

WORKERS MEMORIALIZED

Telegraph's So-Called Convert Always Dyed-in-the-Wool Grit of Pugsley Stripe.

Appointment of Organizer McEwen Not Favorably Received by Rank and File.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 2.—No small amount of amusement has been caused by the despatch sent from here to the St. John Telegraph publicizing the droegers' organ and followed by an editorial in which the principal topic is the fact that "William Jaffrey, of St. Mary's, a life-long Conservative had attended the meeting of Liberals at Windsor Hall and declared himself a Liberal."

As a matter of fact this man Jaffrey has never been looked upon as anything but a Liberal, not perhaps a Liberal of the old line, but one of the supporters of the criminally reckless administration of William Pugsley and C. W. Robinson.

In fact at the last provincial general election, this same Jaffrey spent his time engaged in hauling to the polls electors who would vote against the present Government and openly canvassed voters to cast their ballots against the McLeod, Pinder, Robinson and Young ticket.

This same Jaffrey during the past summer made assertions to the effect that his official position in connection with the roads of St. Mary's would be used to injure the Hazon Government and the present highway act. In that connection Jaffrey refused to do needed work on the roads of St. Mary's village when funds for the work were available and the people of the village gave open and public demonstrations against the obnoxious official, who had to be displaced.

Jaffrey has always been regarded as a Liberal of the Pugsley-Robinson stripe, and is a man without influence in the community in which he lives. Unfavorably received by the rank and file of the party.

McEwen was Nelson W. Brown's chief adviser and campaign manager when that candidate of the Liberals was snuffed under in York county by a record majority for Oswald Crockett, M. P., in the general election of 1908. McEwen has been given the job while waiting for a vacancy to happen in the custom house staff here, for which he has long been angling.

The recently published story that Aid. W. S. Hooper has declined to act as secretary of the Liberal executive in York county is correct in every detail. Aid. Hooper acknowledged that the story was correct before it was ever published and in commenting on his reasons for quitting the job he said, "I never got anything out of it. The reading public can draw their own conclusions from Mr. Hooper's expression. The situation in the Liberal party in York county is hopeless, and no better evidence could be secured than the fact that the names of such men as E. Hanson and R. W. McLellan appear among those of the central committee for this county. They have already called two meetings of the Liberal party and in each instance the respectable element of the party has declined to attend.

No party of this province was ever in such a state of demoralization as the Liberals in York county.

TWO ROBBERIES IN VANCOUVER

Masked Men Rifle Bakery At Point of Revolver—Chinese Cook Detects Dan McDowell In House Theft.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 2.—Nine o'clock Saturday evening, when the streets were crowded with New Year's Eve throngs, two masked men pulled off a daring robbery at the Crown Bakery, 733 Keefer street, owned by Wilson and Sugden. In spite of the knowledge that at any moment, someone might enter the store to disturb them at their game, they walked into the place heavily masked and, while one stood guard at the door, the other covered the proprietors and clerks, and went through the cash register, carrying off \$125 in bills and silver.

Sing Lee, an observant Chinese cook, working for Mrs. J. Y. Griffin, 1520 Harwood street, and formerly a well known resident of Winnipeg, was the cause of the arrest in Seattle early Sunday of Dan McDowell and his wife, the former of whom is charged with robbery of Mrs. Griffin's residence Saturday night, and is suspected of more than one other job of the same kind pulled off in this city lately.

Two Chinese saw McDowell leaving Mrs. Griffin's house and shadowed him across the city to rooms in the east end. The Orientals then returned and informed Mrs. Griffin, who found that jewelry and other articles had been stolen. She informed the police, but McDowell and wife had left for Seattle, where they were arrested.

FREE SPEECH STAMP OF JOURNALIST HELD

Edward F. Mylius Charged With Connection With Paris Journal Publishing Calumnies On The British Crown.

London, Jan. 2.—Edward F. Mylius, who is connected with Edward H. James' publication, the Liberator, was arrested, taken before a judge of the high court and remanded last week. The proceedings were in camera.

The exact charges against Mylius have not been divulged, but it is said that he was connected with the sale and distribution of the Liberator, which is a Paris publication. The police for some time have been watching for an opportunity to lay those responsible for the issue of the Liberator by the heels, on account of scandalous and seditious attacks upon the royal family. In the November issue an article appeared reviving the scandal, long ago disproved, that King George was married at Malta in 1890 to the daughter of a British Admiral.

This was followed by a statement signed by Edward F. Mylius, endorsing the attack upon the King and suggesting that "the only way he can be dealt with in this country is by a revolution."

NO PRIVATE ENTREE AT N.S. GOVERNOR'S LEVEE

Charge Against "Countess" D'Aubry Withdrawn While Fraud In Selling Antiope Picture Was Not Proven.

Tours, France, Jan. 2.—The public prosecutor in summing up his argument today at the trial of "Count" D'Aubry de Gatiigny, who is charged by the Duchess of Choiseul-Praslin, formerly Mrs. Charles Hamilton Paine of Boston, with swindling her out of \$200,000 through the sale of spurious pictures, admitted that the charge in connection with the picture "Antiope" which the Paines bought for \$15,000 had not been proven, but he insisted that the accusations in connection with the Count and the Mignard had been well established.

He asked for the conviction, therefore, of D'Aubry, De Gatiigny, whom he considered a "high flying" idler and adventurer who lived luxuriously by throwing powder into the eyes of his victims.

The prosecutor also laid stress on attempted fraud in connection with a pretended contract between D'Aubry and Mr. Paine, and read threatening letters alleged to have been written by D'Aubry to Mrs. Paine after the rupture. He abandoned the case, however, against "Countess" D'Aubry. The case went over until tomorrow.

HURRYING RECIPROCITY FOR POLITICAL REASONS



UNCLE SAM—"If you get me reciprocity with Canada, you will be famous in American history."

MONTREAL MAN SUICIDE IN UTAH

Frozen Body Of Allan MacGregor Found In Pit Near Salt Lake City—Left Young Wife In Australia.

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 2.—A frozen body found yesterday in a gravel pit north of the city, proved today to be that of Allan MacGregor, an advertising manager and piano salesman. From letters he left, it is inferred that he poisoned himself and then retired to the pit to die.

MacGregor came from Montreal, Canada, but had lived in many parts of the world. His later life was untroubled, a separation from his young wife in Australia. A sealed letter was found addressed to Horace Davis, advertising manager of the Montreal Standard. Davis is to receive all his property for a purpose, MacGregor said, that Davis would know.

FRENCH CANADIAN OFFICER IN COMMAND

Col. Roy, First Of French Extraction To Command Militia Of Quebec—Receives Official Notice.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—The first French Canadian who has had the distinction of acting as commanding officer to the military forces in Quebec was appointed today. Col. Roy is the chosen officer and he has received official notification of the appointment.

In his round of the various armories today on the annual New Year's visit, Col. Roy was enthusiastically received by the officers and men of the English speaking regiments.

MARGARET ANGLIN APPEARS IN PLAY

Talented Canadian Actress Cordially Received In First Performance Of "Green Stockings."

New Britain, Conn., Jan. 2.—Margaret Anglin, the actress, who has but recently recovered from a severe illness, made her appearance here tonight in Green Stockings, a comedy by A. E. W. Mason and George Fleming, which was given its premiere.

Haste Displayed by Government in Conclusion of Negotiations Attributed to Effect on Quebec

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—As a result of the announcement here, after the conference between Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Mr. Fielding and Hon. Mr. Paterson, regarding the attitude the Canadian representative should adopt at Washington on Saturday that is the despatch of the Canadian government regarding the reciprocity negotiations to as early a termination as possible, the line is now sharply drawn between those who desire reciprocity and those who do not.

The Canadian government hopes that Mr. Fielding will be able to announce the conclusion of the negotiations when he makes his budget speech late in February or early in March, and it is proposed that the Washington negotiations should proceed without a break until a basis of agreement has been arrived at.

This haste has aroused much comment here. It is stated that there is unquestionably little if any desire in Canada for conclusion of arrangement with United States and in any event it is felt on all sides that it would be strangely out of place for Canada to embark upon negotiations with the United States prior to the assembly of the new congress, that the right course clearly is to wait until the disposition of the body towards tariff questions is made evident.

Under the circumstances it is odd to see Canada making haste to begin negotiations.

It has been conjectured that there are political reasons for this course. The recent course of events in Quebec has led the government to depend for its strength rather its existence upon Quebec, to seek to pacify the anti-imperial spirit shown there by every means. Development of the proposed navy by necessary administrative measures is being held back and it now looks as if the object of the government is to go to the next Imperial Conference prepared to refuse every proposal which will make for Imperial unity or solidarity, to refuse not on the merits of a proposal but for the sake of refusal.

It is apprehended by the government that some of the governments of the other dominions will move for an extension of the system of preferences. If Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues could refuse to consider any such proposal on the ground that Canada is immersed in reciprocity negotiations it would upset the proposal and enable the premier to pass a bill of Imperialist schemes. It is difficult otherwise to account for the present move on the eve of the disappearance of the old American congress, and the very few months remaining before summoning of the new Imperial conference.

Lodge For Reciprocity. Boston, Mass., Jan. 2.—Believing that reciprocity should be sustained, Henry M. Whitney, who five years ago, nearly carried the state for lieutenant-governor on the democratic ticket, and two years later was his party's standard bearer for the governorship, both issues, tonight gave out a statement in support of United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

Mr. Whitney in his statement said in part: "The recent action of President Taft I look upon as more favorable to the cause of Canadian reciprocity than anything that has been done in forty years. We should render him all possible support in his laudable efforts. I am convinced that Senator Lodge is conscious of the advantage to Massachusetts of freer trade with Canada, through reciprocity, and that he now knows the sentiment of the Commonwealth towards this policy and will do all that he can in its support. Because I want this cause to succeed, I want Mr. Lodge in the senate to present Continued on Page 2.

C.N.R. TO BUILD HUDSON BAY R.R.

Storm Of Protest From Farmers Of The West Expected To Follow Proposed Arrangement.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Sir William Mackenzie and Sir Donald Mann had a conference with Hon. G. P. Graham, minister of railways today, and as a result Mr. Graham will submit to parliament. It is understood, a proposal that the Canadian Northern Railway undertake the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway.

It is expected that this will provoke a storm of disapproval from the west, whose farmers desire construction, ownership and operation by the Government.

FATAL ENDING TO POLITICAL ARGUMENT

Son Of One Of Participants In Heated Discussion Alleged To Have Used Bottle On Opponent's Head.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—A political discussion between Zephirin Primeau, a farmer of St. Martin and Cyril Vallee, on Saturday night, ended fatally. Vallee's son Arthur took his father's part and it is alleged struck Primeau on the head with a bottle and fractured his skull.

The disturbance took place outside the Vinet Hotel, St. Martin. Primeau was taken home in an unconscious condition and died without recovering.

Three witnesses were heard at the inquest today but no sufficient evidence to detain young Vallee in custody. Further developments are anticipated when the adjourned inquest takes place next Tuesday.

REV. CANON BROCK DIES AT KENTVILLE. Native Of England And Former College President Had Long And Active Career—Retired Eight Years Ago. Halifax, Jan. 2.—The death occurred at Kentville yesterday, of Rev. Canon Isaac Brock, who succumbed to a sudden attack of la grippe. Dr. Brock was born in England in 1828. He graduated from Oxford. In 1868 Dr. Brock came to Canada as principal of Huron Theological college, London, and later he was assistant rector of St. Peter's church, Sherbrooke. In 1883 he moved to Nova Scotia and was made president of Kings college, Windsor, which position he filled until he came to Kentville as rector of St. James' church. Eight years ago he retired from active duties.

CELEBRATION OF NEW YEAR'S DAY

CANADIANS IN HONOR LIST

Chief Justice Townshend, Of Nova Scotia, Messrs. MacKenzie, Mann, And Thomas Tait Among Knights.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—A Canadian Associated Press cable from London, says in the list of New Year's honors issued today several Canadians are included. Hon. A. B. Aylesworth is made a knight commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. The following knights bachelor are named: Chief Justice Townshend of Nova Scotia bench; Wm. Mackenzie and Donald D. Mann, president and vice-president respectively of the Canadian Northern Railway; George C. Gibbons, K. C., of London, Ont., and Thomas Tait, formerly chairman of the railway commission, of Victoria, N. S. W.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, who visited Canada recently as chairman of the royal commission, having in view better trade relations between Canada and the West Indies, is made a C. C. M. G. Lord Balfour, who took part in the North Atlantic fisheries case before The Hague tribunal secures a similar honor.

Commenting on the honors granted to Messrs. Aylesworth and Robson, the London Daily Graphic says editorially: "The public opinion will emphatically endorse this recognition of the patient and valuable work of the patient and valuable work of the Hague tribunal was performed by them."

NO TAKERS AT WAGES OFFERED IN NAVY

Minister Of Marine Increases Allowance From 25 to 40 Cents a Day With Hope Of Receiving Recruits.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The following wages have been scheduled in the latest naval payroll: Instrument allowance, Bandmaster, 25 cents per day extra; band corporal, 15 cents; bandmen 10 cents; naval schoolmaster to the petty officer acting as such, 15 cents a day.

The wages provided for shipwrights, carpenters, mates and chief carpenters' mates have not proved sufficient, by high to obtain suitable candidates. The Minister of Marine has made a new schedule as follows: Shipwrights \$12.25, after three years \$13.25; after six years \$15.00; carpenters' mates \$11.50, after three years \$12.50; after six years \$13.50; chief carpenters' mates \$2, after three years \$2.20.

The increases are from 25 cents to 40 cents a day.

MURPHY SENDS EXPERTS TO COPY UNCLE SAM

Officials Of Printing Department Given Trip To Washington To Acquire Pointers On Conducting Business.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—Superintendent Boardman, Chief Foreman Draper, Supt. of Bindery Allen, and Ledger Expert McCarthy, of the Government Printing Bureau, left tonight for a three weeks' tour of the big American cities to inspect all the larger printing establishments.

The object of Hon. Chas. Murphy, who has despatched the officials on the trip, is to secure pointers to put in effect the improvements recommended by the commission which recently investigated and reported upon conditions at the bureau.

The party goes direct from Ottawa to Washington where the United Government Printing Bureau will be inspected.

Weather Did Not Dampen Enjoyment of Holiday Crowds—Sunday School Rallies.

Presentation at Elks' Concert—Firemen Pay Annual Visits—With the Oddfellows.

In spite of the dismal weather, St. John was in festive mood yesterday, and royally observed all the ceremonies associated with the public welcome to the New Year. All the institutions kept open house, the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Sunday schools held grand rallies, and many of the fraternal and other organizations receptions and concerts in honor of the day.

Uniformed Eremen and members of the Salvage Corps drove through the streets, tooting horns and singing cheery songs on their way to pay their New Year calls at the different stations. The Y. M. C. A., the Oddfellows, Elks, and other associations held public receptions, the Master Painters were at home to their friends, and His Worship the Mayor had a busy day conveying civic greetings to many institutions.

As the weather was not favorable to outdoor sports, the Opera House was crowded at both performances, and the moving picture shows were well patronized.

Only one accident occurred to mar the pleasure of the day, a young boy named Keefe being shot—though not fatally—by a companion while playing with a rifle in the North End.

Firemen's Visits. With the Firemen the day was most pleasantly spent. In each station there was a committee of firemen and Salvage Corps members who looked after the guests. About two o'clock in the afternoon there was a buckboard in front of each station and these were loaded with their full capacity with members of the companies, and despite the wet weather there was a call at every one of them and Salvage Corps members who looked after the guests. About two o'clock in the afternoon there was a buckboard in front of each station and these were loaded with their full capacity with members of the companies, and despite the wet weather there was a call at every one of them and Salvage Corps members who looked after the guests. About two o'clock in the afternoon there was a buckboard in front of each station and these were loaded with their full capacity with members of the companies, and despite the wet weather there was a call at every one of them and Salvage Corps members who looked after the guests.

Presbyterian Rally. The New Year's rally of the Presbyterians and Congregational Sabbath schools of St. John and Fairville, held in St. David's church, yesterday morning was well attended and proceedings were of an impressive character. Eight Presbyterian and one Congregational Sabbath school were represented at the gathering. The ministers occupied seats on the platform with the superintendents of the Sabbath schools ranged in front. A large choir composed of Sunday school pupils from each church, and the regular St. David's church choir took part in the service of song. Miss E. Cochrane presided at the organ, and Prof. Goodie, Miss P. Livingston and W. B. Search assisted with violins. The church was decorated for the occasion. Rev. Gordon Dickie acted as chairman.

HAITIEN AMBASSADOR BRANDED AS TRAITOR

General Firmin Deserts Post In Great Britain And Returns To West Indies—Denies Revolutionary Intentions.

St. Thomas, B. W. I., Jan. 2.—General Antenor Firmin, the Haitian minister to Great Britain in an interview today denied that he was connected with any revolutionary movement in Haiti. He left his post at London without notifying the Haitian government of his intention and embarked at Bordeaux Dec. 8 on the steamer Montreal, arriving here Sunday.

On learning that Firmin had left London, General Simon, the Haitian president, issued a circular addressed to the commanders of the army and to public officials branding the general as a traitor to his duties and to his friends and ordering that he be prevented from landing on Haitian soil.

NEW YEAR'S LEVEE.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The annual New Year's levee was held at the office of the Governor General, Parliament Hill, and hundreds of citizens attended as well as members of the government, judges, military, etc. The Governor General also called on the G. G. F. G. at the officers' mess, where the usual receptions were held.

NONNELL LANDS IN HONDURAS

Former President With Army Of 500 Expected To Make Trouble For Present Government—Loyalty Of Troops.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 2.—Re-entering the country over which he formerly ruled, and from which he was practically banished, after being deposed three years ago, Manuel Bonilla today proclaimed himself constitutional president of the Republic of Honduras.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, Jan. 2.—The long expected revolt of the adherents of Manuel Bonilla against the Davila government in Honduras has broken out, and a decisive battle is expected to be waged in the streets of this city within the next few days.

The curlers however, were able to play and Vice-President Hatt's rink won the Coleman trophy, defeating President Randolph's rinks in the annual match. The result was very close the vice-president's rinks winning by one point today while the score of Christmas Day was tied. The final score was 135 to 136.

The skaters at the Arctic rink found conditions unpleasant, there being water on the ice which was very soft as a result of the thaw.

There were the usual morning visits from callithumians, the New Year's Day calling in the afternoon and dinner parties this evening.

Another body of revolutionists is reported in the vicinity of Las Ouebraga, where a small engagement is said to have taken place yesterday.

Government Will Fight. There is a marked feeling of suspense in this city. From all indications the government intends to make a strong fight here. The garrison has been increased in the last few days by the arrival of 500 government troops, and a small battery of machine guns, but there is grave doubt as to the loyalty of the troops. It is believed that the mere presence here of Manuel Bonilla or General Rodriguez will result in a general turn over and cause an alliance of the government troops with the revolutionists.

Capt. Davis, of the United States cruiser Tacoma, which lies far out in the harbor has stated that immediately upon the outbreak of hostilities he will land a sufficient number of bluejackets to protect the lives of Americans. All Americans and foreigners, however, have been advised to keep within the territory bounded by the United States consular and the old lottery house grounds.

A strict censorship is maintained here and it is almost impossible to secure a cablegram to any place. All kinds of rumors as to the activity of revolutionists of other parts of the country are afloat but the government will not permit any information concerning the operations to come over the telegraph lines.

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Reply From Foss. This statement tonight called forth the following reply from Governor-elect Eugene N. Foss:

"My good friend, Henry M. Whitney, does not seem to realize that the next senator that this state sends to Washington must represent the people and not State street."

"So strong has the power of the privileged financial interests become in this state and city, that they are able to defeat even Mr. Whitney's course of conduct from the political principles which he has so ably advocated for so many years."

"The reciprocity which Senator Lodge has been standing for all the years has resulted in the loss of approximately \$300,000,000 of American capital to Canada to build up branch industries which compete with our own in foreign markets."

"It has also resulted in stifling the growth of Massachusetts and New England industries, and kept us out of the business and commerce which belong to us by every right. It has kept the great Canadian railroads from our ports. It has ruined our coastwise shipping interests and made our wharf property of little value."

C. P. R. CHANGES

Montreal, Jan. 2.—Circulars were issued by the C. P. R. today announcing the appointment reported some days ago of J. E. Schwizer, first assistant engineer of the company's western line at Winnipeg, to the position of chief engineer of the system.

The appointment of F. P. Cutelius, general superintendent of the Lake Superior division, to be general superintendent of the eastern division with headquarters at Montreal, was announced. Mr. Cutelius is succeeded at North Bay by J. G. Taylor, superintendent at Medicine Hat.

LUSITANIA ARRIVES. London, Eng., Jan. 2.—The Cunard line steamer Lusitania arrived at Falmouth at 1 o'clock this afternoon, but was unable to land her passengers because of the gale blowing, and the liner proceeded for Liverpool.

NEW YEAR'S AT FREDERICTON

Curlers Able to Play And Vice President's Rinks Nose Out Victory After Close Match—Unfavorable Weather.

Fredericton, Jan. 2.—With the thermometer showing as high as 43 degrees above zero and rain falling much of the time, the weather today was not seasonable for the celebration of New Year's Day today.

The streets of the city were bare of snow and there was water on the river ice so that the horse racing usually a feature of the holiday consisted of only a few informal brushes and some exhibitions of speed by some drivers of fast ones who could scarcely be seen by the spectators on the shore owing to the heavy mist rising from the ice.

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COLLIER FOR BOSTON GOES ASHORE IN FOG

Identity Of Steamer Hard Aground On Pasque Island Not Learned—No Rescue Possible In Fog.

Woods Hole, Mass., Jan. 2.—Lying broadside on the Vineyard Sound side of Pasque Island, one of the Elizabeth group, in fog so dense that life savers dare not attempt to reach her until daylight, an unknown steamer was discovered late this afternoon. Her presence was first made known when she blew distress signals which she continued at frequent intervals.

The fog winter inhabitants of the little island could barely make out the form of the vessel through the fog as she lay off shore on what is known as the "travoyard" and they could give no assistance as they had no way of reaching the stranded steamer, and no apparatus for taking off the crew. The revenue cutter Acadia is fog bound. It is believed that the stranded vessel is a collier for Boston.

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SIX GOVERNORS INAGURATED

New York, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Six new governors, four of them representing different political parties than their predecessors were inaugurated in the United States yesterday.

In three of the states the changes represent gains to the Democratic ranks, the fourth Nevada, by inaugurating Tasker L. Odile now has its first Republican chief executive in nearly 20 years.

Following are states in which new chief executives took their office: New York—John A. Dix, Democrat; Wisconsin—F. R. McGovern, Republican; Michigan—Chas. S. Osborn, Republican; Wyoming—Joseph M. Garry, Democrat.

Idaho—James H. Hawley, Democrat; Nevada—Tasker L. Odile, Republican; Governor Dix, the first Democratic governor in New York in eighteen years, took his oath of office amid a brilliant gathering, the great assembly chamber at the capital building at Albany being filled with notables. The inauguration of Governor Osborn, on the other hand, was marked by extreme simplicity. He had appointed no military staff, and assumed the duties of office in the parlor of the executive suite before only friends and relatives.

NORTHERN BANK IN THE MARKET

New York, Jan. 2.—Negotiations for the purchase of the Northern Bank of New York, closed by the superintendent of banks, because of Robin's resignation, were resumed today. By reason of its fine branches, and geographical position, the bank is still considered a promising possibility, notwithstanding its suspension.

Just before the crash, one group of down-town financiers was considering an offer of \$150 a share. This figure now named, is quoted as \$75.

FOG CLOUDS NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 2.—A heavy fog hung over the city and the harbor all today, clogging traffic on land and almost suspending it on the water.

During the early morning hours trolley cars with their lights turned on showed only as a faint glow. One ferry line to New Jersey quit and all others ran on abbreviated schedules. All the elevated trains were behind time.

Observance of New Year's General Observance of New Year's

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After the song service which included a number of choruses by the primary scholars, Rev. L. A. McLean read the Scripture lesson, Rev. J. H. A. Anderson offered a prayer and then Rev. A. A. Graham delivered the address of welcome.

Saluting the Flag. The ceremony of the flag was then performed as a striking scene as the young people with lifted hands chanted, "I promise to be loyal and true to my flag and to the Empire for which it stands."

After the singing of O Canada, Rev. J. T. Tucker, a Congregational missionary to China, delivered an address on the work of Sunday schools and the significance of the New Year's rally. R. Duncan Smith and Rev. H. D. Marr, on behalf of the Methodist church Sunday schools then presented the New Year's greetings of the city council and citizens generally in a very happy speech.

Rev. Gordon Dickie, the chairman, made a suitable response. Robert Reid, chairman of the executive then read the following messages sent to other cities with the replies:

To His Excellency The Governor General: The season's greetings from the united Presbyterian and Congregational Sabbath schools, meeting in New Year's rally, Monday, Jan. 2, nine schools, 2,100 scholars, extend to you good wishes for the King, to Canada, and the Empire.

ROBERT REID, Chairman of Executive. No reply was received to this.

To His Honor the Lieutenant Governor: The united Presbyterian and Congregational Sabbath schools, meeting in New Year's rally, Monday, Jan. 2, send greetings and pledge their loyalty to their country, King and Empire.

ROBERT REID. The lieutenant governor replied: The lieutenant governor of New Brunswick begs to acknowledge the greetings of the united Presbyterian and Congregational Sabbath schools, and to reciprocate the same. He fully appreciates your pledge of loyalty to our country, King and Empire, and is thoroughly impressed with the importance of the work in which you are engaged, and what must assuredly be a beneficial effect on the lives of the growing generation, by educating them along the lines of religion, morality and patriotism which assure good citizenship and tend to make a better citizenry.

"May all prosperity and success attend you. L. J. TWEEDIE."

Rev. Dr. Forrest, Moderator of General Assembly: The United Presbyterian Sabbath schools of St. John and Fairville, presenting two thousand scholars and workers, send cordial greetings, and extend to you good wishes for the coming year. Our prayer is contained in the text: Eph. three, fourteen and sixteen.

Dr. Forrest sent the following message on behalf: My dear young friends—I have learned that you intend to have a gathering of the Presbyterian Sabbath schools of St. John and Fairville in the beginning of the year. I would like very much to be with you, but as that is impossible, I send a few words of greeting. I wish you all a very happy New Year. I hope it may be the brightest and best you have ever experienced. The young people of our homes and Sabbath schools are the hope of our church.

The New Year is like a hill top, we look into the future with great expectations, but as we turn and look backward we are reminded that another year has gone. With the departing days some of whose we have and work with pass quietly away. In the whole province of New Brunswick there is only one minister left who was in when I entered the ministry. The others have gone with the departing years. Nearly all of them have crossed the river into the good land which is beyond. They have left their work to the young people who come after them.

God expects you, my dear young friends, to take your share of His work on earth. He wants from among you ministers and elders and Sabbath school workers. He wants women for work in the various departments of church work and Christian usefulness. The others have gone with the departing years. Nearly all of them have crossed the river into the good land which is beyond. They have left their work to the young people who come after them.

JOHN FORREST, Moderator, General Assembly.

Rev. Dr. Scrimger, Montreal: Greetings from the New Year's rally of Presbyterian Sabbath schools; 2,100 scholars and workers united in wishing you a year of great prosperity and blessing in the work. We stand with you today for the advancement of the Master's Kingdom in the New Year. Read Second Corinthians, 5, 14 and 15.

The following reply was received: Robt. Reid, Esq.—The Montreal Presbyterian S. S. Association in meeting in its regular New Year's Day rally on Monday, Jan. 2nd, sends cordial greetings to the rally in St. John. May the New Year bring health, peace and happiness to all the gathering. The best hope of the country is in the consecration of its youth to the Master's service.

On behalf of the Executive, JOHN SCRIMGER, President. J. R. LOWDEN, Secretary.

In reply to a similar greeting Toronto sent the following: Chairman of the Executive of S. S. Rally. Thanks for message. Not holding rally today but the name of a quarter million scholars and workers of Presbyterian church in Canada. I wish you a happy New Year and God-speed in your work.

Convener of Sabbath Schools. To Rev. J. C. Robertson, Toronto: Presbyterian Sabbath schools of St. John and Fairville, representing two thousand scholars and workers, meet-

ing in New Year's Rally, extend to you the season's greetings and best of New Year's wishes. May the coming year be one of great blessing in Sabbath school work. Read Third John, two.

To the Officers, Teachers and Scholars of Presbyterian S. S. of St. John and Fairville: Heartiest congratulations on your New Year's Rally and on the good work you have done during 1910, with best wishes for 1911, that with God's blessing it may be for all of you the best yet.

J. C. ROBERTSON, General Sec'y for Sabbath Schools. Rev. Frank J. Day, Montreal.

The Presbyterian and Congregational Sabbath schools of St. John, meeting in New Year's Rally, Monday, Jan. 2, representing 2,100 scholars and workers, send cordial greetings, and extend to you good wishes for the coming year. Our prayer is contained in text Eph. 2: 18-19.

Rev. Mr. Day, chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada, sent the following message: Dear Friends, your Sunday schools in a united service celebrate the beginning of another year, I desire in the heartiest way to greet you in all Christian love.

To you who as teachers and officers, having given yourselves so loyally and lovingly to this great work, have simply a word of warm congratulation, that you have found in this, which is not a task but a privilege, that which in passing years will mean an enrichment of your lives and an ever increasing source of the trust for.

To the scholars, the boys and girls who look forward to 1911 with such eager anticipation, I would have my wish, while Miss Rea officiated as organist and Morton L. Harrison was the orchestra leader.

Methodist Gathering. There was a large and happy gathering of the children of the ten Methodist churches in Centenary Methodist church at 10:30 o'clock in the morning. The weather was such that the portion of the exercises which included a march through the city, there to join the children of the Presbyterian Sunday schools was abandoned, but all the other features of the service were carried out as arranged.

The schools represented were: St. Andrew's, Centenary, Exmouth street, Portland, Carleton, Carmarthen, Zion, Fairville, Courtenay Bay and the Scotch Presbyterian school. The total membership represented was 3,500. The teachers and scholars occupied seats in the body of the church and the pews were filled with interested spectators.

Rev. Dr. Flinders presided and the service was conducted by H. W. Brown, while Miss Rea officiated as organist and Morton L. Harrison was the orchestra leader.

After a spirited song service, Rev. Jacob Healey of the Carleton Methodist church presided and prayer was offered by Rev. Geo. A. Ross, of Fairville.

The exercise of saluting the flag was then carried out and proved a very attractive feature. Addresses were then delivered by Rev. W. F. Gaetz and Mayor Frink. His Worship conveyed the greetings of the city to the gathering of Sunday school children and spoke briefly along the lines of development of citizenship.

Rev. H. R. Read, and Douglas McArthur were the welcome addresses. They brought the greetings of the sister churches and delivered brief hopeful addresses.

Greetings Exchanged. A feature of the meeting was the exchange of greetings with Methodist Sunday school gatherings in other parts of Canada and the sending of New Year's felicitations to the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor. The telegrams sent from the local meeting were signed by Rev. C. R. Flinders and P. R. Murray and the replies came to those gentlemen.

His Excellency, the Governor General, Ottawa, Ont. "Ten Methodist Sunday schools with total membership of three thousand five hundred, meet in annual gathering on Monday. On behalf these schools wish your Excellency and family a most happy New Year, with assurance that you as well as the King you represent have our loyal love."

No reply had been received to this message to the Lieutenant Governor and his reply are as follows: His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, Chatham, N. B. "Ten Methodist Sunday schools with total membership of three thousand five hundred meet in annual gathering on Monday. On behalf these schools wish you and Mrs. Tweedie a most happy New Year. We assure you the Sunday schools of this country are doing their part in developing good Canadians."

Chatham, Jan. 2. Rev. C. R. Flinders, St. John, N. B. The lieutenant governor of New Brunswick, on behalf of himself and family, highly appreciates the New Year's greetings of the officers and the 3,500 members of the ten Methodist Sunday schools of St. John, and begs to extend to all best wishes for a happy New Year, and to express the hope that the efforts put forth in educating the youth of the city in all that pertains to the true men and women and good citizens may be successful. New Brunswick has ever been loyal to King and country and this in a great measure is due to the training of its children not only at home but in the Sunday schools.

The following message was sent to the chairman of the Methodist gatherings in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg: Our ten Sunday schools in their annual gathering wish each and every member of your Sunday schools a joyous and happy New Year. We rejoice at your success in the past, and wish

for you much advance for 1911. Read Isaiah 45, verse 6. Replies were received to these messages as follows: Winnipeg, Jan. 2. F. R. Murray, Chairman Methodist Sunday School Rally, St. John, N. B. Winnipeg sends greetings. May happiness and prosperity be always yours. Read 25th Psalm, 10th verse.

WANTLIEF, Secretary. DR. ALLEN, President. Toronto, Jan. 2. F. R. Murray, Chairman. Year's greetings, Psalms 72 and 8. We shall have dominion from sea to sea and from rivers to uttermost parts of the earth.

H. S. MOTT, Secretary Methodist. Montreal, Jan. 2. The Presiding officer Methodist Sunday school gathering, care F. R. Murray: Montreal Methodist Sunday schools assembled in St. James' church wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. Read Romans: 15, 5 and 6.

W. R. YOUNG, Chairman H. H. FIELD, secretary. As there was no gathering in Vancouver the chief elders, potatoes was sent to J. N. Harvey, and the reply it elicited is printed below it: J. N. HARVEY, Esq., Care J. N. Harvey Co., Ltd., Hastings street, Vancouver, B. C. Our ten Sunday schools met in third annual New Year gathering on Monday and the continent this gathering extends hands of love to the Sunday schools of Vancouver and hope 1911 may be the happiest and most successful year of all. Read Isaiah 45; verse 6. Vancouver, Jan. 2.

F. R. Murray or Rev. Dr. Flinders, St. John: The same to you, sir. Eleven Vancouver Sunday schools join in returning greetings. Love and best wishes for 1911. As we clasped hands across the continent as one for the Master's Kingdom, let us make this year worth while. Read Psalm 72; verse 8.

J. N. Harvey and Superintendents of Vancouver Sunday schools. Oddfellows' Reception. The members of the four city lodges of Oddfellows turned out in force at their annual at home which was held in the Oddfellows' Hall yesterday morning. Dr. D. Smith, Grand Master, presided and there was a large representation from all the lodges. The proceedings were opened by Grand Master who, in an address welcomed the brethren and referred to the progress the order has made during the year.

The Grand Master, C. B. Allen dealt with the growth of the order and the progress it had made in every department. Past Grand W. Frank Hatheway, M. P., also spoke and conveyed the season's greetings to the assembled brethren. Dr. Christie, Past Grand Master, and the father of Oddfellowship in the city, delivered a vigorous address and Past Grand Representative H. E. Colner also spoke. Several representatives from the city lodges spoke briefly, and there were addresses by William Lanyon, Joseph Murdoch and Charles Fowler. In all the gathering was one of the most enjoyable the order has held for the last thirty years.

The arrangements for the service were in charge of a committee of the superintendents of the Methodist Sunday schools of which P. R. Murray was chairman, Alfred Furley, secretary and E. D. Smith, treasurer.

At the Y. M. C. A. The Y. M. C. A. kept open house yesterday and a large number of the friends of the institution took advantage of the occasion to visit the building, watch the games and partake of the refreshments provided by the ladies. In the afternoon the three boys' classes gave an exhibition in the gymnasium of their progress in athletic exercises. They did all kinds of interesting stunts, and made an excellent display of the art of building Japanese castles. The Harriers' quartette also did a few things that astonished the visitors, and there was a fine exhibition of what the Y. M. C. A. boys can do in the way of tumbling around the mat. After the athletic display refreshments were served by the ladies' committee.

In the evening there was a basketball match between a U. N. B. team and the Y. M. C. A. boys which attracted a goodly crowd of spectators, and in which the Y. M. C. A. boys were victorious. The admittance of a licking to the visitors from up the river.

Otherwise the Y. M. C. A. members showed a lot of consideration to their visitors, many of whom during the afternoon were of the fair sex. A reception committee was on hand to welcome strangers, and show them about the building, and see that they enjoyed themselves and went away taking pleasant memories of their hosts.

Over the fireplace in the service there was a large motto winding everywhere a Happy New Year, and most of the rooms had some touch of color and open, and had the circumstances character of the occasion. General Secretary Robb was there to receive them with a welcoming smile all wool and a yard wide.

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Worth Your Attention

We have about 300 yards left over from that sale of silks which we had just before Christmas. During the sale they were marked 29 and 39 cents. We have decided to clear the balance out for 25 cents a yard, for all of them, though there are some silks in the lot that were \$1.10 a yard.

Shot Taffeta Ribbons at less than half price, five inches wide, 75 cents a yard. They are extra heavy weight and the usual price is 35 to 39 cents a yard, come in a large assortment of colors, suitable for hat trimming, hair ribbons, bows, sashes and fancy work.

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150 SCOUTS IN FIELD DAY

Patrols Gathered at Ottawa Divided in Two Forces For Competition—Reviewed By Earl Grey.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—The boy scouts of various parts of Ontario and Quebec took part in a field day, south of the city this forenoon. About 150 scouts took part representing Peterboro, Montreal, Galt and Amrpton. They were divided into two forces, one which formed a circle a mile in diameter and the other force tried to pierce it unobserved to carry despatches in. Secretary Todd of Toronto was the chief umpire and the scouts successful in getting through the line were: Scout W. A. Smart of Westmount (chief despatcher), Staufien, Moffatt, Fryer and Rutherford of Galt; E. S. Almon of Westmont, C. Ketchum, D. Poops, Ellis, Butler and G. Fellows of Ottawa.

After the contest the boys had dinner in the open and were later reviewed by Earl Grey, who regretted that he had not known of the field day sooner as he would have been glad to entertain them at Rideau Hall in the afternoon. He spoke of the chivalry among the boys as shown in respect for their elders, politeness for women, giving their seats to elders in the street cars, etc. He complimented the winners and particularly referred to Peterboro which had done so well in the dramatic competitions.

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ROUGH HOUSE AT THIS FIGHT

Correspondence from England Gives News of Disgraceful Conduct of Driscoll in Match With Welch—Deliberate Foul

London, Jan. 2.—Never has a boxing match been contested with more bitter feeling than that between the light and featherweight Lonsdale championship belt holders, "Preddy" Walsh and "Jim" Driscoll, at Cardiff, last night. Although Welsh got the decision on a foul in the tenth round, it was generally conceded that the Welsh had won in any case, for he proved himself much the better fighter at nearly all points of the game. Driscoll boxed magnificently up to a point, but he could not give away the handicap of weight and five years in age, and thus one of the cleverest featherweight boxers the world has known met his Waterloo.

Instead of proving, as was anticipated, the finest boxing contest of the century, it was mostly a "rough house" affair. They had not been boxing long before both were resorting to very questionable tactics, without any disguise at all. Welsh was shouldering his man about the jaw and also using his head artfully, while he had been leaning on Driscoll practically throughout the contest. "Jim" apparently believing that Welsh was behaving in what he considered a grossly unfair way, did the same. In the fourth round "Jim" returned some of the compliments and used his head in a most unmistakable fashion. It was deliberate, vicious and open, and had the circumstances been different he would doubtless have met with prompt disqualification.

Mr. Bettinson, the referee, took into account the bitter feeling in which the fight was being contested and thought it wiser to content himself with admonishing both boxers on the occasion of their offending. Driscoll's appeals were getting more frequent in every round, but as the referee still

unheeded them, he made up his mind to take matters in his own hands. Going into a clinch Driscoll deliberately placed his head underneath Welsh's chin and forced the head of his opponent upward in a savage and vicious manner. It was a most deliberate offence, which had not the slightest grounds either as to its liberate intent or the force with which it was committed. At the same time he pushed Welsh right over the ropes, hooking right and left to the jaw as he did so. Welsh appeared to be severely hurt by this action. The final act was altogether too much for Mr. Bettinson, who jumped into the ring and disqualified Driscoll.

The bad spirit of the contest will leave unpleasant memories for those who saw it.

CONSISTORY NOT VERY NEAR

Rome, Jan. 2.—The Pope has accepted the resignation of Mgr. Gappalo di Belmontino Pignatelli, as papal nuncio at Vienna. From this the inference is drawn that the holding of a consistory cannot be near as otherwise the nuncio, who is one of those scheduled to be created cardinal would have resigned. The comfort of the red hat would have meant his withdrawal from Vienna.

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MR. ROBINSON, THE CAPTIOUS CRITIC.

Mr. Robinson gave the Telegraph yesterday further opportunity for more scathing headlines, but the criticisms which the Leader of the Opposition has to offer on the annual statement of the provincial finances, when analysed, only serve to show up in a stronger light the difference between the mis-management and extravagance which prevailed while he and his predecessors were in charge of the treasury and the honest and careful administration of the public funds which now exists under the Hazen Government.

The Standard's explanation of the sinking fund item, in connection with the London loan, does not apparently satisfy Mr. Robinson. Why, he asks, is the year 1910 allowed to escape its share of the burden? And suggests juggling and manipulation. The explanation is so simple that a child could understand it. The year 1909 escaped four months' interest charge, from July to October, because the interest was not due until January 1910. For that reason and to even the expenditure up between the two years, 1909 was taxed with the sinking fund for twelve months, eight of which would otherwise have belonged to 1910. It was a common sense way of dealing with the matter and to any fair-minded observer is not open to criticism.

Suspense accounts should be a subject on which Mr. Robinson might be expected to give some expert information, but when he turns to discuss the methods pursued by his own Government, his memory suffers a surprising lapse. "Under the old plan," he says, "bills were paid by a loan from the bank, and the bank was in suspense until Parliament voted the money. Now these bills are not paid until after the close of the fiscal year." Will Mr. Robinson be prepared to say that the suspense account, which was rolled up by his Government from May until October 1907, was not charged up until after the money was voted by the Legislature in May 1908? His memory needs refreshing. In 1907 nearly \$700,000 was placed to suspense account. The public works account was overdrawn to the extent of \$11,032.24, and this amount was paid out before the end of the fiscal year. In addition the Hazen Government paid over \$150,000 in 1905 for bills contracted and payable before the close of the previous fiscal year. Yet Mr. Robinson would have it believed that his suspense account wiped out all the payments! Will Mr. Robinson say that payments made by the Public Works Department from the beginning of the fiscal year up to the opening of the Legislature have been greater under the Hazen Government than formerly? He knows the contrary to be the case.

Referring to the Public Works Department having exceeded its appropriation by \$200,000 the Leader of the Opposition shows a tender solicitude for the much abused audit act. "What has become of the audit act?" he asks. "Has the Auditor-General no pretence to make?" Mr. Robinson is well aware that the audit act provides that when public works are urgently needed in the public interest an expenditure can be made beyond the appropriation. Had some of the urgent work on the bridges covered by this expenditure not been carried out, he would be the first to complain that the Government were neglecting their duty. When he reflects on the Auditor-General, in his capacity as an independent official, he does an injustice to a thoroughly conscientious officer.

With regard to repairs to the roads and bridges of the province it is of interest to note the increased expenditure which has been devoted to this important branch of the public service. The figures for the last five years are as follows:

1905	\$1,058,48
1906	86,201.54
1907	94,179.78
1908	101,762.43
1909	154,916.40

The returns for the year 1909 show an increase of \$64,000 over the four previous years, and, no doubt, when details of the expenditure for 1910 are available it will be found that the funds devoted to this purpose will at least equal the previous year. "Are the results in proportion to the cost?" asks Mr. Robinson. There are no two opinions in the minds of the people of the province that the results are very much better than in proportion to the expenditure under the old Administration.

"Are the bills paid promptly?" is another subject which is evidently causing Mr. Robinson much worry and uneasiness, and he suggests that an item of \$2,965.45, expenses of the Central Railway investigation, should have been paid in 1909, and is open to suspicion. Considering the nature of the findings of the commissioners as affecting Mr. Robinson's friend and ex-colleague, Mr. Punsley, his solicitude that they should be promptly paid is to say the least magnanimous. If Mr. Robinson makes proper inquiry when the time comes we believe he will discover that all the items in this account were not submitted until after the close of the fiscal year. It is permissible to ask Mr. Robinson this question: If his own Government paid their bills promptly how comes it that ever since the advent of the Hazen Administration unsettled accounts have been continually presented which should have been paid before they came into power?

Excuse is taken by the Leader of the Opposition to the Standard's statement that the increased cost of stampage collection is due to the increased collections. The Standard has nothing to retract from that statement. It may be pointed out, however, that the scalers are paid a slightly higher remuneration than they re-

ceived under the old Government, which wasted thousands of dollars on lawyers fees to benefit their friends and could only afford to give the scalers five cents per thousand for scaling lumber. This was not considered by the present Government fair payment for their labor. It is also worth mentioning that game wardens under Mr. Robinson's regime were paid \$1.25 a day and boarded themselves. The Hazen Government had more sympathy for the working man and increased the rate to \$1.75. Does Mr. Robinson regard this as an extravagance?

The size of the log is a never failing source for argument and complaint by the Leader of the Opposition and his friends. Will Mr. Robinson take the responsibility for the statement that under the old Government the regulation size of 18 feet 10 inches was adhered to? He attributes the increase in the stumpage to "the construction of enormous mills at Campbellton, Dalhousie and Bathurst." Will Mr. Robinson say that the export of manufactured lumber in 1910 has been increased in proportion to the increase in the stumpage collected? Or will he say that there has been any increase?

Finally, Mr. Robinson objects to the charges to capital account. The amount added to the permanent debt last year was \$198,050.28. It will be instructive to compare the items with the use made of capital account by Mr. Robinson during his last year in office:

Hazen Government, 1910.	
Wharves and Grain Elevator, St. John	\$ 2,500
International Railway Subsidy	43,700
Permanent Bridges	148,552.83
New Brunswick Coal and Railway Repairs	2,297.45
Total	\$198,050.28
Robinson Government, 1907.	
Permanent Bridges	\$126,739.19
New Brunswick Coal and Railway	82,251.26
International Railway Subsidy	20,000
York and Carleton Railway Subsidy	11,212.50
Wharves and Grain Elevator, St. John	2,500
Provincial Hospital over-expenditure	22,502.31
Public Works Dept. over-expenditure	197,065.97
Total	\$462,271.23

Mr. Robinson and his friends are cursed with a record for extravagance and mis-management from which they cannot escape. Criticism from politicians of their stamp fails to convince directly any comparison is made with their own Administration. The financial methods which ended in their utter defeat at the hands of the electors will not soon be forgiven or forgotten.

THE REFERENDUM IN AUSTRALIA.

In the discussion of the referendum in Great Britain much has been made of the fact that it is now a recognized means of government in Australia. The referendum has been in operation for some time, and is used there not only for the determination of matters of Federal importance, but of municipal questions.

Among the larger problems to which it has been applied may be mentioned the federation of the colonies, the introduction of the Bible in schools in Victoria and Queensland, the state debts, the financial distribution of burdens, and the licensing question, both in the general election just concluded in New South Wales and previously.

In every case an act of Parliament is necessary to sanction the application of the referendum to any question of the first importance. The electors receive a copy of the proposed measure, and answer "Yes" or "No," on a form provided for the purpose, to the question whether they approve of it.

A referendum is about to be taken under a recent act passed by the Federal Parliament on the question of transferring all powers relating to industrial legislation and arbitration from the states to the Federal authority. Such a transfer requires an amendment of the Constitution, because the Constitution only gives Federal authority at present in the case of disputes extending beyond the limits of any one state. It is now sought to give authority to legislate in all cases.

THE THEATRE HAT.

The problem of whether a woman shall or shall not wear her hat at theatrical and musical performances, says the Bangor News, is not so simply and easily soluble as, at first glance, it might seem. There is no doubt that "the man behind" is justified in a fervent, though suppressed, impatience when his whole view of the stage is blotted out by the monstrous headgear that is perpetrated in the name of fashion. He certainly did not pay to have his face tickled with the tip of an ostrich plume, or to have his eyesight threatened with a protruding hatpin. Nor should he be compelled to dodge from side to side, like an engineer looking out of a locomotive cab, because the vista is blocked by the portentous architecture of whalebone and ribbon lampshades and laundry baskets called hats.

On the other hand, considering what a work of art is the 20th century culture, it is a good deal to expect a woman to dismantle the intricate scaffolding and dismantle that elaborate hirsute handicraft when it means that it has been so carefully designed to enhance her appearance at social functions following the concert or the play. It isn't the trouble of taking off her hat mildly minds. It is the fear that affects her lest the removal of pins and veils may cause the carefully imprisoned ringlets and tresses to stray, with a resultant aspect of careless disarray, and general dishevelment.

Current Comment

(London Free Press.)
Denmark has supplied precedent for many an agricultural innovation in recent years, and one of the most important of these, the co-operative poultry and egg circles, is now being adopted in Canada. The fact that Denmark was able to export eggs to the value of eight million dollars last year, principally to Great Britain, shows that the farmers of this little kingdom have worked out the co-operative problem successfully. It is not the first time that Canada has with profit gone to school to Denmark.

(Boston Transcript.)
Three hundred Free Masons having resolved nevermore to swear, an expectant world waits for: (1) their furnace fire to go out; (2) a door to slam on their fingers; (3) the plumbing to freeze; (4) their stenographer to have influenza, and (5) a fall down the cellar stairs with two jars of preserves.

(Vancouver Daily Province.)
John D. Rockefeller declines to express an opinion as to whether Santa Claus is a myth or not. Mr. Rockefeller's reticence on this subject may be attributed to an excusable jealousy of a rival philanthropist whose methods are more popular than his own.

(Montreal Gazette.)
The advances of the Farmers Bank of Canada on the bonds of a mining concern appear to have been the direct cause of the suspension. The men who buy five-cent shares from the smooth-talking promoters are not the simplest gudgeons in the financial pool.

ACHES, PAINS AND RHEUMATISM?

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Have you a bad attack of "general aching"? You know the feeling. Limbs ache, muscles seem to have become tired out, your back aches, now and again a twinge of rheumatism strikes you here and there. Your chest feels tight, there is a pain between your shoulders, and altogether you need toning up.

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FALLING OFF IN EXPORTS

Exports from Parrsboro for the Past Year Show Marked Decrease - Outlook Encouraging.

Parrsboro, Dec. 30.—The exports from Parrsboro during the year now closing were much smaller than were anticipated a year ago, and show a marked falling off as compared with the shipments of 1909. The decreased output was largely due to conditions entirely beyond the control of Parrsboro exporters. One of these was the remarkably light snowfall of last winter, which caused many lumbermen to suspend operations sooner than they had intended and, in some cases, rendered it impossible to get the cut lumber out of the woods. Another unfavorable condition was the continuance of the coal and strike at Springfield, which practically stopped the export of coal, and inflicted nearly as much injury upon this port as upon the mining town. As lumber and coal are Parrsboro's principal exports, it is not surprising in the circumstances that the output was smaller than was expected.

The shipments of deals, battens and scantlings to the United Kingdom this year aggregated 2,482,365 feet, valued at \$340,344, as compared with last year's shipments of 33,796,746 feet, valued at \$456,436. The spruce and hemlock shipped and scantlings exported to the United States this season totalled 6,360,201 feet, valued at \$86,087, and the laths exported numbered 10,690,100, valued at \$23,362. The piling shipped during the year numbered 54,938 pieces, with a valuation of \$50,825. Last year's export of boards, scantlings and laths amounted to 10,090,061 feet, valued at \$127,862, and the piling shipped numbered 62,576 pieces, valued at \$91,449. The total output this year was 23,983,786 feet of sawn lumber and 54,938 stacks of piling, the whole being valued at \$511,228. If the conditions which retarded the shipments of last year had been equalled \$42,894,867 feet of sawn lumber and 62,715 stacks of piling, with a valuation of \$486,740.

The coal shipments, as might be expected, show a very marked decrease as compared with former years. This year the total shipments are a little less than last year's, the shipments being 17,942 tons. During the year three vessels aggregating 1,346 tons have been wrecked and another of 374 tons has been damaged. The total tonnage of vessels built on this shore and aggregating 1,504 tons have been added to the fleet and the registry books now show 95 vessels of 17,726 tons. Another vessel of 246 tons was built at Port Greville this season and is registered at Lunenburg. Some shipbuilding will be done at Port Greville next summer but it is probable that the tonnage turned out will be small in comparison with this year's output.

The year in Parrsboro has been uneventful and business as a whole has been remarkably quiet. There is a general feeling, however, that the coming year will show a marked improvement. The changes in the ownership of the Dominion Atlantic Railway and the Cumberland Ry. and Coal Company can scarcely fail to have a beneficial effect upon the town. The satisfactory results from the development work done by the Swan Creek Copper Company during the fall are sufficient to justify the belief that extensive and profitable operations will be carried on next year. Several new industries are promised and there is likely to be something of a boom in the building line.

With even moderately favorable weather conditions there is reason to believe that the winter's lumber cut will largely expand the output of the present year, and thus give additional employment to all who have anything to do with handling lumber. With extensive mining operations near at hand, with coal and lumber shipments restored to normal conditions and

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PROPOSAL TO CHANGE CRICKET RULE

London, Jan. 2.—An important change in the laws of cricket is proposed by the Marylebone Cricket Club. This new rule is being submitted to the counties, and if it meets with favor it will come up at the annual meeting of the Marylebone Cricket Club in May.

The proposition is to omit the greater part of law 16 and substitute the following: "The 'No-Ball' becomes dead immediately on its being called. Two runs shall be added to the score under the heading of 'No-Balls'."

The chief effect of this rule will be that whereas, under the old code, the striker may hit a "no ball" and thus score runs off it, under the proposed new rule the ball will be deemed out of play or "dead" the moment a "no ball" is bowled and called by the umpire.

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Mercantile Marine

DAILY ALMANAC. Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1911. Sun rises ... 8.11 a. m. High water ... 4.47 p. m.

PORT OF SAINT JOHN. Arrived Monday, Jan. 2. Strm Corsican, 7296, Cook from Liverpool via Halifax.

Shipping Notes. British steamship Northida arrived at Newport News from St. John last Friday.

LIST OF VESSELS IN PORT. Steamers. Corsican, 7296, Wm. Thomson & Co. Calveston, 795, R. Reford & Co.

Foreign Ports. Ferdinand, Fla., Dec. 30—Sld. Str. Partolina, Stitt for Savannah.

Reports And Disasters. London, Dec. 30—Strm Erotia, from New York and Norfolk, for La Plata, has put into Pernambuco with machinery defective.

Spoken. Ship Rosario (Ital.) Savona for Penzance, Dec. 13, lat 40 N, lon 1 E.

VESSELS BOUND TO ST. JOHN. Steamers. Inishowen Head from Glasgow, Dec. 17.

CLIPPER SHIP RED JACKET. Famous American Ship which Broke Sailing Record Early in Career Ended Days in St. Lawrence Lumber Trade.

BOSTON LIGHT OLDEST IN U. S.

Built in 1715 by England, Still Stands to Light Vessels Into Harbor—Three Families Live in it.

The outer light of Boston harbor is Boston light, eight miles below the city and at the very end of the channel that ocean steamships follow.

Three families live there—those of the head keeper and his two assistants. In all the inhabitants number a dozen souls, besides two dogs, a cat and a raccoon.

The light itself is said to be the oldest in America—built in 1715 by the government of England.

A notable railway for carrying coal leads up from the water side to the engine house, where is an engine and boilers in which steam is kept up continually to operate the street lamps.

Waterborough. Waterborough, Dec. 29—Mr. John McLaw had a very unpleasant experience in the woods the other day by being caught by one of his feet in a

CLOSING WEEK OF LAST YEAR

J. S. Bache & Co. Review Problems Confronting Business Interests at Beginning of 1911—Railroad Rates

The year is closing enveloped in uncertainties. The questions which thinking business men give most weight to are:

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If rates are raised measurably, the effect upon sentiment would be undoubtedly great and would inspire more hopefulness in new enterprises.

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The attitude of the railroads, as evidenced by the expressions of some of their officers, is to honestly endeavor to give full consideration to the rights of the public of the shippers, and of the security holders, under the present laws.

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The period of the year has arrived when concerns throughout the business world balance their ledgers and face the record of the year's results.

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During the week. Sixty-one railroads in the Western Trunk lines have advanced engineers' wages 10 per cent. in compromise of the 17 per cent. raise asked for.

The government's announced intention of proceeding against the so-called electrical trusts without waiting for the Supreme Court decision has not had an inspiring effect upon business and only adds to its burdens.

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QUEBEC WINS FROM RENFREW AT OPENING

Ancient Capital Team Had Better of Play Throughout and Ontario Team's Goal Keeper Saved Many Scores.

Quebec, Jan. 2.—By a score of 3 to 2, Quebec defeated the Renfrew team in an exciting match at the Quebec rink tonight.

The mild spell put the ice to the test, but notwithstanding its mild state, surprisingly fast hockey was played, and the opening game of the big league in the ancient capital proved a notable one in every respect.

ZBYSKO WINS TWO STRAIGHT FROM LEMM

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Stanislaus Zbysko, the Polish wrestler, this afternoon defeated John Lemm, the Swiss, in two straight falls, the first in 1 minute and 30 seconds and the second by default.

EDDIE SWEENEY STAR BACKSTOP



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This is the boy good baseball judges say is going to be king pin of them all. He is looked on as the best in the American league, and it is predicted that next season he will be compared to Kling.

Quebec Trims Renfrew

Y.M.C.A. Boys Beat U.N.B.

Gotch Puts Quietus on Come Back Story



Humboldt, Iowa, Jan. 2.—Frank Gotch today absolutely denied that he would go back to wrestling. "I am out of the game for keeps," he said.

JEFF AND OLDFIELD IN AUTO SMASH

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 2.—Speeding toward the Mexican line, a big automobile driven by Barney Oldfield and carrying James J. Jeffries, the pugilist went into a ditch near National City today and was wrecked.

EIGHT NEGRO TEAMS FORM NEW LEAGUE

Chicago, Jan. 2.—The Negro National baseball league, with eight cities represented, has been formed here. The league plans to incorporate in Illinois and maintain headquarters in Chicago.

BOUTS TONIGHT. Sandy Ferguson vs. Purky Flinn, Joe Nelson vs. Dick Howell, Heywood Briggs vs. Young Jack Johnson and Young McGovern vs. Young Reardon.

MONCTON AFTER YOUNG BLOOD IN PRO. TEAM

Reports That Cushing and Crockett May Give Way to Upper Province Men—Chatham Defeated at Basketball

Moncton, Jan. 2.—Springlike weather prevailed here today and put the curlers out of business shortly after their match between the presidents and vice-presidents' teams had been started.

U.N.B. LOSE AT BASKETBALL TO Y.M.C.A.

The basketball match between a team from the University of New Brunswick and the Y. M. C. A. boys played at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, resulted in a victory for the local boys by a score of 36 to 21.

PALACE AUTO SHOW OPENED



GEN. GRANT. Who Opened the Fall International Auto and Aviation Exhibition.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Thousands of New Yorkers and visitors from other cities surged through the doors of Grand Central Palace Saturday to attend the opening of the 11th annual international automobile show and the first international aviation show.

Major General Frederick Dent Grant, U. S. A., commander of the department of the east, and who was accompanied by three aides, Col. Stephen C. Mills, general staff, Capt. C. W. Fenton, second cavalry, and Lieut. Arthur W. Howse, first field artillery, opened the shows with an address on the use and need of the automobile and aeroplane in modern warfare.

CHANGES IN HENLEY REGATTA

London, Jan. 2.—The annual meeting of the stewards took place recently and two innovations were agreed upon which should help to increase the success of the regatta. For the first time in many years it has been arranged to have the final day's racing on Saturday.

M. M'INTYRE WINS BOUT AT GLACE BAY

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 2.—The ten round bout between Micky McIntyre of Boston and Billy Parsons at Glace Bay this afternoon, resulted in a win for McIntyre in the tenth round.

DIAMOND DUST.

The itinerary of the spring training trip of the Cincinnati baseball club has been completed. After the team finishes its preliminary work at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it will open its anteseason games at Louisville on March 25.

Who Wouldn't Go A-Ski-ing?



HOW TO MAKE MORE BATTING

Idea of Experts Differ as to Best Method of Increasing Number of Hits—Suggestions by Western Managers

Baseball club owners and managers have their own ideas about increasing batting. Some of them want the number of balls reduced to three; others want the foul strike rule amended; it is also suggested that the pitcher be placed farther away from the plate.

By T. C. "SANDY" GRIFFIN. Owner Syracuse, N. Y. S. League. I think if the foul strike rule was cut out there would be an increase in batting.

By CLAUDE H. VARNELL. Owner of Fort Wayne Central League Club. The substitution of three balls for four would force the pitchers to "groove" the ball and result in more long clean hits and better hitting.

By BOB QUINN. Secretary Columbus American Association Club. The fewer changes in the rules the better for the game.

By L. D. SMITH. Owner Terre Haute Central League Club. I suggest that in order to increase batting, the pitcher be moved back.

By R. F. KINSELLA. President Springfield Club, Three I League. I am unable to suggest a way to increase batting I am of the old school and believe batters are born, not made.

By JOHN MORRISSEY. Manager Lansing Club, Southern Michigan League. There are two ways to increase batting. One is to eliminate the spit ball, and the other to abolish the foul strike.

By WILLIAM ROURKE. Owner Omaha Western League Club. Use a livelier ball, set the pitcher back to the middle of the diamond, or change the strike and ball rule to

Y.M.C.A. BOWLING OPENS AGAIN

Schedule for Second Series Begins With Game Thursday Night and Ends Feb. 21—Estey Prize Winner

The games in connection with the Y. M. C. A. bowling league series will be resumed on Thursday with a match between the King Pins and the Comets.

Table with columns for Team, Won, Lost, and Total. Lists various bowling teams and their records.

Estey Wins Prize.

A month ago the Y. M. C. A. offered a prize in connection with the league series for three consecutive strikes during the month. A. E. Estey proved the winner in this contest with scores of 99, 108, 110, or a total of 317.

The use of a livelier ball is the best suggestion to my mind. I am opposed to any change in rules. In the Western league we used the liveliest ball made last season, and as a result had more 300 hitters than any league in the country.

The public likes to see batting. My idea to increase batting is to reduce the number of balls. Let three balls walk a batter and you'll see more hitting. It may be hard on pitchers if the number of balls is reduced, but they'll soon get used to it.

32 PLAYERS HURT OUT OF 692 IN BOSTON

Boston, Mass., Jan. 2.—Thirty-two of the 692 football players in the eleven Boston high schools were injured during the season of 1910, according to the report compiled by Thomas F. Harrington, director of school hygiene.

Opera House ALL THIS WEEK

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds to moderate southerly to westerly and north-westerly gales, occasional rain turning colder during the night with snow flurries.

AROUND THE CITY

Masonic Reception. Last night the Carleton Masonic Club held a reception and a very enjoyable time was spent by those present.

Corsican Arrives. The steamer Corsican arrived yesterday morning from Liverpool via Halifax with a large freight and 61 passengers.

Mason's Union. A special meeting of the Mason's Union will be held this evening in their hall, Brussels street. All members are requested to attend as business of importance will be discussed.

No Inquest. Coroner Berryman has decided that no inquest is necessary in the death of William McKinley, the young man who dropped dead on Brussels street on Sunday evening.

Assembly Dance. There was a most pleasant assembly in the O'Regan building on Mill street, last night. Allan's orchestra provided the music and a lengthy programme of dances was enjoyed.

Bricklayers and Masons. The Bricklayers and Masons will hold a meeting in their hall, this evening at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested as the mortuary benefit scheme is to be discussed.

Gift Appreciated. Premier Hazen has presented a framed portrait of himself to the St. John Power Boat Club. The portrait now adorns the walls of the club house, and the gift is much appreciated by the members.

Potatoes For Havana. The Sokoto, of the Canada-Cuba-Mexico Line, will load about 7,000 barrels of potatoes for Havana. The Cuban market for potatoes has not been very active recently, but it is reported that prices show an upward tendency.

W. C. T. U. Gathering. Rev. L. A. McLean will address a meeting to be held under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. in their rooms on Germain street, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. His subject will be the building of Nations. Mrs. Wm. Lawson will also deliver an address on the Healing Spirit. There will be a short service of prayer, violin solos and other musical selections.

Canada's Business Growing. The O. R. Williams Machinery Co. have just placed their order with the Canada Machinery Corporation covering their requirements in wood working machinery and machine tools for 1911. This order, which amounts to \$400,000.00, is believed to be the largest single order ever placed in Canada. The Canada Machinery Corporation includes the machine department of the Sussex Manufacturing Co.

TWO LAND DEALS OF SOME IMPORTANCE

Retired Merchant Pays Good Price for 17 Lots Near Slaughter House—Negotiations for Tisdale Property

Two important real estate transactions in the vicinity of Crouchville have been reported during the last few days and although the sales have not been recorded it is stated on excellent authority that they have been made. A retired dry goods merchant, who was formerly engaged in business on Union street near the corner of Sydney, has purchased 17 lots of land near the Slaughter House, and although the presence of the Slaughter House reduces the value of the land for building purposes, it is stated that he paid for his lots just ten times what the same lots sold for a few years ago.

The lots are situated on Mount Pleasant just at the crest of the hill and command a fine view of the city. Residents of Crouchville, who are interested in the development there, told a standard man yesterday that steps would be taken to have the Slaughter House removed for the benefit of the owners of property in that vicinity.

Another important real estate transaction is reported as just about completed and when it is registered there will be a change in the ownership of the old Tisdale property which is situated on the northeast side of the road leading from Chas. Ward's property to the Westmoreland road and extending out to the Red Head road. It is understood that this property was held for the former owners by H. F. Puddington and that he asked \$20,000 for it. The land on the other side of the road is owned by the Gilbert estate. The location of the property is most desirable as any development which may come in Courtenay Bay must enhance its value very greatly.

Mr. Puddington when seen last evening said the sale had not yet been completed, but admitted that negotiations were pending for the property.

W. W. Hubbard, Secretary of Agriculture, was in town yesterday. Hon. J. K. Flemming, provincial secretary, was in the city yesterday.

MERRITT BROS. LTD. ASSIGNED YESTERDAY

Meeting of Creditors Called for Jan. 12 by H.H. Pickett, the Assignee—Succeeded Old Firm of Turnbull & Co.

There was general regret about the city yesterday when it was learned that the old established firm of Merritt Bros. & Co. Ltd., had made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors to H. H. Pickett. A meeting of the creditors has been called for the 12th inst. in Mr. Pickett's office, and no statement as to the condition of affairs will be made until after the meeting.

The firm of Merritt Bros. succeeded the well known old firm of Turnbull & Co., in the wholesale grocery business. About seven years ago the business was taken over by a limited liability company under the name of Merritt Bros. & Co., Ltd., and it had been conducted under this name and style up to the end of the year when the assignment was made. The authorized capital of the company was \$25,000, and J. F. Merritt is president.

Mr. Merritt when seen last evening confirmed the assignment, but refused to discuss the matter further.

MURRAY KEEFE SHOT BY BOY COMPANION

Dr. McIntyre, in Attendance, Expects Patient to Recover After Bullet is Removed This Morning

There was considerable excitement about the city yesterday afternoon when it was reported that a young fellow had been shot and killed by a companion in the North End. There was a shooting affair but the wounded boy will most likely recover.

It appears that Willie Bacon, aged 15 years; Murray Keefe, aged 15 years; and Ivan Magee about the same age, were in the woods near the northern end of the rifle range, and they had with them a small rifle owned by Roland Leonard, Bacon was handling the rifle when it was accidentally discharged and the shot, which was a .22 calibre bullet, entered the right side of Murray Keefe near the lungs.

Dr. J. A. McIntyre who was summoned on the case, stated that he expects to remove the bullet this morning. The young fellow was conveyed to the home of his sister, Mrs. John Deyell, Millidge Avenue, where he is being treated. It is not expected that his injuries will be fatal.

ONE RELEASED AND ANOTHER ARRESTED

Joseph Weldon Brought Number Held for New Year's Disturbance Up to Twelve—Fred Way Given Liberty

The chief topic of conversation about the city yesterday was the New Year's Eve disturbance that resulted in great damage to property and injury to police and other citizens. At the present time there are no less than twelve young men under arrest. Yesterday afternoon Joseph Weldon, aged 22, was added to the list of the disturbers of the peace and is charged with the same offence as the others who were arrested Sunday night.

With the exception of Fred Way the others have been kept in the Central Police Station cells and if their friends did not send them food they were supplied with the usual food from the jail. Fred Way was liberated yesterday on the advice of Recorder Baxter. The prisoners will be defended when the case starts this morning in the police court.

HARKINS' VERSION OF "HELLO BILL" POPULAR

Society People Enjoy Refined Comedy Presented to Packed House Last Evening—Repeated Tonight.

An audience which filled every seat in the Opera House last evening saw a new and delightful version of Hello Bill, those who had seen the play of the same name were agreeably surprised at the production of the Harkins' Company. The performance given last evening was a refined comedy such as society people could enjoy.

The lines were full of humor with a succession of delicious climaxes following one another so quickly that there was not a dull moment from start to finish of the play. Harry Engle proved himself particularly well fitted to the part of the false General Fuller, and Mignon Oxer gave probably the best presentations of her part since she has been in St. John. The other performers were equally as good in their respective roles.

On Wednesday and Thursday nights John Drew's and Maudie Adams' great success, The Runaways, will be presented, and on Friday and Saturday A. M. 11.30. The Runaways, will be presented by the same company.

A feature of the day's proceedings that was most interesting was the burning of the notes. The ceremony was a great contrast to that followed in a number of institutions in burning mortgages.

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SUMMER SERVICE TO AID IMMIGRATION

London Booking Agent Says if Steamers Came Direct to St. John More Settlers Would Come Here

J. Scammell, a booking agent who runs a number of offices in London and who has been looking into the immigration situation in Canada, was the city last week on his way home. To the reporter he said there was every indication that the immigration to Canada next year would establish a record.

"Some parties," he added, "estimate that there will be 500,000 come to Canada in 1911, and I don't think the estimate is too high."

"In my office I am making arrangements to direct immigrants to the Maritime Provinces and especially to New Brunswick where, I think, the opportunities for new settlers are as good as anywhere. One thing the New Brunswick people ought to agitate for, is a passenger service to St. John in summer."

"We look quite a number of people for New Brunswick in the summer time, but my information is that they don't very often reach their destination."

"We send them to Halifax and there they are told New Brunswick is a desolate wilderness and are persuaded to locate in Nova Scotia or to go on to the west. Yet through the rivalry between the provinces and the fact that the people of Halifax are always ready to run down St. John and this province, if you have a passenger line running to St. John in the summer I'm sure New Brunswick would get many more new settlers than it does."

"And you ought to have this service this summer. Everything is conspiring to direct attention to the colonies, and it is going to be a banner year for immigration. We will have the Coronation with troops from all parts of the Empire, the Imperial Conference, and other functions which will focus attention upon the outlying parts of Greater Britain."

"The Maritime Provinces ought to get a goodly proportion of the stream of immigrants. And once the people begin to understand what the east can offer they will come here. They can find conditions more nearly approximating what they have at home, and many conveniences that they can not find on the open prairies."

"The Master Painters' Association were at home to their friends yesterday in their rooms in the Market Building, and President Joseph Stentford and his reception committee extended the glad hand to many friends during the course of the afternoon and evening. The formal greetings from representatives of the other building trades' organizations, John E. Wilson, M. P. E., presented the association with a fine portrait of the King, and had his character painted in rosy colors by the master painters.

In making the presentation Mr. Wilson referred to the happy relations that had always existed between him and the association, and said he thought the most fitting way in which he could show his appreciation of the association and its members was to present them with a picture of their King, whom he felt had no more loyal or devoted subjects than the master painters and the people of St. John generally.

Much Cheering. At the close of Mr. Wilson's remarks the master painters gave three cheers for the King, sang the National Anthem, and then gave Mr. Wilson a round of cheers and joined in singing "For he's a jolly good fellow."

President Stentford, on behalf of the association, acknowledged the presentation in a happy little speech, in which he referred to the high place occupied by Mr. Wilson, not only in the hearts of the master painters, but in those of the citizens of St. John generally.

John Johnson, the oldest member of the association also spoke, stating that Mr. Wilson's popularity among the workers was the strongest proof that he possessed the right kind of qualities, because it was well said that the only way to really know a man was to work for him.

Joseph Edgecombe made a short address, paying his respects to Mr. Wilson and also to the association.

Ex-silverman H. L. McGowan in the course of an interesting address advocated the formation of a Builders' Exchange, and thought the members of the building trades present should resolve themselves into a committee to proceed with the matter at once.

John E. Wilson approved of the idea but thought a public committee should be called, so that all the organizations could send regularly accredited delegates. John Edgecombe also thought it would be a good thing for the different trades to get together, but did not feel that the painters should assume the whole burden of organizing the exchange. Mr. Williams spoke along the same lines.

John Fong referring to the picture of the King, said he had had the privilege of serving as a member of the guards of honor to Queen Victoria, King Edward and King George, and delivered an eloquent address on the subject of patriotism and the old flag. John H. Leah made one of his characteristic speeches.

The New Year's gathering of the St. John Order of Elks was held in their lodge rooms on Charlotte street last evening and the principal event of the occasion was a presentation to the secretary, W. S. Jewett. The presentation was made by the exalted ruler, L. H. Ross, the present being a chain consisting of an elk's tooth mounted in gold. Mr. Jewett received the gift with a brief address of thanks. The janitress of the building was presented with a money token.

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