

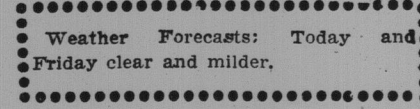
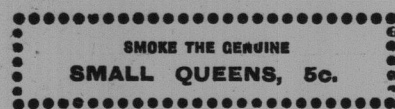
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## RUSSIANS TRAPPED NORTH OF TIE PASS.

A Desperate Bloody Battle is Now Being Waged ---General Kuropatkin Was Very Much Taken by Surprise.

Santopu, eight miles north of Tie Pass, Manchuria, Wednesday, Mar. 15.—(Evening).—The Russians have abandoned their advanced positions on the Fan river where the desperate attack of the Japanese Tuesday was repulsed and have fallen back upon the defenses at Tie Pass. Previous to the retreat, the supplies of food, etc., collected there were set on fire, and the only a faint, while Japanese columns were being worked around to get in position to fall upon the Russian rear, and yesterday the blow was struck, a despatch from Santopu to the Associated Press bringing to St. Petersburg the first word that a battle was in progress north of Tie Pass.

That Gen. Kuropatkin was taken by surprise is a fair inference from the manner in which, on Tuesday night, he abandoned the Hun river positions, leaving to himself that he again was obliged to burn his stores to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Japanese. The Japs struck him from the west.

## TICKET STILL IN DOUBT. TO HOT FOR LAURIER.

Executive of the Citizens' League Find They Have a Heavy Job on Their Hands.

A meeting of the Citizens' League will be held this evening. It is not yet known whether any names of candidates will be talked of in this evening's meeting. In the meantime the executive are to have a meeting.

Star this morning, stated that the public would have to be a little patient with the league. They found that it was going to take some time to select suitable names for candidates. Again, there were various difficulties to be met with along that line which the majority of people did not realize on the executive had taken a good deal of pains in preparing reports to give to the public, and they felt that they had done their part in placing the question clearly before them so that in the coming civic elections they might vote intelligently.

## FACTORY ACT COMMISSION

(Special to the Star.)  
FREDERICTON, N. B., Mar. 13.—The factory act commission presented their report to the legislature last evening. The weight of the testimony taken was that while the factory act is not absolute necessity for it at the present time. They found a feeling existing among some of the larger manufacturers that it would be unwise to press legislation which might interfere with the investment of capital in manufacturing, for the reason that in this province a factory is not a necessity in its infancy and should be encouraged rather than discouraged.

The commission have drafted an act which is a lengthy one, containing over fifty sections, it provides for the appointment of inspectors, one of whom may be a female. A large portion is devoted to a provision of the employment of young girls and women, the hours of labor, health and sanitary arrangements, fire protection and the care and use of machinery, every factory must be registered, penalties are named for violations and the court for trying all complaints shall be before two justices of the peace.

COUNT DE BURY HOME.  
Met With a Severe Accident While Travelling in Italy.

Count De Bury arrived in the city this morning on the Boston train, after an absence of about six months. During this time the count has been travelling in Europe, having spent a good part of his time in Italy. He returned home by the White Star line, landing in New York last Monday.

On his way to Genoa, Italy, where he took the steamer, the count met with an accident which made his trip across the water very disagreeable, even painful. On driving in a coach to the wharves at Genoa to board the steamer, the team ran away throwing the count from the carriage and breaking one of his legs. Nevertheless he took the steamer and came to New York where he has spent a few days at the Manhattan hotel, having his broken limb treated by a surgeon.

The count will spend a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Daniel Mullin.

S. B. Bustin returned from Fredericton this morning, arriving on the Boston train.

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LOST OR STOLEN—A black and white setter named "Prince." Anyone found harboring will be prosecuted. H. J. MOWATT, 245 Duke Street. 16-3-3

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Philip McCarthy, 266 Main Street, gave them a splendid surprise Tuesday evening, the occasion of a fifth anniversary of their marriage. A number of beautiful and costly presents showed the esteem in which the couple are held. Vocal and instrumental music added to the pleasantness of the occasion.

## GRAND JURY REPORT IS RED HOT STUFF.

**Present Police System Described as Worthless and Antiquated.**

The county court met this morning to receive the report of the grand jury. The report was read by the foreman, J. Fraser Gregory, and was as follows: To His Honor, The Honorable James G. Forbes, Judge of the County Court of the City and County of St. John, May it please Your Honor:

We, the Grand Jury, summoned to attend at this present session of your honorable court, have to the best of our ability considered several of the matters brought to our attention in your honorable charge, and would now respectfully present our findings and recommendations as follows:—

First—As to the condition and management of the county jail.—We visited the prison and were very much pleased indeed at the condition of the premises, the cleanliness and tidy appearance of the jail, and the respectful manner of the jailer. We consider that with some minor improvements to be detailed later, the appointments of the jail are fully up to the requirements of this municipality, and that the interior economy is so administered as to conduce to the well being of the inmates.

In our opinion the regulations governing the governance of the prisoners are not inconsistent with what is proper and humane, and we think that the making and enforcement of these regulations may be safely left to the discretion of the high sheriff.

With respect to the arrangements made for the religious instruction of the prisoners we find that the sheriff has arranged with the Evangelical Alliance to provide services in the jail from time to time and never at any time offers objections to clergymen of any denomination visiting prisoners, but we believe that the visiting of the prisoners by irresponsible persons, however well intentioned, is not conducive to the welfare of the prisoners or the discipline of the jail.

Our information is, moreover, that it is illegal for unauthorized persons to hold communication with those prisoners on remand. We would recommend that the building adjoining the jail, now used as a morgue, be diverted from its present purpose and become a part of the jail premises to be used as a night guard room and store room.

While the present guard room is well situated for day work, it does not command the new cells as well as it should, therefore the tendency is to use the old cells, but if the morgue building were used for the purpose we designate, the guard would then command both sections of the prison equally well, and the tendency would be to use the new rather than the old part of the building.

We would also recommend that electric light be substituted for gas, for illuminating the building.

As the gas lights in the corridors are turned out at night, in case of a disturbance, it is now necessary for the jailer to go within the jail, and light each gas jet separately. The jailer should be in a position to light his whole premises instantly.

We would further recommend that the sheriff be authorized to purchase clothing or material for clothing for destitute prisoners whenever he thinks necessary.

At the present time prisoners coming in, especially females, may be bedraggled and covered with filth and dirt from the streets, and being without change of clothing, are dependent upon the charity of other prisoners, or the jailer's family, to maintain a decent appearance.

The finding of this material will assist in providing work, in a measure, for the prisoners.

And we would also ask that wooden stationary wash tubs, the plumbing for which is now in readiness, be at once provided.

The death of reading matter of all kinds is seriously felt, and we would request the public to remember the jail as well as other institutions when disposing of their old magazines, etc.

Secondly, as to the condition of certain public and other buildings with respect to danger from fire, and the means taken for prevention. As heretofore directed by your honor this jury was formed into committees and these visited certain buildings in this city, notably the Opera House and York Theatre, the Dufferin Hotel and Clifton House, the Victoria, Bently and Elm street schools, and the General Public Hospital.

This building is separate and detached, and any fire to be dangerous must take place in the building itself.

Opera House.—We do not consider this building as safe as it should be from danger arising from panic or fire, either in the building itself or in the neighborhood. The management informs us that they are willing to do anything that is recommended, as soon as the authorities give them definite instructions, which up to the present time have not been received, and they do not care to make changes that may be condemned.

The building is situated in rear of and annexed to several stores and factories, and in case of fire arising in any of these different premises the alarm, knowledge, and danger must reach the audience in the theatre, and be liable to create a panic.

An exit from the first and second balconies, and main floor empty into one hall or foyer with a staircase leading to Union street and a doorway to Union Alley.

At the conclusion of nearly all performances at the Opera House there is now a great congestion of people on the stairways and in the foyer, and in our opinion no fire could take place in the Opera House or neighboring buildings that would not lead to a panic and disaster in the halls and foyer mentioned.

The only fire escape on the building is from windows high above the floor on the second gallery, which is entirely inadequate and at the time of our visitation these windows were either nailed or frozen down.

To remedy these evils we believe that separate enclosed stairways should be built from both the first and second balconies sideways on the rear or Peters street side of the building, so that there would be three separate and distinct exits, one from each balcony and one from the main floor, and that fire hose and buckets should be provided on the stage and in the auditorium.

Dufferin Hotel.—This building has only one small fire escape on the south side of the building. Of necessity this escape would have to be reached through bedrooms, and we would recommend that on the stairways there should be painted conspicuously the words "to fire escape" and that sign boards indicating the direction of these rooms be put up in conspicuous places in the hallways as well as red lights at night.

We did not observe any fire buckets or other forms of extinguishers in the building and we believe that racks with buckets and grenades should be provided at once.

Clifton House.—In this hotel the stairways are very narrow and at the present time there is only one giving access to the street, the one other being kept locked.

There are no fire escapes on the building. We recommend that one should immediately be put on the Princess street side of the building as most advantageous. Also a doorway and escape to the rear of adjoining buildings on the west side. There are no fire buckets or axes in the hotel.

Bentley Street School.—This is a wooden building heated by hot air furnaces. It is provided with a fire alarm gong, which we tested and found the system of fire drill excellent, the pupils

responding instantly and coming from all parts of the building to the exit in an orderly march.

We recommend that the pull of the fire alarm bell be extended to the furnace room in the basement.

These furnace rooms are dark, and two small windows should be put in to give light, and partitions taken away so as to give a freer circulation of air, and to diminish the danger from fire in case of overheating.

There are no fire buckets or other means of extinguishing fires in their first stages and we would recommend that racks with six filled and sealed hand grenades be placed in the corridor on each floor and in the furnace room.

Elm Street School.—The new Dufferin in school building is a beautiful one with two broad solid wood stair cases from top to bottom. No fire alarm has yet been installed. This should be done at once and as there is no fire drill in this school the practice of it should be insisted upon.

In this, as well as in every school building in the city, there should be distributed without delay fire buckets, fire extinguishers, and axes, as there is nothing of the kind in any of them now. The cost of such equipment is small and the protection gained a very important matter.

All the doors should be made to open outward where possible.

Victoria School.—This is a school for females only, there being about 600 scholars in the building, the principal and janitor being the only males on the premises.

On the north and east sides of the building there are modern fire escapes with several scaling ladders in addition.

We consider the windows by which the fire escapes are reached too high for the children to reach from the floor. These windows are now closed by double sashes, the inside sash being fastened with screws. This is wrong, the sash should swing on hinges so as to open easily summer or winter.

We recommend that a permanent step be kept in position near the fire escape windows and that the modern or platform fire escapes have an additional hand rail placed between the present hand rail and the steps.

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## SPRING HATS 1905.

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With regard to the York Theatre we were gratified to find that the exits, fire escapes on each side of the building, and main entrance were in our opinion ample and sufficient, and in case of calamity the building should be emptied without difficulty in a very few minutes, provided the exits are kept unlocked during performances.

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THE DIVIDING LINE.

Certain Liberal Journals are commenting gleefully upon the report that Quebec Conservatives will send to parliament petitions favoring the passage of the autonomy bills as they stand at present. But they are not notably insistent in calling attention to the fact that these petitions are not being duplicated by either Conservatives or Liberals in any other province in Canada; that, on the contrary, Liberals, Conservatives and Independents in any other province are practically unanimous in their protest, not only against the bills as now constituted but against any proposed compromise which shall not exempt altogether any clause interfering in any way with the right of the new provinces to provide for themselves any system of schools they please.

The division between those who oppose and those who uphold separate schools is far more sharply defined than ordinary party lines. There is no common ground, consequently, in any discussion on this question, misunderstandings with their outcroppings of dissension and hatred are inevitable. Mr. Borden realized this when, foregoing temporary party advantage, he implored both the government and his own followers not to drag the question into politics again. But it is in politics it was brought there in spite of him, and every man who thinks must take sides.

So far the dividing line has been the boundary of the province of Quebec. The inspiration of the mischief making clause came from Quebec; the men who took advantage of two of the strongest ministers to force the coercion scheme through the cabinet came from Quebec; every word spoken in favor of the bills as they stand comes from Quebec; and if the bills are forced through the house with any element of coercion attached, every vote for them will come either from Quebec or from those who are cogs of the machine which is managed by Quebec.

Even in 1896, the division was not so marked as it is today because Laurier used his personal influence over his compatriots to suppress the prejudices he is today exciting and was able to induce them to vote against a policy he is today asking them to support.

It is deplorable that this issue has been forced into Canadian politics again, against the warnings of the man who had most to gain, politically, from its introduction in such a way. But it has been forced in, how and by whom it is impossible to be ignorant, and it behooves any patriotic Canadian to join in forcing it out. Divided as the opponents and supporters of Laurier are, the struggle cannot fail to arouse passion and prejudice and to make more distant the day of true Canadian unity, but a great surrender to this interference with provincial rights would fasten upon the new provinces a system which, together with the memories of its fastening, would make that unity forever impossible.

A GOOD CASE.

Prince Edward Island has a good case in its claim upon the Dominion for the establishment of continuous communication between the island and the mainland by the only means possible—the construction of a tunnel under the straits. Not only are P. E. Islanders able to prove that their yearly losses under the present system of winter transportation are as great as would be the interest on the cost of the tunnel, but they can show that the present system is not in accord with the terms upon which the Island entered the union. As the Charlotte-town Guardian puts it: "The Dominion has not hesitated to hold the Island to the strict letter of the terms, adversely construed against us. Under the terms of union one third of our representation in the commons has been taken away."

"We should have no hesitation therefore in holding the Dominion to the letter of the bond. Regular, continuous steam communication must be insisted upon, whether it is over the water or under the water, by steamer, steam ferry or tunnel. This we must have. It is necessary to our very existence. Without it the Island must retrograde, losing more and more of its population, of its trade, of its property values. The above are a few points upon which all the delegates ought to be able to agree, and they are the real vital points of the situation, in comparison with which all mere sectional issues must sink into insignificance."

SPRING PROSPECTS.

Soon you'll feel the wavin'  
Of blossoms soft as silk,  
While the bubbly shady springs  
Cool the butter milk!

Sunny fields of clover,  
Rivers singin' sweet,  
Gray doves flying over,  
Daisies at your feet.

An' you'll feel forgiven'  
To the wintry blast,  
Thankful that you're livin'  
With violets at last!

—Atlanta Constitution.

GORDOVA A BAD SHOT.

However Did Succeed in Hitting His Wife  
With a Cake Pan

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Mar. 15.

Following his conviction Tuesday by a jury on a charge of abandoning his wife and three children to sleep with Julia Browne, a choir singer, J. F. Cordova, the former Methodist Episcopal clergyman, was again put on trial Wednesday. This time he was charged with assault and battery upon his wife who alleges that when she attempted to prevent Cordova's second elopement he struck her and pushed her out of his way.

The maximum penalty for assault in New Jersey is a year's imprisonment. Mrs. Cordova testified against her husband today, declaring that in April last they got into a quarrel over a letter which he had received from Miss Browne and that Cordova bombarded her with a drivin' glass, cake pan and earthenware dish, but that, his aim was so bad that only the cake pan struck her.

Cordova said there had hardly been a month in thirteen years in which he and his wife had not quarreled, that on the day when he threw the kitchen utensils at her she had aggravated him by calling Miss Browne a bad name.

Under the two convictions Cordova may be sentenced to two years in prison.

Miss Browne, who has been held in jail as a witness, and who has refused to accept bail, will be allowed to go to the home of her father.

THE TUFTS INQUEST.

The inquest into the death of John Tufts, who died February 26th in Moore's camp at Loch Lomond, was finished last night and the jury brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death through excessive drinking, augmented by an ailment of asthma, from which he had suffered for a marked degree.

The inquest was in charge of Coroner Berrymann and the following jury: G. T. Worden, foreman; D. Watson, G. F. Thompson, J. S. Seaton, Ed. Finnegan, J. McKimney, J. W. Lee.

Several witnesses were sworn and all agreed that there was no row in the camp, and that Tufts was very drunk on the night of his death.

The coroner briefly reviewed the case and said that Tufts evidently became sick in the night and was smothered to death, by reason of the asthma that had been troubling him. In this case it did not seem possible to fix the blame on anyone, but two young men secured four quart bottles of liquor on the Sabbath, where we did not ask, and all points to the fact that Tufts was greedy for the liquor. The question is there no obstacle to prevent people from procuring liquor on Sunday? Liquor killed John Tufts and those who retailed this liquor ought to be stopped from doing so.

The coroner could not ask the jury to bring in any verdict but that the deceased partook too freely of whiskey and was smothered to death. He said that this might be a warning to these young men against taking liquor around among their companions and to leave it alone themselves.

The jury was out but a few minutes and brought in a verdict that the deceased, John Tufts, came to his death on Feb. 26th, 1905, from an excessive use of alcohol.

DON'T WASTE MATCHES.

Pipe-smokers who have trouble in getting their tobacco "going" should try Rainbow Cut Plug, which lights easily and smokes freely. 10c packages at all dealers.

MINERALS IN INDIA.

Discovery of Iron and Aluminum in Large Quantities.

CALCUTTA, March 15.—The discovery of iron ore and aluminum in the Central Provinces are officially confirmed, and it seems likely that they will revolutionize industrial India. A rush has commenced to stake out aluminum claims, and a company with a capital of over a million sterling, backed by the wealthy Parsee Tata connection, is being formed to erect furnaces and coking plant.

Three million tons of the finest iron ore have already been proved to be in the new fields, with coal and limestone within reach, and also enough easily worked aluminum ore to supply the present needs of the world.

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On Friday and Saturday at the London House, Charlotte street, 1,000 yards of white window muslins and 750 pairs of women's good cashmere hosiery on sale. See advertisement, page 5.

LADY ROBERTS ALSO COMING.

MONTREAL, March 15. — A special cable says that General Manager Stewart, of the Sovereign Bank of Canada, Montreal, was yesterday a guest, at luncheon, of Lord and Lady Roberts at London. Lord Roberts showed Major Stewart a large number of war relics among which was the flag of truce which Cromie used at Paardeburg. Lord Roberts remarked: "That's where Canadians did splendidly."

Major Stewart referring to the visit to Canada of Lord Roberts, confirmed the statement that both he and Lady Roberts would visit Canada this summer and that they looked forward with most pleasurable anticipation to the visit.

AGED PRINTER DEAD.

James Davis, who has served for thirty-five years as a printer in connection with the Daily Telegraph, died last evening at his home on White street. His death was caused by a shock of paralysis received last Monday. Up till last Saturday Mr. Davis continued at his post as day foreman in the composing room.

Mr. Davis has worked in the newspaper business all his life. He was a quiet, steady workman, and a very interesting and intelligent man. He was about 75 years of age.

One must advertise to make business, to hold it, and to increase it.—Chas. H. Slack, Grocer, Chicago.

LOCAL NEWS

The Boston train was three hours late last night. The delay was caused at Grand Bay, where a train of west-bound freight blocked the road. In some way three of the latter's cars jumped the rails and caused a bad spill. Several hours' work was required to clear the line.

The str. Sicilian arrived at Moville early this morning from St. John and Halifax, en route to Liverpool.

John (Tip) O'Neil, who will this year play with Milwaukee, will leave on Monday for Boston, where he will spend a couple of days on business, after which he will proceed to Milwaukee, where he will report for the season's work on Monday, the 27th of the month.

The steamer Stanley is again fast in the ice between Cape Bear and toe, under the regular price. So we pass them along to you at 35c. pair, or 3 pair for \$1.00. They come in all sizes 8-12, 9, 9 1-2 and 10 inches.

Special White Wool Blankets  
English make with fancy colored borders. Size 60x80 inches; regular \$3.00 quality now \$2.50 pair. Only a few pair left at this special price.

Two Norwegian brothers, named Olsen, who arrived here on the steamer Lake Erie last Saturday, left again on that boat for home yesterday, having been deported by the immigration authorities, who regarded them as undesirable. They had gone as far as Ottawa, but were returned to this city Tuesday to await the sailing of the Lake Erie.

Rev. J. W. A. Nicholson gave an entertaining and instructive lecture on Abraham Lincoln in the school room of Calvin church last evening. He sketched the life history of the great American, and spoke of the strength of his character and his attainments. The lecture was well attended and much interest was shown in the subject by an appreciative audience.

The ladies' auxiliary of Division No. 1, A. O. U. have just received two handsome silk flags, which will be presented to company No. 1, Hibernian knights, in their rooms, King street, this evening. The knights are to assemble in full uniform at 8 o'clock.

A smoker will be held by No. 2 Salvage Corps, Main street, next Monday evening. It is said some of the members expect to leave shortly for the west, and the entertainment will take the form of a farewell.

Rev. Canon Brock, D. D., delivered last evening in St. John's (Stone) church a lecture on the History of the Prayer Book. He referred to the advantages arising from the study of this book, and showed that it was to members of the church an authorized interpreter of God's Word. Canon Brock will continue the same subject on Wednesday evening next.

COUPON IN EACH PACKAGE.

Every 10c. package of Rainbow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco contains a coupon which is valuable for premiums.

GOOD ADVICE is an

easy thing to give,  
but not easy to take,  
yet we venture to offer you this good advice, viz.: use Tiger Tea for TIGER TEA is pure.

All notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths must be endorsed with the names and addresses of the persons sending same.

DEATHS.

PATTERSON—At her residence, 255 Waterloo street, March 14th, Sarah H., widow of the late David H. Patterson, aged 50 years, leaving one son and one daughter to mourn their loss.

Funeral Friday at 2.30, service at 2.15. SIMMONS—In this city, on Tuesday, March 14th, Louise, wife of P. W. Simmons, in the 34th year of her age, leaving a husband and five children to mourn their loss.

Funeral from her late residence, 217 Charlotte street, at 2.30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

UNDERTAKING

In all its details with thorough knowledge of its requirements.  
N. W. BRENNAN,  
715 Main Street  
Telephone:  
Day, 222 a. Nights, 222 b.

TENDERS WANTED FOR SUPPLIES FOR CAOL.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Sheriff's Office, Court House, in the City of Saint John, up to twelve o'clock noon on SATURDAY, the twenty-fifth day of March instant, for supplying the Caol with the following articles for one year from April first, 1905, up to and including March thirty-first, 1906.

Good Molasses, per gallon.  
" Bayley, per pound.  
" Rice, per pound.  
" Tea, per pound.  
" Yellow Soap, per pound.  
" Broiler, per dozen.  
Good Beef for soup, free from bone, per pound.  
Good Beef for roasting, and Corned Beef alternate days, free from bone, per pound.  
Good Bakers' Flour for making the best of bread, per barrel.  
Bakers to state the number of two-pound loaves of bread they will deliver at the gaol for each barrel of flour supplied.

All supplies delivered to be subject to the approval of the Sheriff.

The lowest tender not necessarily accepted.

St. John, N. B., March 15, A. D., 1905.  
ROBERT R. RITCHIE,  
Sheriff of the City and County of St. John.

DOWLING BROTHERS, 95 and 101 KING STREET.  
A Few Special Bargains.

Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose

Fine quality Winter weight, full fashioned, high spliced heel and toe, seamless throughout, beautifully soft and of the best and most reliable manufacture. A regular 50c. hose. We have 100 dozen of this superior Hose, which we secured very much under the regular price. So we pass them along to you at 35c. pair, or 3 pair for \$1.00. They come in all sizes 8-12, 9, 9 1-2 and 10 inches.

Ladies' Silk Neckwear Underpriced.

100 dozen Ladies' Stock Collars and Bows; goods worth up to 50c., now all one special price—25c. each. Stock Collars with Tabs, Bows, Flowing ends, Hem Stitched, Lace Trimmed, Corded with ruche tops, fagotting stitched. Embroidered and silk port hole Collars; all the latest shapes; a large variety to choose from at 25c. each.

White Cambric, Heavy English Make.

36 inches wide, regular 12c. cloth. Special 10 yards for \$1.00. At the price cottons are selling today this is a bargain. Only a limited quantity left.

Heavy Linen Towels,

Large size 20x28 inches, all white or red, hemmed ends, 30 dozen of this Special Towel at 15c. each or 2 for 25c.

DOWLING BROTHERS, 95 and 101 King Street

The Attractions of Our Stores Are Their Low Prices.

D. A. KENNEDY,

(Successor to WALTER SCOTT.)  
32-36 King Square, St. John, N. B.

OUR LOW PRICES SAVE YOU MANY DOLLARS DURING THIS SALE.

SALE THIS WEEK OF TABLE LINENS, TOWELS AND CURTAINS.

Some very special values this week in White or Half Bleached Table Linens, PURE IRISH FLAX, at 24c., 30c., 35c., 40c. yard. Linen Towel Sale this week. Kinds you do not get elsewhere at these low prices, 20c., 25c., 30c., per pair. Also ten dozen Turkish Bath Towels, 25c., 35c. pair.

Our Low Prices on White Lace Curtains have caught the people. They have been coming here from all parts of the city. Two hundred pairs yet to sell. Prices from 30c. up to \$1.75 pair. A clean sweep sale of Door Mats at 15c. each; good large Floor Rugs at 25c., 40c., \$1.20 each. Have a look at them at once.

LOOK HERE!

Crucet Stands, Powerwear, Silverware, Lamps and Gents' Pipes and Razors.—Handles repaired.  
E. P. JELICOE,  
20 WATERLOO STREET.

Now is the Time TO BUY JEWELRY,

Watches, Silver Goods, Cut Glass  
or anything pertaining to the Jewelry Business. Our stock is large and we want to reduce it. You will get GOOD VALUE. Come and see for yourself.

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41 King St.

FRANK P. VAUGHAN, ELECTRICAL ENGINEER AND CONTRACTOR,

5 Mill St., St. John, N. B.  
Telephone No. 319.

CROCKER & WHEELER

Dynamoes and Motors, Telephones, Annunciators  
Wiring in all its Branches.

THAT DUKE MIXUP.

NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—Mrs. Alice Webb Duke, through her counsel, has brought suit in the supreme court for a separation from her husband, Brodie L. Duke, on the ground of abandonment and non-support.

Duke's marriage to Mrs. Webb a few weeks ago, was followed by a series of sensational incidents, including the confinement of the groom in a sanatorium for a time upon the allegations of his son that he was incompetent to manage his affairs.

THERE'S A REASON.

A rainbow in the sky is a symbol of purity and perfection of color. That is why the name was chosen for Rainbow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco, which is a pure and perfect smoke for the pipe.

The subscription price of the Daily Sun has been reduced for subscribers receiving it by mail to \$4.00 a year, cash in advance.

BREAK UP LA CRIPPE OR A COLD WITH Pendleton's Panacea.

Directions:  
1-4 Teaspoonful Panacea.  
1-4 Cup Milk.  
1-2 Cup Hot Water.  
Mix well and sip frequently.

Here Are Some Pointers ABOUT GOOD SHOES.

The trend of the times seems to point toward ease in footwear. The NATURAL shape is the advanced idea of a perfect shoe. We fit the high arched foot—the low arched foot—the high instep or the low instep, the foot with bunions or the foot with corns. Hence we are able to offer you many advantages in the way of foot comfort as well as

Style, Durability and Low Prices.

SANBORN'S SHOE STORE, 339 Main St.

Floor Oil Cloth at Fine Prices.

We are showing a full range of Floor Oil Cloth in 1 yard wide at 24c yard, 1 1-2 yards wide at 36c yard, 2 yards wide at 48c yard. New Patterns. Fresh Stock. No Seconds. Also, a First-class line of WALL PAPER at Dry Goods Prices, 3c. to 12c per roll.

COR. OF WATERLOO AND BRUSSELS STS.

CARLETON'S.

BUTTER! Choice Dairy Butter In Tubs and Slabs.

Black Kidney and Snowflake Potatoes. A Lot of Cheap Apples.

Cash Store, 12 Sydney St. Tel. 1194.

McArthur's Big Wall Paper Sale Continues.

SPECIAL VALUES IN ALL LINES OF WALL PAPERS.

Our new goods embrace all the leading manufacturers' lines. New and elegant designs are being shown at prices that will astonish you. Remember we must reduce our very large stock and cut rates will do it. Greatest Bargains in Wall Paper ever offered in St. John.

We have still a number on Window Shades, in lace and fringe, in lots of 2 and 3 each, at 25c. and 35c. each.

Big Remnant and General Sale now on at

McARTHUR'S, 84 King Street.

Twice the Light at Half the Cost.

The CREMO Incandescent Gas Burner gives fifty per cent. more light than can be obtained from any other incandescent burner. Its power is equal to 300 candles, or twenty small electric lights. It is the most economical form of light obtainable—the amount of gas necessary to keep it at its highest point costs only a cent per hour. An ordinary gas jet costs at least two cents.

Come in and see the CREMO Hyper-Incandescent Gas Lamp in its various styles for all purposes, or telephone us and we will put on one as a sample.

The St. John Auer Light Co., Ltd,

19 Market Square.

ADVERTISE IN THE STAR.



ST. JOHN STAR, THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1905.

# Spring Trousers Ready-To-Wear.

There is an always growing and ever increasing demand for first-class, up-to-date seasonable trousers ready-to-wear.

Our stock this season you will find better than ever as regards value and patterns—they are the same class of cloths as custom made—smart, stylish effects fashionably cut and well made.

These same unusually good trousers for the man who wants "something nice".

We have them all come semi-finished and complete them to your order at short notice.

You will find here qualities superior to those usually sold ready-to-wear.

"A look over" will be appreciated.

\$3.00 to \$6.50.

**A. GILMOUR, FINE TAILORING AND CLOTHING**  
68 King Street.

CLOSE AT SIX O'CLOCK; SATURDAY AT TEN O'CLOCK

## SUPERIOR SAUSAGE.

Our Sausage pleases the most fastidious. It is not overloaded with herbs and spices. Made fresh every day. For sale at nearly all Grocers and Meat Dealers.

## SAUSAGE MEAT.

After all there is nothing nicer than our fresh made righty seasoned Sausage Meat. You will find our home made HEAD OHEESE tastes well, too.

**SLIPP & FLEWELLING,**  
240 MAIN STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.

**Cabbage 10 to 15c for large head. Squash Yellow and Green, 3 & 4c per lb.**  
**J. E. QUINN, City Market. Tel. 636**

## NEWS OF SPORT.

**Clever Boxing Last Night by Local Talent—John L. Sullivan After Lankey Bob.**

Tonight is the last hand night of the season at the Victoria rink. Prof. McIntyre has prepared a special programme of music to be played by the rink's own band.

### NATIONALS WIN IN THE FINAL.

HALIFAX, March 15.—Upwards of two thousand people saw the Nationals of Sydney tonight defeat the Victorians of North Sydney at Roslyn rink in the play off for the championship of the Cape Breton hockey league, by a score of 3 to 2.

### BOWLING.

The game played last night on Richey's bowling alley was witnessed by the largest audience that has yet had the pleasure of attending the series. The game was between Capt. A. King's and W. Johnston's teams, with the following result:

	Capt. A. King	W. Johnston
1st	85	91
2nd	85	91
3rd	85	91
4th	85	91
5th	85	91
6th	85	91
7th	85	91
8th	85	91
9th	85	91
10th	85	91

	Capt. W. Johnston	J. Mathews
1st	84	87
2nd	84	87
3rd	84	87
4th	84	87
5th	84	87
6th	84	87
7th	84	87
8th	84	87
9th	84	87
10th	84	87

Next game, tonight at 8 o'clock, teams captained by T. Fitzgerald and A. McKeath. Saturday evening, 18th inst., Capt. A. King's team and Capt. C. Nichol's team.

### CURLING.

Pleasant Night at St. Andrews Rink. The close of the curling season was celebrated last evening by the members of St. Andrews' Curling Club in their rooms. The prizes were presented to the successful contestants and the evening was spent in the enjoyment of addresses and vocal and instrumental music. The feature of the evening, however, was an address by Ald. W. S. Barker, who spoke on the various questions in civil politics now before the public mind.

The president, T. H. Estabrook, presided, and presented the prizes as follows:

W. A. Stewart was the recipient of the Milligan points medal, making the total of 37 points in that competition.

The Jones cup was won by Skip Thomas' rink, composed of F. C. Jones, E. M. Caldwell, C. McKeath, Troop and J. U. Thomas. The second prizes that of silver St. Andrew's crosses, presented by A. S. Hay, were received by W. C. Purves, H. E. Clarke, J. A. Clarke and W. S. Barker, skip, who competed in the finals against the winning rink.

In the New Members' match, the rink composed of Thomas Bell, A. E. Currie, T. McKeath and A. Wilson, skip, won the handsome silver loving cup donated by the president. In the play off for points and for the possession of the cup for the ensuing year, T. McKeath was victor, and thereby earned the honor of having his name inscribed upon the cup.

Vice President W. S. Barker presented each member of the winning rink with a silver curler's badge. Refreshments were served and the

programme was recommenced with a solo by Morton L. Harrison, who was compelled to respond to an encore entitled, The Belle of the Ball.

### THE RING.

Good Clear Boxing. About two hundred people enjoyed a clever boxing exhibition in Jack Powers' club last evening. The affair, like Mr. Powers' exhibitions, was well conducted.

The first bout was six rounds between Johnnie Creagan and Jack Francis, of South End. The boys went to the limit to a draw, which decision, when announced by Wm. O'Keefe, the referee, was easily a popular one. Creagan was the better general of the two and the cleverer, while his opponent was larger and gained more confidence as the bout proceeded and he finished in good shape. The youngsters boxed fast and gave a nice exhibition.

The final was ten rounds between Billy Ramsey and Jimmy Rogers, of the North End. They boxed at about 128 pounds and a draw was the decision. The bout was a fast one from start to finish, and the youngsters boxed fast and gave a nice exhibition.

John L. Sullivan, who was the idol of the fighting world for years and who threatens to get back into the game, has fired a letter at Bob Fitzsimmons. The missive fairly burns with sarcasm. The particularly warm passages in the letter follow:

"My Dear Sir—I am told that in one of your interviews lately you stated I could whip nine-tenths of the fighters of today. Do you want me and the public to believe you are the other tenth and the only pebble on the beach? If your statements are true, this is the only way I can figure it out. I am told that you further say 'that if you had met me twelve years ago it would have been all right; that you had more ambition then.' I give you one word that had I met you twelve years ago, or any times within the last twelve years, that I would have joined your slugs so hard that your thinking prospectives would have been a thing of the past, and if you want to meet me in the ring any time within the next year, I will guarantee to hand you a punch that will take all the 'kidding' out of you."

"Now, I can make arrangements in Oklahoma, San Francisco and one or two other places where we can meet for it rounds, and if you will put yourself on record by writing a few lines over your signature, I will go ahead and arrange to meet you within eight months, for six or ten rounds and the purse shall not be less than \$10,000, and the winner shall take all."

"You can gamble on it that I have many friends left in America, and they are not 'dead ones,' and it was only yesterday I was offered the purse which I refer to if the contest would take place in Guthrie, Okla."

"Now if you are afraid of me, come out like a man and say so, for I don't propose to 'kid' the public and my friends; and, furthermore, I don't propose to allow them to be 'kidded' by you or anyone else. I mean this, and you can take it in a personal way or a business way, which ever you like."

WRESTLING. Gotch Thrown Down. NEW YORK, March 15.—Tom Jenkins, of Cleveland, Ohio, defeated Frank Gotch, of Humboldt, Iowa, in their wrestling match here tonight.

The contest was catch-as-catch-can. Jenkins secured the first fall with a half Nelson and bar hold in 19 minutes and 34 seconds. The second fall was won

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS.

People who are utter strangers to you at this moment may be doing business with you before many hours have passed if you put your proposition in one of these small ads. Rate: 1-2 cent a word, six insertions for price of four. No advt. less than 25 cents.

### FLATS TO LET.

TO LET—Possession immediately if required, lower flat of new house, Douglas avenue. A large flat, modern conveniences, separate furnace for hot water heating. View of harbor, plenty sunshine all day long. A most convenient and desirable flat in every way. Can be seen any afternoon by applying at 240 Main street, SLIPP & FLEWELLING.

TO LET—A flat at 134 Britannia street; modern improvements. Apply on the premises. 15-3-6

TO LET—Upper flat in new house on Spring street, eight rooms. Bath-room, hot and cold water. Apply on premises. 15-3-6

Upper flat, 183 Gullford, at present occupied by Mr. Montgomery, nine rooms, modern improvements. F. B. DEMILL, Bay Shore, or address Carleton Post Office.

TO LET—Upper flat 220 Rockland road, cor. Harris street, 10 rooms and bath; modern improvements, hot water heating. Seen on Saturdays, 3 to 5. Apply on lower flat or J. A. LIKELY, North Wharf, 143-145

TO LET—From last of May, first flat over store, 603 Main street, containing 6 rooms, patent closet, &c. Rent \$115.00. Apply to MRS. McAFEE, 159 Paradise Row.

TO LET—Nice flat, 5 rooms, hot and cold water, bath. Can be seen Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 Hazen street. 15-3-1 no

TO LET—Flat 55 Spring street, occupied by S. Devine, Esq. 11 rooms, separate entrance. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 to 5. Apply to MRS. W. M. BRAMHALL, 395 Union street.

TO LET—From last May, desirable lower flat 174 Duke street. For particulars, when to see it, etc., apply to J. E. GILMOUR, 68 King street, or J. S. Armstrong, 32 Charlotte street.

TO LET—Newly finished, self-contained flat, eight rooms, all modern improvements, 25 Broad street.

TO LET—Self-contained flat, 8 rooms, bath room, 100 Mecklenburg street. Apply 125 Mecklenburg street.

TO LET—Upper flat No. 15 Peters street. Modern improvements. Rooms will be reserved with or without board if agreeable to tenant. Can be seen Tuesdays and Fridays from 3 to 5 p. m.

TO LET—Lower flat, 15 Brindley street, seven rooms. Can be seen Monday afternoons. Apply 149 Waterloo St.

TO LET—A self contained flat, Elliott Row, eight rooms and bath room, hot and cold water. Can be seen Wednesdays and Saturdays from 3 to 5. Apply to G. H. INGRAHAM, 116 Elliott Row.

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# H. F. McLEOD CHOSEN GRAND MASTER.

## Orange Grand Lodge Passed Strong Resolution Opposing Separate School Clauses in Autonomy Bills.

SUSSEX, N. B., March 15.—Grand Lodge opened promptly at 8.30 o'clock and resumed business. The representation was the largest in the history of the order.

The first committee report was that on the returns, from which it was learned that there are now about four thousand members in New Brunswick. The additions for the year number 509. Thirty have died. The value of the real estate owned by different lodges is placed at \$26,000. The paraphernalia is valued at \$15,000. In addition there are about 50 members in the insurance department in New Brunswick. The committee recommended that the primary lodges strictly adhere to the constitution in the matter of suspension, and request the same to be more explicit in details of expulsion.

A resolution was passed expressive of regret of Grand Lodge at the serious illness of Philip Palmer, and his enforced absence from this meeting.

The committee on appeals reported that no legal business had come before them, which can be regarded as evidence of internal peace and welfare.

It was ordered that Grand Lodge send a letter of sympathy to John Menzies in his recent affliction.

Some time was devoted to discussion of secret matters connected with the working of the primary lodges.

The committee on suspension and expulsions reported recommending the sustaining of the return in reference to suspension, but that those of lodges Nos. 28, 106, 88, 41, 19 and 98 in expulsion be returned for further consideration. There were less expulsions this year than last.

The county master of York and Northumberland submitted his report. All the county lodge reports showed great prosperity in the order.

The credential committee reported a total attendance of 100 officers and representatives.

Grand Lodge ordered that it is not possible to re-elect a county master in place of one removed by death or otherwise, the deputy county masters constitutionally filling the office; that grand tyler not otherwise qualified are not entitled to the privilege of Grand Lodge.

An appeal from Wm. V. Beattie, in reference to the matter of Philip Palmer and Fred M. Sprout, was referred to the committee on appeals, with Past Grand Master David Hipwell as chairman.

Grand Lodge adjourned till 2 o'clock.

At the afternoon session the committee on the education clauses of the autonomy bills presented the following resolution:

Whereas, a bill has been introduced in the parliament of Canada by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, creating the new provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta; and whereas, such legislation is in disregard of provincial liberty as guaranteed by the British North America Act, and a want of overthrow of the principle of separation of church and state;

And whereas, we believe that a system of separate schools will strike a fatal blow at our national life, while a free non-sectarian school system will tend to bind all the different nationalities into a united people, and creating in the heart of the great west a spirit of true Canadian citizenship and loyalty to the great Empire of which we are a part;

It may stand always for equal rights, for the maintenance of free non-sectarian schools, and for devotion to the development of Canada as an integral part of the British Empire;

Therefore resolved, that this Local Orange Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, in annual session assembled, place on record its unqualified condemnation of this proposed legislation, and pledge itself and the lodges within its jurisdiction to oppose by every constitutional means any government or body of men who seek to inflict such bear witness to the eastern in which the bride is held by a large circle of friends.



GENERAL TREPROV,  
Governor General of St. Petersburg,  
who is cordially hated by the revolutionists.

### GAZETTE NOTICES.

St. John Parties Interested in New Company—Town of Edmundston Incorporated.

FREDERICTON, March 15.—This week's Gazette contains the following: York county—Benjamin R. Burt to be commissioner of the parish of Southampton civil court.

Jesse Clark and Thos. L. Fraser to be justices of the peace in Madawaska.

L. A. Goggin to be returning officer for the newly incorporated town of Edmundston.

R. E. T. Pringle Co., Ltd., are granted the usual license under the extra provincial license act.

Incorporation is granted to the Mowry Safety Nut Co.; capital \$250,000. The names of the incorporators include D. C. Clench, R. W. W. Frink, C. W. Brannen, Thos. A. Linton, H. A. McKeown and Fanny B. McKeown.

Tenders are called for the rebuilding of Coughlin bridge, parish of Stanley, York county.

Incorporation is granted the G. H. White Real Estate and Trading Company; capital stock, \$24,000.

John D. Creighton, Newcastle; Fulton McDougall, J. W. Y. Smith, T. W. A. Flanagan, E. S. Archibald, all of Moncton; Howard McKendry, Chatham, and D. S. Creighton, Newcastle, apply for letters patent as the J. D. Creighton Co., Ltd.; objects to take over the business now carried on by J. D. Creighton, Newcastle, Chatham and Moncton; capital, \$100,000, divided into 1,000 shares.

The town of Edmundston is proclaimed an incorporated town under the provisions of the towns incorporation act, and the boundaries set forth.

### FREDERICTON NEWS.

FREDERICTON, March 15.—In the departmental building this afternoon Dr. Geo. J. McNally was sworn in mayor of this city by Lt. Gov. Snowball. Immediately afterwards his speech proceeded to the city council chamber, where the new mayor, who is a native of this city, was sworn in.

A movement is on foot to put a new organ in the cathedral to cost something in the vicinity of \$2,000. The organ of the cathedral is the best in the city and has been placed in the cathedral in 1853 and has been better days.

Mr. Pauline has severed his connection with the International Pictorial.

Mr. Lynch & Co.'s men have finished their operations for the season.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith is confined to her house with an attack of typhoid fever.

In this city this afternoon the Rev. Mr. Rideout united in marriage Miss Mary E. McLeish and Mr. George H. Hinkley, both of Fredericton, and St. Mary's Miss Carrie Urquhart and George Samson were joined in the bonds of wedlock by the Rev. J. C. Wilson.

Now that the winter has come to its end, the committee on public accounts in the legislature will soon get to work. It is quite probable that the first session will be held tomorrow morning. Messrs. Morrison and Smith, the opposition members who did such excellent work in this committee last year, are again on the same committee, so the public may rest assured that everything will be diligently examined.

W. H. Murray, the well known St. John lumberman, is in the city today, having recently returned from a trip up river as far as Port Kent. He says the battle of the winter in the St. John river and tributaries will not exceed eighty million, or about thirty million less than last year. The operators have about all finished hauling and will shortly begin to make preparations for stream driving.

Mr. Murray says that there is not a great deal of snow and the head waters, and unless heavy rains occur he does not look for an unusually high freshet. He thinks the large amount of snow wintered in the St. John at Douglas and Lincoln are in no great danger of being carried away by the ice.

### N. B. LEGISLATURE.

FREDERICTON, March 15.—Dr. Pugsley scored the Sun in his way and went to the defence of A. O. Skinner, reading the letter that gentleman sent to the Telegraph.

J. D. Hazen held his first contention that Mr. Skinner was not nominated by the government, but by a committee of the Liberal party.

A number of bills were introduced.

Mr. Flemming put the following enquiry: What are the total amounts paid by the government up to the present time for services or expenses in connection with the representation, fishery award and increased subsidy cases? To whom were the amounts paid, and what was paid to each?

Hon. Mr. Pugsley replied as follows: Representation case, including counsel fees and expenses connected with argument before supreme court of Canada and judicial committee of the privy council.

To Hon. Wm. Pugsley, professional services, including preparation of brief and argument of counsel before supreme court of Canada, \$750.

Counsel fees in connection with appeal to the judicial committee of privy council, including counsel and expenses to London, \$500.

Geo. W. Allen, K. C. fees and expenses in connection with argument before the supreme court of Canada, \$450.

Thos. P. Owens, for typewriting copy of argument before supreme court of Canada, \$30.

Messrs. Code and Burritt, agents at Ottawa, \$75.25.

Field Roscoe & Co., solicitors, London, including expenses of printing cases, \$1,147.24.

Re Halifax fishery award, including preparation of case and argument for submission to minister of justice, Geo. W. Allen, K. C., \$200; C. N. Skinner, K. C., \$200.

Hon. L. J. Tweedie, expenses various delegations to Ottawa, \$463.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley, services in connection with preparation of argument and expenses various delegations to Ottawa in connection with settlement of case for reference to supreme court, \$1,345.

Miss G. MacDonald, typewriting 3 copies of full argument before judicial committee of cases, \$100.

Increased subsidies:

Hon. L. J. Tweedie, expenses delegations to Ottawa, \$350; Hon. Wm. Pugsley, do, \$350.

A short session was held in the evening when several bills were introduced for the purpose of incorporating the Maritime Copper Co.

### DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, March 15.—The house of commons did not transact any business this afternoon, its time being occupied by a discussion of Premier Haultain's letter to Sir Wilfrid on the autonomy bill, which debate was initiated by Borden, opposition leader. It was a field day, with all advantages on the conservative side, Laurier evading in his reply every direct interrogatory. Borden, on the other hand, was a hot hub, that the premier, after absolutely ignoring Sirton and Fielding had rushed into a panic, but had since then not taken a single step in the direction of its enactment, in fact had steadily refused to say when or why this original precipitancy and why this month's delay, unless the Laurier's colleagues had not been satisfied with the chief clauses of the bill. It was more than significant that the decision of the judge was a surprise to the audience, as it appeared that St. Francis Xavier had the advantage of their opponents both in the presentation and in argument. The summing up of the learned judge has caused considerable discussion here, as it was generally felt that the students of the local college had the best of the discussion. However, the judge thought otherwise, and while St. Francis Xavier was awarded the decision on presentation, the visitors were said to have the best of the argument. The representatives of Mt. Allison created a good impression here and the students of St. Francis Xavier did all in their power to make their visit a pleasant one. Today the visitors were the guests of the students and the principal places of interest in town were visited by the delegates from Mount Allison.

After an hour spent discussing the Ottawa electric light bill, the house resumed the debate on the autonomy measure.

Shafner made a decided hit tonight when he emphasized the point that even a Laurier's ally could not deal with the Northwest matters intelligently unless he had at his elbow a representative of that vast and growing land.

Poster rose at 9.45, remarking as he took his seat that today's debate was full of lessons, though the ministers of the crown had not been able to be in their seats. This show of indifference was not lost. It was actually an acknowledgment of internal cabinet dissensions. Why hold a long debate led by the premier's orders? (Cheers and laughter.) Why did they not talk as they did when in opposition, lengthily and full of statistics? The ministers like to sit in the house and take their medicine in silence. Foster put it to Laurier why he had rushed this autonomy bill into the house when he knew it had not the support of two of his strongest ministers. Foster was cheered as he scalped Laurier for his decision to stand in the presence of one of his strongest ministers. Foster was cheered as he scalped Laurier for his decision to stand in the presence of one of his strongest ministers.

Poster showed that three prominent departments were now without responsible heads and that Laurier dared not open a constituency to fill one of these vacancies. The government was tottering to its fall. Dealing with the autonomy bill, the ex-finance minister charged into the house and made a long and rambling speech, and in the discussion appeal to race and religious prejudices, and whatever was the outcome, on his head alone rested the responsibility of putting fellow citizens in hostile array against each other.

Foster was cheered to the echo as he took his seat.

Fitzpatrick followed at 10.30 in defence of Laurier in that specious way peculiar to the minister of justice. He claimed that the president of the day as highly regarded by the voters of Canada as at any time in his political life.

Borden, interrupting Fitzpatrick, compelled him to take back the specific charge that Borden or some equally high conservative had inspired two sets of petitions regarding the autonomy bill, one from the Jacques Cartier Club of Montreal, of which Borden had been a recent guest. This incident created a great excitement in the house and the crowded galleries.

Fitzpatrick had the floor at 11 o'clock defending the autonomy bill as it was introduced and will be perfected before it is placed in the statute book.

Bennett camped on Fitzpatrick's trial, showing he had made his political success by appeals to race and religious prejudices. Boyce of West Algoma took the floor at 11.15 in further criticism of Fitzpatrick's passionate utterances.

Ingram and Dr. Sproule continued the debate till midnight, when the house rose on Fielding's motion, the finance minister remarking it might be some days before the budget would be brought down.

### INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE.

Close Contest Between Mt. Allison and St. Francis Xavier's.

ANTIGONISH, March 15.—The intercollegiate debate between Mount Allison University and the University of St. Francis Xavier took place here last evening. The attendance was large and showed the interest which was manifest in this event. Principal Solomon of the Normal school, was judge. The decision of the judge was a surprise to the audience, as it appeared that St. Francis Xavier had the advantage of their opponents both in the presentation and in argument. The summing up of the learned judge has caused considerable discussion here, as it was generally felt that the students of the local college had the best of the discussion. However, the judge thought otherwise, and while St. Francis Xavier was awarded the decision on presentation, the visitors were said to have the best of the argument. The representatives of Mt. Allison created a good impression here and the students of St. Francis Xavier did all in their power to make their visit a pleasant one. Today the visitors were the guests of the students and the principal places of interest in town were visited by the delegates from Mount Allison.

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### BRITISHERS WON

In First Day's Play of International Checker Contest.

BOSTON, March 15.—When the first day's play in the international checker tournament, in which American players are pitted against British players, was concluded tonight, the visitors had a decided advantage, having won nine games, while the Americans were victorious in but three games. Twenty-eight games were drawn.

### WEDDING LAST EVENING.

An interesting event took place last evening at eight o'clock, when Miss Sarah A. Kimball, daughter of the late John Kimball, was married to Daniel U. Helme of Hallowell, Maine. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Miles S. Trafton at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. S. A. Morrell, 35 Waterloo street, in the presence of the immediate relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Helms will live in Hallowell. The large number of handsome presents bear witness to the esteem in which the bride is held by a large circle of friends.

### FOR KNOX COLLEGE.

Rev. Dr. Denny of Glasgow Has Declined Principship.

TORONTO, March 15.—It was announced tonight that Rev. Dr. Denny of Glasgow has declined the invitation to become principal of Knox College in succession to the late Principal Caven. It is rumored that Prof. McLaren, now acting principal, has decided to resign at the close of the present term.

### TEMPLE OF HONOR.

The grand officers paid a visit to Fredericton last night. They initiated one candidate. There were also visiting Templars from Alexandria, Victoria and Millford Temples. Speeches were made by Dr. Roberts, G. W. T. J. V. Eagles, P. G. W. T. T. and Herbert Roberts, G. W. T. T.; William Lewis, P. G. W. T. T.; S. E. Logan, D. M. W. T. T., and also the new initiate. This evening Alexandra Temple will celebrate its thirty-fifth anniversary.

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### HINTS TO PIPE-SMOKERS.

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### TEN-YEAR-OLD BOY

ROBS DEAD BODY.

Asks to See Corpse and Steals Half-Crowns Keeping Eyes Closed.

### THE CLEVER AMERICANS.

(New York Times)  
One day when we were preparing the American exhibit at the Paris Exposition, said Dr. William McMurtrie, the chemical expert, "I was arranging some bottles of wine when an Englishman came along. I would have recognized him for an Englishman in the centre of Africa. He stood and watched me for a while and then inquired, with the non-reproducible English accent, 'Is that wine?'"

"I told him it was. 'Did it come from America?' he asked. 'I satisfied his curiosity.' 'Do you make wine in America?' was his next question. I now imagined that he was trying to buy me, and I answered rather shortly that he was trying to buy me, so I answered, 'Why not, of course. What did you think we made it of?' A minute afterward I was sorry, for I saw that he had been perfectly serious. With an expression of childish admiration he remarked, 'Fawney! I knew you didn't have any grapes in America, but I have never thought you were clever enough to make it out of potatoes.'"

England is threatened with a water famine and is beginning to pray for rain. Last year was very dry, and now wells are falling and the reservoirs are low.

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# THE COURIER OF THE CZAR

By Jules Verne

(Continued.)

In half an hour after the departure from Livestchanka, Alcide Jolivet and Harry Blount had heard all the details of the cruel trials through which Michael Strogoff and his companion had successively passed. They could not but openly admire an energy which the devotedness of the young girl alone had been able to equal. And of Michael Strogoff they had formed the very same opinion which had been so well expressed by the czar at Moscow—"In truth, he is a man!"

At 8 o'clock at night, as the aspect of the sky had forewarned them, an excessive darkness enveloped all the country. The moon, being new, would set rise above the horizon. From the middle of the river the banks were visible. The cliffs at that great height were blended with those heavy clouds which they displaced with difficulty. At intervals a breeze would come from the east and seem to expire in that narrow valley of the Angara.

The old mariner, lying down on the fore part of the raft near his men, copied himself altogether in turning aside from the ice blocks, a maneuver which he executed without making any noise.

This drifting of the ice, after all, was a favorable circumstance as long as it did not oppose an insurmountable obstacle in the passage of the raft; for indeed this apparatus alone on the free waters of the river would have run the risk of being perceived even through the thick shade, whereas it was now confounded with these moving masses of all sizes and all shapes, and the din produced by the grating of the blocks drowned all other suspicious noises.

There was a very long frost. The fugitives suffered dreadfully from it, not having any other shelter but some branches of the birch tree. They pressed close to each other in order to better support the low temperature, which during that night had reached 10 degrees below zero.

Michael Strogoff and Nadia, lying down at the back of the raft, endured without complaint the additional suffering. For a man who was reckoning soon to attain his end Michael Strogoff seemed singularly calm. Besides, in the most grave situations his energy had never abandoned him. Already he looked forward to the moment when at last it would be permitted him to think of his mother, of Nadia, of himself. He only feared one thing, and that was, that he would not be able to do so before having reached Irkutsk. He did not think of anything but that, being, moreover, decided if it were necessary to attempt some supreme act of daring.

Nadia, refreshed by some hours of repose, had recovered that physical energy which misery had sometimes been able to subdue without ever having shaken her moral energy. She was thinking also that in case Michael Strogoff should make a new effort to attain his end she must be there to guide him. But at the time that she was approaching Irkutsk the image of her father was pictured more vividly in her mind. She saw him in the invested town, far from those he cherished, but—far she did not doubt it—struggling against the invaders with all the dash of his patriot. In some hours, he would be in his arms, reciting to him the last words of her mother, and nothing should again separate them.

The raft still moved on, unperceived, amid the mass of floating ice.

Up to this time no Tartar detachment had been signalled on the high banks of the Angara, and this indicated that the raft had not as yet come on a line with their outposts.

Meanwhile it was necessary to maneuver with more care in the midst of the ice, which was fast closing.

The old mariner rose up, and the muskies took up again their boathooks. All had as much as they could do, and the management of the raft became more and more difficult, for the bed of the river was becoming obstructed.

Michael Strogoff had moved softly to the fore part of the raft.

Alcide Jolivet had followed him. Both listened to what the old sailor and his men were saying.

"Guard there on the right!"

"Look! The blocks of ice are thickening on the left!"

"Keep it off! Keep it off with your boathook!"

"Before an hour we shall be stopped!"

"If God wills it!" replied the old sailor. "Against his will nothing can be done."

"You hear them?" said Alcide Jolivet. "Yes," replied Michael Strogoff, "but God is with us."

Meanwhile the situation became more and more serious. If the raft ceased to make headway, the fugitives would not only never reach Irkutsk, but they would be obliged to abandon their floating apparatus, which, crushed by the ice blocks, would not be long in sinking under the waters. The willow bindings were already breaking, the fir trunks, violently separated, were becoming entangled under the hard crust, and soon the unfortunate people would have no other refuge than the ice itself. Then, when daylight should come, they would be perceived by the Tartars and massacred without pity.

Michael Strogoff returned to the back part of the raft, where Nadia was waiting for him. He approached the young girl, he took her hand and put to her that invariable question, "Nadia, are you ready?" to which she answered as usual:

floating ice. If the Angara should be choked up with ice, it would form a barrier, and consequently it would be impossible to follow the current. Already the passage down the river was slower. At every instant there were collisions, or time was lost by having to make long turnings. Here they must escape landing on the ice; there they must take a narrow pass between it—in fine, many anxious drawbacks.

And now only a few hours of the night remained. If the fugitives did not reach Irkutsk before 5 o'clock in the morning, they must give up all hope of ever entering there.

At length, at half past 1, in spite of all their united efforts, the raft struck against a thick barrier and stopped altogether. The ice which was floating down the river cast itself upon it and forced it against the obstacle and held it motionless as if it had been driven upon a reef.

At this place the Angara becomes narrowed to not more than half its normal breadth; hence the accumulation of ice blocks, which were by little and little piled one upon another under the action of the double pressure, which was considerable, and of the cold, whose intensity was redoubled. At 500 paces down the river again became wide, and ice blocks, detaching themselves by little and little from the lower edge of that field, continued to float down to Irkutsk; hence it is probable that without that narrowing of the banks the barrier would not have been formed, and the raft could have continued to descend the current.

But the evil was irreparable, and the fugitives had to give up all hope of reaching the end of their journey. If they had had at their disposal the tools which the whalers usually employ to open out canals across the icefields, if they had been able to cut this field as far as the place where the river became wider, perhaps the time would not have been wanting, but not a single saw, not a pickaxe, nothing with which to cut the crust, which the extreme cold had rendered as hard as granite.

What should they do?

At that moment rifle shots were heard on the right bank of the Angara. A shower of bullets was directed upon the raft. Had the unhappy men been perceived? Evidently, for other detachments resounded on the left bank. The fugitives, caught between two fires, became a target for the Tartar marksmen. Some were wounded by these balls, although in the midst of the great darkness they only felt by chance.

"Come, Nadia," whispered Michael Strogoff in the ear of the young girl, without making any observation, ready for everything, Nadia took the hand of Michael Strogoff.

"I am thinking of crossing the barrier," he said to her in a low voice, "but let no one see us leave the raft."

Nadia obeyed. Michael Strogoff and she glided quickly over the surface of the icefield in a silence that was broken here and there by the fainting of Nadia's breath on the face of Michael Strogoff. The balls fell around them like a shower of hailstones and crashed upon the ice. The surface of the field, rugged and with sharp edges, made their hands bleed, but still they kept advancing.

Ten minutes afterward the lower border of the barrier was reached. There the waters of the Angara again became free. A few large blocks of ice, becoming by degrees detached from the field and floating with the current, descended toward the town.

Nadia understood what Michael Strogoff wished to attempt. She saw one of those blocks of ice that was only held by a narrow tongue.

"Come," said Nadia.

And both lay down on this morsel of ice, which a slight rocking loosened from the barrier.

The block began to make its way down the river. The river itself became wider, and the route was free.

Michael Strogoff and Nadia could hear the ringing of guns, the cries of distress, the shouts of the Tartars that made themselves heard up the river. Then little by little those cries of deep anguish and of ferocious joy were lost in the distance.

"Oh, those poor companions!" whispered Nadia.

For half an hour the current quickly carried along the block of ice which was bearing Michael Strogoff and Nadia. At every moment they feared that they might sink under the water. Being caught in the stream, it followed the middle of the river, and it would not be necessary to give it an oblique direction until there was question of making for the quays of Irkutsk.

Michael Strogoff, with his teeth set and his ears ready to catch the least sound, did not utter a single word. Never was he so near attaining his end. He felt that he was about to succeed.

Toward 2 o'clock in the morning a double row of lights lit up the southern horizon on the two banks of the Angara.

On the right was the glare from the lights of Irkutsk, on the left the fires of the Tartar camp.

Michael Strogoff was not more than half a verst from the city.

"At last!" whispered he.

But suddenly Nadia gave a cry. At that cry Michael Strogoff rose up from the block, which became very unsteady. His hand stretched out toward the head of the Angara. His face, all lit up with the reflections of blue lights, became terrible to look at, and then, as though his eyes had been reopened to the light, he cried:

"Ah, God himself is against us!"

To cure Headache in ten minutes use Mumford Headache Powder, 10 cents.

## CHAPTER XVII.

IRKUTSK, capital of eastern Siberia, has in ordinary times a population of 30,000 souls. A high hill of solid rock, skirting the right bank of the Angara, serves as a splendid position for its churches, crowned by a high cathedral, and for its houses, built in picturesque disorder along its slopes.

Seen from a certain distance, from the top of the mountain which runs along the great Siberian route at a distance of some twenty versts, with its domes and belfries, its graceful spires, like those of minarets, its spiral domes, it has a somewhat oriental appearance. But that oriental appearance vanishes from the eyes of the traveler from the moment he enters the town. The town, half Byzantine, half Chinese, becomes at once European by its macadamized streets, bordered with sidewalks, with their rows of gigantic birch trees, by its brick and wooden houses, some of which have several stories, by its many splendid equipages—in fine, by the whole body of its inhabitants being very advanced in the progress of civilization, and to which the latest fashions of Paris are not at all strangers.

At that epoch Irkutsk, refuge for the Siberians of the province, was crowded. It absorbed in resources of every kind the commerce of the entire region. That countless merchandise which is exchanged between China, central Asia and Europe. They did not fear to draw there, the peasants from the valley of the Angara, the Mongols-Khalas, people from Tougouze and Boubret, and to allow the wilderness to stretch out between the invaders and the town.

Irkutsk is the residence of the governor general of eastern Siberia. Under him is a civil governor, in whose hands is concentrated the administration of the province, a head of the police, who has a great deal to do in a town where spies abound, and lastly a mayor, one of the leading merchants, an important personage by his immense fortune and by the influence which he has over his fellow citizens.

The garrison of Irkutsk was then composed of a regiment of foot Cossacks, which numbered about 2,000 men, a body of foot gendarmes, who wore the helmet and blue uniforms striped with silver.

Besides, it is known that on account of particular circumstances the brother of the czar had been shut up in the town since the commencement of the invasion.

That situation must be given in detail.

It was a journey of political importance that had led the grand duke into those distant provinces of eastern Asia. The grand duke, after having visited the principal cities of Siberia, traveling in military rather than princely style, without any retinue, escorted by a detachment of Cossacks, had gone as far as the countries beyond the Balkan mountains. Nicholas, the last Russian, town which is situated on the shores of the sea of Okhotsk, had been honored by his visit.

Having reached the boundaries of the immense Muscovite empire, the grand duke was returning to Irkutsk, from whence he would soon return to Europe, when the news reached him of the invasion, which was as sudden as it was menacing. He hastened to re-enter the capital, but when he arrived there communication with Russia had been cut off. He still received a few telegrams from St. Petersburg and Moscow. He could even answer them. Afterward the wire was cut under the circumstances already known to the reader.

Irkutsk was isolated from the rest of the world.

The grand duke could do nothing but organize resistance, a thing which he did with that firmness and coolness of which he had given under other circumstances incontestable proofs.

News of the taking of Ichim, of Omsk, of Tomsk, came successively to Irkutsk. They could not count on being soon relieved, but they must prevent at all price the occupation of the capital of Siberia. The few troops scattered over the province of Amur and those in the government of Irkutsk could not arrive in sufficient numbers to arrest the Tartar columns. Besides, since Irkutsk could not possibly escape being invested, it was of the utmost importance to put the town in a position to sustain a siege of some length.

Having reached the hands of the Tartars. At the same time as that last news the grand duke learned that the emir of Bokhara and the allied khans were directing movement in person, but what he did not know was that the lieutenant of those barbarous chiefs was Ivan Ogareff, a Russian officer whom he himself had cashiered.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

## LAKE ERIE'S PASSENGERS.

The saloon passengers of the Lake Erie, which sailed from this port yesterday afternoon, were as follows: First cabin, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Allen, two children, J. Brennan, Wm. Cockburn, Mrs. Cockburn, Master Gordon Cockburn, Miss Helen Cockburn, Miss Annie Cockburn, Mrs. Grantham, Mrs. Grantham and infant, Miss Fyle, Miss Marriott, Miss Norton, F. W. S. Peake, Mrs. Hyde Pearson, George Roberts, F. Spinks, second cabin, E. A. Earl, E. Howcock, B. Veld, Mrs. Veld, the Misses Veld and two children.

## To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that I will sell at PUBLIC AUCTION at 7.30 p. m. on SATURDAY, 18th inst., at 417 Main Street, the City of St. John, all the Stock-in-trade, Furniture and Fittings lately used by John Branscombe in his business as a grocer. The above sale is made under and by virtue of a Chattel Mortgage to me, the undersigned, Mortgagee, default having been made in the payment thereof.

All persons indebted to the said John Branscombe are requested to make payment to E. R. Chapman, my solicitor, at 49 Canterbury street.

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WHITE GOODS, PILLOW SHAMS, &c.

100 PIECES TO SELL.

H. S. pillow shams, embroidered, sizes 32x32, pair, 69c

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H. S. tray cloths, embroidered corners, 25c

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Fringed linen tray cloths, two for 25c

## Great Bargains in Odd Shirts, Men and Boys.

Boys' unlaundried shirts, sizes 12, 12½, 13, Regular 75c—to clear 49c

Boys' soft bosom colored shirts, 12, 12½, 13, Regular 75c—to clear 49c

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## Special Purchase--A Drive.

We have secured a lot of 60 dozen plain ribbed cashmere hose in winter and spring weight. These stockings are really 35c. value but will go into the sale at the popular price of

25c. pair

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## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

PARK HOTEL, March 15—E Thompson, Moncton; H. P. Falley, Moncton; Stas Steila, Mikol, Salisbury; H. R. Allan, Salisbury; Daniel Cathurutha, Harcourt; William Hickson, Montreal; Timothy Sullivan, Bangor; Cecil Howell, Halifax; J. M. Logan, Woodstock; R. S. Duffy, McAdam; John R. Wilson, St. Stephen; S. J. Chapman, Rothesay.

VICTORIA HOTEL, March 15—Mrs. Scott, Fredericton; F. B. Street, Montreal; F. Manghling, Fredericton; CG Koehn, Charles Duffy and wife, Hillsboro; J. R. O'Connor, Ottawa; R. H. Howe, Fredericton.

DUFFRIN HOTEL, March 15—Miss F. N. Richards, Fredericton; R. M. Moore, Toronto; E. G. Grant, Boston; W. C. Miller, Halifax; H. H. Horne, St. Stephen.

ROYAL HOTEL, March 15—H. Keate, Halifax; R. M. McIntosh, 700 Surville, R. McInnes, and wife, 49 St. John.

## CLARK'S PUTTED MEATS.

Canadian goods—put up by a Canadian—for Canadians and others—first class in every respect. W. Clark, Mr. Montreal.

After a recent storm amber worth \$1,800 was picked up on the beach at Newburg, a German village on the Baltic coast.

## Earl Grey Advocates

## Miniature Rifle Club.

A Proposal Now Being Made For Their Establishment in Canada—To Train Men in Rapid Firing at Short Ranges.

Col. H. H. McLean has received from the secretary to the governor general a letter calling attention to a circular enclosed, which deals with the formation of miniature rifle associations in Canada. The scheme is one in which Earl Grey is deeply interested, and a general effort will likely be made in the near future for the establishment of these organizations throughout the country. The idea originated with the Duke of Norfolk, who has for some time been one of its most ardent supporters. It is pointed out that the battles of the future will be fought with rifles at short ranges and that too much attention cannot be given to the training of men for shooting at these short ranges.

For the carrying out of this idea a society has been formed in England with Lord Roberts as president and Earl Grey as one of the vice-presidents. Many clubs are now in existence in the old country, but until now no effort has been made to start the organizations here. The present attempt is due to the fact that this form of practice is a hobby of Earl Grey's.

For the shooting a gallery is required, and this may be anywhere from forty to sixty feet in length by twelve or fourteen wide. The estimated cost of such a place, if it should be found necessary to build one, is not more than four hundred dollars, but the ranges are usually fitted up in some part of the drill hall. Three different kinds of targets are used, stationary, moving and disappearing, and these are supplied by the home society at a very small cost, though of course they could just as easily be made here. The regulation rifle with the adaptor or Morris tube can be used in connection with miniature rifle shooting.

The objections being that magazine firing cannot be practiced except with one special kind of ammunition, that time is lost in loading after each shot, that the riflemen has to take his eye off the target, and that the cost of ammunition is far greater. The rifle recommended by the society for use in connection with miniature ranges are the Winchester Repeater, 22 small bore short. The cost of these to the clubs affiliated with the society is eleven dollars.

The general idea of the plan is to cause interest in rifle shooting among all classes, to reach those men who are unable to spend their time at the ranges for outdoor shooting, to have the exercise in the evenings at a time when the ordinary business man has some leisure, and most of all to develop accuracy in rapid firing at moving targets.

Col. McLean has already spoken to several military men on the subject of organizing a club in this city, and it is probable that the proposals will be made generally throughout Canada in a very short time, as those interested in the movement are now in correspondence with officers of the Dominion Rifle Association.

These clubs will not in any way interfere with the rifle clubs now in existence, but it is thought that the ordinary business man who practices outdoor ranges cannot be used. The clubs are to be sustained by membership fees and by the selling of ammunition. Those who go to practice will be given two or three shots for a cent, and the profits on the ammunition will go towards club expenses. Twenty-two short ammolems, will be the cartridges advocated.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice, intended to resign from the cabinet, is most emphatically denied in parliamentary circles as not containing a shadow of truth.

## THE SCHOOL CLAUSE

Denounced by Orangemen in Hearty Resolution.

Ottawa Hibernians Favor the Clause—Rumor That Minister of Justice Will Resign is Denied.

OTTAWA, March 15.—The Provincial Orange Grand Black Chapter of Eastern Ontario today by resolution deprecated the present legislation as tending to interfere with religious freedom of the people inhabiting the Northwest provinces of Canada. The Ottawa Hibernians, on the other hand, have sent out the following resolutions:

"Whereas, the minority schools in the Northwest are on the same footing as regards rights of existence, means of support and government aid as to public schools;

"And whereas, as proven in the case of Manitoba, the rights of the minority may not be respected by the governments of the proposed provinces;

"And whereas, the present autonomy bill, in accordance with the spirit of the British North America Act, has as its object the approval of the clause in the educational rights and privileges now enjoyed by the minority in the nascent provinces;

"And whereas, the permanent establishment of these rights and privileges now enjoyed by the minority can neither financially nor religiously affect the majority;

"And whereas, the influx of desirable immigration depends in a large measure on the safeguarding of the rights of the minority and on complete toleration;

"Be it therefore resolved, that we, the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, approve of the clause in the autonomy bill which gives to the minority the right to possess their own schools, to support only their own schools, and to have an equitable and proportional share of the government fund for education;

"Be it also resolved, that we are determined to stand side by side with the supporters of the bill in insisting that the minority have the legal enjoyment of their rights."

Tonight's Free Press, Ottawa, organ of the cabinet, publishes the following in double column, arrayed with glaring headlines:

Le Canada, the organ of Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, publishes a despatch from Ottawa which states it is rumored in the corridors of the house of commons that the whole question of creation of the new Northwest provinces in all probability will not be discussed any further during the present session.

The representatives from the Territories are generally of the opinion Le Canada says: That the important clauses of the bill would have to be examined from a purely legal standpoint, and that the privy council in England, will be called upon as a last resort, to pronounce respecting the bearing of the British North America Act on this legislation. If the new rests on any serious foundation, nothing will be done in parliament before next year.

While the members of the cabinet are silent regarding the bill, it is stated authoritatively that such will be the course finally decided on, and it is believed it would be the best, as it will avoid a great deal of discussion from a legal standpoint.

The rumor which has, during the last few days, been widely circulated that

considering the number of cattlemen and other rather loose characters who have been in the city during the winter, disturbances on the streets have been by no means common. Still there have been a few assaults and one was reported to the police yesterday. A young man belonging to Carleton was on his way home from Victoria rink and was going along Water street towards the ferry. He was set upon by two men, who, from their appearance he took to be cattlemen. He swung his skates and struck one of them, but evidently did not inflict any great damage, for then both seized him and holding him by force, went through his pockets. He did not happen to have a cent with him and they used by their pains. Having searched him thoroughly the men let him go. This occurred between ten and eleven o'clock.

In advertising, like in all other things, persistency wins.—M. V. Kellogg, Kingston, Ont., St. John.

Substitute for Short's "Cherry-Chloro" (the safe and quick Cough Cure), Short's "Head Cold Cure" (10 cts.), Short's "Cold and Grip Cure Tablets" (10 cts.), and Short's "Skin Cure Lotion" (25 cts.) insist on getting these most valuable remedies.

HELD UP ON WATER STREET.

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Free Hemming on all Household  
Linen and Cottons will be continued  
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## Fast Filling Up With 1905 Arrivals.

Every shelf and counter is groaning under the extra loads, and it is only right that these worthy goods should be brought to your notice, so that they might be, as speedily as possible, put to the use they were intended for. There can be a saving to you, if you will spend your dry goods money at this store. For instance:—

### A Lot of Seven Incl. Taffeta Silk Ribbons

Of the very finest quality are among these new goods, to be sold at 25c. a yard. They are the regular 40c. quality, and come in all the leading shades, including the much called for browns.

### Liberty Satin Ribbons.

These have a gloss which makes them very attractive for collars and ties. They are seven inches wide—regular price 40c. This lot is priced 30c. a yard, and they are in all the leading shades.

### Mohair Dress Materials

In cream, navy blue and brown. The three shades that are so popular are here in all the different prices, from 35c. a yard to \$1.10. Some very rich cream broadcloth lustrous among this lot at 45c., 75c. and \$1.10 a yard.

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### IT'S WHAT YOU SAVE

That makes you rich, and if you are alive to your own interests you'll find you save money by trading here.

MEATS AND GROCERIES. FRANK S. PURDY, 96 Wall Street. Phone 499

### LACE COLLARS.

We have just received 40 doz. Lace Collars that we will offer at about half regular values. Prices are 5c., 9c., 12c., 15c., 18c., 20c., 25c. to \$1.75 each.

### LADIES' VESTS.

55 doz. Ladies' Summer Vests at 15c., 18c., and 20c. each. Three styles, long sleeves, half sleeves, and without sleeves. This is your opportunity to save at least 50 per cent.

Arnold's Department Store, 11-15 Charlotte St.

### BAHAMIAN ORANGES.

If you like a very Sweet, Juicy ORANGE, try the Bahamian. It is its first appearance in this market.

### CHAS. A. CLARK,

49 Charlotte St., Market Building. Telephone 803.

### Our Machine - Made Doughnuts

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YORK BAKERY, 290 Brussels Street. Telephone 1457.

### Japanese Tooth Brushes!

We have just received a lot of Japanese Tooth Brushes, that are the best value we have yet seen. While they last we will sell these brushes at the low price of

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These goods are equal to many English and French brushes sold for 25c.

E. Clinton Brown, Druggist, Corner Union and Waterloo Sts. THE PLATON BUILDING. Phone 1006.

## LOCAL NEWS.

### NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

All changes of Ads Must be in Star Office, Not Later than 10 o'clock in the Morning, to insure insertion Same Evening.

### THE WEATHER.

Forecast—Moderate winds, fine and a little milder today and on Friday.

Synopsis—The cold is gradually moderating in all localities. Winds to Banks moderate westerly, and to American ports, light to moderate, becoming variable.

Highest temperature during past 24 hours, 32.  
Lowest temperature during past 24 hours, 20.  
Temperature at noon, 30.

Two common drunks were fined at the police court this morning.

There will be a quotation social in Carleton Free Baptist church this evening at eight o'clock.

A shop door key found on Portland street can be had at the North End police station.

The street department have been notified of a hole in the sidewalk at 219 Main street.

Y. M. C. A. young men's Bible class will have supper at White's tonight. This will be the close of a series of studies on the life of Paul.

New lines of lunch, market, work and waste paper baskets at Jas. T. Taffet & Son's fire safe. Come early in the morning and avoid the afternoon rush. 16 3-05

The steamer Stanley, which left Georgetown Monday, the 8th instant, to effect a transfer of passengers and freight across the ice barrier to the Minto from Picton, was stuck in the ice nine days. The transfer was effected yesterday.

The meetings in Berryman's hall are steadily increasing in interest and numbers are at the altar for prayer at every service. Rev. W. H. Seeds, though unable to attend for two nights, has fully recovered from his illness and will have charge of the service tonight.

Miss Lively's dancing class, which meets in the Orange Building, Germain street, will close the winter's tuition on Thursday evening next with an assembly and light supper in Spencer's academy. The class is quite a large one.

George Nixon, wall paper merchant on King street, will have been in business in this city 50 years tomorrow. Of the St. John firms doing business when he opened up Mr. Nixon is the only survivor. He has a bookkeeper who has been in his employ for about 40 years.

The funeral of the late Charles F. Kinnear took place from 1 to 2 o'clock this afternoon. The service at Trinity church was conducted by the Rev. Canon Richardson. Interment was at Fernhill.

The steamship Melville sailed at 7.30 this morning for Cape Town. It has 132 mules and branches, which arrived over the C. P. R. yesterday, the mules from Mexico, and the branches from the Canadian West. On their arrival at Cape Town they will be taken at once to Johannesburg.

The ladies of Brussels street Baptist church are planning for a regular old-fashioned tea meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on the 28th. It has been some time since these ladies have held one of their renowned suppers and in the coming affair they promise to eclipse all previous records—to make up for lost time as it were.

Sixty-five hundred yards is not a great deal of any kind of material if it is on the bargain counter and a large crowd is striving to secure some of the best patterns before it is all gone. The English cambric prints—some of them damaged—to be sold at M. R. A.'s commencing tomorrow morning, is sure to sell like hot cakes at the price asked.

Next Tuesday night C. T. Williams, president of the Montreal Y. M. C. A., will speak to the members and friends of the Association at their rooms in the Y. M. C. A. building. His object is to lay before the association the question which will be brought before the dominion convention at Montreal next month. The importance of the question will be emphasized and a committee will be organized to supervise the work throughout the dominion.

The W. S. Harkins company will commence a limited season at the Opera House Monday night, March 20, presenting for the first time in St. John "A Stranger in a Strange Land," possibly the funniest comedy ever written. It deals with the adventures of an Indian in England, and from the rise to the fall of the curtain the fun is fast and furious. All the members of the Harkins company will appear in the play, and with the exception of Albert Morrison and Mr. Bowker are all new to St. John audiences. A new play will be presented every night, with Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

QUICK PROMOTION FOR A YOUNG MECHANIC.  
A young mechanic began a course in business training just a year ago. Three months ago he was placed in a temporary position, at nine dollars per week and on Monday last the situation department of the Currie Business University, Ltd., secured him a position, which placed him in charge of the office of a foundry, where he was formerly employed as a moulder. The class of training given by the Currie Business University is far more effective than education by correspondence and a three months course, with experts at your back and call costs you but ten dollars.

This school is on Canterbury street and is open night and day.

### GRAND JURY REPORT IS RED HOT STUFF.

(Continued from page one.)

Public Hospital—This institution is well provided with fire escapes, but the remainder of its fire preventive apparatus is limited to an antiquated hand chemical fire extinguisher and some fire buckets on each floor.

In the case of this institution every fire extinguishing and life saving apparatus that can be advantageously used should be supplied, as in the event of a conflagration there would be so many unfortunates in no position to help themselves and as at this season of the year by reason of the state of the streets it is a difficult matter to get an engine to the building it is necessary that the hospital should be as far as possible independent of the city fire department. We recommend that a stand pipe with hose attachments be at once provided, and a fire plug be placed near the building.

Thirly—In regard to police protection. The police force of St. John is composed of forty men exclusive of the chief. Of this number there would be an average of three constantly away from sickness or other causes and for the past two months seven men have been constantly absent; seven men, the captain and six of the old members of the force do not do patrol duty, but are engaged in police station attendants and jailors. The forty men are each allowed ten days holidays in the year, a total of 400 days, which means more than one year's services for a man.

With this explanation you will understand that the patrol force for the whole city, including the West Side, does not average more than 25 men. Two of these are on duty entirely in Carleton, leaving 27 men to be divided between day and night duty in the North end and city proper, in our opinion an inadequate number.

The city proper is divided into seven patrol beats, and the North End into four. To give you an idea of the size of these beats we would say that number four beat in the city proper is bounded by Waterloo and Union streets and is all that lies between those two streets and Courtenay Bay. The smallest of them could not even be walked over in an hour.

If the full complement of thirty men were on hand, twelve are detailed for day duty and eighteen for night duty. The method of night duty is this, that up to 10 p. m. the men patrol singly and after 10 o'clock. As far as possible they patrol in pairs until after midnight when luncheon begins. Each man is entitled to one hour for lunch at the police station, and approximately one half the officers come in at midnight remaining until one a. m. The remainder of the night is spent in the North End. As far as possible they patrol in pairs until after midnight when luncheon begins. Each man is entitled to one hour for lunch at the police station, and approximately one half the officers come in at midnight remaining until one a. m. The remainder of the night is spent in the North End.

With eleven beats in the city and only 18 men available, two men cannot be allotted to each beat, and we know of a large beat in the most important residential district in the city that has not been patrolled by the police in the past year, and has not been regularly patrolled throughout the year. We believe that the chief of police is doing the best that he possibly can under the present system and the force at his command, but the system is antiquated and woefully less, and the force is entirely insufficient for a city of 40,000 people. With the introduction of the telephone police methods throughout the world were changed to suit the changed conditions.

Newly every place of business or residence has a telephone, and the most natural course in case of needing police help is to ring up the central station and ask that an officer be sent. At the present time the city when this is done the answer is, "We have no one to send, all officers are on their beats and you will have to go out and find the nearest policeman." This is the answer to do; this should not be, there should always be a reserve of officers in the police stations and a conveyance to transport them where wanted. In our opinion to accomplish what is required would be to establish a modern police alarm system with an increase of the force to 50 men working on eight hour shifts, which means that the men would remain eight hours on their beat, then return to central station where they would remain for eight hours as call men (sleeping and eating accommodation being there provided) so if not needed for an emergency they would rest the remaining eight hours of the 24 would be their own time.

This would mean an increase in the expenditure, but not as great as seems probable at first glance for the rent of outside lockups and the cost of maintaining them would be saved.

In some cities the police patrol wagon is also used as an ambulance. When a call is sent in for an accident, and it is stated that it is an accident call, the wagon is transformed into an ambulance by drawing out a seat on one side and arranging the cushions so as to form a cot while on its way to answer the call. If this were done in St. John it would give us the improved ambulance service we so much require without increased cost. The increase in expenditure, we do not think, the citizens of St. John would cavil at.

Another matter in connection with police affairs to which we wish to draw attention is this:—

In the year 1902 there were 1225 commitments, while the daily average in jail was 43. In 1903 the commitments were 1263, the daily average in jail was 43.3—in 1904 commitments 1139, average of 48.8—74 less than the previous year; yet the average number in jail was practically the same, which means that fewer people paid their fines or that the sentences were longer. We have the drunkenness statistics for 1904 and find there were 265 convictions. The average fine was \$12.50 or 23.9 days in jail. In our opinion the fines for drunkenness might well be less and the practice of fining a double amount on Monday morning might be abandoned.

These persons are usually men with families dependent upon them, and the payment of the fine, or the imprisonment is not as much a punishment to the man as a source of increased want and suffering to the wives and children of the prisoners, whose cup of bitterness is already full to overflowing.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Grand Jury.

J. PRASER GREGORY, Foreman.

St. John, N. B., March 16, 1905.

After hearing the report his honor

## PERSONALS.

Miss Elsie McLean is spending a week or two in Montreal, the guest of Mrs. James Ross.

Miss F. M. Richards, of Fredericton, was registered at the Dufferin yesterday.

T. C. Wallace, of Boston, travelling passenger agent of the Union Pacific, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Hattie Tweedie, of Moncton, left for home at noon yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Doody returned yesterday morning from Boston.

Dr. A. A. Stockton, M. P., came in from Ottawa yesterday.

Miss Margaret Leggett, of this city, will leave Saturday for British Columbia, where she will make her home.

George E. Akerley, Victoria street, will soon move with his family to Belleisle Station, to engage in farming. He has been connected with the street railway as a motorman.

A. P. Barnhill returned to the city last night.

Miss Maggie Byrne, of St. Andrews, N. B., is the guest of her cousin, Miss McGuigan, of Britain street.

Mrs. Albert Smart, of Bridgewater, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heffer, West End.

Thanked the jury for their excellent presentation in which he heartily concurred. Copies of the report will be sent to all the public officials whose duties are affected by the report.

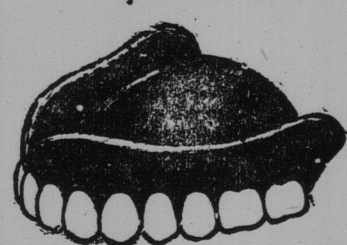
His honor said if the mayor, in the face of this report, would grant another license to the Opera House he (the mayor) would be liable to indictment before any court of criminal jurisdiction.

The judge especially concurred in those parts of the report recommending that the police court fines be reduced, and that the police force be increased; as well as that part approving of the conditions at the jail. His honor said he had felt certain that the jailer, after his long period of public service, would be exonerated by this enquiry, and it was an unfortunate thing that such unfounded charges, as had been made against the jail management, should be scattered broadcast over the country.

In conclusion his honor assured the jury that he would do everything in his power to carry out the report.

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