

LONELY FISHERMAN PROBABLY MURDERED.

He Had Lived Alone for Many Years-- Body Found Covered With Blood-- Robbery the Motive.

ELLISWORTH, Me., Jan. 9.—Evidence of murder, with robbery as the probable motive, developed today with the discovery of the body of Wm. W. Robbins, a fisherman, in an isolated spot three miles from Deer Isle, and where he had lived alone. The head was crushed in and the body covered with blood. As Robbins, who was 46 years old, had few callers, he was not missed until last night, when J. E. Eaton, his nearest neighbor, living a quarter of a mile away, recalled that no light had been seen for several nights. Fearing he might be sick, Mr. Eaton sent his son to investigate this forenoon. Through the window he saw Robbins' body upon the kitchen floor in a pool of blood. His first thought was of suicide, and word to that effect was sent to Judge E. F. Spofford, Deer Isle, Judge Spofford, accompanied by Dr. C. E. Wasagat and Geo. L. Beck, began an examination. They found the only entrance unlocked. The kitchen, one of three rooms of which the structure consisted, plainly revealed the fierce struggle Robbins must have had with his assailant. Blood stains were upon the door and walls as high as the ceiling, and all over the furniture. The clothing was saturated with it. The man's head was beaten in and cut almost beyond recognition. The stock of a gun which the murderer undoubtedly used, was found near the body, and its broken barrel in a corner of the room. The broken end of the barrel was matted with blood and hair. Dr. Wasagat gave it as his opinion Robbins had been dead nearly a week.

P. E. I. MAN Wants Money in Boston Savings Bank.

Mrs. Bartlett Suing for Divorce From Her Husband—Were Married in Nova Scotia.

BOSTON, Jan. 7.—Duncan Darrach, administrator of the estate of Florrie Darrach, late of Canoe Cove, P. E. I., has petitioned the probate court here for the right to take possession of money in the South Boston Savings Bank, left by the testator. A hearing will be given on Jan. 12. Mrs. Augusta A. Bartlett is a petitioner in the superior court for a divorce from Albert I. Bartlett. The Bartletts were married at Lower Arroyo, N. S., in 1882. Desertion is alleged. Among provincialists in town this week were: B. C. Munroe of Amherst, N. S.; Mr. and Mrs. T. Hastings of Moncton; Miss Fannie C. Bell of Shefford, and T. F. Piper and Mrs. Piper of Yarmouth. The following deaths among former provincialists are announced: In Cambridge, Jan. 8, Biles B. Barnes, formerly of St. John; in Brantford, Jan. 8, Martha L. Gaddis, formerly of St. John; in Cambridge, Dec. 20, Mrs. Sarah Keenan, wife of Peter Keenan, formerly of St. John, aged 65 years; in East Boston, Jan. 2, Wm. J. Murdoch, formerly of St. John; at Barre, Wm. T. Gillespie, formerly of St. John; in Jamaica Plain, Dec. 30, Edwin Landers, aged 53 years, a native of Yarmouth; Manchester, N. H., Dec. 25, George G. Wightman, aged 89 years, formerly of St. John; in Methuen, John A. Robinson, aged 23, native of Norton, N. B.; in Gloucester, Dec. 29, Watson Baker, aged 74, native of Yarmouth; in Gloucester, Dec. 28, Mrs. Annie Williams, nee Melanson, aged 25, native of Weymouth, N. S.; in Winthrop, Dec. 31, Abraham J. Wendell, aged 57, formerly of Halifax.

TWO MASTED SCHOONER WASHED BY HIGH SEAS.

Captain Nelson and Crew of the W. R. Chester Safe in New York-- Skipper's Wife Aboard.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—After a rescue in mid-ocean and a narrow escape from death, Captain Wm. Nelson, his wife and five seamen, of the two-masted schooner W. R. Chester, arrived tonight as passengers on the Atlantic transport line steamship Minnehaha. The schooner was abandoned in lat. 39.02, lon. 52.20, the crew being taken aboard the steamship Anglo-Chilian, which landed them at Havre. The Chester left Jonesport, Maine, on Nov. 24, lumber laden, and bound for Barbados. She ran into rough weather soon after sailing, which continued until Dec. 11, when she was struck by a wave which threw her on her beam ends. She rolled over to port so far that her captain and his wife thought she would turn turtle, and the captain gave the order to cut away the masts. This was done, and when they went by the board, carrying away the bowsprit and other hardware, the vessel slowly came back to an even keel. To add to the peril of the situation, Captain Nelson found that his rudder was broken, and the schooner wallowed and rolled at the mercy of every sea which broke over her. "Fortunately," said the captain, "she did not leak. We huddled in the cabin and did the best we could for four days and a half. There was plenty to eat and fresh water. There came a lull in the storm on the evening of the 15th, when the Anglo-Chilian came along. We lit signals of distress and the mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor. It is probable that Dally will soon be permitted to neutralize the situation. Japanese companies are preparing to establish weekly services to that port. It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic war loan under the same conditions as the third was negotiated. Headquarters Japanese Army at Port Arthur, via Fusan, Jan. 8.—Lieut. General Fock and Smirnoff have decided to go to Japan as prisoners of war. The result of the Russian naval conference for the Rev. Geo. Johnson, pastor of the Methodist Church of this town. T. M. Seeley, editor of the Yarmouth Light, and Mrs. Seeley, have been visiting at the home of E. E. Archibald for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Anderson are visiting in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of St. John spent New Year's at the home of Arthur S. Harris, Chipman Corner, father of Mrs. Mitchell. Word has been received here that the Skoda, loaded with apples from Wolfville, has arrived in London with her cargo in good condition. Ernest Eaton, Acadia '03, of the Union Commercial College staff at Charlotteville, is spending his vacation at his home in Yarmouth. Miss Lillian Strong, a graduate in music of Acadia Seminary, leaves this week for New Germany, where she will be employed as a teacher. Rev. A. Corbett left this week for Woodstock, where he is the newly elected pastor of the Baptist Church. Joe Edwards, the well known and popular station master at Annapolis, is laid aside with a lame arm.

CLOTHING BARGAINS NOW

We have made sweeping reductions on the following lines in order to clear them at once to make room for new Spring Goods: Men's Overcoats, formerly \$6 to \$12, Now \$3.95, 4.95, 6.98 and 8.75. Men's Suits, formerly \$6 to \$12, Now \$3.95, 5.98 and 6.98. Boys' 2-Piece Suits, formerly \$1.85 to \$4.75, Now 98c., \$1.69 and \$1.98. J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothier, 199 and 201 Union St.

RUSSIAN PRISONERS MOVED FROM FORTS

Port Arthur to be a Naval Station. Nearly Nine Hundred Officers and 24 Thousand Men the Total Number of Prisoners.

TOKIO, Jan. 8, 1 p. m.—The transfer of prisoners from Port Arthur was completed at 4.30 p. m. yesterday. The total number of officers transferred was 878; men, 23,481. TOKIO, Jan. 8, noon.—The Japanese intend to establish a naval station at Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Y. Shibayama will probably be placed in charge of it. The military administration of Port Arthur will retain only a small garrison as soon as the prisoners are withdrawn and order is restored. The fleet is busily engaged in clearing the mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor. It is probable that Dally will soon be permitted to neutralize the situation. Japanese companies are preparing to establish weekly services to that port. It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic war loan under the same conditions as the third was negotiated. Headquarters Japanese Army at Port Arthur, via Fusan, Jan. 8.—Lieut. General Fock and Smirnoff have decided to go to Japan as prisoners of war. The result of the Russian naval conference for the Rev. Geo. Johnson, pastor of the Methodist Church of this town. T. M. Seeley, editor of the Yarmouth Light, and Mrs. Seeley, have been visiting at the home of E. E. Archibald for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Anderson are visiting in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of St. John spent New Year's at the home of Arthur S. Harris, Chipman Corner, father of Mrs. Mitchell. Word has been received here that the Skoda, loaded with apples from Wolfville, has arrived in London with her cargo in good condition. Ernest Eaton, Acadia '03, of the Union Commercial College staff at Charlotteville, is spending his vacation at his home in Yarmouth. Miss Lillian Strong, a graduate in music of Acadia Seminary, leaves this week for New Germany, where she will be employed as a teacher. Rev. A. Corbett left this week for Woodstock, where he is the newly elected pastor of the Baptist Church. Joe Edwards, the well known and popular station master at Annapolis, is laid aside with a lame arm.

REV. JOHN LATHERN DEAD.

Was Probably Best Known Methodist Minister in Maritime Provinces.

HALIFAX, Jan. 8.—Rev. John Lathern, D. D., died last evening after a long illness. He was prominent in every good work. No Methodist minister in the province was so well known as he, and no one was better liked by members of other churches. He was born in England. Dr. Lathern was descended from an old Northumbrian family and was born in Cumberland, Eng., in 1831. He was trained for mining engineering, but obeying a call to the ministry, entered the British Wesleyan conference in 1855. He was ordained in 1859 and joined the newly organized conference in Eastern Canada and became pastor at Fredericton. After holding different pastorates he was president of the N. S. conference in 1882 and was elected editor of the Wesleyan. He is the author of Institute Lectures, The Macdonaldian, Fry, and born in Cumberland, Eng., in 1831. He married Miss Mary Elizabeth Simpson, daughter of the late John Simpson, at one time Queen's printer for N. B. During his ministry Dr. Lathern had charge of many of the more important Methodist churches in the three provinces. He was pastor of the Centenary from 1888 till 1891, and was the General Conference's representative at the death of Dr. McMurray a good many years ago. Dr. Lathern became chairman of the board of regents of Mt. Allison University, holding that position until his death, though on account of infirmity he was unable to attend the last meeting. He retired from the editorial management of the Wesleyan some years ago. It is understood that notwithstanding his feeble health Dr. Lathern was during the last two or three years of his life engaged in the preparation of a book which has not yet been published. When in the active ministry he was one of the most eloquent and impressive speakers in the Methodist connection, and there was a general speaker who had a higher reputation as a lecturer. Among his popular lectures were "Cromwell and the Ironsides," "Cobden and the Corn Laws," "Layard and the Bible of Luchnow." The last mentioned was delivered many times and always stirred an audience to enthusiasm. Dr. Lathern was a successful pastor in the best sense. He was a gentle, kindly man, loved by all, and yet true and strong, so that all respected him. One of his daughters, a graduate of Mount Allison University, is on the staff of the Ladies' College in Sackville.

YOUNG BRAVADO Endeavoring to Terrorize His Native County.

Had Read Dime Novels and is Following the Example Set Therein—Twenty Years Old.

WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 9.—Emulating the example of dime novel bravados, a youth of twenty years, armed with a shot gun, a repeating rifle and a bowie knife tucked away in a cartridge belt, has succeeded in terrorizing Worcester county, and attracted to himself the attention of the state and county police, who tonight had traced and followed him across the New Hampshire line. Late last Tuesday afternoon the young desperado arrived at the home of Mrs. Elzino O. Ward, in Petersham, and learning that the woman, who is a widow of 65 years, was living alone, installed himself in the house, where he remained until 10 o'clock the following night. Thursday night the woman reported that she had suffered abuse at the hands of the young man. Saturday the police began a systematic search for the young man. Details of the station master at Annapolis, is laid aside with a lame arm.

Japs' Kindly Treatment.

Carried Effects of the Weary Russian Prisoners--Latter Feel Their Position Keenly.

Headquarters of the third Japanese army at Port Arthur, Jan. 6, via Yiu Kow and Tien Ts'in—Five thousand men of the Russian garrison at Port Arthur were marched from the village of Yamufsu, on the shores of Pigeon Bay, for 15 miles to the railway station at Changtientsu at 3 o'clock, and the other detachments followed soon after. Each detachment was accompanied by six loaded transport carts. The Russians during the night will be taken on special trains of open trucks to Dally, and there will immediately embark for Japan on transports now waiting in that port. The long procession of the remnants of the gallant Russian garrison was a pathetic spectacle. The first arrivals at Changtientsu were four drunks containing the staff officers who had refused to give their parole. All wore their swords. A few minutes later the first detachment arrived. As the Japanese soldiers crowded about them with evident curiosity the faces of the Russian officers were an interesting study. All of them appeared to feel their humiliating position keenly, and though some seemed to be resigned to their situation, others were resentful at being regarded with curiosity. The men looked to be well fed, but their faces, like those of the officers, indicated the awful physical strain they had undergone. The prisoners were treated with the greatest respect and kindness. The soldiers were given food, cigarettes and beer, and the correspondent of the Associated Press saw soldiers voluntarily carrying the effects of the prisoners when they were overcome by fatigue.

DIED AT MONCTON.

Mrs. William Robinson Had Been Suffering From Paralysis.

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 8.—Mrs. William J. Robinson died yesterday afternoon at her home on Alma street, in East Moncton, of paralysis. She was 66 years of age and was predeceased by her husband by about eleven years. Mrs. Robinson was a native of Pointe du Buis, and is survived by one brother, Robert T. McLeod of Pointe du Buis, and three sisters, Mrs. Johnson and the Misses Dunice and Amy McLeod of Newark N. J., also C. W. Robinson, M. P. P. of Moncton, and Councillor Frank C. Robinson of Salisbury are stepsons. Deceased was an active member of Central Methodist Church, and was greatly esteemed by a wide circle of friends in Moncton and in the eastern part of the county. Chief of Police Tingley, who has been ill with pneumonia, is steadily improving and is expected to be about again shortly. An interesting event took place at the residence of ex-Councillor John McKee, of McKee's Mills, Kentville, Jan. 8, when his daughter, Miss Jennie A. McKee, was united in matrimony with R. W. Allanack of Moncton. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. Lucas, of the presence of members of the family only. Mr. and Mrs. Allanack will reside in Moncton.

Wolfville.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Jan. 9.—The college and sister institutions open again on Wednesday. The seminary will have a larger attendance than ever before. Over 100 resident students are expected. The young ladies of the college who have hitherto found a home in the seminary building will be obliged to find boarding places in the town. The next building to be erected at Acadia will probably be a home for college young women. At a regular meeting of the Wolfville town council, A. E. Tidwell was unanimously appointed clerk in place of Frank A. Dixon, deceased. Mrs. L. S. Gove of St. John is spending a few weeks at the home of her father, D. R. Munro. Miss Hazel Wortman has returned to Sussex for the winter. Miss Hilda Tutts returned on Saturday to Wexley College, where she expects to graduate in June next. The engagement of Miss Adeline Putnam, vice principal of Acadia seminary, is announced to Clinton Hamm of Boston. Miss Putnam is spending her vacation at her home in Newton. Miss A. Archibald of this town, who left for the west two weeks ago, was met at El Paso, Mexico, and married to Fulton J. Harvey. The happy couple will reside at El Paso, Arizona. Stanley Pickering of St. John was in town this week. M. Keefe, editor of the Citizen, Ottawa, has been in Wolfville, visiting friends here. Miss Keefe has been here some weeks. William Woodman, a much respected citizen of Grand Pre, son of the late James Woodman of Lover Wolfville, died on Wednesday, after a short illness, aged 45 years. Besides a wife, who was Miss Falkner, and several children, he leaves three sisters—Mrs. A. J. Eaton of McGill College, Mrs. E. D. Englemann and Mrs. J. D. Chambers of this town. Edmund Crowley visiting friends in St. John this week. Geo. L. Hishop, Acadia '98, was married on Wednesday to Miss Laura

BATHURST.

County Council Meets Today—Later Meeting Wedding.

BATHURST, Jan. 8.—The County Council will meet tomorrow and there is not much of special importance to come before it, it is thought the session will be a short one. The matter of lighting the streets and bridges as well as the court house and jail will be discussed, and it is fervently hoped, will be so favorably considered that in a week or so will materialize. On Friday morning the dwelling of John Hollywood was destroyed by fire, which was not noticed till it had gained considerable headway. The occupants, Mr. Hollywood's wife, two children and mother-in-law, escaped in their night clothing. Nothing was saved. There was no insurance, and the loss, \$800, is a severe one to the owner. A skating carnival was to have taken place on the ice in the harbor on Saturday evening, but was postponed on account of the snow and rain storm. It will be held as soon as the ice is again in readiness. The funeral of William S. Hachey, who was accidentally killed by the shunting engine in Newcastle railway yard on Thursday night last, took place yesterday, and was one of the largest ever seen here. From 60 to 70 horses with sleighs containing friends of the deceased were in the procession. Mr. Hachey was a worthy man and a good citizen, and his widow and family have the sympathy of all. Telephone communication (before referred to in the Sun) has been established between the office of the manager of the light system and the power house. On Tuesday next the marriage of Miss Lena Melanson, daughter of Samuel Melanson, registrar of deeds for this county, to Frank Foote of Fredericton, will take place in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Bathurst Village. Congratulations.

ALBERT'S NEW COURT HOUSE

HOPEWELL HILL, Jan. 8.—The S. & H. train, which Albert last Wednesday, four days ago, got through to Salisbury yesterday, and reached Albert on the return trip this morning, the track being now clear. The train brought down a lot of passengers. Albert county's new Court House, at the Cape, which is about completed, will be opened for the meeting of the County Council next Tuesday. The painter is busy putting on the finishing touches this week. In the construction of the building, the contractors, H. Copp & Co. of Sackville, appear to have very faithfully followed the plans which were prepared by W. E. Reid of Riverdale, and the result is a handsome and convenient structure. Outside the building is painted a French gray, with white trimmings. The large columns, supporting the extended gable facing the Court House square, and much to the appearance of the building, which is certainly an ornament to the shiretown. The rails are of hardwood, and the walls being painted in terra cotta, and the woodwork done in hard oil. The ceiling is of metal, octagonal, and painted a lighter shade of terra cotta. The building is heated with a very large furnace, which was put in by Jordan Steeves, the well known hardware man of Hillsboro. Mr. Gould of Sackville was the foreman on the work. James Joyce did the greater part of the painting, and F. F. Burton did the finishing in-oll. The plumbing has not yet been installed. Miss Martha E. Bray, who is to teach here in the place of her sister, who is ill, arrived today from Burnt Lake, Alberta, where she has been teaching.

FIRE AT DARTMOUTH.

(Special to the Sun.) HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 9.—The residence of Geo. C. Oland, Dartmouth, was totally destroyed and the home of John Forsyth badly gutted by a serious fire in the north end of the town this morning. Mr. Oland estimates his loss to be between \$3,000 and \$4,000. His house was valued at \$3,500, on which he carried \$1,000 insurance. He was unable to state the amount of the insurance on the furniture. Mr. Forsyth's house is assessed at \$1,600, on which he carried \$1,000 insurance. He saved his furniture.

S. AND H. TRAIN BLOCKED.

Snow Storm Completely Stopped Traffic—Difficulty With Mail.

HOPEWELL HILL, N. B., Jan. 5.

One of the most severe storms experienced here in years began on Tuesday night and raged all day yesterday, drifting the roads badly and blocking the S. & H. railway completely. No mails have been received for two days. Tomorrow a team will go on the route, and it is expected there will be a mail brought in to-night. The train which left Albert yesterday morning has not yet reached Salisbury. The engine gave out between Salisbury and Hillsboro, and a relief engine hauled the train back to Hillsboro today. This morning the thermometer registered 5 below zero.

HOPEWELL HILL, N. B., Jan. 3.—A Baptist social at the home of John Russell last night netted \$150.

Fred J. Newcomb returned yesterday from slight-seeing in St. John. W. E. Jardine is acting manager of the Bank of New Brunswick at Riverdale for a time. The body of Miss Clara Moore, of Moncton, whose death occurred recently, came down by yesterday's train for burial at New Ireland. Miss Moore was a native of this county, and her early death was heard of here with much regret.

ST. JOHN SOLDIER RECEIVES MEDAL.

T. J. Stone, of this city, son of Thos. J. Stone, was the happy recipient Saturday of his war medal, which he earned during the South African war. Stone served his time with Marshall's Horse, a Cape Colony organization, and has been home for about eight months. Some time ago a request was sent from Cape Town for his discharge papers, and the result was that Saturday he received his papers back and also his medal. The medal has the Queen's head stamped on one side, while Mr. Stone's name and the name of the regiment is on the rim. The colors of the corps are with the medal. Mr. Stone is justly proud of his decoration.

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TO THE FARMERS.

Information Concerning the Breeds of Mutton Sheep.

Sheep.

Illustrated Lecture by F. W. Hodson.

Dominion Live Stock Commission.

er at the Late Amherst

Winter Fair.

Before speaking of any particular breeds Mr. Hodson explained that unless a man was governed by some fixed ideas as to what he wanted to do, and what it was best for him to do under the conditions which surrounded him, he could not hope for success as a stock man.

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THE PASSING HOUR

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Tobacco and the McDonald School.

Dr. Trotter and Mrs. Chadwick.

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"I was thinking" observed the pupil with some hesitation and doubt.

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NOVA SCOTIA GREW.

A Terrible Fortnight in the North Atlantic.

Six Sallers of the Lockport Schooner

Julian H. Archer Rescued

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IT MAY BE GEO. ROBERTSON

Political Rumor Says That He Will be Surveyor General.

The latest political rumor is that George Robertson, M. P., is to receive the appointment of surveyor general in the Tweedie cabinet.

It was thought that the defeat of the government candidate in the city had changed the chances in this respect, as it was thought he could not be re-elected at this time. It is reported however, that the premier thinks otherwise, and that Mr. Robertson will get the coveted honor.

There is no doubt that the claims of several aspirants have been discussed, and the wise ones are predicting success for Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Barnes is undoubtedly out of the running. The claims of Wendell P. Jones have been most vigorously urged, but his stock is said to have gone down since the last cabinet meeting, and Mr. Robertson's corresponding advanced. Hon. L. P. Farris when asked about the matter by the Sun looked wise, but said nothing to indicate who the lucky man would be. He said that the date had not been set for the Northumberland by-election nor for the meeting of the legislature.

PRIVATE BILL LEGISLATION

So Far is Light for the Coming Season.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—The private bill legislation for the coming session is light so far. Notice has been given of 75 applications, of which eleven are for divorce. Last year there were 129 applications before parliament. Of the present number, twelve are for incorporation of railway companies and 27 for amendments to existing charters. There are twelve bills within the category of miscellaneous, five being for incorporation of companies and seven for amendments to the existing act. There are five applications for extensions of patents.

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FARMER KILLED.

Halifax School Commissioners Demand Vertical System of Writing

HALIFAX, Jan. 5.—Howard Rutherford of Stewacks, a farmer, sixty years of age, fell from the loft in his barn today and was killed. He had been in feeble health.

The Halifax board of school commissioners today passed a resolution approving of the vertical system of writing now in use in the public schools of Nova Scotia. They ask for an expert report on the matter by the supervision on the various styles with a recommendation as to the best.

A BIG AFFAIR.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—The Canada Gazette tomorrow will announce the incorporation by letters patent of the Dominion Textile Co., with a capital of ten millions of dollars and headquarters at Montreal. It is a merger of the principal cotton manufacturing concerns in Canada.

VESSLS COLLIDED.

Bark and Schooner Safely Rede Out Gale at Digby.

DIGBY, Jan. 5.—Digby and vicinity was visited by a severe northeaster, accompanied with hard hail, which continued until the storm broke. The gale commenced on the 3rd in the evening and did not break until noon of the 4th. The trains were delayed, the Halifax express not reaching Digby until one this morning. The Yarmouth express not getting here until five yesterday evening. The engine of the suburban from Annapolis jumped the rails coming through this town and the express from Halifax became derailed at Middleton.

The roads in the country as well as in town are blocked in places by the heavy fall of ice. Digby it took a party of men these hours to clear a short distance to get the suburb through, this was previous to her engine leaving the track.

The Norwegian bark Vanadia, Tveris master, from Annapolis Royal to Buenos Ayres, and the American tern sch. Charles W. Alcott, Knovion master, from Bear River, for New York, started on their voyage Tuesday night. The schooner collided with the bark and returned to her anchorage. Soon after the bark returned and anchored. The only damage by the collision was one of the schooner's davits being carried away. These vessels rode out the gale safely.

The senior Whist Club's weekly meeting was to have been held at Mrs. DeBallharrd's new residence last evening, but was postponed owing to the storm.

The party were returning to Bay Ridge from Canada where they had installed a new lodge of the Royal Arcanum last night and the street in the foot of Douglas street hill was flooded by the pouring rain that blinded the motorists and hid the curve from his sight. Fearing that the water would stop the car, the motorman drove his car into it at high speed. When it struck the curve, it jumped the track and rolled over.

The police reserves from two stations, a hook and ladder company, a wrecker car and two doctors with hospital ambulances soon arrived. The wreckage was piled up and the unconscious man taken out in time to prevent drowning. Several suffered the fracture of legs or arms and nearly all of those injured were painfully battered and bruised and suffered the dislocation of ankles, shoulders or wrists.

As fast as the injured were removed they were placed in rows on the slushy sidewalk and in the darkness and the driving rain the hospital attendants gave them first aids and then hastened them to the hospitals. A number of others, besides the sixteen most badly hurt, were able to go home in carriages.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

Father Did Not Think His Boy Should Have Been Expelled.

MONTREAL, Jan. 8.—An interesting case was decided Saturday before Judge Cowan and a special jury. G. C. Dunlop, stock broker of this city, sued Rev. J. C. Boudin, of St. Alban's school, Brockville, for \$500 for damages sustained by the expulsion of his son, Aubrey, from St. Alban's school. Boudin's pupils are mainly sons of well-to-do ministers.

Evidence showed that last January the hockey team of the school went to Ottawa to play a game in charge of one of the ministers named Boudin. After the match some time elapsed before the

PARTY IN WRECK.

Sixteen Injured—A Narrow Escape From Death.

Trolley Car With 40 Arcanum Members Jumped the Track and Rolled Over in Pond.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—A trolley car of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, carrying forty members of Adirondack Council of the Royal Arcanum, jumped the track on a curve at the foot of a steep hill in Douglas street, Brooklyn, early today, turned on its side and was smashed, injuring sixteen of the occupants and dumping them into slush and water two feet deep. None of the passengers were fatally injured. Several were temporarily pinned under the wreckage of the car and help was summoned in the fear that they would be drowned before they could be released.

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JURY ATTENDED CHURCH.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 8.—The jury which is hearing the evidence in the trial of Charles L. Tucker, for the alleged Page murder, was permitted to attend church today. Accompanied by court officials, the members went to the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, of which the court probation officer, Rev. Robert Walker, is

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JAPANESE RAILROAD FROM FUSAN TO SEOUL. Marvellous Work of Their Engineers--Many of the Cars Built in America--Will Open Rice Country.

TOKIO, Dec. 25.—Before the first of January the Japanese will be able to send train trains from Fusan to Seoul. The military line to Wiju will be completed as far as Pingyang, and in Manchuria the imperious engineers expect to open railway communication between Liaoyang and Antungshien. In March ground will be broken for the Seoul-Gensan line. Surveyors have already started work, and it is hoped that the road will be finished by the end of 1905. In connection with the Seoul-Chemulpo line it will form the trans-peninsular route between the Yellow Sea and the Sea of Japan. The trunk line from Fusan to the Yalu and from Antung to Liaoyang will bring Japan into direct touch with the China Eastern railway, the Siberian route and Europe.

From the moment war was declared rapid transit from Fusan through Korea to the scene of hostilities in Manchuria became a military necessity. This the Japanese had foreseen, and before the completion of the Chemulpo line—the first railroad in the "Hermit Kingdom"—the company engaged in this work had secured the concession to build a railway, also a broad gauge, to the southern coast. This was in the autumn of 1898. Eighteen months later work on the Kei-Pu railroad was formally commenced at Yontungpo, a small town some six miles from Seoul, and from which point the new road was to branch from the Chemulpo line. Toward the end of last year the impending war gave a fresh impetus to the work which had been progressing slowly, though steadily, since 1900. Thousands of coolies were put to work before there had been but hundreds. The Japanese and American war bonds guaranteeing the 25,000,000 yen capital already floated subscribed an additional 2,000,000 on condition the road should be completed by the end of 1904. If this was not done the company agreed to repay the amount subscribed with interest. The bonds had a face value of 50 yen, and the subscriptions were payable in ten instalments. At present the stock is quoted considerably below par. It was necessary to borrow 10,000,000 yen from Tokyo banks to carry on the work, the 8 per cent interest on this loan being guaranteed by the government through the railroad administration. In the middle of August, 1904, it was estimated that an additional 2,000,000 yen was needed to complete the line. The imperial department of communications on investigation reported that with various economies 1,500,000 yen would suffice. This sum the government loaned the company on easy terms; no payment need be made for the first five years; at the end of that time the subsidy was to be repaid in annual instalments of 50,000 yen, on condition that such an outlay did not interfere with an 8 per cent dividend. With this constant official help the road has been practically completed six weeks before the time the formal opening will not take place until January 1.

Before the war began, regular trains had been running some twenty miles over the northern coast, and the road was to be extended as far as Usan, thirty miles south of Yontungpo. Workmen in the mountains had been cutting through the embankment, the grades and the bridges. From Yontungpo south and from Fusan north everything was haste and hurry. Great loads of ties from Hokkaido were sent from under land and America were brought into Chemulpo and Fusan. At these ports they were reloaded on flatboats and towed along the coast and up the Han river to the points near the railroad. Here the materials were landed and piled on bullock carts then dragged across the country to their destinations. The terminal points at either end were moved farther an farther afield. By the beginning of June a regular passenger service had been established to Mitauyo, thirty-six miles north of Fusan, construction trains running about twenty miles farther to Taiku. Here a mountain spur blocked the road and it was found necessary to run a 4,000 foot tunnel. There has been no delay on this account, however, as a switch back has been constructed to carry the trains over the mountain. There are altogether 24 tunnels with a total length of 16,200 feet, generally quite short and most of them occurring in this same stretch of hill country, between Walkan and Kantoku. Here, too, the grading has been steeper than elsewhere. In some places it is as much as one in fifty, while at no other point on the line does it exceed one in eighty. Though there have been many streams to cross none of them are of any great size. The principal difficulty has been, in almost every instance, the necessity of building much longer structures than the mere stream would seem to warrant owing to the floods during the rainy season. The 299 bridges large and small, have a total length of 25,590 feet.

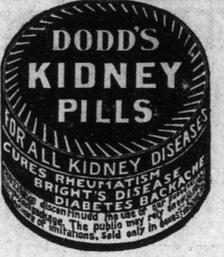
In going over the line in June our train left the regular embankment for the first time at Usan about ten miles beyond Suwon. A four-span bridge was under construction. The piers had been completed and the workmen were driving the piles preparatory to swinging the steel girders into place. From this point we were frequently obliged to run over the regular road-bed over a rough track laid in the fields, across a stream on a rickety wooden structure, then climb up a stiff grade to continue our journey on the proper track. On the bridges the Japanese were at work, Koreans doing only the heavy tasks: pumping out the coffer-dams, cutting up the logs. The excavation was done by native labor, the Japanese foremen. Near Suwon was a quarry which furnished the limestone used for the piers and culverts and the stretches of rock-faced embankments. The road has been built by some twenty Japanese contractors employing forces of from five hundred to a thousand men each. The Koreans in every case have done none of the skilled, merely the coolie labor. The construction work was carried on by two distinct bodies of men, the one following the other. The first laid the track, under favorable conditions putting down as much as a mile a day. This, the second division followed, regrading the first, straightening tracks, regrading cuttings—the first angle having been too great with the consequent danger of landslides in the rainy season. They sodded the embankments, built the stone facings where the line runs along any considerable body of water, and the finishing touches in fact, and generally put the line into its final shape. In February there were five engines belonging to the Seoul-Fusan road, and about fifty box and open cars have all been built in America. Many were in use on the Chemulpo line pending the completion of their own road. When the line is formally opened on the first of January the company will have ready for service 23 locomotives. There will be 58 passenger cars, 1st and 2nd class, 2nd and 3rd class, and 3rd class coaches. Of the 230 freight cars, 170 are flat. The bodies of the cars have been built some in America and some in Japan, 75 pounds in weight. The English and American with a few thousand tons milled in Japan. Girders and bridge materials are also either English or American. The company will run two through trains a day from Seoul to Fusan and vice versa, two south and two north bound. Fifteen hours is the schedule time for the 274 mile journey. This line is the steel tipped of the "Hermit Kingdom." It will be a potent factor in the future development of the peninsula; an effective means to Japan's far into the heart of the absolute domination of Korea.

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DAVID CHAPMAN DEAD. Aged Citizen of Dorchester Was Buried Yesterday. DORCHESTER, N. B., Jan. 8.—David Chapman, 85 years of age, the oldest and one of the most highly respected citizens of this place, who died on Friday at 3.30 p. m. after a brief illness, was buried yesterday. He was the father of Allan W. Chapman, barrister, of this town, and David Chapman, jr., now of Southern California. There are no daughters. His widow is in an infirm state of health. Mr. Chapman had met with success in a pre-eminence degree and leaves a very valuable estate. The funeral exercises were in charge of Rev. E. J. Wood, rector of the Episcopal Church, and were held in the church. All classes were in attendance. The interment took place in the beautiful cemetery. The resignation of Rev. E. J. Wood, rector of the Episcopal Church, had occasioned widespread regret among all classes in town. It is stated that the reverend gentleman is in receipt of a letter from the bishop of the diocese, offering him the position of rector of the church here with great acceptance. The resignation takes effect in the latter part of February.

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coast where small streams render its transport inland an easy task. The 800 miles of track to be laid will probably be laid by the end of this year, certainly early in 1905, but it will be some years before the line can be put into final shape. There may be in the future, some question raised concerning the right of the Japanese to retain control of the road for which a French company originally obtained the concession. This company surrendered its rights to the Korean government on condition that all materials should be bought in France and the French employed. If Japan is successful in the present war however her position in Korea will be such that while she may avoid all unpleasantness, she will be far from the Frenchmen interested, there will be no disputing her claim to the control of the road.

The strategic importance of such a line from north to south cannot be overestimated. It is for this reason that steps are being taken to fortify the harbor of Masan, which guards the harbor of Masan, the nucleus of an ever-increasing Japanese colony. Small tradeshmen of all sorts are opening their little booths. There are many schemes for the exploitation of the vast tracts of waste land, and in Japan the well organized "Emigration Societies" will undertake to bring settlers along the fertile farm lands. This line is the steel tipped of the "Hermit Kingdom." It will be a potent factor in the future development of the peninsula; an effective means to Japan's far into the heart of the absolute domination of Korea.

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WOMAN'S REALL. VIRGINIA HOT BREADS.

In Virginia the hot breads which twice, if not three times, each day grace the family board, are considered essential to the personal comfort and well-being of the body. They are made up of the best of the flour, and are made in a state of perfection as in the Old Dominion. In addition to knowing how bread should be made, there is a knack which ordinarily must be acquired. This knack the Virginian cooks inherit. The appended recipes, while by no means exhaustive, are such as to enjoy breads that she makes fit varieties of breads—have been selected because of their popularity and palatableness.

LIGHT ROLLS. Stir one teapoonful butter, the same of sugar, and one-half teapoonful salt into one cupful hot milk; when cool, add one gill lively yeast, one-fourth cupful warm water, and enough flour to make a stiff batter. Cover closely and stand in a warm place. When well risen, add enough flour to make a dough that can be shaped with the hands. Let rise again, keeping well covered, and when light, roll out. When it again puts up, turn out on a well floured dough board, knead lightly, put out a little with a rolling-pin, spread the surface with butter, brush or sprin until no trace of the butter can be seen. Roll into a sheet about one-third inch in thickness, cut down with a large round cutter, then roll the two opposite edges over and over, stretching a little as rolled, until they meet. Wash over with melted butter, let rise, and bake.

POTATO ROLLS. Select fine potatoes; boil, peel, and run through a sieve. For each potato allow one pint sifted flour, one teapoonful strong fresh yeast, one gill milk-warm water, a teapoonful of salt, the yolk of an egg, and a bit of butter. Mix together in a large broad pan the flour, potato and salt. Make a hole in the centre and pour into it the yeast and water mixed. Sprinkle a little flour over the top and mix in a little from around the sides of the hole. Cover closely and put to rise. When very light, knead in the butter and beaten eggs, and a teapoonful of soda dissolved in a little warm water. Divide the dough into equal parts, shape into long rolls, and put to rise in a floured baking pan at the end of an hour, if perfectly light, bake. To be eaten hot.

SWEET POTATO PONE. Cream three-fourths pound white sugar with the same quantity fresh butter; add two teapoonfuls ginger; beat eight eggs till light, then stir them, gradually, and in turn with one and one-half pounds grated sweet potato, into the butter and sugar mixture; stir in one teapoonful of soda dissolved in one gill sour milk; beat the whole very hard, turn into a buttered baking tin, and bake in a slow oven five hours. To be eaten while fresh.

RUSK. To four cupfuls hot bread dough add one-half cupful butter, one cupful sugar, one teapoonful salt, one teapoonful soda, and one gill good yeast. Cover closely and put to rise, giving plenty of room to swell. In the morning turn into a greased baking mold, let rise thirty minutes, and bake in a steady oven. This is a most delicious breakfast bread.

VIRGINIA BISCUITS. Mix two pints flour, one teapoonful lard, one teapoonful salt, and enough butter and which means the cut, stiff dough. Turn out on a biscuit board and beat thirty minutes with an axe kept for the purpose; or run backward and forward through a kneading pound sifter flour, and one gill good yeast. For this purpose one must have at hand a large open fireplace. The hot ashes should first be swept aside, and the stones laid upon the hearth and allowed to dry off a little; then cover them with collard leaves, rake over them the hot ashes, and do not disturb the stock in the vicinity. The flour, very large, and the loss will be heavy. The insurance carried amounted to fourteen thousand dollars, divided as follows: Calendon, \$5,000; Northern, \$4,000; Home Ins. Co., \$2,000; Guardian, \$1,500; Phoenix of Hartford, \$1,500. The loss will be between sixteen and seventeen thousand.

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CASTORIA. The Kidney Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co.

SAYRE'S STORES. At Chipman Totally Destroyed by Fire. Manager of the Store and His Family Jumped from Windows in Their Night Clothes. F. E. Sayre & Co.'s large general store and warehouses at Chipman were totally destroyed by fire at an early hour on Saturday morning, and the manager's family narrowly escaped with their lives. It is only a year and a half since the Sayre mill at Chipman was burned, and two years since the Sayre & Holly mill in the north end was destroyed.

Nothing is known of the origin of the fire. It started about two o'clock in the morning, evidently in the lower story of the building used as a store. The first discovery was made by the family of William Hayford, who lived upstairs, and who were awakened by a suffocating smoke. So far advanced were the flames at that time that the fire stairs were out of the question, and without even taking time to dress Mr. Hayford and the others of his family smashed the windows, and, in their night clothes, leaped to the heaps of snow beneath. They soon found shelter in neighbors' houses.

In a few minutes the fire had gained complete control of the store, and numbers of residents in the vicinity, attracted by the blaze, came to the scene to try and save other property. Their work, however, was practically useless, for from the store the fire spread to the large warehouses adjoining, and these were totally destroyed. The mill is situated about two hundred yards from the fire and was not in any way injured. The stock in the store and warehouses was, as is usual at this season, very large, and the loss will be heavy. The insurance carried amounted to fourteen thousand dollars, divided as follows: Calendon, \$5,000; Northern, \$4,000; Home Ins. Co., \$2,000; Guardian, \$1,500; Phoenix of Hartford, \$1,500. The loss will be between sixteen and seventeen thousand.

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EXHIBITION FOR THIS YEAR LIKELY. Last Year's Show Gave a Balance of \$2,000.

Matter of Building a Race Track Will Be Laid On the Shelf for a While. The directors of the Exhibition Association met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the board of trade rooms. Pres. R. B. Emerson occupied the chair and the following directors were present: R. O'Brien, Col. Markham, J. H. McAvity, D. J. McLaughlin, C. B. Allan, H. Gallagher, J. W. Myers, Dr. G. A. Hetherington, and W. F. Burdett and Secretary John F. Gleeson. The principal business before the meeting was the reading of the financial report of the recent exhibition, which was as follows: Statement of receipts and disbursements of the Exhibition Association of the city and county of St. John for the year ending December 31st, 1904.

Receipts. Gates and tickets, \$11,559.58; Large Amusement Hall, 2,956.05; Small Amusement Hall, 1,666.35; Grand stand, \$2,840.00; Boxes, \$412.40; Special privileges, 1,337.85; Entries, 1,152.81. Total: \$25,914.04.

Disbursements. Prizes and judges, \$4,925.00; Grounds and buildings, 2,115.00; Labor, 3,385.23; Police, 353.50; Salaries and office expenses, 2,688.26; Fire insurance, 1,200.00; Printing, bill posting and play adv., 2,579.12; Travelling expenses, 810.43; Insurance, 788.83; Fishery exhibit, 150.00; Postages and telegrams, 502.95; Lodging bureau, 118.80; Miscellaneous, 1,214.45. Total: \$25,914.04.

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1903, 1,701.40. Total: \$27,615.44. The report was adopted and referred to the annual meeting of the shareholders to be held on next Tuesday evening. The members of the executive also heard a report from a committee of three, Col. Markham, Dr. Hetherington and T. H. Estabrooke, who had been appointed to ascertain whether a half mile track could be built in the present grounds. The report showed that a survey had been made at the grounds, and it was found that the best location for the proposed track would necessitate taking in not only Sheffield street but a part of Broad street. This course is not at present deemed advisable. The report will also be presented at the meeting of the association.

SOME REMARKS WERE MADE ON THE possibility of an exhibition during the present year. It has already been decided to hold the event if a government grant can be obtained and if the dates can be arranged to include Labor Day. A committee which was appointed some time ago to interview the local government on the question of the grant has not yet been able to do so.

Wash greasy dishes, pots or pans with Lever's Dry Soap a powder. It will remove the grease with the greatest ease. 26

ATTEMPTED DOUBLE MURDER. Followed by a Suicide at Tracy, Minn. TRACY, Minn., Jan. 8.—An attempted double murder followed by a suicide, occurred here today. Iowa P. Husted shot Mrs. G. L. Lindsey and her daughter Eva and then sent a bullet through his own heart, dying instantly. Mrs. Lindsey is thought to be fatally injured, but the daughter may recover. Mr. Lindsey, who witnessed the tragedy, was narrowly missed by a bullet aimed at him. Husted, who boarded with the Lindsey family and who had paid some attention to Eva, today quarrelled with Mrs. Lindsey and suddenly drawing a revolver began shooting.

Table napkins can be made from the sound portions of old flanneau tablecloths. From your very finest table linen when worn out you can generally cut small pieces which, edged with a pretty lace in netting or crochet, will make delicate cake doilies. Buy a quantity and keep the bars or cakes some time, instead of buying it as you usually want it.

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BOSTON MARKETS. Fish Market is Dull at Present. Little Doing in the Eastern Mills—Favorable Conditions for Lumbering in Vermont.

(Special to Sun.) BOSTON, Jan. 7.—Trade in spruce lumber is of very contracted dimensions as a rule. It is a kind of between season period, with stocks sold up largely. Prices are firm, with a mention stuff for prompt delivery commanding a premium in some cases over the regular association rates. Very little is doing just now in the eastern mills. There seems to be a disposition to put off the starting of many winter mills until January has well advanced, so as to make the new season as smooth as possible. A year ago there was much suffering at the mills in attempting to make a long season for operation. As to hemlock lumber, it is to be said that there is little doing in the first situation keeping volume but purchasers are in the market to a large degree.

Reports are that lumber operations in the southern part of Vermont are now in an advanced stage. The logs have fallen to permit speedy handling of the logs. The forces of men employed in the various camps are larger than in past years, and the cut this year will be greater than ever before, unless the winter season comes to an early end. Spruce lumber—Rail shipments—10 and 12 inch dimension, \$21; 9 inch and under dimension, \$19; 10 and 12 inch range lengths, 10 ft. and up, \$20.50; 2x2, 2x4, 2x6, 2x8, and 3x4, 10 ft. and up, \$16.50 to 17.70; all other random lengths, 9 inches and under, 19 feet and up, \$15; merchantable board, 5 inch and up, \$15.50 to 17; 1x4, 1x6, 1x8, 1x10, 1x12, 1x14, 1x16, 1x18, 1x20, 1x22, 1x24, 1x26, 1x28, 1x30, 1x32, 1x34, 1x36, 1x38, 1x40, 1x42, 1x44, 1x46, 1x48, 1x50, 1x52, 1x54, 1x56, 1x58, 1x60, 1x62, 1x64, 1x66, 1x68, 1x70, 1x72, 1x74, 1x76, 1x78, 1x80, 1x82, 1x84, 1x86, 1x88, 1x90, 1x92, 1x94, 1x96, 1x98, 1x100.

HAD A LONG WALK. Dawson Hockey Players Reach Vancouver Safely. MONTREAL, Jan. 7.—One of the members of the Dawson City hockey team wires today as follows from Vancouver: "The team has reached Vancouver in pretty good condition. We left Dawson on the 19th, some on bicycles, others walking. After a few miles were covered the bicycles broke down and the entire team took to the White Horse, nearly 400 miles. From 33 to 46 miles were covered daily. A police detachment was made each night. The trip to White Horse occupied nine days and all of us were very tired. On account of a storm on White Pass we were delayed two days and a further delay of three days followed at Skagway, waiting for the boat. The trip down the coast was extremely rough and all the boys were in such condition they cared not whether the ship sank or not. We expect to arrive in Ottawa on the 12th. On account of delays and hard luck we will post possession of the first game for three or four days in order to get into condition. Capt. Young was detained in Dawson on business and is following on the next boat. The line up will be: Goal, Forest; point, Hannay; cover point, Johnston; forwards, McLennan, Watt, Smith and Kennedy. This is the strongest team the Yukon could put up and will make a very creditable showing as an exponent of hockey. Exc. Commissioner Congdon accompanied the team from Skagway to Mission Junction, where he left, taking the train for Ottawa."

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Dr. Hannah's interesting address to the students of the King's College Law School exhibited some of the anomalies of the existing situation. But it is characteristic of any political institution which has been developed through long years and by many conflicting forces that it should abound in anomalies. There are many features in the system of law and government in the British Islands themselves which would be absurd if they had been established as part of a written constitution drafted by a convention. The government of the United States, or that of the first Republic of France, or the constitutions of Canada and Australia, should have been logical, as they were created at one time by artificers with a free hand in so far as they were not bound by any established order of things. If the British parliament had at any time taken up the question of the relations of the various groups of colonies to the Empire and had drawn up a complete scheme, we should have had greater uniformity. But it is the British habit to deal with each case as it comes up, and with each according to the special circumstances. And it has been of late the rule in respect to those parts of the Empire over the sea which have a population qualified for self-government, that the imperial government and parliament exercises the least possible public charge, and many a charge on private charity. It can hardly be said that the country is the better for receiving these strangers in such numbers, though a few at a time might be absorbed into the population. This is no objection on their character, but only on their adaptability. There is room in this country for thirty people, willing to go on the land or to work as farm laborers. We do not need great numbers of artisans, or peddlers, or small traders, or common laborers. The availability of immigrants ought to be considered by the department of the interior more than it is.

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REPUDIATED BY ROSS.

The celebrated Mr. Jackson, who after he was reported by the court and censured by the judge for trying to buy perjured evidence, was appointed commercial representative of Canada at Sheffield, has been sometimes mentioned to Premier Ross. As the offences were committed in a local election inquiry, and in the interest of the Ross government, it was thought that he should explain. So at a recent meeting an elector asked Mr. Ross "what about Jackson?"

Mr. Ross replied: "Jackson was a very bad man." He did what was very wrong. But what is the outcome of this?"

"He got a good position," said the man in the audience.

"Yes," said Mr. Ross, "he got a good position, but he did not get it from the Ontario government. That is the point."

And that is true. Mr. Ross did not reward the man who served him in this way. The Laurier government gave Jackson the appointment. Even the premier of Ontario, in whose interest this appointment was made is so ashamed of it that he throws the blame on the government of Canada. But what do the people of Canada think of this act of their administration?

THE TWO METHODS.

Canadian admirers of General Stoessel need not be concerned about the court martial that awaits him at home. Ancient Russian usage must be observed, but one advantage of an enquiry such as that proposed, is that it will end in a flattering and grateful testimonial to the courage and patriotism of the defender of Port Arthur. Such a trial could not be held in the case of a British officer unless there had been some charge against him. But in Great Britain there is an exceedingly free press which tries all the generals. Too often the verdict is given before the evidence is heard and often it is not the right verdict. On the whole perhaps the court martial is more satisfactory to the officer.

UNDESIRABLE IMMIGRANTS.

While we hear much boasting over the large number and rapid increase of immigration to this country, there are occasional expressions of anxiety over the rush of undesirable settlers. The mayor of Montreal has written to the premier asking the federal government to interfere with the movement of Russian Jews into Canada. His complaint would doubtless be endorsed by some members of the Hebrew colony in this city, as it is by the Baron de Hirsch organization in Montreal. The war has, no doubt, caused many Russian Jews to remain in their own country. Few of these are farmers. They have no intention of going on the land. They swell the population of our cities, increasing the number of the unemployed, and disorganizing the labor market. For the present some of them become a public charge, and many a charge on private charity. It can hardly be said that the country is the better for receiving these strangers in such numbers, though a few at a time might be absorbed into the population. This is no objection on their character, but only on their adaptability. There is room in this country for thirty people, willing to go on the land or to work as farm laborers. We do not need great numbers of artisans, or peddlers, or small traders, or common laborers. The availability of immigrants ought to be considered by the department of the interior more than it is.

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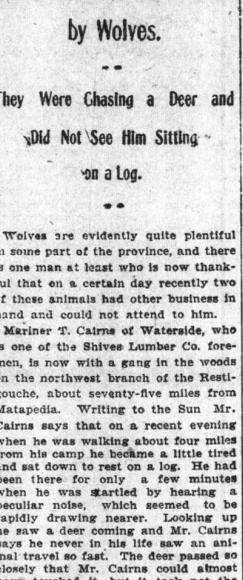
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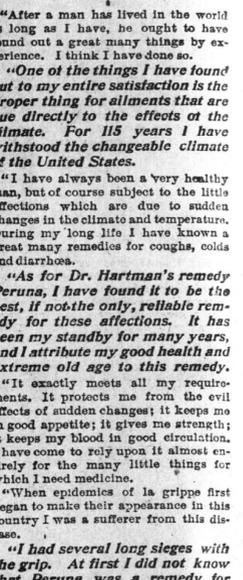
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The things I have found most satisfactory in my life are for ailments that are for the effects of the changeable climate of States.

Dr. Hartman's remedy has found it to be the only reliable remedy for many years. It is a good health and life age to this remedy.

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Dr. Hartman's safe treatment is to use after a tablet, composed of menthol, pepsin, a little Nuxal and fruit acids.

St. Workman, Chicago, Ills., writes: "I have a local condition in my stomach, which is a neglected cold in my stomach."

CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

Together With Country Items From Correspondents and Exchanges.

To cure headache in ten minutes use Kumfort Headache Powders, 10 cents.

S. M. Wetmore, of the S. P. C. A., is making investigations about a broncho horse owned by John Friars, the Mill street tobacconist.

KIDNEY DISEASE FOR TWENTY YEARS. Mrs. Caswell Reid, Orville, Muskoka, Ont., writes:

PLEASANTLY SURPRISED. Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Stewart of Garrison Settlement were agreeably surprised on Tuesday evening, Jan. 3rd.

HUTCH FOR THE BLOOD. When one eats a lot and crams a lot of food in the stomach, the process of digestion is not complete.

MONTREAL, Jan. 5.—In reference to a recent Associated Press despatch from New York stating that at a meeting of the Grand Trunk Line Passenger Association.

Dr. Hartman, President of the American Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio, writes:

FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—The Bricklayers' International Convention met here today for its annual convention.

CAPT. JAS. A. HATFIELD DEAD. The Oldest Shipbuilder of Parrsboro Has Passed Away at the Age of Eighty-Five.

The oldest ship builder and sea captain of Parrsboro died last week.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Ard, str. Zealand, from Antwerp; Minnehaha, from London; Republic, from Naples, etc.

NOTICE. The Canvassers and Collectors for the SEMI-WEEKLY SUN are now making their rounds as mentioned below.

EDGAR CANNING in Abart and Westmorland Counties, N. B.

F. S. CHAPMAN in Kings Co. N. B. J. E. AUSTIN, in Sunbury & Queens

Obstinate Coughs and Colds.

The Kind That Stick.

The Kind That Turn To Bronchitis.

The Kind That End In Consumption.

Consumption is, in thousands of cases, nothing more or less than the final result of a neglected cold.

DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP.

The first dose will convince you that it will cure you. Miss Hannah E. Fleming, New Germany, N.S., writes:—

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A HOT TIME.

Dr. Thompson's Campaign

Manager Talks

About the Recent Election — The Chase After Registrar Girouard

for the Voters' Lists.

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.)

Exciting election campaigns in other parts of the dominion are extremely commonplace in comparison to the recent campaign in the Yukon.

REBELLION WAS NOT STARTED. for the whole district was aroused at the glaring attempt of Congdon and his followers to deprive all the voters of the franchise.

LAST FALL the first action which incensed the people was the action of Congdon in refusing to register the voters of the district.

GREAT SENSATION OF ALL. was when the lists were to have been posted up for inspection.

KICK IN SYDNEY. Against Proposal to Give Subsidy To Shipbuilding Company.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 9.—There is a vigorous kick in Sydney against a proposal to give a shipbuilding promoting company a subsidy of \$250,000.

THE GREAT CHASE, though, was after Girouard. It had been ascertained from Barbans, the enumerator, that Girouard had the lists, and it was after several threats that the door was broken in if it were not opened.

WHOLE CROWD TOOK CHASE. Girouard stumbled and fell, and he was captured and brought back to town.

GENEVA, Jan. 8.—It is said that twenty-four persons lost their lives in the mountains during the recent blizzard.

Legal Relations Between Great Britain and Colonies.

Able and Instructive Lecture by President Hannah Before King's College Law School.

President Hannah of King's College, Windsor, N. S., lectured before the students of the St. John Law School on Saturday night on the subject: "The legal relations between Great Britain and her dependencies, and especially the legal relations between the mother country and Canada."

HOW WARM THINGS WERE. When the excitement was most intense, he telephoned to Ottawa that unless relief came he would not be responsible for the blood shed.

MINERS ARE LEAVING. and until there is a change there will be few people in the Yukon.

STIR AT HAMPTON. HAMPTON, Kings Co., Jan. 10.—There is considerable stir here today, the town being visited by people from all parts of the county.

WRIGHT MURDER TRIAL BEGINS TODAY.—The Jurors.

THE first division of the British Empire is self-governing colonies, where the government is locally elected.

SECONDLY, there are what are generally called the mixed colonies, whose population consists partly of Europeans and partly of natives.

THIRDLY, there are the crown colonies, ruled more or less directly from London. These are some of the great crown colonies, and there are numberless other places of smaller territorial extent in Asia, Africa, Central and South America.

FOURTHLY, there are the colonies, or rather tracts of land, ruled by chartered companies, as parts of British North Borneo, Rhodesia, in South Africa, and other tracts in Central America.

FIFTHLY, there is the territory held directly by the British admiralty. This is quite an unimportant division.

SIXTH DIVISION is very small indeed and consists of a little group of islands ruled by the British crown.

SEVENTH DIVISION, therefore, would come territory over which the mother country exercises no direct authority, but which are not theoretically the supreme, yet in practice its supremacy is assumed and not questioned.

WITH REFERENCE to Wei-Hei-Wel there comes up at this moment a very important question. We hold Wei-Hei-Wel by lease from China so long as Russia holds Port Arthur.

A NAGGING COUGH drives sleep and comfort away. You can conquer it with Allen's Lung Balsam, which relieves hard breathing, pain in the chest and irritation of the throat.

MISS BOOTH'S RECEPTION. BOSTON, Jan. 8.—Miss Evangeline C. Booth, the new commander of the Salvation Army forces in the United States, was given an enthusiastic welcome by two large audiences which she addressed this afternoon and evening.

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Provincial News

Richibucto.

RICHIBUCTO, Jan. 4.—Mild weather marked the coming of the new year. The cold during December was unusually severe, going to twenty below the cipher once.

DAVID THOMPSON is confined to the hospital with illness.

HARRY DONNELLY of Sackville, accompanied by his wife and child, arrived yesterday to spend a couple of weeks in the city.

W. J. DICKINSON, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada at Rexton, has received notice of his removal to Woodville.

THE Kent county parliament will open on Tuesday next.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

BURTON, Sunbury Co., Jan. 8.—The municipal council of the county met this morning. The full complement of all the councillors were in their places, Warden Henry Wilton, in the chair. D. D. Duplisse, was re-appointed auditor. James S. White was elected secretary-treasurer. The accounts of the municipality were audited and a surplus of \$1,197.80 declared. The finances of the county are by this showing in a safe condition.

BURTON, Sunbury Co., Jan. 8.—The chief business before the municipal council today was the appointment of county valuers. The candidates nominated were Guildford Slipp, Frederick Babbitt, D. C. Dykeman and H. B. Mitchell. The vote stood Slipp, 11; Babbitt, 8; Dykeman, 8; Mitchell, 8. Babbitt, Dykeman and Mitchell were declared elected. H. B. Mitchell was appointed chairman of the board of valuers. The feeling among the members over the appointment of valuers was intense and several animated speeches were made.

AMHERST, Jan. 4.—David Chapman is ill at his home in Dorchester. Mr. Chapman has passed four score years. Miss Chapman will spend a few weeks with her cousin, Miss Blanche Nelson, in Truro and also some time in Halifax.

Mrs. E. C. Fuller left this week to visit her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Steele, in Greenville, South Carolina.

Rev. A. J. Cresswell on New Year's day visited a former parishioner who is very ill.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Atherton, baptized in Christ church on Sunday.

Miss Bessie Harding, who has been spending several months with her cousin, Mrs. Trotter, at Almonte, Ont., has returned home.

Miss Alice Sleep, a nurse in the Children's Hospital, Boston, and who has just returned from an extended tour with friends in Europe, is at present visiting her mother and sister, Mrs. and the Misses Sleep, Victoria street.

The young girls' guild in connection with Christ church presented the rector, Rev. A. J. Cresswell on New Year's eve with a handsome fur lined coat.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 6.—John Dunbar, a well known and respected resident of this city, died at his home this morning in his 46th year. For some time he has been a victim of consumption. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss White of Marysville, and three children.

Mrs. Miles B. Dixon and daughter of Albert county, arrived in the city last evening and are guests at Miss Allen's, Waterloo street. Mrs. Dixon, who is in poor health, has come to Fredericton to consult Dr. Atherton.

The wedding is announced to take place on Feb. 9th, at the bride's home in this city of writing a telegram. The bride is Miss Alice Sleep, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Palmer, who died suddenly yesterday while in the act of writing a telegram. The ceremony will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at St. Ann's Church; interment at the rural cemetery.

The government has appointed Dr. W. J. Weaver a coroner for York county. Friends of Miss Marion B. Risteen, a former well known Fredericton young lady, and sister of the late Frank Risteen, have received an announcement of her marriage in Boston to Robert B. Rankine, a popular commercial traveler. The bride is a daughter of Joseph C. Risteen of this city.

It is announced that two well known Fredericton men have about completed arrangements for the purchase of the Jack property on Waterloo Row. This property is one of the very best situated in Fredericton. For years the upper half has been occupied by Miss Allen as a boarding house, while the lower portion up to the residence of the residence of Brydson Jack. It is said that it is the intention of the purchasers to erect modern residences on the lot.

The new church hall at Springhill was opened last evening with a concert and in spite of the coldness of the weather, was largely attended. A fine musical programme was carried out and quite a net sum realized.

Mrs. Phillips, wife of the health inspector, was taken to Victoria Hospital today, suffering from internal trouble. On December 31st, City Treasurer Golding had received in taxes \$52,538.78, an increase of about \$2,000 over the amount paid in at the same date last year.

Ald. John Scott leaves tomorrow morning for St. John, where he takes the Allan line steamer Pretorian on a trip to the old country.

The annual meeting of the Fredericton Bible Society was held last evening, the president, Dr. Inch, in the chair. Addresses were made by the chairman, L. W. Johnson, Mrs. A. F. Randolph, Rev. A. A. Thickett and Dr. Cresswell. The officers of the society were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Mrs. G. E. Stophord, sister of Mrs. Kitchen, while riding last night, had the misfortune to be struck by a team passing on the road. The injury will confine Mrs. Stophord to the house for some time.

TRACKS CLEARED.

Portland Street Railway is Now in Running Shape.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 8.—After working day and night for the past 38 hours the Portland street railway has succeeded in clearing the greater part of its tracks. Connection was restored with Saco this afternoon, and cars were begun running to Gorham and Windham during the day. The Ocean avenue, Riverton and Fessenden Park lines are still out of commission.

BISHOP SPALDING BETTER.

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 8.—There was a notable improvement tonight in the condition of Bishop John L. Spalding, the Roman Catholic prelate, who was stricken with paralysis at his residence Friday afternoon. He has regained the use of his left arm and speaks with more freedom.

Cook's Cotton Root Compound

Is especially useful monthly by over 100,000 ladies. Suffering from irregularities, pains, and all kinds of menstrual troubles. Cook's Cotton Root Compound is the only medicine that will cure them. It is a purely vegetable preparation, and is recommended by all responsible Druggists in Canada. No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in all St. John Drug stores.

Sunlight Soap will not burn the nap off woollens nor the surface off linens.

SUNLIGHT SOAP REDUCES EXPENSE

Ask for the Octagon Brand.

NEW AGRICULTURE.

Lecture on Farming as a Business.

Moving Out of the Old Conditions—Farmer Should Produce What His Customers Want.

We are moving out of the old conditions, said Prof. C. C. James, Ontario's deputy minister of agriculture, at the Maritime Winter Fair. When our settlers first came to Canada they faced the primitive forest, and during all the clearing period the old agriculture held sway. With a new generation, conditions began to change; live stock came in, large barns were built, butter and cheese began to be made, and we gradually changed all our methods. This building and the exhibits it contains are proof that we are trying to keep up with the demands of the times and to compete with other countries by following the new agriculture.

The new agriculture must be conducted on business principles. In old times it did not seem so necessary to pursue these business methods; in fact, with the surroundings then existent, there was no chance to do so. In our towns and cities the merchant and the manufacturer has also had to change his methods of business. The farmer is just as much a manufacturer as the man in town who makes boots, clothes and hardware. The manufacturer in town finds it necessary to make the kind of goods that the consumer demands. It is also one of the conditions of business that the producer should produce what his customers want. We must consider what our district is best capable of producing, and work along that line. Grow the crops that thrive best where we live.

The manufacturer must produce economically. Our best saw mills, for instance, are now run with practically no waste of material, even the dregs are used. One of the best examples of economical manufacturing is seen in the great stockyards of Chicago, where absolutely every part of an animal is turned into a marketable product. So the farmer must endeavor to convert to a profitable use all his products. He should see to it that there is no waste land under weeds, clover and hard-wood. The manufacturer does not permit his operations greater problems to meet than any other manufacturer, if he would avoid unnecessary waste.

The new agriculture must be conducted upon scientific principles. There should not today be any objection to book farming, for the intelligent man can find in agricultural papers and books get the valuable experience of other men who have done the work he is trying to do. Our people are wisely beginning to lay aside their prejudice against books, and to try to get the best information from every available source. Scientific men have been and are studying and finding out truths about plant growth, the constituents of our soils, the breeding and feeding of animals, the growing of fruit, etc., and it will pay us to learn what these men have found out.

The farm work of the future will be a great deal more enjoyable. In Ontario the farmers are very seldom referred to as "old hayseds." The intelligent man who watches closely all the results of his work is interested and takes pleasure in it. The world has lately found out that the farmer can be benefited by an education applicable to his business.

A few years ago in Ontario we first found out that the farmer had a wife and she was doing what we can for the betterment of the woman on the farm. In the past she had a hard life, her work has been practically unending, and she has not had the benefit of labor-saving devices to the same extent as her husband. We are trying to relieve the farmer's wife of all the drudgery possible by our system of women's institutes and domestic science teaching. We have also found out that there are children on the farm, and we are inaugurating a movement to try to provide the right kind of education for these children.

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ST. JOHN VESSEL'S TERRIBLE TRIP.

The Brigantine Ohio Had An Awful Time.

Captain and Crew Rescued by an American Fishing Vessel Which Also Saved the Ship.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 6.—The fishing scho. Theodore Roosevelt of this port, which anchored inside the breakwater tonight, had on board nine heavy passengers, comprising Captain Rupert A. Ryan, Mrs. Ryan and seven sailors, all of whom were rescued from the British brigantine Ohio yesterday off Grand Manan. The Ohio was leaking badly and had suffered the loss of its crew and cargo. The vessel was damaged during the terrible gales of the night. The Roosevelt put a prize crew on board the Ohio and kept company with her until this evening when she was towed to the port. The former then left her prize behind and proceeded to this port as rapidly as possible, leaving the prize crew to work the unfortunate vessel until it was believed this will be done during the night.

The Ohio left Kingsport, N. S., for New York Dec. 25, with a cargo of fish. She was driven on by a series of gales, made Spencer Island, N. S., for a harbor, sailing from there on Jan. 3. Hardly had they put to sea when the weather became very stormy. The wind came up strong and the vessel was driven on by a blinding snow storm off Grand Manan, the vessel caught the full force of the gale, and was constantly breaking over her bows. The vessel was driven on by a big wave swept over the vessel, carrying away a portion of her deckload, her binacles and smashing the wheel. This rendered it impossible to steer the vessel and she began to leak. All hands were called to the pumps, but the cold was so intense that the crew were frozen and were soon frozen to the work. The vessel was smashed the skylights, filling the cabin with water. Mrs. Ryan was forced to take refuge in the upper bunk to escape drowning in the clothes and hardware. The manufacturer in town finds it necessary to make the kind of goods that the consumer demands. It is also one of the conditions of business that the producer should produce what his customers want. We must consider what our district is best capable of producing, and work along that line. Grow the crops that thrive best where we live.

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WANTS THE SEATS.

Unjustifiable Demands of Chief Grit Whip.

The Opposition Plan—Abolition of Desks Possible—Conservative Meeting Tomorrow.

OTTAWA, Jan. 8.—Laurier has declined to interfere in the dispute between the chief whips regarding seating arrangements in the house of commons, holding that it is a matter for them to determine. A careful examination of the seating plans for many sessions back shows that Calvert, the chief grit whip, has not the slightest justification for his attempt to grab the best seats upon the opposition side of the house. Taylor is willing to concede to Calvert three front seats to the left of Mr. Speaker for some of the grit whips, but the rest of the opposition is going further than is even necessary. The opposition plan, as prepared by Mr. Taylor to the sergeant at arms, is as follows, subject, of course, to revision:

First row, commencing from the Speaker—Wilmot, Reid, Hughes (Victoria), Bergeron, Sprout, Opposition Leader, Foster, Haggart, Tisdale, MacLean (S. York), White, Taylor, Northrup.

Second row—Seagram, Morin, Alcorn, Clark (Toronto), Monk, Barker, Bennett, Cochran, Kemp, Ward, Lancaster, Fowler.

Third row—Kidd, Avery, Leonard, Roche (Marquette), Wilson (Lennox), Ingram, Henderson, MacLaren (Farby), Ganong, Blain, Brodeur, Daniel, Stockton.

Fourth row—Wright (Muskoika), McLean (P. E. I.), Martin (Queens), P. E. I., Letoury, Pringle, Clark, Lennox, Porter, Smith (Wentworth), Armstrong, Cockshutt, Lewis, Crockett.

Fifth row—Clements, Elson, Lalor, Dr. Thompson, Forget, MacDonell, Barr, Ames, Perley.

Sixth row—Chisholm, Christie, Herron, Paquet, Walsh, Joyce, Worthington, Brabazon.

Seventh row—McMahon, Bland, McCarthy (Calgary), Staples, Lake, Gunn, Schaffner.

In the respective plans of Taylor and Calvert there is an overlapping of eight seats. The seats to be taken off to be here tomorrow and possibly his good offices may avert any social warfare in the chamber. The eight seats allotted by Taylor are in the form of a semi-circle, instead of chairs. The abolition of the desks would tend to make the house of commons a strictly business assembly. It would improve the tone of the chamber and the speaker; it would get rid of loafers and talkers; it would lead to the preservation of greater decorum, and would compel members who are on the side of the conservative to send literature to their constituents to resort to writing rooms for these purposes.

Interest is being aroused over the meeting of the liberal conservative members of the House of Commons on Tuesday. It is expected that nearly every oppositionist will be present. The only one who cannot reach Ottawa in time is Dr. Thompson, member for the Yukon. Mr. Borden will not be present at the meeting, but on Tuesday a letter will be delivered to Mr. Taylor, M. P., for submission to the caucus, giving his views on the political situation from a liberal conservative standpoint.

Mr. C. A. P. Sherwood, C. M. G., first president of the Canadian Club of Ottawa, at a regular weekly luncheon held yesterday was made the recipient of a large group portrait, handsomely framed, of the first executive of the club. Col. Sherwood made a fitting reply.

The government is rushing the by-election in Quebec Centre. The writ was issued yesterday for nomination January 19th, polling 26th. Fitzpatrick has gone down to get a candidate.

The capital has just emerged from the worst storm in 25 years. Snow is now piled up on the principal streets eight feet high. For the first time in its history, the electric railway was put out of business for some hours, notwithstanding the fact that fifteen sweepers were in operation. Trains and cars are running on time today.

BEATS ALL RECORDS.

3,400 Cattle Left Portland for Europe.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 6.—Four steamships are scheduled to sail from this port for Europe tomorrow, and if they take out the full complement of cattle for which they have been assigned, not only the record for this port but the record of any port in this country for one day will be broken, according to the best information obtainable. The total head of cattle taken will be 3,400. In 1897 they will take 1,700 sheep and the greatest shipment of freight from this port for a long time.

COUNTRY MARKET.

Wholesale. Turnips, per bbl. 0.70 0.00. Beets, per bbl. 1.50 2.00. Parsnips, per bbl. 2.00 2.07. Carrots, per bbl. 0.07 0.08. Beef, butchers' carcass, 0.08 0.08. Beef, country, 0.02 0.05. Lamb, lb. 0.10 0.12. Mutton, per lb. 0.08 0.09. Veal, per lb. 0.07 0.07. Pork, carcass, per lb. 0.07 0.07. Shoulders, per lb. 0.10 0.12. Ham, per lb. 0.12 0.12. Roll butter, per lb. 0.20 0.14. Tub butter, per lb. 0.15 0.18. Eggs, case, per doz. 0.24 0.25. Turkey, per lb. 0.20 0.23. Trippe, per pair 0.50 0.50. Carrots, per bbl. 1.75 2.00. Potatoes, per bbl. 1.25 1.75. Calfskins, per lb. 0.00 0.12. Hides, per lb. 0.06 0.06. Lambskins, each 0.00 0.00. Cabbage, per doz. 0.60 1.20.

Wholesale.

Beef, corned, per lb. 0.08 0.10. Pork, fresh, per lb. 0.10 0.12. Pork, salt, per lb. 0.10 0.13. Ham, per lb. 0.16 0.18. Bacon, per lb. 0.15 0.18. Trippe, per lb. 0.10 0.12. Butter, tubs, per lb. 0.12 0.14. Lard, per lb. 0.12 0.14. Eggs, per doz. 0.20 0.25. Eggs, henney, per doz. 0.05 0.00. Omelette, per doz. 0.05 0.00. Beets, peck 0.30 0.00. Carrots, peck 0.20 0.00. Cabbage, each 0.10 0.15. Squashes, per doz. 0.40 0.40. Turnips, per peck 0.15 0.00. Potatoes, per peck 0.25 0.00. Fowl, per pair 0.90 1.50. Turkey, per lb. 0.20 0.23. Chickens 0.80 1.00. Ducks, 1.25 1.75.

Retail.

Beef, corned, per lb. 0.08 0.10. Pork, fresh, per lb. 0.10 0.12. Pork, salt, per lb. 0.10 0.13. Ham, per lb. 0.16 0.18. Bacon, per lb. 0.15 0.18. Trippe, per lb. 0.10 0.12. Butter, tubs, per lb. 0.12 0.14. Lard, per lb. 0.12 0.14. Eggs, per doz. 0.20 0.25. Eggs, henney, per doz. 0.05 0.00. Omelette, per doz. 0.05 0.00. Beets, peck 0.30 0.00. Carrots, peck 0.20 0.00. Cabbage, each 0.10 0.15. Squashes, per doz. 0.40 0.40. Turnips, per peck 0.15 0.00. Potatoes, per peck 0.25 0.00. Fowl, per pair 0.90 1.50. Turkey, per lb. 0.20 0.23. Chickens 0.80 1.00. Ducks, 1.25 1.75.

FISH.

Wholesale. Codfish, large dry 4.85 5.00. Medium 4.85 5.00. Cod, small 3.75 4.00. Finnan haddies 0.05 0.05. Sardines, per box 0.20 0.20. Bay herring, M. bbls. 2.50 3.00. Cod, fresh 0.02 0.03. Pollock 2.75 2.80. Smoked herring, 5.00 5.00. Omelette, per box 0.20 0.20. Halibut, fresh, per lb. 0.11 0.12. Salmon, per lb. 0.20 0.23. Mackerel 0.13 0.15.

Retail.

Smelt, per pound 0.10 0.00. Halibut, per lb. 0.15 0.15. Fresh cod and haddock, per lb. 0.05 0.00. Finnan haddies 0.07 0.00. Sardines, per box 0.20 0.20. Boneless cod, per lb. 0.12 0.00. Salmon 0.20 0.24. Smk'd herring, per bx. 0.15 0.00. Herring, per doz. 0.15 0.00.

GROCERIES.

Cheese, per lb. 0.10 0.10. Rice, per lb. 0.03 0.03. Cream of tartar, pure 0.21 0.23. Cream of tartar, pure 0.19 0.20. Baking soda, per keg 2.25 0.00. Salt soda, per lb. 0.00 0.01. Molasses—Porto Rico, old 0.34 0.35. Extra choice, 1904 0.20 0.00. Barbadoes 0.20 0.00. New Orleans (theriac), 0.29 0.36.

Sugar.

Standard granulated, yellow bright, lower, equalized rates. Barbados, per lb. 0.04 0.00. Porto Rico, per lb. 0.05 0.00. Pulverized sugar 0.04 0.00. Coffee—Java, per lb. green 0.24 0.28. Jamaica, per lb. 0.24 0.28. Salt—Liverpool, ex vessel 0.63 0.69. Liverpool, per sack, ex store 0.61 0.63. Liverpool butter salt, per bag, factory filled, 0.85 1.00.

Spices.

Nutmegs, per lb. 0.40 0.50. Cassia, per lb. ground, 0.18 0.20. Cloves 0.00 0.25. Cloves, ground 0.20 0.23. Ginger, per lb. 0.15 0.15. Pepper, ground 0.18 0.21.

Tea.

Congou, per lb. finest 0.22 0.24. Congou, per lb. common 0.15 0.00. Congou, per lb. 0.39 0.40. Black chewing 0.45 0.66. Bright, chewing 0.47 0.68. Smoking 0.39 0.80.

FRUITS, ETC.

Currants, per lb. 0.05 0.05. Apples, dried 0.05 0.04. Walnuts, green 0.12 0.13. Almonds 0.12 0.13. Filberts 0.10 0.11. Prunes, California 0.05 0.09. Brazil 0.13 0.14. Raisins 0.15 0.15. Dates, lb. pkg. 0.05 0.07. Dates, new 0.04 0.05. Beef tongue, per lb. 0.10 0.00. Pulverized, roasted 0.00 0.10. Figs, new, per lb. 0.09 0.12. Figs, bag, per lb. 0.04 0.05. Malaga, London layers 2.25 2.40. Malaga, clusters 2.75 4.00. Malaga, black, baskets 2.50 0.00. Malaga, Connoisseur, clusters 2.85 3.00. Canadian oranges, per bbl 5.00 0.00. Val. oranges 4.00 4.25. Lemons, Messina, per box 3.00 0.00. Onions, Spanish, per ca 0.00 0.00. Raisins, Sultana, new 0.00 0.00. Bananas 2.00 2.25. Cocoanuts 3.50 3.75. Lemons, Messina, per box 3.00 0.00. Appricots, per dozen 0.60 0.00. Appricots, evaporated 0.13 0.14. Peaches, evap'd, new 0.10 0.12. Apples, evaporated 0.07 0.05. Apples, bbl 2.00 0.00. Bananas 2.00 2.20.

PROVISIONS.

American clear pork 17.50 15.50. American mess pork 0.00 0.00. Pork, domestic 15.00 17.00. Canadian plate beef 12.50 18.00. American plate beef 13.50 14.50. Lard, pure 0.05 0.05. Flour, ETC. Common 3.05 3.10. Canadian High Grade 2.90 4.00. Oatmeal 4.90 5.00. Middlings, small lots. bagged 24.00 25.00. Bran, small lots 21.00 25.00. Bran, small lots, bag'd 23.00 23.50. Oats, (Ontario), car lots 11.75 12.35.

GRAIN, ETC.

Hay, pressed, car lots 11.75 12.35. Oats, (Ontario), car lots 11.75 12.35.

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TRADE BOOMING

At Laurier-Hayes Winter Port.

Grand Trunk Has Found It Necessary to Open an Additional Elevator

—Boston's Export Trade.

BOSTON, Jan. 7.—An investigation of Boston's export trade shows that the new year has opened favorably

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE.

Testing Dairy Herds—What the Danes Have Done—An Object Lesson for Canada.

The little kingdom of Denmark occupies an almost unparalleled position as a producer of first class bacon and butter, as Canadian exporters of these products fully realize. This presence has been brought about chiefly by the general diffusion of agricultural information and the hearty co-operation of the farmers along every line that will be to their mutual advantage.

The first of these co-operative testing associations was formed in 1885. Each society is composed of a limited number of farmers, about twelve or fifteen, who agree to have careful tests of their cows made at frequent intervals during the whole milking period by a competent man hired for the purpose. Fairly accurate records are thus obtained, not only of the yield of milk and butter fat, but also of the cost of feed and cost of feed necessary to produce a pound of butter is now estimated to be less than in 1885.

In 1895 when the first testing association was formed the value of the butter exported from Denmark was \$19,000,000. In 1904 it was over \$100,000,000. In a profit is by far the most important one that confronts our dairymen today. The possibilities in this connection were well illustrated by Prof. Grisdale at the recent Winter Fair at Guelph. He told of a friend of his who had increased the average production of his herd from \$35 in one year to \$45 the next, although the price of cheese remained the same. In the United States the average is considerably higher, the average of his herd came up to \$60, and in the year following to \$70. This was accomplished by more skillful feeding, by weeding out inferior cows, and by buying from neighbors better producing cows, of whose value the producers were ignorant.

Canadian dairymen who are looking for dividends on their investments should consider the figures. The reports of the testing societies showed that the cost of keeping these yearly records was from forty to sixty cents per cow, while the increased returns per cow, as a result of five years' testing, were from six to fifteen dollars per annum. Surely this is an eminently satisfactory rate of interest. The extraordinary increase in the number of these societies in Denmark shows how highly their work is appreciated. The tests made by the original associations were sufficient to convince the Danish farmers that they were not dairymen in business principles—that they were allowing a lot of rubbish cow to eat up the profits produced by their good cows—and they were quick to adopt better and more profitable methods.

ENFORCING THE ACT.

Inspector Jones and the Police Are After All Saloon Keepers

The campaign of strict enforcement of the liquor-license act is now well under way, and officials who are responsible for the proper enforcement of the law state that they will continue until every clause is rigidly observed. Early in the week Inspector Jones went around and notified every saloon keeper in the city that no more than one entrance provided by law would be permitted. Notice was given that all other doors would have to be closed at once. A few days, or so it is expected, the time will be allowed for the necessary work to be done, and after that those who have not complied with the law will be prosecuted. Danvers has instructed his men to report all saloon keepers who do not carry out the regulations.

Yesterday Michael McCallum, who conducts a bar room and a beer shop on Union street, appeared in police court to answer a complaint made by Inspector Jones. Mr. McCallum's liquor license covers the building occupied by both shops, and he has been in the habit of keeping the beer shop open during the hours permitted, which is later than is allowed for saloons. Mr. Jones thought this should not be done, and the action taken yesterday was to compel Mr. McCallum to close his beer shop at the same hour as he closes the saloon, the two shops being divided by a partition. Danvers appeared for Mr. McCallum, and after a lengthy discussion it was decided that the beer shop should be closed as requested by Mr. Jones.

JOINT STATEHOOD BILL

Again Before United States Senate—The Arguments

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The joint statehood bill again today occupied the major portion of the attention of the senate and Mr. Nelson completed his speech in support of it. He argued that while New Mexico and Arizona cover an extended area, the section has been backward in development and will continue to be owing to the lack of moisture. He did not admit that the backwardness was due to the presence of the hostile Indians or the existence of Mexican land grants. He read a letter from Director Wolcott of the geological survey saying that only about 1,300,000 acres of land in Arizona and New Mexico, or one per cent of the total area, was under irrigation or capable of irrigation.

Messrs. Newlands and Heyburn joined in the debate, asking Mr. Nelson concerning conditions in the territories of New Mexico and Arizona, and indicating objections to their union. Mr. Nelson maintained that joint statehood would be best for all the people. He contended that the bill and the senate went into executive session. At 4:10 the doors were reopened and the statehood bill was laid aside temporarily in order to allow the omnibus claims bill to be partly read. No effort was made to secure action on it. Bills for the reorganization of the medical corps of the army and regulating promotion of army officers in the ordnance department were passed.

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

PRESENTATION.

Patrick J. Burns of Bathurst Surprised by His C. M. B. A. Friends

BATHURST, Jan. 4.—Installation of officers of Branch No. 130, C. M. B. A., took place in their hall last night. There was a very large attendance of members and the proceedings were marked by an unusual interest. After the regular business had been disposed of and the meeting closed, John J. Harrington was called to the chair and after a few explanatory remarks, requested P. J. Burns, senior chancellor, to come to the platform and the following address was read by P. J. Venniot:

To Patrick J. Burns, Senior Chancellor of Branch No. 130, C. M. B. A., Bathurst, N. B.

Dear Sir and Brother,—On this first meeting of the year, we, your friends and brother members, deem it fitting to offer you our best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. We have in mind your long and unbroken connection with this branch, of which you are one of the pioneer members and the first presiding officer; the diligence and devotion you have shown in the discharge of the duties of this and other offices you have filled; as well as your never-ceasing desire to forward the interests of the branch since its inception in 1891.

An event in your life has lately occurred—we refer to the celebration of your silver wedding—which further enhances your remarkable career. We beg you will accept the accompanying gift as a souvenir of this meeting, and as an expression of the friendship of the members.

WM. J. LAPLANTE, Secretary.

Dated at Bathurst, N. B., Jan. 3, 1905.

Jan. 3, Power, district deputy, then presented Chancellor Burns with a beautiful gold-headed ebony cane, suitably inscribed. Mr. Burns in reply, thanked the members. He reminded them that usually he was not at a loss for words when there was anything to talk about. On this occasion he was too surprised and affected by the good will shown him. He would prize the gift and remember the donors as long as he lived. Mr. Burns then received the warm personal congratulations of the members present. The names of the officers elected for the present year have already been given in the Sun.

It began snowing last night, and at this writing, 4 p. m., it is a howling northeast storm, a regular old-fashioned one. Over a foot of snow has fallen and some of the drifts are quite deep. The local express from Moncton due here at 8:15, is reported four hours late. The Caraquez train will be in on time.

BAPTIST UNION.

Rev. Dr. Gates Reports to the Messenger and Visitor.

The following letter appears in the last issue of the Messenger and Visitor: Dear Editor—Please add the following to the list of churches already favoring the "basis" and the "organic union" of the maritime Baptists and Free Baptists of N. B. The churches are: Tabernacle, Halifax, New Glasgow, Dalhousie, East.

N. B.—2nd Hillsboro, 4th Hillsboro, Caledonia, and Springfield. Lower the warm personal congratulations of the members present. The names of the officers elected for the present year have already been given in the Sun.

At 9:30 o'clock we assembled in the office and saw the beautiful Christmas tree. We were greatly pleased with it. Some of the pupils thought the tree was the most beautiful one in all the world. Then we had prayers. The boys went out of doors and skated on the pond till dinner, which was a fine turkey one. Mr. Deserret we had plum pudding and fruit. In the afternoon the boys spent in skating on the pond and the teachers came and played there. In the evening we had a party in the parlor. There was a large spider-web there. Each of us wound a strand of the end and found a book. After that we played button, which has got the button? Then we had refreshments in the office. Very nice cake was served around. At 10 o'clock the party broke up. We repeated the angels' song and said good-night to each other.

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The teachers and children of the N. B. School for the Deaf wish to thank the most beautiful one in all the world. Then we had prayers. The boys went out of doors and skated on the pond till dinner, which was a fine turkey one. Mr. Deserret we had plum pudding and fruit. In the afternoon the boys spent in skating on the pond and the teachers came and played there. In the evening we had a party in the parlor. There was a large spider-web there. Each of us wound a strand of the end and found a book. After that we played button, which has got the button? Then we had refreshments in the office. Very nice cake was served around. At 10 o'clock the party broke up. We repeated the angels' song and said good-night to each other.

DECEIVED.

Ethel—You say Algy has been deceived by a young woman. Did she lead him into a trap? May—Oh, no! She let him believe she didn't care a rap for him, and then when he carelessly proposed she accepted.

DEXTERITY OF THE HINDOOS.

Dancing and Legerdemain, They Are Expert at Tumbling, Rope

The dexterity of the Hindoos in tumbling, rope dancing and legerdemain is so much superior to that of Europeans and Japanese that the statements of travellers on the subject were much doubted, until they were brought to exhibit their singular feats in this country. Nothing is more common in India than to see young girls walking on their hands and feet, with their body bent backward. Another girl will bend backward, plunge her head into a hole about eighteen inches deep, full of water and dirt, and bring up between her lips a ring, which was buried in the mud. The women may frequently be seen dancing together on a rope stretched over trestles, the one playing on the vina, or Hindoo guitar, the other holding two vessels brimful of water, and capering about without spilling a drop. A plank is sometimes fixed to the top of a pole twenty-five feet high, which is set upright; a man then climbs up it, springs backward and seats himself upon the plank.

Another mountebank balances himself by the middle of the body on a horizontal position, with his feet high. He first sets it upright, and then climbs up it, with his legs and arms, as if it was a firmly rooted tree. On falling to the ground he clings to his feet and hands, fixing the centre of the pole in the middle of his feet, and dances, moving about in all directions to the sound of music with a light step. He then descends, taking a pole on his shoulders, climbs up the pole again, and stands on the top on one leg. Sometimes a boy lies across the extreme end of the pole, and the mountebank sits for a considerable time in this state, and moves them about in all directions without losing the balance.

A still more extraordinary feat is performed by the Hindoo women. One of them will sometimes balance herself in a horizontal position, with her arms extended, like a person swimming, on the top of a bamboo pole ninety feet high, fixed to the ground. In a short time she seems to have lost her balance and is about to fall. She then catches by one foot in a rope fastened to a bar which crosses the middle of the pole and remains suspended, with her head downward.

The Hindoos are not only extremely dexterous themselves, but they have found means to communicate their tricks to their animals. They can train bullocks or buffaloes, for instance, to the performance of every difficult task. A Hindoo lies down upon a horizontal position, with his arms extended, like a person swimming, on the top of a bamboo pole ninety feet high, fixed to the ground. In a short time she seems to have lost her balance and is about to fall. She then catches by one foot in a rope fastened to a bar which crosses the middle of the pole and remains suspended, with her head downward.

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REMARKABLE RUG.

Owned by Indian Was Made From Seventy-Seven Human Scalps.

A rug which took 77 lives in the making is owned by an Iowa Indian living in Stroud, Ok. T. It is 150 years old, and consists of 77 scalps torn from the heads of the Indians who made the rug, which is barely five feet square, is of many hues, for the scalps are red, gray, black, white, brown and auburn. They belonged to peaceful people, too, and the scalps were taken by a special command of the Great Spirit from the finest specimens of men, women and children belonging to the white and negro races. As soon as the scalps were severed, they were sewn together, and the rug was from that regarded as the remedy for all trouble. When an Indian was taken sick, he was laid on the rug, and if he did not recover his spirit was assured of a pleasant journey to the happy hunting ground. This remarkable creation can be seen but once a year. At the annual fair, on the first of August, it comes on April 1, the Iowa Indians make the rug play an important part. The onion is freely used, the Indians saturating themselves from head to foot with the oil. It seems that the medicinal value of driving away the evil spirits. A prayer rug belonging to the Shah of Persia is another valuable mat. Although having a few feet square in design, it is the most elaborate. It is worked throughout in precious stones, and the effect is dazzling. The ground is formed of rose diamonds, and in the centre the Shah's bird performs its dance of amethysts and its body of rubies. The vines, which form a network, through which the bird may be seen, as through a cage, are made of emeralds, while the bands which connect the stones are of seed pearl. The floral emblem of Persia is worked out in blue, yellow and pink stones, this design being known as the Mina Khani design. It is difficult to determine even the approximate value of this small rug, but it has been estimated that if it were sold the proceeds, placed at 5 per cent interest, would bring in an income of at least \$250,000 per annum.—Dallas News.

HE HAD A SURE THING.

Richard Golden tells a story about a young composer who had just completed a score of a new opera and was hastening to call on a manager with a view of production. Mr. Golden stopped him with a query: "What's your hurry?" "Oh, I've got the best piece ever written and faster So-and-So is going to produce it."

"Think he will accept it?" "Of course," replied the author. "You seem very confident."

"Yes, sir," said the author next to the theatre, doesn't he?" "Yes," said Mr. Golden. "Well, my new opera has fifteen drinking songs in it. Why shouldn't it be confident?"

MILNER'S SUCCESSOR.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 8.—The Post hears on good authority that J. M. Lowther, M. P., will succeed Lord Milner as commissioner to South Africa in April.

FORTUNE IN GEMS.

Newest Jewels—What They Cost and How They Are Worn.

The desire for jewels and the extravagance shown in the elegantly splendid displays now made by women who delight in such manifestations of wealth are two of the main characteristics of the power dress exercises over women in this luxurious age.

A million sovereigns sounds like an incredibly huge sum of money to sink in precious stones, but the gem cases of some of our great ladies represent that value very closely, and it is actually touched in a few notable instances.

Quite moderately wealthy young married women do not consider their catalogue of jewels complete without two or three tiaras, a string of pearls capable of being measured by the yard, a stomacher brilliantly ablaze with jewels, a dog collar and numerous necklets, rings of various colors to match various gems, to say nothing of aigrettes of diamonds, brooches, brooches and little ornaments by the hundred.

One single necklace of pearls—only a string that closely clasps the throat—has been known to cost \$6,000, and then a lady swallows up any sum up to 25,000 pounds, and even more when it contains practically priceless stones; one's brooch may easily represent 500 pounds, while a stomacher, which is worn by cost less. Hence, to be bedizened in gems that represent 100,000 pounds is not a difficult task for the woman who likes a barbaric display and can afford to indulge her whim.

The extravagance this craving for gems leads to is excused by some people on the score that precious stones are a sound investment, while the dealers in imitation gems truthfully admit that it fosters their trade. A very quaint fashion from old times is the agrafe of brilliants, an ornament resembling a bow and arrow, which is worn on the forehead, duplicated many times so as to trim a dress from the décolletage to the hem of the skirt. The ornaments graduate in size, so that at the foot of the hair is a French pastille, which are at the waist, thereby producing a very elegant effect. These necessities are rarely to be seen in real diamonds, but sets of them are being bought in old French pastilles, which are made of cloud grey satin and was quite untrimmed, save for the agrafes and a berthe and elbow flounces of white lace. Juliet sets of diamonds and pearls are so much in vogue that those of colored stones that they are likely to last than the rest of their kind in the favor of the wealthy woman. A new net is made of gold lattice work, fastened to the hair, and is crossed with rosettes of diamonds, and all along the edge festooned with a glittering fringe of the same precious stones.

Very lovely aigrettes, composed of a pair of diamond leaves, the edges of which meet in the centre, are being made purposely to be worn with the hair. A new net is made of gold lattice work, fastened to the hair, and is crossed with rosettes of diamonds, and all along the edge festooned with a glittering fringe of the same precious stones.

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GREAT LUMBER RAFTS ON THE PACIFIC.

The strangest craft afloat was recently seen gliding out from the port on the Columbia River on the Pacific Coast, says the Philadelphia North American. At first glance it looked like some giant sea monster, or like a mammoth log raft. Not a scrap of metal was visible anywhere about it, nor was it carrying freight. As the river was calm and port near, it could not have been constructed for the purpose of carrying shrewdly wrecked travellers in safety to land.

The purpose of this puzzling float was learned only after questioning its pilot. It was a lumber raft, built of logs exclusively, arranged with mathematical precision, it was designed to carry itself, and nothing else, safely to market, where it would be energetically pulled to pieces and sold.

This method of shipping lumber on the waters of the Pacific coast is unique, and although attempted in a little different manner some years ago has only just proved successful. The largest crafts built on the Pacific coast, if not in the world, are these interesting lumber rafts, made of logs and planks. They are taken long distances and made to withstand storms. The largest crafts built on the Pacific coast, if not in the world, are these interesting lumber rafts, made of logs and planks. They are taken long distances and made to withstand storms.

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gangs of men being employed. In the thickest part of the raft, about the centre, or where the greatest bulge occurs, they are more than fifty feet in diameter. They sink in the water, however, until the top is only about ten feet above the waves.

The process of construction is interesting. The rafts are built in a vast "cradle," which is anchored near the shore in shallow water. The cradle looks very much like the framework of a big wooden ship; it has a double keel and is constructed of heavy timbers with strong keel-braces between the floor timbers and the verticals, at a point which, in a vessel, would be called the bilge. The keel is made in two sections, held together by massive locks and clamps, while the raft is under construction.

The piles forming the raft are from 80 to 110 feet in length, and to make a strong and at the same time a flexible structure, which is an essential feature, "cradles" which is possible to tear the out of pieces of such comparative shortness, is a work that calls for considerable skill. It would be impossible to do so successfully without the aid of the cradle.

The piles are put in one by one by a large and powerful derrick, in such a manner as to break joints as much as possible, the abutting ends of one pile being placed opposite to the middle of the adjacent pile, after the fashion of properly laid brick. When the raft is finished, it is securely wrapped with 1-1/2 inch iron chains at intervals of twelve feet. Running from stem to stern of the cigar-shaped raft, and right through the centre are two-inch chains, one holding the bulkheads at each end in place and the other being fastened to the hawser. From the towing chain, lateral chains, running from the centre, connect with the end chains, thus it is possible to apply a steady strain in towing, for the stronger the pull the more tightly are the logs bound together.

After the raft is launched, the locks of the giant cradle are opened by pulling on ropes connected with them and the two sections of the cradle float apart, leaving the raft ready for its ocean voyage.

The first rafts built, though much smaller than those now constructed, came to pieces, and the piles drifted here and there far up and down the coast. They were a very serious menace to navigators. For this very reason, shipping men, on a number of occasions, made loud complaints about this method of bringing lumber to the San Francisco market; but, so far, they have not succeeded in putting an end to the traffic.

The later rafts, built according to the method described, have shown themselves able to withstand rough ocean trips. If one of these rafts—much larger than the greatest war vessel afloat, and made of a material which in it now, it means almost certain destruction to any vessel that encounters it in a dark night.

MEN WHO HAD ANIMAL EYES. Painters Found Some of Them Useful as Models. (From Siray Stories). Some men possess "animal eyes," which defy disguise and which are always liable to prejudice their owners' chances throughout life. That, however, is by no means invariably the case is evidenced by a solicitor in the north of England, who ascribes much of his prosperity to a look of profound wisdom, which has gained for him many clients, but which is lent to the other two. The first mentioned belonged once to a good Cheshire family, but went wrong and emigrated years ago to Canada, where he found his level on the waterside at Montreal.

According to his own story, he was on the verge of starvation, when, one evening, he was accosted by a French Canadian artist, who asked him whether he cared to earn a dollar by comber for half an hour. Only when the painting, a very large one, was completed, did the unfortunate model discover that the picture was a study in a very familiar expression in his own eyes had been transferred faithfully to the optics of a pig on the canvas.

The two other men with peculiar eyes who earn a living by sitting to animal painters are also expatriated Englishmen. The writer met both in Paris in the winter of 1887. One of them had "dog eyes" while the other wore the expression of a cat. Both are well known to Bohemian dwellers in the Latin quarter. In Florence, one, Boutequin, got his living by posing to Matassarso, the well-known animal painter. Dogs were his specialty. He had their expression, that dog-like fidelity of eye which one admires so much in the pictures by Landseer.

In 1888 there was employed as hall porter at Oporto a middle-aged individual who claimed to have been a Roman Catholic priest in the early days of his life. He was in the habit of sitting on occasions, to Senor Joaquin da Costa, a painter of wild animals, of rather more than local repute.

THE CUCKOO HICCOUGHED. The aggressive man finished his story, and regarded us with such a superior air that we trotted out the little anecdote about the cuckoo clock. "Yes, sir," we concluded, say Short Stories. "Just as he shouted upstairs that it was 12 o'clock, the cuckoo clock cuckooed three times, and the man then had 'dog eyes' and cuckoo nine more to make it."

We laughed uproariously, and congratulated ourselves that the traveler had been effectively squashed. "Well, go on," said he, with some impatience. "On where?" we asked.

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# GEO. HAM TALKS OF WHEN HE WAS A BOY. He Was Once in the Newspaper Business, but Now Has a Respectable Job-- How the C. P. R. Has Grown.

George Ham, head of the advertising department of the C. P. R., is at the Royal. He intends to leave in the morning. The reports they have been circulating as to Mr. Ham's feeble state of health are happily incorrect. He looks quite as happy as he says he felt when he received the report of the proceedings of a bunch of bush lawyers, who comprised the county council of the small Ontario town where he had the honorable and arduous position of the rural weekly upon which he shed the effulgent rays of his genius a half a century ago.

Mr. Ham passed through the various stages of evolution in the journalistic profession and was able to retire from it some years ago, and now is a respectable railway man. He says that the report that the Canadian Pacific Railway is the greatest railway in the world is quite correct. It has attained this commanding position since Mr. Ham was added to the staff. Even since he became chief of the advertising department of the company, it has been a source of wonderment to Mr. Ham how the road attained the little prominence that it had without his services in the publicity department.

Personally he did not know why Elia had resigned, but there was a man who did, that he was well acquainted with. The scribe eagerly enquired who the man was.

"Blair." John Lewis, now of the Toronto News, and Mr. Ham simultaneously contributed to the enlightenment of Canadian readers as cub reporters many years ago. Mr. Lewis has been mentioned as likely to take the editorship of the new Liberal to be established here.

Mr. Ham commends him to the tender mercies of the St. John press. "He is a clever writer and a good fellow, but not too good for St. John."

A reporter of the Halifax Echo interviewed Mr. Ham during his recent visit to Halifax, and asked him if the fall of Porth Arthur would end the war.

Mr. Ham with his usual modesty said he did not know, but when he went to Sydney he would ask a Japanese bell-boy that was there and keep the wires hot until the Echo had the information.

Mr. Ham "reluctantly" consented last evening to see a representative of the Sun.

"Have you anything to say, Mr. Ham, about the discoveries in radio-active matters?" "Nothing much, but I understand that some warm developments are expected before long."

Mr. Ham and E. E. Usher are travelling together. They have visited Halifax and Sydney, and early this morning will proceed to Fredericton, where they will remain for a couple of days. They will be accompanied by District Passenger Agent Perry, Montreal will see them once more about the middle of the week if the C. P. R. does not get snowed up. Both of these gentlemen say their visit has no special significance.

"Where is Fred James?" Mr. Ham enquired last night. "Fred, whom I used to know so well around here. In Halifax, you say, 'for boy' and as an afterthought 'for Halifax'." "I see, something like myself. He was in the newspaper business for a long time, but got a decent job and shifted."

"Well, I don't know that I can say that either. A fellow often wants to get back to the newspaper again, and I think it runs in families. Do you know I had the greatest trouble in keeping my boy from being a reporter. He was bound to go, but I persuaded him to get a job with more money in it."

"Besides, anyone can be a newspaper man nowadays. It's not like it was when I was in the business. We had no telephones then, half the time the wires were down, and you could just imagine what it was to get out a paper."

"Once I was a reporter on a daily in Winnipeg or at least I thought I was a reporter. I was news editor, despatch editor, messenger boy, proof reader, reporter, and about everything else. Only I didn't write editorials--not much. We had no proof press, nothing but a block and mallet, and it was a holy picnic getting things going. Now you have telephones, street cars and cheap meal tickets, and life is a cinch."

"I remember once when I was on the Times in Winnipeg. The boys went on strike. They had been doing a whole stack of these two-cent amateur concerts and got tired of it. They refused to do any more. So I suggested that we should throw cards for it. I was boss of the show, but promised to go into it. The lot fell to me and I started out to do a concert. Met Charlie Keating, who was on the Free Press and we went together. Went inside and listened to two songs. That was all I could stand. I asked Keating if he had to listen to that kind of thing all through the show and he said we had if we stayed, so I suggested going somewhere. We loafed until it was time for me to go back to the office. Keating also wrote a criticism, but put most of his space on what the Times had said. I stated that Miss

Sutherland's rendition of so and so was brilliant. Keating admitted that it might have been, but unfortunately Mrs. Sutherland had been ill and was unable to appear. I devoted many lectures to Miss Jones' reading of such a selection and Keating while admitting Miss Jones' ability, drew attention to the fact that it was an altogether different style of piece which Miss Jones had chosen. I got it in the neck. Well, good night, I have to be away at six in the morning, but don't let on I'm going."

## NORTH ATLANTIC FLEET. United States Ships Are Anchored in Hampton Roads.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 8.—All the warships of the North Atlantic fleet including the battleship squadron, the coast defence squadron and the Caribbean squadron, that will be inspected and reviewed tomorrow by Admiral Dewey and Secretary Morton, with one or two exceptions are at their assigned anchorages in Hampton Roads tonight. Six powerful battleships, with the Keating flying the flag of Rear Admiral Barker, form the first column in the rendezvous. Stratched at quarter-mile intervals behind the flagship are the Alabama, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri and Iowa. The coast squadron with Rear Admiral Sands on the battleship Texas and the cruiser Tacoma and Monitors Arkansas, Florida and Oregon.

After the review the second column, proceeded to southern waters for winter manoeuvres.

## WAS FOUND DEAD. Crazed With Drink, He Ordered Wife and Children to Leave.

WINOOSKI, Vt., Jan. 8.—Louis Lamora was found dead upon the sidewalk in front of the tenement house where he lived, on West Centre street, today, frozen to the ice in a pool of his own blood. His two brothers-in-law, Louis and Denis Trambly, were arrested in connection with the affair.

The detention of the Tramblys followed an inquiry into the case by State Attorney A. L. Sherman of this city, which was completed tonight. The men are held upon suspicion without bail.

An autopsy upon the body of Lamora will be held tomorrow. The police say that Lamora went home last night, and as a result of his own blood, his wife and five children left the house.

They spent the night at the home of Mrs. Fred Barber, a neighbor. The police also allege that the Tramblys were united in marriage to Leonard M. Colpitts of Mapleton, Albert Co. The bridal party entered the prettily decorated parlor to the strains of the Wedding March, played by Mrs. A. T. Stockton.

The bride was becomingly gowned in cream crepe de chine, with chiffon trimmings. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Abram Ferry of Westwood, in the presence of invited guests. After congratulations the guests repaired to the dining room, where a family supper was served. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and useful presents, and being one of Cornhill's most estimable young ladies, will be much missed in the community. Mr. and Mrs. Colpitts will make their future home at Mapleton.

## DOMINION DAY MEET. Management of Victoria Driving Park at Springhill Making Preparations.

SPRINGHILL MINES, N. S., Jan. 7.—The management of the Victoria Driving Park, Springhill, N. S., propose holding their usual Dominion day meeting on the 30th June and 1st July, or July 1st and 2nd. There will be three races each day and good purses offered. It is the intention of the management of this track to receive trotting by offering one straight trotting class each day at all its meetings. Moncton will follow Springhill, and horsemen hope that Sussex, Chatham, New Glasgow, Amherst and the Sydney, etc., will all line up and fill in the time between Springhill and Halifax exhibition. Springhill will give a second meeting when necessary.

## STRIKE SETTLED. Unionists Feel That They Have Been Victorious.

LYNN, Mass., Jan. 6.—The strike of 150 union coal team drivers of this city, which threatened to seriously interfere with the manufacturing industries in this city and which has already been the cause of the temporary closing of twelve factories, was settled this afternoon by an agreement between the coal dealers and the strikers. The unionists regard the settlement as a complete victory for their cause, inasmuch as they demand for a nine hour instead of a nine and a half hour day was granted by the coal dealers.

## HOUSE BESIEGED. G. T. P. SCHEME

Incidents in Affairs of Discussed by Sir Charles Brodie L. Duke. Rivers-Wilson.

Who Was Taken to a Sanitarium on Saturday on Account of His Mental Condition.

His Recent Address at a Special General Meeting of the Company in London.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Incidents followed each other quickly today in the affairs of Brodie L. Duke, who was committed to a sanitarium Saturday on account of his mental condition. The Duke family tonight in the siege of the house of George H. Mallory, Mrs. Duke's attorney, by a woman who said she was the lawyer's client. He refused to have her admitted and for five minutes she tried to gain an entrance.

The Bellevue hospital authorities have deposited with District Attorney Jerome bonds, stocks, notes and checks said to have a face value of \$50,000, found in the pockets of Mr. Duke when he was taken into custody at the instance of his relatives on the ground that he was not mentally competent to manage his own affairs. Mr. Duke's commitment to a sanitarium was signed by Justice Wyatt of the court of general sessions, and Dr. Gregory, acting superintendent of Bellevue hospital, said today that Mr. Duke was afflicted with a type of dementia.

George H. Mallory, a lawyer, said he had been retained by Mrs. Duke in connection with some contracts in Texas lands, in which she was interested before her marriage. Tonight, however, he declined to admit to his house a woman, who, the servants said, gave the name of Duke.

Mr. Mallory was averse to entering into any discussion of the transaction. There are among the papers in the temporary custody of the district attorney's office three promissory notes for \$5,000 each, said to have been made on Dec. 5th by Mr. Duke to Miss Webb, four days before her marriage and due in three, four and five months. Mr. Mallory said he had an idea that the notes were used in connection with the financing of the Texas-Cuba Tobacco Company, of which Mrs. Duke was president before her marriage.

Mr. Mallory said he had no information as to the list of the securities found in the possession of Mr. Duke. Mrs. Duke and her associate, Mrs. Agnes Desplains, left the Park Avenue hotel today and are now at a hotel in the Bronx.

WORK ON THE SURVEY. The president told the meeting of the work already done in the way of surveys. The act of incorporation gave the Grand Trunk Pacific the right to build from a point in New Brunswick right to the Pacific coast, across the whole continent.

It also gave authority to the company to construct certain branch lines, one having a point of contact with the main line. The most important, probably, and eventually the most valuable, of these branches was indicated by the incorporation. It was a branch to run from the town of Port Arthur, or Fort William, or some other Canadian port on Lake Superior, to a point of contact with the main line.

The route to be traversed by the branch was about 230 miles, and the point of junction on the main line was about 230 miles east of Winnipeg. Well, that gave the company bonding powers in excess of the supply and demand for the 230 miles, amounting, therefore, altogether to \$5,000,000. It also gave power to raise an additional \$500,000 to pay for interest on the amount of the bond.

The incorporation of Ontario passed an act giving to the Grand Trunk Pacific in respect of that branch a cash subsidy of \$2,000 per mile, making altogether a cash subsidy of \$400,000, on the condition that the Grand Trunk Pacific also gave the Grand Trunk Pacific a grant of land of 3,000 acres per mile, for 200 miles, amounting altogether to 1,200,000 acres of land. Both these grants by the Ontario government formed an extremely valuable asset for the Grand Trunk Pacific. The cash subsidy spoke for itself, and, as regards the land, he thought they might very moderately estimate the value at certainly not less than \$2 per acre, representing, in round figures, \$2,000,000 sterling.

GROWTH OF PORT ARTHUR. Sir Charles dwelt on the importance of this line and the growth of Port Arthur and Fort William, at which it would end. He expected to see them both in one city, and gave figures to show the rapidity of the growth. This branch, he believed, would quite irrespective of what happened east of it on the main line, prove a paying investment from the first. It would be a magnificent asset to the company's contribution, which evidently would be a very large contribution, of the products of the west to Lake Superior, and he brought across the bridge of the Grand Trunk Pacific, the ports which the company possessed. In point of fact, that apparently small line of 230 miles would be the neck of the great bottle extending out to the west, and therefore it was perfectly certain that a very large and a valuable traffic would flow over that road.

WHY GUARANTEE NECESSARY. Why might be asked, in view of the added grant and the prospect, why this guarantee was necessary. The market did not look at things that way. They had discovered that if the credit of the Grand Trunk Company could be placed at the disposal of the branch, the road could stand by itself, but he considered it rather a compliment that the market should seek the endorsement of the Grand Trunk, and the directors had not hesitated to give it. They had confided to Messrs. Speyer & Sons the sale of the bonds to the extent of \$5,000,000 on the western section and \$5,000,000 on the Lake Superior branch. They would remember that the Grand Trunk, by resolution of March 8th, agreed to guarantee an issue of bonds to the extent of one-fourth of the cost of constructing the prairie section—that was, the first 1,000 miles over the prairie from Winnipeg. The remainder, the other three-fourths—the much larger portion—would be guaranteed by the Canadian government.

ASKED APPROVAL OF ACTION. They now asked approval of that action. In return for the guarantee they gave, the Grand Trunk was to receive the whole of the common stock of the Grand Trunk Pacific, \$25,000,000. They could judge what would eventually be the value of that stock, but he believed it much higher than the moderate, or he might say, innocuous, guarantee given on March 8th.

In conclusion, the president said: "The vote which I hope you will accord this afternoon will mark a very important step in the history of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. It is starting upon its career under very favorable auspices. The people of Canada will be very glad to hear that you have a certain voice, have expressed their ap-

proval of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's railway policy, of which this is the principal, in fact, the only, feature, and have returned him to power with a very large majority, as a testimony of their approval of that policy. I, then, have very little doubt myself—and it is the opinion of my colleagues as well—that a great, a prosperous, and a successful future will attend their undertaking. (Hear, hear.) That is my firm conviction, and that it will prosper. I have no doubt whatsoever, to the great advantage of the Dominion of Canada and also of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, which first initiated it, and upon which will devolve the responsibility of carrying it into operation." The president then moved the resolution.

After a criticism by Mr. Seal, whose motion for delay to consider the matter was negatived, the resolution of the president was adopted.

MRS. DUKE'S WEALTH Is Said to be Daughter of Rich Lawyer.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—Mrs. Brodie Duke, formerly Miss Alice L. Webb, is known in Chicago as a member of the firm of Taylor, Webb & Company. Her partner is Chas. L. Taylor, and the concern deals in tobacco lands. She is said to be the wealthy divorced wife of E. H. Powell, a southerner. Today her partner, Mr. Taylor, said: "Mrs. Duke is the daughter of Wm. H. Webb, who was a wealthy corporation lawyer of New York. When her father died ten years ago he left her \$100,000, and she engaged in business. She proved to be a very shrewd business woman. She told me that her first husband (Powell) had squandered her fortune. Mrs. Duke is an extraordinarily woman and attends strictly to business. She is not handsome or even good-looking. "I can safely say that Mrs. Duke had made fully \$1,000,000 in investments since I have known her. "I never knew any of her private business."

## JOINT STATEHOOD BILL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Senator Bard today occupied the entire time of the senate given to the joint statehood bill. He made an argument against the union of Arizona and New Mexico on the ground that the people of the two territories do not desire it. Several bills of minor importance were passed.

## SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Jan 6—Str Cape Breton, 1,109, Reid, from Louisburg, R. P. and W. F. Starr, comdr. Jan 6—Str Cape Breton, 1,109, Reid, from Louisburg, R. P. and W. F. Starr, comdr. Jan 6—Str Cape Breton, 1,109, Reid, from Louisburg, R. P. and W. F. Starr, comdr.

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In the Delaware River off Reedy Island, Del., the Queen Olga lost anchor and 145 fathoms of chain.

BALTIMORE, Jan 5.—Sch Harold, from Cadiz, Nov 22, for Harbor Grace, Nfld, with salt, was struck by a water-sap Dec 11, at midnight, lat 47.30, lon 40. Crew of six men picked up by sts Kofli, from Bremen, Dec 23, lat 48.54, lon 27.55, after being at the pumps for 17 days.

LONDON, Jan 6.—Further reports from St. Petersburg, from New York for Melbourne, Sydney, etc, before reported at Cape Town with cargo in third hold on St. George, Helder, from Yokohama, etc, for New York, was detained at Port Said with three furnace crowns leaking. She sailed 6th.

Cargo which has been washed ashore badly damaged by fire and water. Str Knight of St. George, Helder, from Yokohama, etc, for New York, was detained at Port Said with three furnace crowns leaking. She sailed 6th.

NEW YORK, Jan 5.—Str H. M. White from Boston, reports Pollock Rig gas buoy unlighted last night.

IN THE COURTS. Probate Court. In the estate of Martha Lawton, decd, ceased, Alex. C. M. Phillips, executor, passed his accounts and the judge decreed that the balance of \$323 should go to the next of kin, Mrs. Eliza Brown of Somerville, Mass., a sister of the decd, ceased. E. G. Kaye, proctor.

In the estate of Mary Smith Kerrison, deceased, E. A. M. Skinner was appointed administrator. C. N. Skinner, proctor.

Supreme Court Chambers. In the Arlington Mining & Milling Co., Ltd., on petition of E. R. Chapman for the official liquidators, Judge Mead and J. F. Conroy for plaintiffs; J. K. Kelly and Dr. Earle for defendants.

DIGBY AUDITOR'S REPORT. DIGBY, N. S., Jan. 8.—The auditor's annual report for the town of Digby is in the hands of the printer. The taxpayers will have little cause for dissatisfaction at the showing which the council is able to make as a result of the year's work. A balance of \$2,100 is in the bank to the credit of current account. All bills incurred have been paid; sinking funds in four loans provided; the rate of taxation was ten cents lower in 1904 than in any year during the last eight, and less than \$100 is outstanding on the rate books in the way of unpaid taxes.

CHIPMAN MAILS. CHIPMAN, N. B., Jan. 7.—Chipman has had no mail since Tuesday on account of the storm blockade, until this afternoon about 4 o'clock the welcome sound of the train blow was heard and the first mail in four days was distributed.

DEATHS. BLEWETT.—In this city, on Jan. 8th, 1905, Lillian Beatrice, infant daughter of William M. and Edna P. Blewett aged five days.

GILLEN.—In this city, on Jan. 6th, Florence A., wife of William Gillean, leaving a husband, four daughters and one son.

HASLAM.—Died at Elgin, Albert county, N. B., 28th Dec., 1904, Alexander Haslam, aged 102 years, a resident of New Brunswick for 44 years, leaving an aged widow to mourn her loss.

MERSERAU.—At Bridgetown, N. S., on Friday, Jan. 6th, Adaline A. Smith, beloved wife of D. W. Mersereau, died suddenly.

RAMSEY.—On Saturday, January 7th, 1905, at 11 St. James street, Cecil Mayes, the beloved infant of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Ernest Ramsey, aged three months. Safe in the arms of Jesus.



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