when the officers investigated the case.

# THE SHORT CHEAP ONES.

The only sin in limitation, as soon as you come up with a man's limitation, it is all over with him. Young people who are allured by short, cheap courses in short, cheap schools, necessarily accept short, cheap positions and go on the short, cheap list.

The motto of the Currier Business University is "Unlimited Progress." Its fees are reasonable, its terms are easy—there is no limit to the time for completing its courses—no limit to the scope or variety of its money-making ideas and system nor the amount of salary it can secure for its experienced graduates.

It offers no short cheap courses nor does it offer any short cheap positions.

this he paid in forged bills to the value of over \$510,000, and paid the amount to himself under the name of Warren at the Continental Bank. This great it did have gone on longer than the price of the Journal is six cents daily, and is more likely to be increased to eight cents or ten cents than to be reduced to two cents, as some of your newspapers have suggested. It would be impossible to publish the Journal at less than six cents. You must remember that, in addition to its voluminous letters from public men, its special literary and other supplements and its vast amount of general news, the Times carries almost as full a political report as your Congressional Record, and its commercial intelligence equal to that of your financial chronicle.

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# BIG VICTORY FOR PUGSLEY

## James Robinson So Predicts AND HE'S A TORY Tells Winnipeg Paper Province Will Elect at Least Ten Liberals

James Robinson of Miramichi, N. B., former member of the Dominion House, is a guest at the Royal Alexandra, and leaves with a party of friends for Regina tonight to attend the auction sale of western lands which is to take place there from Oct. 12 to 14.

Mr. Robinson, when asked by a reporter in respect to the coming election in New Brunswick, replied that he felt sure that the Hon. Wm. Pugsley would carry the province for the Laurier government, probably with ten Liberals to three Conservatives.

When asked how he accounted for Premier Hazen's carrying the provincial election, Mr. Robinson replied that Premier Hazen did not appeal to the people on party lines.

Mr. Robinson, who has been a life-long Conservative, sat two terms in the House of Commons as member for Northumberland. He was the nominee of the Conservative party at the last Dominion election and was defeated at the polls by W. S. Loggie, the Liberal standard bearer. It was generally expected that Mr. Robinson would again be the Conservative nominee in Northumberland, but Mr. Morrison canvassed the constituency pretty thoroughly and succeeded in gaining a majority of the vote over Mr. Robinson at the Chatham convention.

Mr. Robinson knows the general situation in New Brunswick as few men do and although an out and out Conservative, he realizes that his party is doomed to a bitter defeat in this province.

# LORD NORTHCLIFFE TO TAKE LONG HOLIDAY IN STATES

## Discusses Future of Newspapers and Refers to London Times.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Lord Northcliffe, the head of the Harmsworth group of newspapers, arrived yesterday on the Cunard liner Lusitania, accompanied by Lady Northcliffe, his mother, Mrs. E. H. Harmsworth, and his daughter, Douglas Pennant. He is to take two months' holiday here and incidentally to watch the election in November.

Lord Northcliffe spoke in the high terms of the seagull qualities of the Lusitania. If it had not been for the long delay, due to a fog at Queens-town, where the liner had to call for the mails, he said, she would have been at her pier on Thursday night. He hoped that the British authorities would make some change in the near future, so that the call at Queens-town would be eliminated and the public would receive the full value of the speed of the Lusitania, and Mauretania by having the mails delivered in England and America under five days.

Personally, I have come for a little holiday, but on the election and to talk with many old American friends. I notice that some of the American newspapers are smaller in size than they used to be, and I fancy that the reason for this is the growth of the limit in that direction. The paper must inevitably rise in price. Prodigal extravagance in the cutting down of forests, forest fires and the increasing demand for wood of the spruce tree, causing the growth of newspapers all over the world, must have only one end unless some of our inventive geniuses can help the situation by discovering a substitute for wood pulp.

Various different materials have been tested, but vainly. There is nothing like wood.

"Even American resourcefulness and ideas cannot grow a paper tree in fewer than thirty days. Therefore, in my opinion, many of your daily journals must reduce their size or increase their price in the future. I am in favor of the smaller size rather than the larger newspaper, although I have no rooted prejudice either way.

"The statement that I have gained control of the London Times is as true as it would be to say that I control the Mississippi, with Lincoln once compared it. The London Times has never in its history been controlled by any one individual. Its opinions are as they always have been, the consensus of thought of a staff which is in daily communication with the world's movements. The editor-in-chief, Mr. G. E. Buckle, has as manager in chief, Mr. Moberly Bell, who is well known of this side of the Atlantic, and the chief of the foreign department, in which the Times is so distinguished, is Mr. Valentine Chirol. The price of the Journal is six cents daily, and is more likely to be increased to eight cents or ten cents than to be reduced to two cents, as some of your newspapers have suggested. It would be impossible to publish the Journal at less than six cents. You must remember that, in addition to its voluminous letters from public men, its special literary and other supplements and its vast amount of general news, the Times carries almost as full a political report as your Congressional Record, and its commercial intelligence equal to that of your financial chronicle.

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# SHIPS TO HAVE A NEW CHANNEL

## Government Dredge at Work MOVING FOUL GROUND When Work is Done Vessels Will Have Straight Channel to Bay

The government dredge Fielding has for the past couple of weeks been at work on the southern and western end of the foul ground and has found the work rather difficult. It is the intention to remove this section for some distance, so that the foul ground buoy may be moved about 200 feet eastward. The majority of the pilots are of the opinion that if this section of the foul ground can be successfully removed, that it will be one of the best pieces of dredging that can be done for the benefit of the port. Those on the dredge, however, find the work quite difficult on account of the big boulders and hard clay that forms the bottom. It is thought that it will take about all this fall to accomplish the work, but extra efforts are being made to finish work before the winter season commences. Large boulders weighing tons, and bigger than the buckets, are being lifted, and these cause considerable delay on account of the damage they sometimes do to the buckets and other sections of the gear. It is the opinion that no other dredge than one of the Fielding type can accomplish the work at this section owing to the sea, which causes the dredge to roll about considerably.

When this western end of the foul ground is removed, and the Partridge Island bar bell buoy placed where the old buoy sank, which is about six hundred feet west of where the buoy is now located, there will be given an almost straight channel to the bay, and not the crooked one that has now to be used by the ships. A number of persons who have been saying that the Fielding is not always at work, would do well to visit the scene of operation. They would then more fully understand the great necessity of dredging that are occasioned by the difficult work that she is at present successfully performing.

# SPLENDID MEETING HELD AT WESTFIELD

## Speeches Delivered by McAlister, McAlpine, King and Price

A magnificent meeting was held in the Agricultural Hall at Westfield last evening in the interest of Dr. McAlister. Mr. F. Nase was in the chair. Dr. McAlister, E. H. McAlpine and Mrs. E. King spoke for the Lusitania and were enthusiastically received and listened to with the greatest interest.

Milton E. Price of St. John, who was present on behalf of Geo. W. B. wished and gives an attentive hearing.

The meeting closed with enthusiastic cheers for Dr. McAlister.

# MEXICAN DIET

## Not Conductive to American Energy

"After about thirteen years in Mexico where I was on a Mexican diet into which coffee and greasy food entered largely, I found that everything I ate spoiled my digestion." writes a man from our neighboring republic.

"Nervous breakdown with pain in the heart caused me to give up mental work. After trying various stomach remedies without benefit, I found relief at last, by eating Grape-Nuts and cream.

"I could digest Grape-Nuts and the heart and nervous systems soon improved to such an extent that I could do some brain work and a fair day's manual labor.

"When away from home I get out of sorts eating wrong food, but at home a few days on Grape-Nuts puts me right again."

"I once worked 10 consecutive hours on a diet without much fatigue, by having a small box of Grape-Nuts in my pocket and eating a little dry, whenever I felt faint. I can now teach a day without fatigue, after a breakfast of Grape-Nuts and cream, stewed fruit, toast and Postum.

"That old dull feeling, when I tried to live on my former diet, has disappeared and the delightful sensation of being fully nourished is present now. And the smile on our 18 month old boy at a sight of a Grape-Nuts package is worth seeing." "There's a Reason."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Well-being," in pigks.

Ever Read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true and full of human interest.

# PREPARATIONS FOR WINTER PORT BUSINESS RECEIVE ATTENTION

## Board Wants Dredge Fielding to Clean Up West Side Berths—Failing This City Dredge Will Attempt the Work—Asks Railway to Lay Tracks on McLeod Wharf—Will Not Allot Berths Before Arrangements are Made for Floating Elevator

At the conclusion of the council meeting yesterday afternoon the Board of Works held a special meeting with the chairman, Aid. McGoldrick, presiding.

Plans for completing the work of cleaning up the Union wharf berths were discussed and the suggestion was made that the dredge Fielding should be secured to do the work. A committee was appointed to interview the Minister of Public Works on the subject. If this cannot be done, the city dredge will be put to work on the job and if it can be shown that the Mayor contract was not completed, it will be taken to recover the cost of dredging.

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The chairman stated that some dredging was required at berths Nos. 2, 3 and 4. West St. John, and this matter was before the meeting. The contract with Mr. Mayes and the dredge which had been working there claimed that he had finished the contract, but the engineer reported that the berths were not yet in order.

Ald. Baxter explained that the Dominion government was paying for this work on receipt of progress estimates. If the city has to do the work and the government will not repay the expenditure, the city will have to bring suit against Mr. Mayes for the amount.

The contract with Mr. Mayes and a letter from him claiming that he had done more than his contract called for, were read.

No definite information seemed to be available regarding the amount of dredging required. The ability of the city dredge to do the work was questioned, but the director thought that it could remove the matter which is supposed to be all right.

Ald. Eilkin moved that the city dredge be put to work and an account be kept.

# FANATICISM IS SAID TO BE RIFE IN MOROCCO

This is the feast of Mulai Idris, patron saint of Fez, and the town of Fez is in uproar.

The celebration is a more enthusiastic one than usual, because the people have been long in a state of suppressed excitement, awaiting the signal for the revolution that is to be along when Mulai Idris is recognized formally by the powers. So the feast of Mulai Idris affords them an excuse for giving vent to their feelings, and they are making the most of it. They are wearing European clothes must have a military air, and I rode from the house which I have taken in the old town to visit Kaid Belton in his house in the new town. He rode took me over half-an-hour, and I saw many strange and nasty sights.

I think the most revolting of all the ceremonies observed on this day is the one in which the streets are cleaned by a frenzied rabble of men, preceded and followed by wildly excited children, many of them actually weeping with fright, yet too fascinated to get away. The rabble is hustled along in the thickest of the crowd, and at a sudden signal the participants in the ceremony fall on the creature with their bare hands and teeth, tear it to pieces, and literally devour it alive.

**THE SACRIFICED SHEEP.**

They drive their fingers with a superhuman strength, born of excitement, through nose and hide, and flesh, tear out handfuls and devour them, reeking and raw. In a little while nothing remains but a mass of carrion at the street corner, at which passing horses shy wildly, and over which buzzes a crowd of hateful flies.

Some of the feats performed under the stimulus of fanaticism are almost incredible. I saw a lank, fair-haired countryman, his body almost bare, his head bound with rope, rush at a water-carrier, place his mouth to the jet-hole, and drink until the goat-skin was dry. One old man struck himself again and again about the head and face with a handful of stones until the blood gushed out. Yet the man would not stop, showing a howling with undiminished vigor. Some went through the street with staving eyes fixed on nothing, chewing glass and iron filings, tearing their clothes, and those of other people, too, tearing and moaning, and calling convulsively upon Mulai Idris. Every tenth minute was punctuated by the report of a rifle or cannon.

The ride was an interesting one, but, despite my military escort, there were moments when I regretted that I had come out absolutely unarmed from fear that the sight of a revolver might have caused trouble. However, beyond black looks and only half-understood curses, I met with no trouble, and arrived safely at the house given to Kaid Belton by the Sultan.

**RULE BRITANNIA.**

Here I found the Kaid himself, Mr. Redman, who was being fired in the man, and Dr. Wilkinson, the Sultan's physician.

How far it is true that Mulai Idris is favorable to Englishmen in general I am not prepared to state; but he is obviously very partial to the society of these three particular Englishmen. His demands upon their time are incessant, and he is for ever finding some pretext to send for one or other of them. During the four or five times that I have visited him, my arrival here, I do not think I have ever seen all three present in the house for more than a few minutes at a time.

For, for instance, as we were about to sit down to lunch, the doctor was summoned by the Sultan to attend an officer who had just had his thigh blown off. The man had half been standing in front of a cannon while the Sultan was being fired in the palace ground, and was thrown down and severely injured. Thereupon, the Sultan instantly sent for his doctor, and watched the treatment of the case with keen interest.

Mr. Redman's services are also in constant demand at the palace. By virtue of a life-long residence in the country, he speaks the language like a native, and consequently is continually called on to act as interpreter.

**THE MULAIS' ALLIES.**

Mulai Idris undoubtedly takes a great interest in his Englishmen, and I have seen several presents which bear witness to his kindness. Since his appointment as commander of the Sultan's forces, Kaid Belton has been seriously ill, and during the time of his illness the Sultan made daily inquiries as to his progress and sent him many costly gifts. He also designed personally the uniform worn by the Kaid, and compelled the tailors who executed the design to work under his own eye.

Mulai Idris, it is very evident, believes in doing thoroughly all that he does. Not the smallest detail of the routine of his affairs is allowed to pass without his knowledge, and he makes a point of going through every item of the State business, transacted by his ministers.

He, at least, is not likely to be a tool in the hands of other people. Naturally he is at present kept busy enough, but yet, it is said, found an opportunity of receiving the German Consul, who returned this week to Fez. His Majesty goes to the shrine of Mulai Idris today.

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## A CONSPIRACY OF SLANDER

Disappointed in their attempt to force the Minister of the Crown, Dr. Pugsley, to resign, the Conservative party have resorted to a conspiracy of slander, in the hope of bringing about the resignation of the Minister of the Crown, Dr. Pugsley, by means of a public attack on his character and his political position.

For months Mr. Mayes, aided by Mr. Baxter, has been endeavoring to sell discredit to the government at the expense of the Minister of the Crown, Dr. Pugsley, by means of a public attack on his character and his political position.

Personal entreaties failing, effort was made to induce prominent citizens, by means of "take-offs," to bring pressure to bear upon the Minister. Failing this, Mr. Mayes, as the Minister declared in his interview published elsewhere, openly offered to contribute \$20,000 to the Liberal campaign fund if his demands were granted.

If the Minister had anything to fear from these "exposures," if anything which he could not truthfully say could touch his character, he could at any time have published his "campaign fund" by the sum of \$20,000.

Hence, the "bombshell" statement which Mr. Hazen delivered with such pleasant effect at the Conservative meeting last night.

And what are these charges with which those whose raid of the public treasury has been followed by a "take-off" to get "revenge"? So far as Dr. Pugsley is concerned, they are simply that he sent Mr. Mayes to Mr. George McAvity as a "take-off" for his dredging business, and that subsequently he demanded and received \$2,500 for his work in this connection and for services which he is alleged to have promised in the future.

And Mr. McAvity, even his political opponents will admit, is quite able to take care of himself. The Sun was unable to get a statement from him up to the late hour when the report of Mr. Mayes' sensational reached this office.

## THE WAY PROVINCIAL MONEY GOES

Some of the enemies of Dr. Pugsley have been endeavoring to injure him by stating that he and other members of the late provincial government were in the habit of drawing money from the public treasury for their personal use, without regard to whether it was owing to them or not.

## THE OUTLOOK

Summing up the political situation in the province, the Outlook writes: "The Conservative party, which has been accused of being a party of the past, is now a party of the future."

## A SCANDAL THAT FAILED

The latest Conservative slander has provided just the spark needed to fire the fighting spirit of the St. John Liberals in their campaign. Hitherto largely because of the general impression that the contest was too one-sided, interest has not been keen and white the Liberals have been confident by figuring out their majority, Daniel and Mackie have been setting in some quiet but energetic work.

Not only have they to face a party whose name has been touched and loyalty stimulated by unjust persecution of a leader whom they honor and whose services to this constituency are gratefully remembered, but they also have the disquieting and decent element of this community who resent such political tactics as have been recently resorted to by the Conservative party.

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Not only has it been conclusively proved by the emphatic assertion of the Minister supported by three affidavits from prominent and reputable citizens that the charges which have been heralded so seasonally from the sputtering product of foiled extortionists and could have been easily prevented by the purchase of Mr. Mayes' dredge at its own price, but already the only part of Mr. Mayes' statement which reflected upon Dr. Pugsley's honor has been disproved and withdrawn by the slanderer himself.

## LABOR AND THE PARTIES

While the Conservative party is posing as the friend and patron of Labor, the Liberals have added to their program a portfolio of Labor, while the Conservatives are promising to fight the interests of Labor, the Liberals have added to their program a portfolio of Labor, while the Conservatives are promising to fight the interests of Labor.

## FOSTER, FOWLER AND THE FORESTERS

Referring to Mr. Foster's action for libel against a Quebec politician who charged him with being responsible for the increase in Foresters' insurance rates, the Conservative Montreal Star proposes to the editor and prospective Finance Minister the same dilemma suggested by The Sun: He sees one man making a certain charge presumptuously, but other individuals and newspapers have made charges more damaging to his character, and he has not taken any action against them.

## THE G. T. P. BOGEY

An anonymous letter addressed, in excellent English, to Sir Wilfrid Laurier from "A French Canadian," is going the rounds of the Conservative press. Its purport is that the Grand Trunk Pacific is to cost \$250,000,000 or more and that it is impossible for the company ever to make it pay.

## MR. FOSTER SUES

George E. Foster has brought action for libel against J. W. Levesque of Laval, P. Q., who in a recent speech declared that "Foster had speculated with the funds of the I. O. F. and that he was the legal adviser of the I. O. F. and had caused the loss of \$1,000,000 of the premiums and reduce the value of the policies from the face value of \$1,000,000."

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## VAST ASSEMBLY OF CONSERVATIVE MEMBERS OF CONSERVATIVE CLARDED

### Only Charge That Touched His Honor Has Been Already Withdrawn by Mayes

### Conservative's Error in Charging That Pugsley as Minister Had Taken Money in His Whole Business Three Years Ago—Every Detail Explained by Reference to Records—A Splendid Reception—Fighting Speeches by Pender, H. J. Logan and Chas. Manich—Thousands Turned Away for Lack of Space

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The crowd outside extended right up the corner of Cavendish street. The Hon. Mr. Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, was the center of attraction. He was surrounded by a large number of Conservatives, many of whom were members of the Conservative Club. The Hon. Mr. Pugsley was seen to shake hands with many of the members of the club, and to receive a number of bouquets. The Hon. Mr. Pugsley was seen to shake hands with many of the members of the club, and to receive a number of bouquets. The Hon. Mr. Pugsley was seen to shake hands with many of the members of the club, and to receive a number of bouquets.

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### Wards Report Splendid Progress

### Great Preparations Being Made for Liberal Smoker

Last night's magnificent meeting and dinner in the Victoria ward headquarters of the Liberal candidates for the coming election, was a most successful one. The meeting was held in the Victoria ward headquarters, and was attended by a large number of Liberals. The dinner was a most excellent one, and was followed by a most interesting and successful meeting. The meeting was held in the Victoria ward headquarters, and was attended by a large number of Liberals. The dinner was a most excellent one, and was followed by a most interesting and successful meeting.

## Beware of Mercury

A favorite method of administering this deleterious drug is in cathartic pills. Beware of "quick-result" articles, they may do more harm than good. Drastic cathartics will weaken the strongest. With old people there is a positive menace to life. Merely to restore normal bowel action and gently stimulate the liver is all that the wise physician recommends.

Dr. Hamilton's Pills for Biliousness. To keep the system pure and clean, nothing is so efficacious as the vegetable pills of Dr. Hamilton, which are composed of such herbs as mandarin, nutmeg and cardamom; they contain not an atom of any substance that could injure even an infant. By their use in constipation, the liver is stimulated, the bowels are moved, the system is purified, and the best one.

One of the most scrupulous politicians was the Hon. Mr. Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, who was charged with the granting of a contract for the dredging of the harbor in 1905. Mr. Pugsley was seen to shake hands with many of the members of the club, and to receive a number of bouquets. The Hon. Mr. Pugsley was seen to shake hands with many of the members of the club, and to receive a number of bouquets.

Mr. Mayes' tender was grossly misrepresented. The facts were that the department had received several tenders for the dredging of the harbor in 1905, and that Mr. Mayes' tender was the lowest. The department had accepted Mr. Mayes' tender, and had awarded him the contract. Mr. Mayes, in a subsequent letter, stated that he had been offered a contract for the dredging of the harbor in 1905, and that he had accepted it on the understanding that he would receive a certain sum of money as a bribe.

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# MAYES ADMITS THAT THE ONLY STATEMENT IN HIS AFFIDAVIT REFLECTING ON PUGSLEY WAS AN ERROR



MR. JAMES PENDER  
The Next Representative of St. John City in the House of Commons

(Continued from page 1)

New, Ladies and Gentlemen, whether it is a fact that the original declaration made by Mr. Mayes states the year as 1905 or 1907, I have no knowledge, because although I sought to obtain access to the original declaration I was unable to do so. It may be, however, that Mr. Mayes thought that I would not be able to recall the date of the note, which is not in my possession, but presumably in his, and that it would make a most telling indictment against me if he could have it appear that the note was given to me after I became a minister. I am confirmed in having this suspicion from the fact that a short time ago C. J. Osman came to me and told me that Mr. Mayes had informed him that he had given me a note for \$2,000, and MR. OSMAN WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT MR. MAYES HAD TOLD HIM IT WAS GIVEN WHILE I WAS A MINISTER. Then it appears from a statement which arose in connection with the work, BUT IN THE SUMMER OF 1907, WHEN I BECAME A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT AND MINISTER, I CEASED THE PRACTICE OF LAW AND FROM THAT TIME ON I NEVER ACTED IN ANY WAY FOR MR. MAYES. He retained other counsel, and the relationship which had for so many years existed between us ceased altogether.

As Minister of Public Works I have been called upon to deal with the subject of Mr. Mayes' contracts, and the record will show that I would treat him in all respects as I would treat any other contractor who was entitled to fair consideration and nothing more.

Let me call your attention to a letter written on the 23rd November, 1907, by Mr. Mayes to me, which is as follows:

### SOME MAYES' LETTERS.

November 23, 1907.  
Hon. Wm. Pugsley,  
Minister of Public Works,  
Ottawa:

Dear Sir—Permit me to call your attention to the fact that I have not been paid for any work for the last three months. This is entirely due to the appropriation having been exhausted, and does not reflect upon anybody. Notwithstanding that at your request, I have prosecuted this work under my contract just as diligently as if I were receiving the money regularly. I am sure you can understand what a burden this has imposed upon me when you consider the extreme difficulty of getting money from our banks for any purpose. I have a large overdraft for which I am paying a heavy rate of interest. Had I so chosen, I could have stopped work altogether and thereby practically stopped my expenditure, but the result would have been that the work would not have been advanced to an extent necessary to provide for the opening of the winter port season, which it practically is to-day. Under these circumstances I would suggest that you SHOULD CANCEL MY OLD CONTRACT AND SUBSTITUTE A NEW CONTRACT EMBODYING ALL THE WORK WHICH REMAINS UNPERFORMED AT THAT DATE, together with the work since awarded to me and which has recently been surveyed by Messrs. Valliquet and Holt, this work to be at the same schedule as paid to the Dominion Dredging Company, for not so difficult a work as we have had the section which contains nearly all the boulders in that vicin- ity, entailing serious breakage and great expense. Besides this, you will find upon inquiry, that before I entered upon my first contract a great portion of the high water work which be-

## Withdraws Offensive Declarations in Letter to Minister ---Pugsley Completely Vindicates Himself Before Record Breaking Audience at Opera House Eloquent and forcible addresses delivered by Mr. Pender, the Hon. Charles Marcil, and Mr. H. J. Logan of Cumberland

longed to it had been removed by the local government dredges. Consequently I have always had an undue proportion of low water work which has added very materially to the difficulties of my work. Trusting that this request may receive your most favorable consideration, I remain,  
Yours sincerely,  
G. S. MAYES.

To which I replied on the 18th December, 1907, as follows:

Dear Sir:  
I have had under careful consideration your letter of the 23rd ult., asking to be relieved of your contract of the 30th September, 1906, and AFTER CONSULTING WITH THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF MY DEPARTMENT AND EXAMINING THE CONTRACT AND SPECIFICATIONS VERY CAREFULLY, I HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO COMPLY WITH YOUR REQUEST, and I proceed as rapidly as possible and complete the work required under said contract.

As further evidence of the fact that I was absolutely ignorant of Mr. Mayes and sought to guard in every way the public interest, I will go back to October 1907, when I received from the Resident Engineer a telegram of that date, as follows:

Oct. 10, '07.  
Hon. Wm. Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, Ottawa.  
My dredge Beaver has been working nearly three years without being registered and there are necessary for registering next week for tendering other works prefer not to.

Oct. 12, '07.  
J. K. Scammell, C. E., St. John, N. B.  
Your telegram received. Carry out instructions of Chief Engineer.

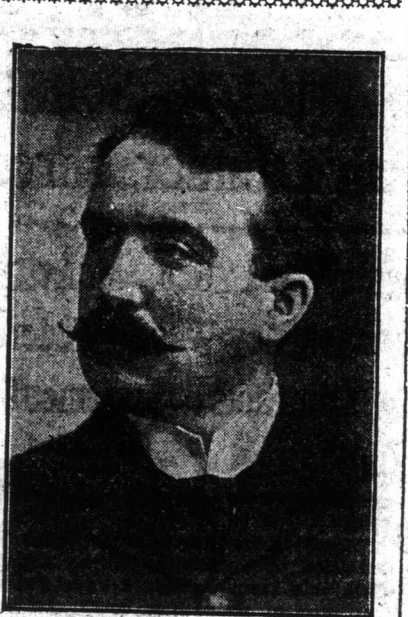
May 18.  
Hon. Dr. Pugsley, Ottawa, Ont.  
My dredge Beaver has been working nearly three years without being registered and there are necessary for registering next week for tendering other works prefer not to.

May 18.  
G. S. Mayes, St. John, N. B.  
Same condition is in all advertisements issued calling for dredging tenders and it is impossible to make exception in your case.

WILLIAM PUGSLEY.  
Agra, In July, 1908, I received from Mr. Mayes a letter under date of 25th of that month as follows:

Hon. William Pugsley, Esq., M.P.,  
Minister of Public Works,  
Ottawa.  
Dear Dr. Pugsley—I wired you yesterday that my work was completed and now beg to confirm it by letter. So far as the removal of the core was concerned this was a great surprise to us all, including your engineers. The plan, dated 1st June last, showed dimensions which were also included in the specifications, calling for the removal of 12,000 yards. It was rather surprising, therefore, when the removal of 3,000 yards completed the job. As it is very evident that another error has been made, perhaps you will be good enough to point out some 8,000 yards for me to do elsewhere. I understand that the Railway Department want the berth at the Ballant wharf cleaned up. If so, I am ready and willing to do the work. I remain, yours truly,  
Signed,  
G. S. MAYES.

P. S.—May I call your attention again to the very large amount of money in hold-backs on progress estimates which are now due to me on these accounts. Please have the payments made as soon as possible as I have use for the funds.  
G. S. M.  
Then came a telegram, to me under date of 10th August, 1908, as follows:  
Hon. William Pugsley,  
Ottawa.  
Have kept crew on dredge await-



HANCE J. LOGAN.

ing possible word from you as to dredging Ballant wharf berths. It can be done more satisfactorily this time of year as place is badly exposed to fall and winter weather. Can you kindly arrange this now.  
G. S. MAYES.

To which I replied on the same date as follows:

May 18.  
G. S. Mayes, St. John, N. B.  
Regret unable to comply with your request.  
WILLIAM PUGSLEY.  
This correspondence, taken from a mass of letters and telegrams, will convince I think any unprejudiced mind that I, as Minister, did not act like a man who felt that he was under any obligation to Gershon S. Mayes, might be cheerfully say with regard to him, as with regard to other persons who have done business with my department, that I have always acted in what I thought to be in the interest of the public and not of any individual.

### DELIBERATE BLACKMAIL.

I now come to what, I think, the most serious part of this business, and that is the deliberate attempt made by Mr. Mayes to blackmail me into purchasing his dredge and making a settlement of claims which he professed to have against the department.

In the month of May last, Mr. Mayes wrote me a letter which contained the following statement:

"I am also willing, if you see fit, to sell my dredge and spows to the government at a reasonable price. As a compensation for the opportunity of which I have been deprived as well as for the great and unforeseen difficulties which I have encountered in their removal, I suggest that you should pay me the sum of \$5.00 per cubic yard under the first contract."

"To that letter I do not appear to have made any reply. Later on both Mr. Mayes and Alderman Baxter, his solicitor, spoke to me several occasions with regard to the purchase of the dredge, and on more than one occasion Mr. Baxter informed me that unless Mr. Mayes could be satisfied in this way the public might hear some things in connection with the dredging that I would greatly desire should not be known."

"I learned by mail, by telegraph and other means that Mayes and Baxter had endeavored to urge the purchase of the dredge by enlisting the influence of my friend, the Hon. C. J. Osman, Mr. Percy W. Thomson and F. W. Holt. Mr. Mayes will remember, wanted \$100,000 for the dredge and if the government would pay that sum for it the whole matter would be hushed up. He said to it that the information reached me that photographs had been obtained of his note and checks and he was good enough to say through Mr. Holt that if the purchase was made on his terms that the photographs would be burned and the suit against Mr. McAvity discontinued."

### MAYES' THREATS.

Later he came to see me personally. He talked in a gentle but threatening manner and referring to his relations with Mr. McAvity suggested that the dredge should be sold to him, but that any claims he might have would be treated on their merits and that I would be willing to purchase the dredge at a reasonable price. He suggested that the purchase should be made through an agent. I told him that my department was not desirous of purchasing a dredge, but that this could be done quite satisfactorily without the assistance of an agent. He said, moreover, that this purchase if made, would be completed at a price not greater than the actual value of the dredge. As to this price I was head of the department would be governed by the report of my inspector. Mr. Mayes went on to intimate that \$20,000 might be taken off the price for

use in the campaign. I invited Mr. Mayes to open the door and walk out, which he did." (Cheers and laughter.) Mr. Pugsley then read Mr. Baxter's telegram urging that the dredge be bought, his reply to the telegram, Mr. Teed's letter demanding the return of the \$2,000 and his reply to this—all of which are given separately on page five of this issue.

After reading the telegram above mentioned, Mr. Pugsley said: "Reading between the lines you can see plainly that Mr. Baxter conveyed to me the intimation that unless the dredge was purchased Mayes would carry out his threats."

### WHO USED TEED'S NAME?

"My reply was sent to Mr. Teed on Oct. 12th. Mr. Teed, as I know, was out of the city, yet such was the anxiety of Mr. Mayes and his friends to force this affair to a crisis that a writ was issued in Mr. Teed's name, although he was not in the city, and served on me yesterday."

It is bad enough to threaten any citizen with blackmail, but if a man comes to me as a Minister of the crown and asks me to buy a dredge at a price far greater than its value under threats of blackmail I say no act could be more damnable than this. (Hear, hear!)

The penalty of blackmail is the penitentiary, but for such an act there should be a far greater penalty. I charge Mr. Hazen, the Premier of this province, with being a party to this act and with having this knowledge in his possession and keeping it back until this time for his own purposes.

I charge J. B. M. Baxter, who I understand is president of the Liberal Conservative organization in this city, with being a party to this, for he is shown by his telegrams and letters that Mr. Mayes was holding out this threat that it might be brought out in the hottest part of the campaign in the hope that Mr. Daniel would be frightened by it. I charge him with being a party with Mr. Mayes to this attempt to blackmail me.

I would be sorry to say that Dr. Daniel and Dr. MacRae, the Conservative candidates, are party to this outrageous plot, but they must share the responsibility and take the consequences, as they have placed them in the hands of these men as party managers. With the criminals must rest the responsibility.

Mr. Pugsley then read the affidavits of Geo. McAvity, John E. Moore and F. W. Holt, given on pages one and two of this issue.

"Now, ladies and gentlemen, have I not convinced you by this unqualified evidence that a willful, deliberate criminal effort was made to blackmail me into buying Mr. Mayes' dredge at a price far beyond its value? These mean, contemptible and disreputable tactics are the most disgraceful ever carried out by any political party. I am sorry that my opponents have fallen so low. It looks as if the leaders of the Conservative party were willing to resort to any trick, to any crime, in order to injure me."

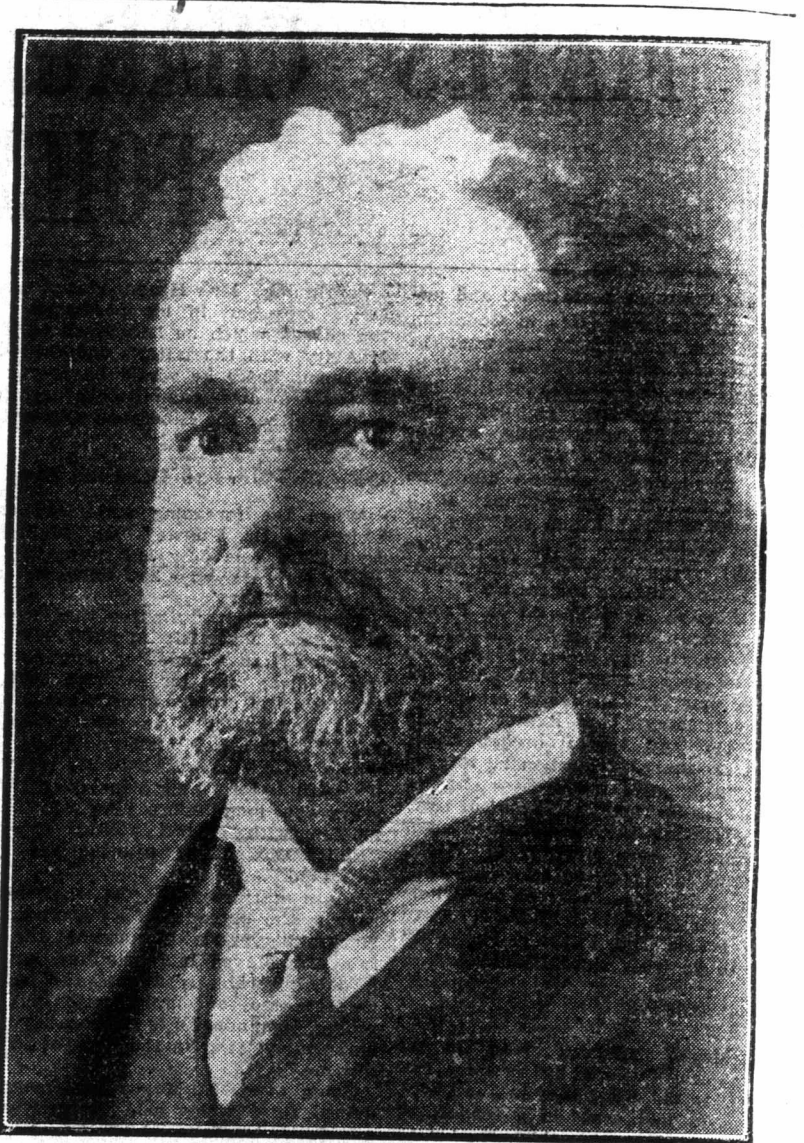
I regret to say that they are descending to the lowest and most sordid attacks not only on the public platform but they are sending secret emissaries all over the country to repeat from house to house vile slanders that they dare not speak in public where they could be refuted.

All over Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific the opposition find that they cannot attack the Liberal party as they are resorting to the grossest slanders in their efforts to discredit the Liberal party.

Now I have laid the facts before you these vile and miserable slanders, and when the electors go to the polls on Oct. 18 I want them to remember that this is one of the issues and they will have to say by their votes whether they approve of these methods and the men who use them.

### THE PARROT CRY.

The only cry of the opposition is "It's time for a change." This cry is an insult to the intelligence of a country unless they can show why there should be a change. What bet-



HON. WILLIAM PUGSLEY  
The Next Representative of St. John City and County in the House of Commons

ter representative could you find to St. John than the Hon. Wm. Pugsley. (Cries of "None," and cheers.) Do you want to change Laurier for Borden, that little man from Nova Scotia? ("No, no, no.") Do you want to exchange Fielding Foster for Foster? Even the Conservative papers are trying to save Canada from Mr. Foster.

He compared Canada to a ship which under Foster's command came into port dismantled, harrassed, covered, with a heavy deficit. After a change of captains the stately ship came into port in splendid condition with the coffers full. What would you think of the owner if he would change back to Foster because "it is time for a change?" (Laughter.)

He next addressed himself to the working men present and challenged any one to show that the Conservatives had done anything for Labor day, men except establishing Labor day, was not worth the paper on which it was written, and the establishing a bureau of labor statistics. Compared with this he showed that the Liberals had given the alien labor law, the 3500 millita law and had put into effect the conciliation act. In all, he said, Canada has the most advanced labor legislation of any country with the possible exception of New Zealand. (Cheers.)

He asked what better friends the representatives the working men could have than Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Pender, and urged his hearers to send them back to Ottawa to carry on the great policy of the Liberal party.

Continued applause marked the close of Mr. Logan's remarks.

HON. CHARLES MARCIL.  
The next speaker was Hon. Charles Marcil, the deputy speaker of the House of Commons. In opening his speech Mr. Marcil said that Providence had blessed Laurier with an Irish mother and because of her he was able to speak to the audience in English.

He denied that the French Canadians supported Laurier because of their religion, and showed by their political record that this was not so. He traced Laurier's career and related to the leadership of the party. Now he said it is not every man proud to say he is a fellow countryman of Laurier? (Cheers for Laurier.) The Liberal leader had indeed brought peace and prosperity to the country.

He asked if the electors on Oct. 18th would lay aside party prejudice and give honor to whom honor is due. The source before 1894 that it had now, then did not know how to manage the affairs of the country to bring about the prosperity it now enjoys. Quebec and would give Laurier 55 out of the 65 seats in the province. (Cheers.)

He asked the people of St. John to stand by the men who made the country great and to vote for Laurier by voting for Pugsley and Pender. After the applause had subsided three cheers were given for Mr. Marcil. This was followed by cheers for the Pugsley, the candidates and the King.

After the meeting closed the barouche containing Mr. Pugsley, Mr. Marcil and Mr. Logan was escorted to the Royal Hotel by the Young Liberals' Club with tremendous cheering. On arriving at the hotel the occupants of the barouche were elevated on the shoulders of the crowd and carried into the building. Frolics and cheers were given for the party and its representatives and the crowd dispersed, feeling that they had taken part in a demonstration that will be an important one in the history of St. John politics.

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# SAY ERB WAS BEATEN WHILE HE LAY ON THE FLOOR DYING

## Bloody Hand Prints Point Trail Wounded Man Took, Asserts Detective—Erb's Widow is Planning Flight



MRS. CATHERINE BEISEL.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 14.—Bloody smears that may be handprints of pools where a wounded man may have lain have been discovered in the hallway near Clayton Erb's bathroom door at "Red Gables," fully eight feet from the place where the body was found last Tuesday night.

The sensational discovery has caused the detectives and other connected with the commonwealth's case against Mrs. Erb and her sister, Mrs. Beisel, to revise their theory of killing. "We now believe," said one of these men last night, "that Erb was induced to come from his room by the hammering upon his bedroom door with the brass cuspidor; that as he came into the narrow passage through the bathroom door he was struck by one of the women with the heavy tube containing the electric searchlight. It is virtually certain that an application for Mrs. Erb's release on a writ of habeas corpus will be made this week. Fair notice must be given of the application to District Attorney MacDade, of Delaware county, unless sufficient reason shall exist for an immediate application. There appears to be no such reason in this case. Detectives for the commonwealth are watching closely a Philadelphia woman whose reported attentions to Mrs. Erb while the captain was away excited the gossip of the servants at "Red Gables." They believe this man has supplied the accused women with the delicacies that have varied the coarse prison fare. The police expect also that this man will furnish the funds which will equip Mrs. Erb for her legal fight for her widow's share of her husband's estate.

Mrs. Eugene Paulson, wife of the negro coachman who was Captain Erb's bodyguard during many troublous days at Red Gables, gave interesting sidelights yesterday on the relations between the Erbs. "Last Tuesday night was not the first time Captain Erb was shot at in his own house," she said. "Mrs. Erb slept with a revolver under her pillow on Wednesday, after a month's illness. The remains were brought to Hillsboro for interment, accompanied by the parents of the child. The funeral was held from the home of the grandchild at Clark's Harbor, N. S. He will enter upon his new pastorate Nov. 1. A very successful Sunday school convention was held at Curryville this week. Rev. J. B. Ganong, field secretary, was present. Curryville has a splendid address on the general issues. Dr. Nelson Grant, president of the Young Liberal Club, was in excellent form and spoke well on the local conditions. Mr. B. Curtis of Hillsboro brought greetings and words of cheer from the up river districts, while Geo. McLeod of Farmerston, told of the prospects in his section. Everywhere at the office of the Minister of Public Works, a large number of men were sweeping all before them.

NEWCASTLE, Oct. 5.—Three new divisions of the Sons of Temperance were organized in this district last week by Rev. H. H. Jones, pastor of the Methodist church, who presided at the meeting. They were instituted at Beersville, Sept. 30, with nineteen charter members; at Coal Branch Oct. 1, with twenty-one; and at South Branch Oct. 2, with fifteen. Another division was recently organized at Rexton, the whole four following John H. Roberts' tour.

A wounded deer left the woods yesterday afternoon and ran all over town. Finally being exhausted, it fell in B. F. Malby's garden about 6 o'clock. Miss Lottie Clark Alexander, daughter of W. H. Alexander of Blissfield, in the county of Sussex, was married to Leon B. Cowles of Tacoma, Wash., the wedding taking place at the home of the bride's uncle, W. A. Clark, Tacoma.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Oct. 12.—The first inter-collegiate football match of the present season was played here on Saturday, when Mount Allison boys were once more victorious over the St. Joseph College team. The score stood 17 to 0. The game was not a particularly interesting one, some very poor football being interspersed with a little that was fair. St. Joseph's boys were strong in the scrimmage, but the quarters and halves were very weak, while it was in those positions that the Mount Allison team showed up to best advantage, though even in those departments Mount Allison's work gave little to boast even.

HOPWELL HILL, N. B., Oct. 9.—Luther Archibald, who has been in quite a little over the success of his young stallion, Lord Minto, at the Eglis races, the horse easily leading the field in the three-minute class, with a margin of 2 1/2. Lord Minto is six years old and was sired by Chetto, the well-known stallion Allright, being grand-sire on the dam's side. It is said he was the subject of much favorable comment at Eglis, where he practically, his first appearance on the track, and an American driver present, predicted he could be made to do the mile in 2 1/2 under a proper course of training. It is understood Mr. Archibald was offered over \$400 for the stallion, but would not accept.

HOPWELL HILL, Oct. 12.—The winter time table of the Salisbury and Harvey Railway was into effect to-day. The outgoing train leaves Albert at 6 a. m. instead of 7 a. m. by the same time table, reaching Albert on return from Salisbury at 3 p. m. Rev. W. J. Kirby, pastor of the Methodist church, will preach next Sunday evening on "Shall We Have a Pure Election?" Mr. Kirby is a clever speaker and the discourse may be expected to be one of considerable interest. Clark Wright, son of James C. Wright, who was operated on recently for appendicitis, is progressing favorably. H. G. White, assistant inspector of weights and measures, was in the village today. NEWCASTLE, Oct. 14.—The Presbytery of Miramichi met in special session at Millerton yesterday to consider the resignation of Rev. J. G. A. Colquhoun of the Derby pastorate. Mr. Colquhoun has been ill with throat trouble some time. His resignation was reluctantly accepted, to take effect March 31.

MR. LINCOLN'S BREVITY. A historian recalls the fact that in Mr. Lincoln's speech to the notification committee at Springfield there were 179 words and in his formal letter of acceptance there were 134 words. In his speech of acceptance to the committee in Washington in 1864 there are 196 words, and in his letter of acceptance there are 209 words. But let us remember that there were no typewriters in those days and such a thing as a phonograph had not been dreamed of.

PARIS, Oct. 14.—A firm in Paris is issuing cards to be worn in the button-hole, bearing the inscription, "I am very well, thank you. I am fully aware of the state of the weather, and have heard all the latest news."

WOODSTOCK, Oct. 11.—The Liberal committee rooms were crowded last night at a big rally presided over by Ald. Thorne, many residents from outside the town being in the audience. There were a number of rousing speeches by local workers and several of the visitors. Nathaniel McIntyre spoke on the benefits the laboring men have derived under Liberal rule, Geo.

# DR. PUGSLEY AGAIN GIVES THE LIE TO MAYES---ACCUSES HAZEN OF DELIBERATE MISREPRESENTATION

## Denies That He Ever Held Up Payment to Mayes---Baxter's Telegram Clear, Proof of The Attempt to Blackmail Him into Buying the Dredge.

Hon. Wm. Pugsley returned this afternoon from the North shore, where he has addressed rousing meetings. When asked by a Star reporter for a statement regarding Mr. Baxter's and Mr. Mayes' second affidavits, he said that he had not yet seen the affidavits in full, and on being shown a copy rapidly glanced over it and said: "The first affidavit was a tissue of falsehoods. I will later go over these others carefully, but I would like now to make a few hurried remarks in regard to the new declaration of Mr. Mayes.

He quoted the following paragraph: "I further say that when Hon. J. D. Hazen read my declaration at the Queen's Rink on the evening of the 12th, he turned towards me when reading the date '18th October,' and hesitated at '1907.' I called out '1905,' and he read '1905.'"

"I have no personal knowledge as to whether this statement is true or not, but I have been told by many prominent gentlemen, a number of whom are Conservatives, who were present at the rink, and heard the declaration read by Mr. Hazen, that he read the date 1897.

"But if the statement of Mr. Mayes is true it places Mr. Hazen in a most unenviable light, because it would then be absolutely clear that Mr. Hazen read to the meeting an affidavit containing a false statement on a most important point without having it handed back to Mr. Mayes to be changed and re-signed. It shows that he allowed it to be published next morning in the Standard and in the Telegraph giving the date referred to as 1897, and also to be published in the newspapers all over Canada with the same error.

"If, as I say, Mr. Mayes' statement is correct, it shows that Mr. Hazen was clearly guilty of public wrong, in that he might be done to me in the eyes of the people of Canada, and he was a party to leading the people throughout the Dominion to believe that I had received the note from Mr. Mayes when I was minister of public works, in the state of two years before, when I was his solicitor.

"While dealing with the subject of the date of the note I would deny most emphatically the statement made in the first affidavit of Mr. Mayes that I told him that 'it would be nice to have someone at Ottawa who could do something for him.' This statement is absolutely false, and the absurdity of it is clearly evident from the fact that at that time I was not in parliament or thought of as a candidate.

"I have noticed that Mr. Mayes has sought to convey the impression that there was an irregularity in the awarding of the contract to him by Mr. Hyman, the then minister of public works. I have not looked at the records of the department, but I am satisfied that the contract was awarded to him as being the lowest tenderer after being advertised in the usual manner.

"I also think I have a letter from Mr. Mayes in which he states that he was the lowest tenderer, and referring to the fact that the other tenders were higher than his, I know nothing, personally, about the tenders but it has never suggested to me by Mr. Mayes or anyone else that he received the contract otherwise than in a regular and proper manner on account of his being the lowest tenderer. I shall look up the letter and if I can find it I will be glad to give its contents to the press.

"In regard to the statement of Mr. Mayes that I held up money due him because of claims of Mr. McAvity, it was clearly a mistake. I never received a letter from Mr. McAvity, I wrote to Mr. Mayes on Aug. 24th, 1908, that this was not correct. There was some delay in making a payment of Mr. Mayes subsequent to this, but I was informed that it was because Mr. Mayes had not completed the work of dredging the steamer berths at West St. John.

"I inquired from my department about this, and was informed that it was soon as I got this information I instructed my department to have the payment made to Mr. Mayes less a few thousand dollars, which I was informed was the cost of the work necessary to complete the berths.

"As to the charge of blackmail against Mr. Mayes, and his attempt to induce me to buy his dredge for my department at an exorbitant price to which I have already publicly referred, I can add to my own statement the solemn declarations of Mr. Moore, Mr. McAvity and Mr. Holt.

"It seems to me that nothing further is required than the telegram of Mr. Baxter to me, already published, which reads as follows: St. John, N. B., Sept. 30th, 1908. Hon. William Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, Ottawa. Client impatient at not receiving your purchase and payment for dredge industry by order-in-council as sufficient precedent for buying his dredge with complete equipment ready for instant work at smaller price. Points out that fund for purchase is not exhausted or arrangement could be made in lieu of British Columbia purchase. Advise act immediately and wire definitely as client insists on prompt decision.

JOHN E. M. BAXTER. "Regarding this telegram in the light of my statement and the solemn declaration of Mr. Moore, Mr. McAvity and Mr. Holt, it will be clearly seen that Mr. Baxter was giving me the strongest possible intimation that unless the dredge was bought quickly Mr. Mayes would make a disclosure. As neither his threat nor Mr. Baxter's telegram produced the desired effect and I would not purchase the dredge he proceeded to carry out his threat and had Mr. Hazen read his declaration at the Conservative meeting on Monday night.

"After I have had the opportunity of reading the second declaration of Mr. Mayes and that of Mr. Baxter, appearing in this morning's Standard, I will have some further remarks to make regarding them.

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# DANIEL MAKES VICIOUS ATTACK ON COURTENAY BAY PROJECT

## Declares Work Should be Delayed for Time—Another Declaration from G. S. Mayes and One from Ald. Baxter—Mayes' Pitiable Exhibition

At the rally last night in the York Assembly Rooms, the Conservatives took another step in their campaign of slander against Dr. Pugsley. The leading feature of the meeting was an affidavit presented by J. B. M. Baxter, declaring that he had known nothing of the \$20,000 rebate and that he was not financially interested in the Mayes' dredge.

Mr. Mayes was present and admitted another lengthy affidavit regarding his dredging business. Mr. Mayes made a pitiable exhibition on the platform. To try to convince either Dr. Pugsley or Mr. McAvity of graft he had to convict himself of at least equal turpitude. His only excuse was the feeble one that he had been forced into an arrangement with Mr. McAvity.

Robert Maxwell presided at the meeting, and during the evening called on John E. Wilson and Dr. Daniel for speeches. Mr. Baxter's affidavit came first on the programme. He prefaced it with the remark that he did not think a sworn declaration carried any more weight than a simple statement.

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EXTRACT FROM DECLARATION. The following is an extract from the declaration which includes its most important statements: I deny most positively that I ever offered, or caused to be offered, to Dr. Pugsley or George McAvity a rebate of \$20,000 or even one cent, or a contribution of any sum for political purposes. I further say that I made no request to Mr. Holt to act for me or make any approach in the matter to any one. All that was done by Mr. Holt was done at his own instance or at the suggestion of Mr. George McAvity and not at mine. I further say that up to four o'clock on the afternoon of the 12th inst. I had not given, or caused to be given to any member of the Conservative party any intimation that I was about to make the declaration which I did. During the afternoon I obtained an appointment with Hon. J. D. Hazen, to whom I submitted the matter.

DR. DANIEL FOLLOWS. Dr. Daniel, who followed, commented on the statement just read. He said that while the price of the dredging could be raised to allow Mr. McAvity to get \$36,000, yet Dr. Pugsley could not get enough from his department to pay the whole cost of the Courtenay Bay borings. He then made a vicious attack on the scheme to dredge Courtenay Bay. He confessed that it would be necessary at some time to provide docks there, but wanted the work delayed until the G. T. P. was completed and the traffic ready to be shipped. He claimed that the dredging alone would cost \$4,824,000. His authority for these figures was the statement of a "longshoreman" who, he said, was "a very intelligent man, although he did not know what Borden's railway policy was."

Continuing, he condemned the Liberal tariff and said that if the Liberal party took any credit for Canada's prosperity during the past twelve years they must also take the blame for the recent world wide depression. Mr. Maxwell, in the closing speech, made another venomous attack on Dr. Pugsley, saying that he had been guilty of "definite thefts—steals they were—from the public treasury," and claiming that \$100,000 were Friday nighted by those in charge of the Central Railway which they could not account for.

# LOGAN TO SPEAK AT FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, N. B., Oct. 14.—The young Liberals, under whose auspices a grand rally is to be held at the York House on Friday night, and who have Mr. Brown advertised as the speaker, were very much gratified to receive word tonight that Hance J. Logan, M. P. for Cumberland, will also be present and address the meeting. Mr. Logan has broken an important engagement in Nova Scotia to meet the young Liberals' request for him to give them a hand here, and they are assured of a bumper house. Mr. Logan will arrive here on the 8.10 p. m. train Friday. The farmers of Keswick and vicinity had a barrel of fun out of a pair of travelling 'Tory' stumps. Friday afternoon at the close of the annual fair there, A. R. Shipp, M. P. F., and Fred P. Robinson of Nashwaakias essayed to address the electors and the affair was a regular frolic. Mr. Shipp had just got nicely started when men in the audience commenced to hurl questions at him respecting Foster and the Foresters, and after putting audibly mixed up he subsided with a broken address, interrupted throughout by howls and jeers. Mr. Robinson, who is a gentleman farmer and excellent at the bar, was also present and warm reception and the meeting closed without visible results for the Tories.

# MOTHER AND CHILDREN FATALLY BURNED

Baby With Matches Played Near an Oil Can—One Dead and Two are Likely to Die. QUEBEC, Oct. 15.—While playing with a can full of oil on board the barge George F. Veil, in Louis Basin, the three year old son of Captain Ed. Paquet lit matches and set fire to a pool of oil and to his clothes. In trying to save her child, Mrs. Paquet was badly burned, and another baby, two years old, received bad burns also. The three year old baby died, the other baby and the mother are not expected to recover.

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# SHORE LINE ENGINE ACTS RATHER GIDDY

Runs Into a Couple of Sheds and Demolishes Them. ST. STEPHEN, N. B., Oct. 14.—The Shore Line train met with an accident on its arrival here today. Coming into the station, Engineer McMillan failed to stop in time and the engine ran over the ends of the rails, crashing into a couple of small sheds, one of which was demolished and the other moved from its base. No one was injured. A C. P. engine was summoned and hauled the engine back on the iron. It was late this evening before the locomotive was repaired sufficiently to make the start for St. John.

HONG KONG, Oct. 15.—There have been disastrous floods in the Sun Ning and Hai-Fing districts. Several towns are submerged and hundreds of people have been rendered homeless.

