



MR. TWEEDIE CLOSES; MR. FLEMING BEGINS.

(Continued from page 1.)

Boston is to cover the expense of sending a New Brunswick exhibit. This was strongly urged upon me by the Tourist Association and others and I hope it may have a beneficial effect in bringing sportsmen to the province. New Brunswick is becoming well known as a sporting country; the receipts from game licenses are every year increasing and the people everywhere show a disposition to protect the game. I need not expatiate further on these items. With regard to stock importation what we propose to do will be told when the bill for that purpose comes before the house. The commissioner for agriculture will then have an opportunity of explaining his plans.

Sums from Dominion Government.

"We have now a prospect of receiving from the Dominion Government a very large sum which we claim is due to us. I have no doubt that this claim is one that will be recognized and that in a short time it will be paid. It is not always easy to get claims recognized by the Government of Canada. The Eastern Extension money was obtained only by continually pressing the matter upon their attention. We will follow the same course with regard to this claim and will not rest until we get the matter settled. I expect that we will receive from them more than \$2,000,000. Then we have the better terms movement as obtained by the Quebec resolution. We expect that the Dominion Government will treat us fairly in this matter. After confederation the total expenditure of Canada was only about \$12,000,000 a year. Now the expenditure is \$40,000,000. While their expenditure has increased four-fold it is surely unreasonable for them to expect that ours will remain the same as it was thirty-five years ago. The present is an opportune time to press the claim for better terms and if this is done I feel satisfied that some result beneficial to the province will be reached.

Confidence for Next Election.

"We are not afraid of the next election. I confidently predict that the Government will be handsomely sustained and that my honorable friend opposite will have no larger following in the next house than he has in this one. This result will show the appreciation of the people of New Brunswick for the policy of the Government. That policy has been progressive; it has been to encourage all new industries; to assist the farmers, the lumbermen, and the miner, and in going to the country we feel that we will go with all these classes of men. It is to be regretted that we have not a Government which would be handsomely sustained because it is a Government that is not afraid to spend money when it is required to benefit the people of the province."

Mr. Fleming in replying said:

"There were acts in the administration of the agricultural department that met with his approval, but he would refer later to a starting state of affairs in the agricultural department. Was it wonderful that men with an annual revenue of more than three-quarters of a million should consider one of the leading industries? The amount voted for its encouragement was small compared with the importance of the industry and with the expenditure on other public services. The provincial secretary referred to the price farmers were receiving for hay, as if the credits were due to the Government. While we all feel glad that the price is high, we must realize that it is the result of the South African war. The provincial secretary charged that it was the claim of the opposition that the Government was treating the lumbermen too well and had sought to reduce the lumbermen against the opposition. The leader of the opposition or his supporters had not done or said anything to injure the lumbermen, and would not be disposed to use that industry otherwise than well. He would further ask the provincial secretary what occasion any member of the opposition declared the country was going to the dogs. The provincial secretary referred to a combination to keep down the price on the sale of crown lands and stated that the independent papers of the province charged the Government with not being alive to their duty. It was pleasing to know that the independent papers were in line with the opposition. He would see the provincial secretary practically admit their claim correct, because the Government had acted on notice of the provincial secretary referred to notices of inquiries. It was very proper that members should receive information concerning items that were not set forth in detail in the auditor general's report, and it seemed that the provincial secretary had little to do to speak of anything of matters that members should rightly inquire into."

"On motion of Mr. O'Brien rule 79 was suspended to permit the introduction of a bill to change the name of Leonard Stiles. In resuming debate on the budget, Mr. Fleming took up agriculture expenditure. Last year the grant was \$38,601 which looks like a pretty big amount, but even had this amount been expended on agriculture it must be taken into consideration that the expenditure last year was \$1,000,000 compared with an ordinary expenditure of \$600,000 in other years, so that \$35,000 was not after all a large or a

substantial grant to the principal industry of the country. Of this amount there was given to cheese factories, etc., \$3,125, bonus to flour mills \$5,000, salaries and traveling expenses \$87,773. Under the head of traveling expenses is passed the amount for consulting the Nova Scotia Government respecting the establishment of an agricultural school, a grant for which was made last year. Hon. Mr. Pugsley explained that this item included the expenses of the premier and himself, both of whom attended the conference. Mr. Fleming said this explanation was satisfactory but the point he wished to make was that it seemed strange that the commissioner for agriculture should be one to attend the conference."

"Mr. Fleming said that it was not his intention to discuss the fact that when \$9,000 in salaries is paid out of the grant to five men, more than the aid given to the cheese factories, skimming and drying of milk, the Government is doing so much for the farmers has not so very much in it. Their agricultural policy is doing more to assist persons in drawing good salaries. Referring to \$3,125 in the general statement of debt for last fiscal year, he pointed out that there was against this an asset of \$2,310.28 which evidently denotes a net gain of \$814.72. In the sale of the agricultural department, in reply to his inquiry it was stated that this \$2,310.28 was balance due to the Government for the year 1898 to the present; also that no time was fixed for payment of these debts, with the exception of car load quantities. While it was proper to assist the farmers in reducing the rate of interest, it was not desirable to adopt some plan whereby the serious losses under the present arrangements would be avoided. He recommended making the rate of interest to be paid on the shipper responsible for the value. He also said that the deputy commissioner for agriculture who is not overburdened with office work, might perform the duties of superintending and these factories, etc., thus saving salaries and leaving more money for the assistance of agriculture."

Contingencies.

"Taking up the expenditure under the head of contingencies, Mr. Fleming said \$17,409.44 was the largest ever spent on contingency in the history of the province, being an increase of \$4,284.33 in six years, nearly 35 per cent. The amounts expended during the last year were: 1895, \$13,104.81; 1896, \$14,014.11; 1897, \$15,033.63; 1898, \$14,862.21; 1899, \$16,830.63; 1900, \$16,829.60; 1901, \$17,491.34. Contingencies are a considerable expense of the province and the demand for improved facilities warranted so large an amount for this head. J. J. Edwards was paid \$540 for coaching, the same as he received in 1900. A few years ago the amount charged for this purpose varied from \$300 to \$400. This year it was \$600. There was also a daily average it shows that the coaching for members of the executive while in Fredericton cost the province at the rate of \$2 per day. Members of government reside in Fredericton during a very small portion of the year and when there make their headquarters at the rate of a few seconds walk from the offices. It would be noted by the auditor general's report that the deputy provincial secretary received that city a revenue of \$50,000 for printing and indexing the laws and \$100 for superintending their publication in addition to a generous salary of \$17,500. He did not wish to reflect on Mr. Edwards but it is paid for performing duties which he is entitled to perform he could not understand why he was paid these extra amounts."

Executive Department.

"Another department where the expenditure is controllable is the executive government, yet in 1901 the province paid \$20,000 for the largest year. But this does not represent the whole amount. There was no reason why the traveling expenses of the chief commissioner for agriculture should be charged to the Government. It was taken out of the grant to public works nor is it justifiable that the salaries in connection with agricultural department, \$18,839.55; surveyor general, \$2,600; chief commissioner public works, \$2,500; Hon. H. A. McKeown, \$12,235.35; total of \$26,031.29; an average of \$3,721.61 each."

Interest.

"Referring to the interest on the public debt, Mr. Fleming showed the total paid under this head last year was \$146,902.08, nearly one-third of the entire revenue of the province. It was not his desire to be understood as saying that the financial condition of the province was bad, but when the interest amount to one-third of the revenue it is time to exercise prudence. In addition the province is paying interest on the overdrafts in the Lunatic asylum account which does not appear in the auditor general's report."

Immigration.

"Touching upon the immigration policy he suggested such a large expenditure should be made on immigration. The surveyor general explained that among this number were people of considerable means who bought improved farms, but what did that amount to. They were only displacing other good citizens who improved those farms so that the importation of the class of people meant the loss of equally good men. If an effort were made to get men to go on land then immigrants would be valuable."

Public Printing.

"Taking up public printing, the expenditure, \$12,337.50, was the largest ever paid. Mr. Fleming said he did not believe the opposition ever had a leader in yel-

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Education.

"He said the amount paid for common schools last year was much less than the previous year. He contended the Government were not giving the school teachers and agreed with certain amendments."

A TELEGRAPHIC CONVENTION.

"Netherlands Want Germany to Join in Subsidies. The Hague, March 25.—The Government of the Netherlands has submitted to the Hague a telegraphic convention with Germany, providing for a joint subsidy for cables to the Dutch colonies in the East Indies. It is proposed to connect the Dutch colonies with the Philippine Islands and the American Philippines cable, which will be connected with Shanghai. The importance of this convention is the fact that communication will thereby be established with Europe via America, by cables belonging to various nationalities."

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THE FEDERAL LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA.

"The twentieth annual meeting of the Shareholders of this Company was held at the head office, in Hamilton, Tuesday, the 4th inst., Lieut.-Col. Kerne, Vice-President, was appointed Chairman and Mr. David Dexter, Secretary. The Directors presented their Annual Report as follows:

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THE STRANGE CASE OF A WOMAN WHO POSED AS A MAN.

Autopsy Showed Wm. C. Howard to Be a Woman—Had a Wife for Many Years, and Two Children Ever Born.

GRAND MANAN.

Residents of Grand Manan, March 22.—The residents of Grand Manan were greatly shocked to learn on March 14th that Wm. Dalzell, Sr., was dead. Deceased came here from the States 40 years ago and was 70 years old.

NORTH SYDNEY.

North Sydney, March 21.—Sydney harbor is free from ice now as at any time in July of last year. Indeed there was no time during the winter when yachts could not slip about the harbor at will.

CANADIAN SHOT.

Killed in Fighting the Boers—Ward Received by Young Soldier's Father.

AMHERST.

Amherst, N. S., March 23.—(Special)—Mayor Curry and P. A. Cates delegates to Ottawa to interview the government in reference to the proposed expansion of the railway.

DIGBY.

Digby, N. S., March 22.—The Inular S. S. Company's steamer Westport will call at St. John before the world for 33 years as a married man, died this morning, aged 75, and neighbors who were called in to prepare the remains for burial.

WONDERFUL FLOW OF OIL.

Chanate, Kas., March 21.—An oil gusher was brought in here today and is throwing oil 100 feet. The driers have been unable to control the flow.

JURY CONSIDERING VERDICT.

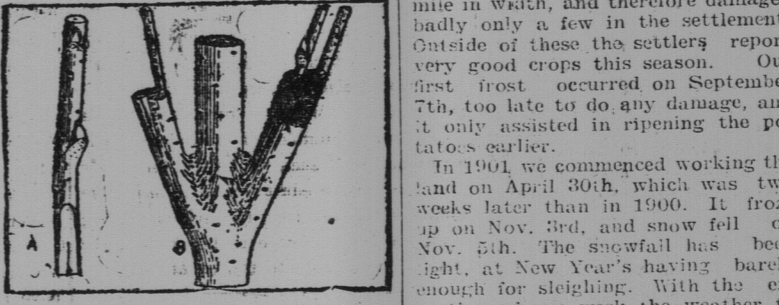
Elizabeth City, N. C., March 21.—In the trial of young Wilcox for the murder of Miss Wilcox's stepson the jury retired at 4:30. A verdict is not expected tonight.

TORONTO'S ASSESSMENT GROWS.

Toronto, March 23.—(Special)—The revised city assessment shows \$183,965,547 as compared with \$125,271,383 last year.

SIMPLE WAY OF GRAFTING.

A Down East Method Which is Very Easily Described.



In grafting a seedling one or two years old the graft is put on just above the ground and not one cutting is used. To graft a tree to change the fruit is another matter.

THE PIONEER FARM.

The 1901 Report to Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture.

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When buying an ax handle always select one that is made entirely from the sap wood of the heart wood, but never one that is made partly of each, for it will split along the line of union.

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ADVERTISING RATES. Ordinary commercial advertisements taking the run of the paper...

IMPORTANT NOTICE. Owing to the considerable number of communications to the undersigned...

FACTS FOR SUBSCRIBERS. Without exception, names of new subscribers will be entered until the money is received...

RULES FOR CORRESPONDENTS. Be brief. Write plainly and take special pains with names.

AUTHORIZED AGENTS. The following agents are authorized to canvass and collect for The Semi-Weekly Telegraph...

Semi-Weekly Telegraph ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 26, 1902.

MARITIME UNION.

The recent references in the parliament at Ottawa to the feasibility of a union of the maritime provinces has awakened considerable expression of opinion...

possibility that differences between the three provinces might be arranged to permit of a union and reap all the benefits and advantages possible from it.

CRITICS OF PROSPERITY.

The following is from the Montreal Star's report of the speech of Mr. F. D. Monk, M. P. Tory leader in Quebec, at Valleyfield the other day in the Beauharnois election campaign...

Thus Mr. Monk at least admits an increase of prosperity in the country, but takes no cognizance of the fact that it is better to have the working men employed at established rates...

Moreover Mr. Monk forgot to explain that the I. C. R. had already ordered placed with Canadian concerns beyond their capacity to produce and was forced in order to obtain prompt delivery to order the additional locomotives from American firms...

As for his condemnation of the immigration policy, the people of Beauharnois and all other countries in Canada are realizing that it is better to have a policy in effect which produces practical results...

THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The day when a man or woman who is deaf and dumb should necessarily be considered an object of charity has long since passed that to speak of it now would excite ridicule.

Although history tells us that the first systematic attempt to instruct the deaf and dumb was made by Pedro de Ponce, a Benedictine monk of Spain, in 1570...

stitution last year and that the total expense of maintenance was \$5,818, which included \$1,966 for household expenses and \$1,860 salaries.

WATER SERVICE FACTS.

The actual condition of the water service of St. John is a matter that has interested the citizens a long time.

The presentation on another page of this issue of the actual condition of affairs has been carefully prepared from the statements that have recently been made in the civic debates and endeavors to acquaint the people in a lucid and distinct fashion of the situation that confronts them.

ANOTHER MYSTERY OF THE SEA.

The anxiety concerning the missing Allen line steamer Huroonia, which has not been heard from since she left Glasgow on February 11 for this port, began to amount to despondency over her presumed loss.

turned out many ships with the best of records; her master, Capt. Brodie, is said to have been most reliable and competent, and her crew numbering not less than sixty, were ample to handle her.

To the ordinary student of shipping affairs it would appear that one of three things must have happened the Huroonia. Either she turned turtle and went down both through having been loaded in a top heavy or insecure fashion...

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The Sun's allegations of a "gang" at Fredericton will not help it to make a safe gangway to power there.

The first use to which the city's new life boat may be put is to rescue wayfarers in Indian town from their second story windows.

That Fredericton bridge is like a cat with nine lives. Its destruction has been threatened every spring, but it is still doing business at the same old stand.

It is stated that the nicest Easter hat this year, latest Parisian creation, will retail at about \$40. Who buys it? Don't all speak at once, ladies—and gentlemen.

Evening "courts" instead of Queen Victoria's afternoon "drawing rooms" at St. James' Palace are said to be relished by those whose complexions daylight is trying. That English climate is awful trying anyway, you know.

Attorney General Peggley yesterday in the local legislature confirmed the Telegraph's statement of the Sun's misrepresentations and false charges as to traveling expenses.

The 48th Highlanders of Toronto have gone to New York, but Gentry, M. P., has not yet moved into the trenches.

It has been suggested that John Dillon, M. P., was given a week's vacation from his parliamentary duties to enable him to study out how to call a member a condemned prevaricator in a parliamentary manner.

The Hon. R. L. Borden is facing two wars. He favors protection and yearns for an imperial solvency. In spite of his new love we fancy if it comes to the test he will probably prefer "a cant towards Biddy."

One of the papers that prints items from its files of thirty years ago, has just recalled this: "Warm time in New Brunswick Legislature on the issue of separate or non-sectarian schools, and defeat of the government anticipated."

The American Minutemen is the name of the new organization in the United States designed to succeed the A. P. A. in order to eliminate from membership the alleged tools of politicians that had characterized the latter.

That typographical errors are liable to occur in the best regulated newspapers was instanced in the New York Herald the other day in a heading which stated that the Aquarium was to be handed over to the Geological Society and set forth other ideas which looked odd until it was discovered that Zoological Society was intended.

Up in Ontario the people are worrying over the thought of a telephone monopoly. In St. John we are worrying over the telephone service. If you had a bitter enemy you would forgive him over the telephone—if he were successful in getting connection.

It is one of the peculiar privileges of St. John's citizenship to grumble at the action of the city fathers for eleven months in the year and then return the entire council or most of it in the remaining months. Less grumbling and more civic patriotism would make a better mixture of citizenship.

If the commercial war between the American Tobacco Trust and its great English rival keeps up, smokers will have their tobacco for nothing and a bonus given to them for burning the weed. It seems an irony of fate that the tobacco trust's profits made by smoke should thus go up in smoke.

What is the wiser the next day except to appreciate the change and the longer evenings? This remark was overheard on the street in conversation between two workmen on their way home and illustrates the popular interest in the matter and demand for the change.

The United States Department of Agriculture is just now distributing one thousand bushels of seed corn by mail throughout Arkansas.

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Don't imagine for a moment that it is at all bothersome to us to fill your orders.

You are our patrons, and as such are entitled to every consideration at our hands.

As we serve you when you come to the store so we endeavor to serve you when you write to us from your home.

Most out-of-town people know the value of our mail order service and hundreds make free use of it, to their profit and comfort.

Our Spring Style and Sample Book of Men's and Boys' Clothing is almost ready for mailing.

Don't fail to write for it.

GREATER OAK HALL, SCOVIL RBOS. & CO

King Street, Cor. Germain.

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Advertisement for 'Cordova's' hair oil. Includes image of a woman and text: 'They're rich and happy. They use Cordova's hair oil.' 'Cordova's' hair oil. Many styles. So easy to use. They're rich and happy. They use Cordova's hair oil. Many styles. So easy to use. They're rich and happy. They use Cordova's hair oil. Many styles. So easy to use.'

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Advertisements for C. P. R. May Buy Parliament Building, Shot His Son's Wife, Another 500 Car Order for Amherst, Kingston Increases Census Figures, Rev. Mr. Craig Accepts Call, Fears for Calais Schooner, and BoneGrinders.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

FRESHET CONDITIONS BETER.

But Big Jam Above Fredericton Causes Some Anxiety Yet Ice Run at Edmundston—All Well at Indianston.

Ice cakes and an overflow of water make traffic on the C. P. R. at Carleton place, for the time being, an impossibility.

It is stated by those who predict weather by the Moon's changes that the next two weeks should be fairly fine, but that the week next following is apt to be rainy.

George Stanley Winslow, Halifax, captain in the Royal Regiment of Artillery, has been appointed an inspector in the Northwest Mounted Police.

Judge Charles R. Corning, of Concord, N. H., has presented to the provincial museum, at Halifax, N. S., a portrait of John Wentworth, the last royal governor of New Hampshire.

Word has been received from Supt. McPeck, of the Shore Line, that the waters along the line are receding and the St. George bridge is not so badly damaged as was thought.

According to a message received from California by the United States Consul, news of interest awaits Mrs. Hamilton. It is thought she lives in Kings county.

Captain Burns, of the steamer Dunmore Street, received a cable from home in Ireland Saturday informing him of the fact that he is now the father of a son and heir. Mrs. Burns was Miss B. McGerridge, of Carleton.

The ice jam at Carleton has broken and the water receded from the C. P. R. track. It will not be until the receding of the ice on the line has displaced rails not disturbed the road bed.

The C. P. R. & C. C. are advertising for vessels to carry coal from Parrsboro to Portland. All available local vessels have been engaged. There will be lasting times to the coal wharf for the next three months and two or three coal specials every day.—Parrsboro Leader.

Rev. W. W. Craig, curate of Trinity, has announced his intention of accepting a call to the pastorate of St. Luke's church, Montreal. While regretting the loss of an earnest and faithful worker, his many friends will be pleased to see his merits acknowledged by an independent church.

At a meeting of the council of the Law Society at Fredericton on Wednesday morning, it was decided to seek legislation for power to hold these examinations during the student term instead of one, as is the case at present. If the decision is upheld by the legislature an act will be presented this session.

Webster & Wolff, Jewish merchants of St. John, have purchased a fishing stand at White Head, Grand Manan, and are preparing to open a lobster and kippered herring factory. William Morse, who is thoroughly conversant with the business, is the practical man of the concern.—St. Andrew's Beacon.

Mrs. S. B. Bailey wishes to return thanks to H. F. Albigon, president of the Canada National fund, which she has just received. The fund was established in aid of the movement for the building of a bridge at Carleton Place, and it was through the generosity of Mrs. Bailey that a large contribution was made to it.

Hundreds of anchors are piled up at the forging shop of Charles Gunn, Chatham, and they are being added to every day. He has now nearly 400 made for A. & R. Loggie, whose contract with him calls for more than that number. His contracts already in hand are more than 200 and the number will be largely increased before the navigation and fishing season opens.—Chatham Advance.

Three elegant mounted mooseheads were brought in on the Fredericton train yesterday morning, from the Sportsman's Show, Boston, where they, with others, were sent by J. H. Carnall & Sons of this city. Walter H. Carnall had charge of the New Brunswick booth at the show. Nearly every kind of bird known to man was represented at this show, either alive or stuffed.

Capt. Wasson, of the new river steamer Atlantic, states that the early breaking up of the river will not have the effect of bringing the boat here any sooner, as the ice in the river is still very hard, and is quite solidly frozen. All the crew have been engaged and Engineer Eatabrooks is now in Quebec seeing about the boat's machinery. The lack of May or the 1st of June will see the new boat at this port.

The annual meeting of the Dominion Atlantic Railway Company was held Friday in London. There was a large and representative body of stockholders present. President Fitch Kemp commented on the character of the year's business. He gave General Manager Giffins, who was present, a cordial welcome. Some references were made by Vice-President Ronald and Director Denny to their visit to the province last summer.

Said a citizen to the Telegraph last night: "It is now up to the city to act in the Atlantic time matter, the C. P. R. and I. C. R. have agreed in favor of the system and Premier Tweedie is about to introduce legislation in the local house specifying Atlantic standard as the official time of the province." The sub-committee of the council to report upon the advisability of a changing still has the matter under consideration. If a change is to be made there is little time to be lost as the railway companies are about preparing their summer time tables.

John Lobb had a close escape from destruction while at work in Pender's factory, Charlotte street, extension, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was attending a block through which the sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily.

There was heard before Justice Masson at Fairville Monday a case brought against Wm. Herby by Benjamin Williams on the charge of malicious damage.

to property. The parties reside in the same house at Fairville. The same woodshed is used by both tenants. Recently the former claimed, he found the door was closed by Mr. Williams. The value of the door was computed at \$145 and the case lasted three days. Mr. Herby's counsel was W. B. Wallace, and Daniel Mullin appeared for Mr. Williams. The case was dismissed with costs.

The creditors of Phillips Bros. will meet on Thursday next.

Luther Jordan, of the North End, has purchased the site of a new private residence on the brow of Indianston hill. Work of clearing the lot has begun.

The council of the Fredericton board of trade has expressed itself in favor of the proposed line of railway from Chipman to Kent Junction.

Letter Carriers Patrick Cassidy and Urah Belyea have received notice of permanent transfer to Fredericton. Their retiring allowances is \$402 each.

It is said that the English syndicate which owns the Elgin & Havelock Railway have decided to sell out. It is said the sale will take place the last of April.

The steamer Parisian brought a number of very desirable fowls from Great Britain. In the number were 17 mechanics, who have been hired by the C. P. R. to work in the new car shops at Montreal.

On Saturday, at Cushing's shingle mill, Sawyer named Benjamin Hatfield gave the back of his hand a severe cut while attending an edging machine. Dr. Grey dressed the wound.

Captain John H. Pratt, of the Dominion fishery cruiser Curlew, arrived in this city yesterday from Quebec, where he, with other captains of the government service, took instruction in gunnery.

T. H. Belyea, collector of inland revenue, left Monday afternoon for St. Stephen en route to Campbellton, where he will establish a new bonded warehouse. Collector of Customs Clarke is sub-collector of inland revenue in Campbellton.

John Carmichael, of this city, is lying at the point of death at St. George's Street Hospital. He was formerly in the employ of the St. John's Railway Company. His wife, Mrs. Carmichael, formerly in the employ of the same company, is also lying in St. John's Hospital. Relatives from this city were summoned to Sussex yesterday.

The city engineer is making the rounds of the North End, marking the correct numbers on the buildings. Many of the houses have been numbered, but the numbers in several instances have been misplaced and a general "swapp" would affect a better understanding.

Hon. C. H. Labllois, chief commissioner of public works, and Hon. John P. Burt are the only members of the legislature who occupied seats in the house when the Blair government came into power in 1888.—Hon. P. P. Thibault.

The stranded woodcock Harvest Home, which grounded on the Grand Lake Meadows early last summer, has been floated off and is now at Jernegan, the property of Henry Porter and Henry Flower, of New Brunswick. The boat will be used as a coal carrier.

General Baggage Agent Allen, of the I. C. R., as a worker as evidenced in connection with the derailment of cars at Penobscot, has been recommended for promotion. He was formerly in the employ of the Dominion Atlantic Railway and was the first to see the new water works system has caused the test of the coming summer. If the system is found to be satisfactory at the end of the summer the increase will be taken off altogether.

Arthur E. King, who for some years has been in the employ of the Canada Cycle and Motor Company's branch in this city, has been promoted to Winnipeg where he will have charge of the company's retail store. On Saturday evening King and Mrs. King presented him with a handsome dress suit case. Mr. King left for Winnipeg Tuesday afternoon his wife and child will be expected to return with him to this city in the next few days. Mr. King is the more responsible position to which he has been called.

SHINGLE SAWYERS STRIKE.

Forty Men Out—Union Wanted Summer Scale to Go in Force.

In obedience to the union's order the shingle sawyers in Andre Chubb & Co's shingle mill, No. 3 Pleasant Point, have gone on strike. Monday the mill was closed down and its 40 or so employees are out and awaiting whatever developments may come. Monday night Mr. Cushing stated that last week the shingle sawyers' union notified him that he was expected to give the sawyers in his employ the rate of wages which they receive during summer. Mr. Cushing informed the union that he was not prepared to do this as yet, and in reply he was told that after Saturday there would be a strike. Mr. Cushing's sawyers have not begun as a rule to receive their summer wages until after May 1st. Mr. Cushing has been paying \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily. Their sawyers during summer \$1.75 daily.

The men who are out claim they hold no grievances against their employers but state they are only acting up to the obligations they owe the union as members. Mr. Cushing says it is impossible to know how long the mill will be closed down. It cannot be learned whether men to occupy the positions of those on strike will be hired.

There is no wild breed of fowl to which the Brahma or Cochon can be traced. The gamecock seems to be descended from the Cingalese jungle fowl.

The St. John river is now open between this city and Fredericton, the earliest for many years. The ice opposite Fredericton started yesterday afternoon and ran out quietly and with very little attendant damage. Below the Fredericton railway bridge, the ice ran out on Saturday. From the Aberdeen mill at the head of Fredericton, and up river for 30 miles, ice and logs are jammed in huge masses and piled high.

At Bear Island, 25 miles above Fredericton, there is a jam of ice which extends to Springhill, where ice, logs and debris are inextricably mixed but it is generally felt in Fredericton that yesterday's clearing out has greatly lessened the danger for the bridges there.

A telephone message from J. Fraser Gregory at John O. Vanwart's last night brought the information that the ice was still running past that point. Mr. Gregory and crew of men will have their sheep boat from John O. Vanwart's to Palmer's Point, and electric lighting plant ready to start, and he expects to be able to catch all logs coming down river. This is the first time electric lights have ever been pressed into service on the river. Mr. Gregory expects to work night and day as long as the logs continue running.

At what is true of the St. John river is also true of its tributary streams. The ice is moving rapidly out of the Kennebecas valley where the Bellefleur is open as far as Newburg's Point. It is stated that G. & F. Flowering of Hampton, lost 3,000,000 logs in Hammond river and a similar number in the Kennebecas. They have been looking for services on the river. The most serious damage since the freshet started is reported from Stanley and is consequent upon the breaking of the ice. At the head of the Kennebecas, the high road is eight feet under water, the large steel bridge has been carried away, as well as several small bridges. An effort will be made to carry on a ferry service until the floods subside.

A number of logs were seen last week regarding the extent and value of their logs up river. Messrs. Hayward state they have about 300,000 feet of logs between Stanley and the head of the river. Messrs. Randolph & Baker have between 400,000 and 500,000 feet above Fredericton. Messrs. Murray & Gregory have about 13,000,000 feet.

At Indianston. The steamship returned from up river about 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, after a trip that has broken all records for early navigation by steam craft on the St. John river. The freighters began to run, and the freighters began to run. The freighters began to run. The freighters began to run. The freighters began to run.

The ice situation on the Kennebecas at Hampton correspondent writes: "The ice went out of the Kennebecas just as they expected this year. The immense freshet has carried away all the boats around here and not a log remains in the river. Across of logs and debris are piled up. The ice is now in the water. The ice is now in the water. The ice is now in the water. The ice is now in the water.

At Kingsclear on Sunday forenoon the ice jam started and ran for about 100 yards. The ice was then broken up and the water was clear. The ice was then broken up and the water was clear. The ice was then broken up and the water was clear. The ice was then broken up and the water was clear.

The new bridge at Long's Creek, 17 miles above Fredericton, has been washed away and carried 300 feet up the creek. The bridge was built by the Dominion Atlantic Railway and was the first to be carried away by the freshet.

The water rose with startling rapidity, and at one time a portion of the main highway of the village was inundated to a depth of eight feet.

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Chipman, March 21.—The freshet has broken up the ice in the Salmon river and many of the bridges are so damaged as to be rendered unsafe.

The Stanley bridge, the finest on the Nadevack, and having a span of 175 feet, was washed away and the McLagan bridge, four miles below, was also carried away. The Douglas milldam was torn out of position and carried down with the surging current. The mill also suffered great damage.

At Covered Bridge eight miles below Stanley, the freshet caused the death of Miss Priscilla Macpherson, daughter of Mrs. William Macpherson, aged 28. She was carrying a load of lumber in the house, and heaped the lumber on the roof. She was drowned, and her mother, who is over 70, only escaped a similar fate by clinging to a fence.

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broken up the ice in the Salmon river and many of the bridges are so damaged as to be rendered unsafe. The boom and pole just completed at Bridge Corner for holding Sayre & Holly's lumber, were swept down river yesterday with a flow of water that has been estimated to be 150 feet above the normal level.

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JOINS OTHER CITIES.

Council Takes Action on Bell Telephone Bill—Motion for Atlantic Standard Time.

The city of St. John has decided to join with other Canadian municipalities in fighting the Bell Telephone bill soon to become the Dominion parliament. Mayor Howland, of Toronto, president of the Union of Canadian municipalities, has been asked to send a circular letter to the municipalities to come before the Dominion parliament.

City Hall, Toronto, March 21, 1902. Dear Sir:—A special case has recently been tried in the city of Toronto, in an action between the city and the Bell Telephone Company of Canada, and the judgment was in favor of the city.

The honorable minister of justice has been asked for and has given an appointment for Wednesday next, 26th inst., at 11 a. m. to his office, Ottawa, to hear the Union of Municipalities opposing these bills.

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THE PROGRAMME COMPLETE.

How St. John's Lodge Centennial Will Be Celebrated by the Masonic Brethren.

The centennial of St. John's Lodge A. F. & M. is nearly at hand. The lodge was founded on April 5, 1802, when St. John was known as Parrtown. The next oldest is Abilene Lodge and it is 25 years younger than St. John's. The attaining to 100 years of existence is to be fully celebrated and preparations for festive functions are complete, under the management of Right Worshipful Master Dr. E. A. Preston.

On Friday evening, the 4th inst., about 30 Masonic brethren will be invited to a reception in the hall which is at present in the hands of decorators. Every lodge in the province will be represented. The 5th April is Centennial day and the program will be finished before the midnight hour.

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THE PROHIBITION MOVEMENT.

Government Receives Delegation—Request Taken Into Consideration.

A large number of prohibitionists from various provincial points before the local government here Saturday morning and urged the passage of legislation prohibiting the liquor traffic. J. K. Wood introduced the bill, and Mr. C. P. R. McCavour presented the petition signed by more than 9,000 persons. Addresses in support of it were made by Rev. D. Long, C. N. Vroom, W. D. Baskin, Ald. Maxwell, Rev. Geo. Scott, Mrs. S. D. Scott and others.

The government will deal with the question according to the usual procedure, and if it is decided to introduce prohibition legislation the bill will be submitted to the assembly for its approval before going to the house.

ATLANTIC STANDARD.

Hon. Mr. Blair Willing to Make Time Change on I. C. R.

W. H. Barnaby has received a communication from Hon. A. G. Blair, expressing his willingness to adopt Atlantic standard time on the I. C. R. The C. P. R. having already expressed a willingness to make a change, the matter can now be considered as definitely settled. Mr. Blair, the local agent of the D. A. R., has said that no doubt the D. A. R. will support the Atlantic standard time if other roads do.

The Ashcroft, B. C. Journal, of March 18, says: "The St. John Daily Telegraph which blew into this office a day or two ago was as welcome as an active of Fudge fog. The Telegraph is taking an active interest in an investigation of alleged irregularities at the City Hospital, which seems to be attracting a good deal of attention. It used to be about as difficult for a sick or injured person to gain admittance to that hospital as it is now to get a man that had strength enough left to hunt up any of the managing board usually recovered or died before he succeeded."

In the matter of the estate of the late Dr. John Berryman, hearing of the application to compel the executor, Mrs. John Berryman, to give security as executor for lands and property in which she has but a life interest, was postponed to April 8th.

The petition of Miss Julia A. Magee, sole residuary legatee of the estate of the late William H. Patton, for an order calling on the executor, Wm. B. Wallace, to pass the accounts and for the adjustment of the commission, was presented by John Kerr, K. C. Court records.

Drawing at Lunenburg. Halifax, March 21.—(Special)—Reuben Gagetown, aged 19, of Black Point, Lunenburg county, was drowned today while attending lobster traps.

What "Devil's Back" Came From. "Some of our readers may have wondered whence the "Devil's Back" derived its name, and we have taken the liberty of sending you the following information: A family named Debbil lived on the bank or hill many years ago, and for a long time the hill was called "Debbil's Back," but of late years the word "Debbil" has drifted into "Devil's" and it is now erroneously spoken of as the "Devil's Back."—Gagetown Gazette.

I. C. R. BUSINESS GROWTH.

Nine Hundred More Cars of Freight Last Month Than in February, 1901.

Statistics of freight handled by the Intercolonial railway at St. John during February showed that the total volume exceeded by 900 cars the amount handled in February last year, which represented \$90,000 more business. This is not so great an increase as the month of January, which showed over January, 1901, which was 2,000 cars greater, but the shorter month and harder weather had something to do with it.

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The Bank of British North America.

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1901.

Table with columns for DR. and CR. showing various financial items like To Capital, To Reserve Fund, To Deposits, etc.

Note: The latest monthly returns received from Dawson City and Atlin, are those of the 20th November, 1901, and the figures of those returns are introduced into the account.

EDWIN WATERHOUSE, GEORGE SNEATH, Of the Firm of Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants.

London, 20th February, 1902.

The 60th yearly general meeting of the bank was held on Tuesday at the office of the corporation, No. 1, Greenchurch street, E. C., Mr. E. A. G. Wallis presiding.

The secretary (Mr. A. G. Wallis) having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said: Before reading the notice which I have prepared respecting the business of the bank during the year 1901, I desire to welcome you to our new premises.

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BIRTHS.

BRIDGEPORT—In this city, on March 23, to the wife of Dr. J. Broderick, a son, ALBERT, Malvern, aged 2 years.

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LIBERALS GAVE CONSERVATIVES A GENEROUS SHOW IN THE SENATE.

Organization of Committees—Veteran Senator Wark Warmly Welcomed—Budget Debate Continued in House.

Ottawa, March 26.—(Special)—Before debate on the budget was taken up in the house today, Mr. Henderson (Halton) introduced a bill respecting the James Bay Railway Company, which was read a first time.

Mr. Plint introduced a bill to amend the Canadian Temperance Act, which was read a first time.

Mr. Blair (Peel) resumed the debate on the budget. He started out with a defence of the year's book prepared by George Johnson, which Sir Richard Cartwright showed the other evening was so erroneous in its figures that the population of Canada was given as 20,000,000.

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"SYLVY'S PIANNER."

By Mrs. Mary A. Denison

"Abner, I do think you're prospering real well, you might get Sylvie a pianer."

"This was said by Mrs. Dow, on a Monday morning to Abner, her husband, as he finished his second cup of coffee, and gave a little cough, preparatory to moving back his chair."

"Outside—was it the song of some strange bird, caroling? No, only the musical voice of 'Sylvie,' as they always called her, singing beside the morning glories, as she swung and rubbed and wrung out the clothes of the day's wash."

"Ma, now don't bring that up again. Sylvie is the daughter of plain farmer folk. I don't want no notions put in her head of that sort. Let her go as she's going, she's doin' well enough for us. Byemby she'll marry some good man a little forsothered, I hope, and then she won't want no pianer. I wouldn't hev one in the house."

"Seem's if she might eave something she wants, Sylvie ain't. And you ain't a poor man, neither. You could afford a couple of hundred dollars or more, for what would give her so much pleasure. She's savin' up herself, poor child, and she's got more'n fifty dollars just on the eggs and the garden things. I s'pose by the time she's thirty she'll have money enough to buy one herself."

"The voice and the sight followed the man all that day. Abner was what is called close.—"Yes," said his Quaker neighbor, "friend Abner is a very 'near' man."

"Why, mother, what is the matter?" queried Sylvie, standing back among the morning glories, a happy light in her laughing eyes, as her mother took her place at the rising tub. "You look for all the world as if you'd been crying."

"It's the smoke, I s'pose," was the quick reply, as the woman's gray head bobbed up and down. "It ails my eyes, and Sylvie, satisfied, went on singing. What mattered it to her that every minute of her life was filled up with homely duties, she obeyed all her moods. Some time she would have the dearest wish of her heart gratified—if she lived long enough, she could buy a piano for herself, no thanks to anybody. She knew her father was considered a rich man, but some way it never seemed to enter her mind to ask him for a piano. If only there were faires now that sometimes happen; if only some wonderful thing might happen!"

"Meantime, Abner, tired with his morning work, sat down under the shade of a fine chestnut tree, and the subject uppermost in his mind was 'Sylvie's pianer.' It had been rung on so many changes by his wife, the last three or four years, that it came to be the last thought at night, and the first one in the morning.

Book's Cotton Boot Compound. It is especially used for... The Book's Cotton Boot Compound.

No. 1 and No. 2 are sold in St. John by all responsible druggists.

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CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Dispensary of Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co. Boston.

