

40 FISHERMEN MEET AWFUL DEATH

HOUSE TO OPEN FEBRUARY 17

BREADWINNERS OF TWO NOVA SCOTIA HAMLETS VICTIMS OF BLIZZARD

LANDSDOWNE IS OUT FOR REFORM

Provincial Legislature Will Probably Be Called To Meet Third Week in February.

The Board of Education Passes Flag Flying Regulations— Brilliant Ball at Fredericton.

PRESIDENT TO BE ABSOLUTE IN CANAL ZONE

Mann Bill Providing For Administration Of Panama Canal Zone Passes Congress After Strong Session.

Practically the Entire Male Population of Whitehead and Dover Wiped Out by Great Storm Which Swept Eastern Nova Scotia Yesterday and Tuesday.

Fleet of 23 Haddock Fishermen Flee for Safety When Terrific Blizzard Sets In off Coast— Many Reach Haven but 17 Boats Are Unaccounted For and Worst Is Feared.

MADE YAKKE GOLD TO PASS ACROSS SEAS

Death Of Darius Ogdin Mills Sends From Twenty-Five To One Hundred Millions Of Dollars To England.

MASTER THIEF IS FREE WHILE DUPES SUFFER

Principal In Niagara Falls Express Company Robbery Fights Extradition Successfully.

Unionist Leader Declares for Reform of Upper House—Asks Both Parties To Help.

Austin Chamberlain Challenges Asquith—Peers Unable To Obtain Hearing—Poet in Fray.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 5.—The provincial legislature will in all probability be called to meet here on Thursday, February 17th.

The announcement as to the opening of the session has not as yet been made, however, but the 17th of next month will probably be the date finally selected.

The Provincial Government concluded its monthly meeting this afternoon with a short session following the meeting of the Board of Education.

The Government will meet here again about the 24th instant to make arrangements for the session of the Legislature.

Flag Flying. The Board of Education today passed regulations for the flying of the Union Jack on school buildings on public holidays and other occasions and also providing for periodical flag raising exercises in the schools.

The board also approved of the new course of English literature for high schools as recommended by the text book committee. The changes will go into effect with the next school year.

George W. Fowler, ex-M. P., appeared with his client, E. A. Charters, of Sussex, and put forward the claim that Mr. Charters and others be reimbursed for losses occasioned when the Hestigouche and Western Railway was granted a second charter over the Hestigouche and Victoria Company some years ago.

The matter was promised consideration. The government has adopted the report of J. Norman Winslow, the commissioner who looked into the affairs of the Grand Falls Power Company's development scheme and on and must show that up to November 29th last they had spent \$200,000 in the bonafide development of the water power.

The application of several companies for incorporation, including E. I. Kessen Company of St. Stephen and the McNair Lumber Co. of Red Rapids, were approved.

Elected Warden. At the annual meeting of the Sunbury County Council at Burton yesterday Councillor George Perley, of Manserville, who has been a councillor for about twenty five years, was honored with the election to the warden's ship.

A. B. White of Oromocto, was elected secretary and treasurer and J. Duff Mitchell, of Lincoln, was elected auditor.

In the case of Lombard of Waterville, Maine, vs. Dunbar Company of Woodville, before Chief Justice Barker in a summary court in which the plaintiff asked for \$50,000 damages for infringement of patent rights, the evidence is practically all in and the argument of counsel will be heard tomorrow.

One of the most brilliant social events of years at the military depot was the dances given this evening by Major C. F. O. Fleet and the officers of the depot.

About 150 guests attended, including the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Tweedle and a scene of dazzling brilliancy was made by the beautiful gowns of the ladies and the flashing scarlet dress uniforms of the officers, there being a goodly number of officers of militia regiments among the guests.

Furnished Music. An orchestra of 12 selected musicians under the leadership of ex-Band Sergt. Offen furnished music for the dance programme of 18 numbers and three supper extras and an elaborate supper was served about midnight.

Miss Millodora H. Bird is here rehearsing city amateurs for a presentation of the play, under the auspices of the Rodne Daughters in aid of the Victoria hospital.

St. Dunstan's from the Society amateurs will present a comedy "My Uncle from Inverness" on the Opera House, Arthur J. Conroy will have the title role.

Russell, a homesteader, hanged near Zealandia, Sask., was shot to death yesterday. Two other witnesses reported missing.

DEMOCRATS FIGHT TO LAST DITCH

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—With the Democrats fighting at every step, the Mann bill, providing for the administration of the Panama zone and centralizing the government thereof in the president of the United States, passed the house today by vote of 119 to 102. The vote was along strictly party lines. The minority kept the house in session until 6 o'clock this evening by offering amendment after amendment and demanding tellers on each vote. A futile effort was made by Representative Richardson, of Alabama, to have the measure recommitted to the committee on interstate and foreign commerce. An aye and nay vote resulted in 104 ayes and 136 nays.

Section 2 of the bill, which confers on the president military, civil and judicial powers, including the power to make laws, was the object of spirited attack. Representative Keifer, of Ohio, joined the Democrats in opposition. The respective attitudes of the majority and minority on this section may be best described by a question put to Representative Townsend, of Michigan, by Representative Garrett, of Tennessee and by Mr. Townsend's reply.

Legislative Power. "Do you believe that congress has any power under the constitution to confer legislative power on the president?" asked Mr. Garrett.

"Ordinarily, no," replied Mr. Townsend. "In this instance, yes. We are in Panama digging a canal and it is necessary for the president to have the power to make rules and regulations for the government of the zone while that work is in progress."

Representative Mann, author of the bill, argued that precedent for the conferment of such power on the executive was found in similar action by the Democratic congress at the time of the Louisiana purchase and when Florida was ceded to the United States by Spain.

Defending his party, Representative Harrison of New York said that disturbed internal conditions made such action necessary, but that the Democratic congress at the time of the Louisiana purchase and when Florida was ceded to the United States by Spain.

A motion of Mr. Hardwick of Georgia to strike out the section entirely was lost by the close vote of 85 to 90.

The bill, as it goes to the senate, authorizes the president to have the Panama Canal completed and to appoint a director-general of the canal and the canal zone, thus doing away with the canal commission. It invests the judicial power of the zone in one circuit court and such inferior courts as the president may constitute and allows appeal to the supreme court of the United States in all cases involving \$5,000 and in criminal cases, punishable by death or life imprisonment. Trial by jury is granted in all criminal prosecutions for felony.

Since the expiration of the 58th congress, there has been no act in terms authorizing the government of the canal zone, but ex-President Roosevelt continued in existence the civil government on the zone after the act of April 28, 1904, became ineffective automatically.

MAJOR FAIRWEATHER RETIRES FROM MILITIA

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 5.—Militia orders contained the following: 8th "Hussars": Major D. H. Fairweather, quartermaster resigns his commission and is placed upon the reserve of officers with rank of captain.

Provisional Lieutenant, R. A. March retires.

To be quartermaster with honorary rank of captain: Ralph Audley March, 4th Brigade 19th Battery; To be provisional lieutenant (superannuated): Arthur Eldon Barton.

78th Colchester, Hants and Picton regiment "Highlanders": Corps reserve, Captain H. C. Blair is retired retaining rank.

Winnipeg's retiring council urges the need for a new drill hall on the government.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, Jan. 5.—Over forty fishermen, the breadwinners and sole support of practically the entire male population of the villages of Whitehead and Dover were either drowned or frozen to death in their boats during a blizzard which swept the Nova Scotia coast during the past thirty-six hours. Twenty-five fishing boats containing over one hundred men left Dover and Whitehead before daylight yesterday morning and up to a late hour tonight only sixteen boats containing sixty men have reached their home ports. Eight boats containing over forty men are lost, and have either foundered or been driven far out to sea. No trace of them could be found by steamers that patrolled the fishing grounds and vicinity today. If the craft are still above the surface the forty occupants have undoubtedly perished as no human being could live in an open boat without food or water in the piercing cold and blizzard that has swept the vicinity during the past thirty-six hours.

Before Daylight. The haddock fleet left for the fishing grounds yesterday morning before daylight, the crews expecting to return as usual with nightfall. Fishing is good off Whitehead and about twenty-five boats from this and the neighboring fishing villages were on the fishing grounds at noon.

The boats appeared to have had good luck in fishing up to the middle of the day, but thereafter their trawling was carried on under great difficulties, but the hope of good catches was the lure which kept the fishermen from making harbor when the conditions became unfavorable.

Through the afternoon a number of fishermen became alarmed and put back to port. Five of the Whitehead boats got safely into port and three others managed to get into the shore, their crews being heard from this morning. This left seventeen still unaccounted for. A few of the remaining boats managed to get in and from them the story of the disaster comes.

Heavy Snow Storm. With very little warning a heavy snow storm set in during the early afternoon, shutting out the land from view. With the snow came a fierce gale and soon a perfect blizzard was raging. The southeaster made it impossible for any boat to make any progress towards land.

On the other hand, with the water lashed into a fury of towering waves, the only recourse for the occupants of the boats was to lay to while the furious wind swept their frail boats farther and farther out to sea. All the boats were in the same predicament and some were in very good circumstances for rendering assistance to sister craft.

There was very little food on board most of the boats and exposed in 20 foot open crafts to the terrors of a zero storm-driven atmosphere, and with icy waters thrown over their unprotected bodies the occupants of the boats, if alive, must be in a deplorable condition. Still, while there is life, there is hope, and efforts will be made to reach the boats that further endeavor would be futile.

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PROMINENT BANKER DEAD IN WEST

Special to The Standard. San Francisco, Jan. 5.—Another great American fortune will pass to England with the death here last night of Darius Ogdin Mills, whose estate is variously estimated at between \$25,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Mrs. John Hubert Ward, daughter of Mrs. Whitlaw Reid, and the Countess Granard, daughter of Ogdin Mills, are the granddaughters of the dead financier who will bring millions to their English husbands.

Darius Ogdin Mills had but two children, Ogdin Mills and Mrs. Reid. Both his granddaughters were recently married and the marriage of Miss Beatrice Mills to the Earl of Granard was the society event of the season.

A clever American girl who will inherit millions from the Mills estate is the twin sister of the countess, Miss Gladys Mills, whose engagement to an Englishman has often been rumored.

While it is believed that the bulk of the Mills estate will probably be inherited directly by Ogdin Mills and Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Ward, the Countess of Granard and Miss Gladys Mills, will probably receive considerably more.

The Earl of Granard and the Hon. John Hubert Ward were wealthy when they married, so that the added fortunes will make them among the wealthiest members of the titled classes in Great Britain.

Dies Very Suddenly. Darius Ogdin Mills died here at his home in California when he was 84. Death, caused by heart disease, came so suddenly that no physician was at the bedside when the financier passed away. Mrs. Reid, however, was by his side when the end came.

Ogdin Mills and his wife left for the east yesterday, thinking that Mr. Mills was in his usual health. White law Reid, as soon as he learned of the death of his father-in-law, made arrangements to leave London this week so that he could be present at the funeral, which will take place in New York.

Darius Ogdin Mills, although born within the shadow of New York city, went to California when gold was discovered there in 1847. He made \$40,000 the first year in a store at Sacramento and put all his proceeds in shipments from New York, which made him a wealthy man within a short time.

His luck in California was proverbial, everything he touched seemed to turn to gold. He did not confine his operations to any one line, but invested heavily in mines, railroads, timber and ranches. He founded the Bank of California when he was 40 years old, retired 10 years later, and two years afterward, when the cashier had involved the bank in losses of millions and committed suicide, Mr. Mills stepped in again, subscribed \$1,000,000 himself, raised \$7,000,000 more, served as president for three years without pay and left the bank as solvent as when he had first turned it over.

Built Three Hotels. His most famous investment was the Mills Hotels, three in number in New York city, which were innovative to the world, places where a poor man could obtain clean lodging and good food at small prices, yet which paid a profit to the builder.

A short time ago Mr. Mills deeded the three hotels to three trustees, himself, his son Ogdin and his daughter, Mrs. Reid.

His financial interests in New York, Mr. Mills was trustee of the Metropolitan Museum of Arts and the Carnegie Institute of Washington. He was president of the Bank of New York, of the Morton Trust Company and the United States Trust Company.

In California Mr. Mills was for some time regent of the University of California. In 1901 he donated an observatory to the university which was established near Santiago, Chile, and paid all expenses of the expedition to establish it for three years.

Although definite arrangements have not yet been made for the funeral, it is believed that Mr. Mills' body will be brought east and buried in the old Sleepy Hollow cemetery in Tarrytown, N. Y.

The steamer Madonna, of the Cyprus, Fabru and Company Line, went ashore off Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, early this evening. She lies in no danger. The Alberta, a small steamer running between Constable Hook, N. J., and Brooklyn, ran aground on the lower end of Governor's Island. The more timid of the passengers walked ashore on a plank. At 11 a. m. the temperature was 11 above.

PEACE COMING MUCH LEFT TO NICARAGUA

Managua Jubilant Over Telegram Received From Leader Of Revolutionists—Ready To Discuss Situation.

Managua, Jan. 5.—Managua is jubilant tonight over the prospects of peace, President Madrid made public the General Estrada's honorable character. I am leaving for Managua to settle the country's situation with you directly."

President Madrid also gave out a telegram which he has received from General Estrada in which Generals Gonzalez, Castillo, Gomez and other prisoners are reported as well.

ANOTHER COOK YARN IS NAILED ON HEAD

Principal In Thrilling Rescue Told By Cook Explodes Story—Imaginative Author Nowhere In Sight.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 5.—A. D. Burton, an Alaskan prospector, declared untrue today the story told by Dr. Frederick A. Cook, about rescuing Burton from a bear.

"The year of Dr. Cook's last trip to Alaska I had an experience with a bear that came near ending my life and I was chewed up pretty severely. I was greatly surprised when the Cook article was published to see in it my picture and the story of how the Cook party had rescued me from the jaws of death. As a matter of fact, Cook was not within 150 miles of me at the time the bear and I mixed. In the magazine also was a picture of my struggle with the bear, which of course, was a fake."

ONE IS KILLED IN TROLLEY COLLISION

New York, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Fog and a persistent drizzle which froze as it fell, glazing the sidewalks, the streets and the rails of the traction companies were responsible for a trolley car collision on the Williamsburg bridge in which one man was killed and two injured, the grounding of two steamers, many minor injuries to pedestrians and much inconvenience to traffic.

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PROMISE TO MAKE RESTITUTION

Niagara, Falls, Ont., Jan. 5.—The utmost regret was expressed on both sides of the border this afternoon when it became known that Flynn, the alleged master mind of the \$14,000 express robbery of November 4th, was given as witness at Lockport today, as the result of the conference between the Ontario and New York state authorities and solicitor Mr. Watts for Flynn.

It is understood that District Attorney Ackerson before an indictment could be made requested the appearance as witness before the grand jury of both Whistler and Dobson. This the Canadian authorities 'could not risk as they may lose Whistler if not Dobson if once across the border. The Canadian Express Company officials and detectives who are handling the case were in conference with Flynn himself who it is said made a confession of his connection in the robbery and has made restitution by promising to return part of the loot.

It is said he received amounts differing from \$900 to \$200. Flynn returned to his home at Niagara Falls, New York, this afternoon.

Company Silent. The express company officials will neither deny or confirm anything that occurred at Lockport, saying it will all be made public at the hearing Friday.

District Attorney Ackerson claims there was nothing else for him to do but move for the release of Flynn and his release was ordered by County Judge Hickey on account of the Canadian authority refusing to permit Cashier Dobson and Whistler to appear as witnesses. At present it is very heavy, a hundred of them on the ment while Dobson and Whistler, his two dupes and underlings who were led into the affair by him, are in jail with long terms of imprisonment staring them in the face.

GERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOLLOW MINERS' FRAY

Three Killed And Many Injured As Result Of Pitched Battle Among Laborers In British Columbia.

Special to The Standard. Grand Forks, B. C., Jan. 5.—Reports heretofore carefully guarded and hushed up, have reached here and been confirmed that a fight between two sections of miners at Phoenix on New Year's eve, was a most serious affair. At least seventy men were on each side in the fight, which took place near one of the hotels. The Welsh and English were pitted against the Italians. Three men are reported dead and fifteen in the hospitals as a result. The row began in a small way but some bad blood that had been rising for some time between the miners of different nationalities, caused a general battle.

IOWA WOMAN IS DESERTED IN OTTAWA

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Deserted by her husband on Christmas morning, without even enough money to pay postage on a letter to her home in Iowa, U. S., and with a sick infant of six months to carry, Mrs. Gordon Robinson, age twenty years has found herself alone and destitute in the Windsor Hotel in this city where she is an absolute stranger.

Her husband brought her here from Rockridge, Iowa, where they had lived for two years. On December 16th they registered at the Windsor and on December 25th the husband disappeared and has not since been heard of.

The hotel management placed her with a mission settlement until friends could be communicated with and funds procured to take her to Chicago.

Tariff Reform

In conclusion, Lord Lansdowne advocated tariff reform, with a moderate scale of duties as the only visible remedy for the evils all desired to remove.

All the great leaders were again speaking in various parts of the country tonight. Austin Chamberlain challenged Premier Asquith to produce proofs of his assertion that unemployment was felt as much in protected countries as in Great Britain. The campaign seems to have a great attraction for the literary class. Alfred Austin, the poet laureate, joined the fray tonight by issuing a letter in which he points out that the present House of Lords includes 200 members who served the country in the army or navy, a hundred of them on the battlefield, to say nothing of those who perished in the shock of war. One hundred and seventy had been members of the House of Commons and he declares that it is impossible to call such a body unrepresentative.

PEARY UNWILLING TO SHARE POLE HONORS

Commander Confident That Andree Never Reached Top Of Earth— Says Indian Story Is A Myth.

Bangor, Me., Jan. 5.—Just before his lecture tonight, Commander Peary took occasion to discredit the reports of the discovery of the remains of Andree's balloon, 900 miles north of Prince Albert, Sask., near Reindeer Lake in the Arctic circle, which have been sent out by Catholic missionaries in that region. He is confident that the Andree expedition never reached the Pole.

"Similar reports of the finding of wreckage of the ill-fated Jeannette on the north coast of Siberia were heard for years until they were finally discredited by the knowledge that Melville and De Long had landed at Lena Delta," said Commander Peary. In my opinion, Andree's party came to grief and their balloon dropped into the Polar Ocean shortly after their start. The chances are that they were either drowned or that they starved miserably to death upon an ice floe. I doubt if their exact fate will ever be known."

RELIEF CARAVAN SENT TO MAROONED TRAIN

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 5.—A relief caravan with provisions and clothing for a marooned east bound passenger train on the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake R. R., which has been stalled by washouts in the desert near Caliente, Nev., since last Sunday night, is expected to reach the train by tomorrow morning. The 150 passengers on the marooned train are fairly comfortable, it is said.

40 FISHERMEN MEET DEATH

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Today a heavy north-northwest gale prevails on the fishing grounds. Thick snow is settling over the scene, blotting out the view and impeding searchers. Along with this is a vapor which lies over the surface of the ocean still more impenetrable than the snow.

Another Boat.
One of the boats which arrived at Whitehead this morning reports having seen another boat ashore on the Dogfish Rock at the eastern entrance of the harbor. Evidently she had almost succeeded in reaching the desired haven in safety when the combined heavy wind and sea carried her onto the treacherous rock. This crew was rescued later.

Still another boat was reported, and as in the case of the previously mentioned fishing boat, the prospects for its ultimate safety are slim indeed. This boat contained seven men from Port Felix, but the hard fishermen from the "Port of Happiness" were in a sad plight. The sails of their little boat were torn and with the increasing force of the elements it is probable that they were reduced to tatters shortly after their comrades saw them. Those in the rescued boat and others in a position to be capable judges, feel that the chances of escape are very meagre.

The inhabitants of the settlements are in a state of great excitement. Nearly all those from Whitehead have relatives among those adrift in the broad Atlantic. Their feelings can be better imagined than described. Without exception those who escaped and those who remained behind yesterday are ready to risk their lives in a search for their missing comrades, but only craft of substantial tonnage can be of assistance in the great emergency. In the meantime a government steamer is patrolling the fishing grounds in search of the missing vessels.

Canoe Boats Safe.
A. N. Whitman this afternoon received a dispatch from Cape Cod stating that all the boats of that fleet had succeeded in reaching their home port safely. Their safe arrival at that port was a cause for great thankfulness that the boats were safe.
Two of the Dover homes, those of Daniel Munro and William Fougere, have already been called upon to mourn the loss of two sons drowned from a Luncarty vessel early this season. Now the father, Daniel Munro, and a son, Norman Fougere, have been taken away. Rev. Father McKeough of Dover has been with his parishioners all day trying to comfort and cheer as best he can under the fearful anxiety. It is feared that the Dover boats were rather poorly fitted which fact makes their case more hopeless.

CHIN LEM TELLS OF SWEETHEART'S DEATH

Murder of Bow Kum, The Chinese Slave Girl, Now Before Courts in New York City.

New York, Jan. 5.—Chin Lem told the jury today how he found his sweetheart, Bow Kum, lying in a pool of blood on the floor of her sleeping room in New York's Chinatown. Lau Tang and Lau Chang, members of the Four Brothers' Society, are on trial for the murder. Chin, although he has spent but eight months of his life in China, testified that he had a wife there. It was under China laws he explained, that he later married Bow Kum, at San Francisco at the Chinese mission. He paid her rent here, he said, but they lived apart. Under cross-examination he was unable to explain where he got his money. After he has come east the prisoners now on trial, asked \$3000 in behalf of the Four Brothers' Society. Chin testified in payment for Bow Kum, who in San Francisco belonged to Lau Hai Dong, a member of the society. Chin refused to pay and the murder followed soon.

LATE SHIPPING

British Ports.
Brow Head, Jan. 5.—Passed: Str Eynhoe, from Sydney, C. B., and Gaspe, Que. for
Liverpool, Jan. 5.—Ard: Strs Southwark from Portland; Cymric from New York via Queenstown; Lake Champlain from St. John, N. B.; Bristol, Jan. 5.—Ard: Str Manxman from Portland.
Glasgow, Jan. 5.—Ard: Str Carthaginian from Philadelphia via St. Johns, N. F.
Plymouth, Jan. 5.—Ard: Str Tueton from New York for Cherbourg and Southampton.
London, Jan. 5.—Ard: Strs Manilton from Philadelphia for Antwerp; Georgian from Boston.

Foreign Ports.
Boothbay Harbor, Me., Jan. 5.—Ard: Strs E. T. Hamor from New Harbor; Otis Miller from Boston; Victoria, (Br.) from Lunenburg, N. S.
Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 5.—Ard: Str Domain from St. John, N. B., for Boston.
Returned: Str Nettie Shipman from Weehawken for St. John, N. B.
Vineyard Haven, Mass., Jan. 5.—Ard: Str Alaska, (Br.) from New York for St. John, N. B.
Sid: Str Alcega, (Br.) from Bridgewater, N. B., for New Haven.

LEGISLATION FOR STEERAGE CONDITIONS

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—The treatment of women immigrants during their occupancy of steerage accommodations resulting in some cases to gross immorality led to the introduction today by Senator Dillingham of a bill providing for the presence of United States surgeons, immigrant inspectors and matrons on all vessels carrying immigrant or emigrant passengers between United States and foreign ports.

SENSATIONAL BREAK IN COTTON MARKET

Strong Wall Street Clique Said To Be Responsible For Sudden Plunge In Market—Closed Weak.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 5.—There was a sensational break in the cotton market late today with May deliveries selling off to 15.60 or 57 points lower than last night, 64 points below the best level of the day and 83 points or \$4.30 per bale below the high level of the season.

Selling orders came from all directions and it looked as though there was a regular panic among longs following the record breaking advances of late last year. It was rumored that the cotton interest was unloading and it was also reported that a strong Wall street clique had been formed to depress prices.

Today's advances from the south were generally bullish as to the spot situation, but there were rumors of increased offerings which probably aided in precipitating the tremendous liquidation late in the day. The sensational break of today came very suddenly with the market declining over \$3 per bale in less than an hour's time. The market closed weak at a net decline of 25 to 58 points, with May selling at 15.50, or at the lowest. It is estimated that the big southern bulls had bought fully 150,000 bales in an ineffectual effort to check the decline.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP WINS OUT IN MANITOBA

Believed That Grain Growers' Association Will Be Successful In Appeal To Government For Elevator Reforms.

Special to The Standard.
Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 5.—A distinct step in advance towards government ownership of interior elevators was made today when a memorial containing a proposed scheme for the establishment of such a system of elevators throughout Manitoba was presented to the Government by a special committee, which has been in session in Winnipeg since Monday, and is believed to be a scheme for the Government ownership of elevators which will be both feasible and at the same time meet with the requirements of the grain trade, and the wishes of the farmers. It cannot be called the production of one man or even of the committee of men for it is the product of years of serious consideration on the part of the farmers throughout the province.

The Main Facts.
1.—To acquire or erect elevators by the issue of provincial forty year bonds.
2.—To offer to purchase the elevators now in existence on a basis of valuation to be determined by an estimation of the cost of duplication, not the value as a running concern, little attention being paid to vested rights.
3.—To have administration by a commission above and beyond all political domination.
4.—The commission to be named by the directorate of the Grain Growers' Association and appointed for five years by the Government.
5.—No cost of operation or maintenance to be a charge upon the province. The elevator system, when inaugurated, to be self-sustaining.
6.—All employees in connection with elevators to be engaged by the commission.
7.—The head offices to be in Winnipeg where samples will be kept and business transacted.
8.—Particular attention to be paid to the special binning of wheat.
9.—The system of operation to be based largely on the scheme upon which present owners operate. Inspection is provided for and daily reports are to be furnished to the head offices, from whom the quotations will be furnished.
10.—The cost of establishing the system is estimated at \$3,000,000 including remodeling of buildings to meet requirements of new conditions.
11.—Commission to be responsible for shipments and weight.
12.—Operators of elevators to have absolutely nothing to do with grading beyond taking the samples.
13.—Identity of grain to be preserved until placed on the market.

General Discussion.
In connection with all these points a general discussion took place in which nearly every member of the delegation took part, and in which the members of the Government evinced particular interest in every phase of the case.
The question of salary for the commissioner and his two assistants was brought up, and it was suggested that the chairman should receive \$8,000 and the assistants \$6,000 each.
The Government proposed to give the memorial its most serious consideration, and to call a meeting of the executive of the association together at an early date for the further consideration of the matter. The fact that the Premier is going to Iowa in a few days prevented a date being fixed, but a promise was given that ample time would be furnished for a consideration of the bill before the opening of the Legislature in February.

DEATHS

Cochran.—At Bridgetown, N. S., on the 4th inst., William H. Cochran, formerly a resident of this city, leaving a wife and three children to mourn their loss.
Funeral on Friday, 7th inst., from the residence of Mr. A. R. Campbell, 195 Waterloo street. Funeral service at 2.30.

REFERENCE MADE TO SMALL ATTENDANCE AT WEEK OF PRAYER

Speakers Last Evening Regretted Standard's Story Of Crowds At Prize Fight Pictures Was Too True.

The comparison made by The Standard yesterday between the eight people that attended a united prayer service of four churches on Tuesday night owing to the disagreeable weather and the hundreds of people who braved the bitter cold and struggled for a considerable time in order to gain admission to the moving pictures of a prize fight, was referred to last evening in several of the churches in which service was held in connection with the week of prayer. All of last night's services were well attended.

In the St. Andrew's group services was held at St. David's church and Rev. H. D. Marr, of the Queen Street Methodist church, spoke on the Compensation of Discipleship. One of these compositions, he said in the course of his address, was that the disciple would have the satisfaction of a surfeit and satisfactory service. It had been said and not without reason, that the church was losing its hold as an attraction for the people and as an example of this fact, he referred to the story printed in yesterday's Standard. If such was the case it was due to the fact that in seeking and gaining other things the church had lost the true spirit and method of service. It was service that counted today as in the past.

Large Attendance Last Night.
At St. John's Presbyterian church in which the Centenary group held their service, there was a good attendance and one of the speakers in the course of his remarks referring to the story said he hoped The Standard would take notice that there was a large congregation present.

In Carleton at the Charlotte street Baptist church Rev. M. E. Fletcher expressed regret that there should be a large attendance at "a brutal exhibition and a small one at a prayer service." It was a pity, he said, that a Christian city should make such a showing during a week of prayer. He was glad the people on the West Side had adopted a different course.
At St. Luke's church where the church of the North End held their meeting, no reference was made to the matter. Rev. D. Hutchinson, who led the service, speaking with The Standard afterwards, said that in the North End they were not like the people in the city. They did not go in for fights or tens but for hundreds and had had large congregations every night.

INCREASED COST OF LIVING INVESTIGATED

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Three important developments today mark the inquiries started with a view to ascertain the responsibility for the increased cost of living.
Senators Elkins of West Virginia, and Crawford of South Dakota, introduced resolutions providing for a congressional investigation, the war department having announced to congress that there was a deficiency of \$1,585,625 for the subsistence of the army during the past year, mainly because of the enhanced cost of food.
Mr. O. Teed, of St. Louis, is appearing with R. B. Hanson for plaintiff and P. J. Hughes for defendant.
Afternoon Proceedings.
This afternoon George Seymour of Kingsley, York county, a son-in-law of Lyons was the first witness called. He told of Lyons and Mrs. McLean having come to his home last fall and remaining there for some weeks.
Miss Effie McLean, daughter of the plaintiff was also called. She was on the witness stand when adjournment was taken. Her evidence included a statement that Lyons and her mother had had their picture taken at Kingman, Maine, where the plaintiff swore they were registered as man and wife at a hotel there following the elopement from Lake George. She also told of an occasion when Lyons took her and her two sisters to the circus in Fredericton with their mother. Lyons paid all the bills and when they returned to Lake George that night the whole party went to Lyons' apartment over his store.
The case will take all day tomorrow.

MT. ALLISON LADIES' COLLEGE WILL HAVE RECORD ATTENDANCE

Seminary Growing More Popular Every Year—Fawcett Hall Nearly Ready—Dr. Borden's Daughters Going West

Principal Borden of the Ladies College, Sackville, is in the city. These are great days in the institution of which he is the head. New and additional accommodations have been provided and still the house is full. Last term beat any previous record and the coming term will have a still larger attendance.

Fawcett Hall, which will be completed in June for the convocation exercises next spring, will seat about 1200 persons, and will give stage accommodation for any musical performance. Hitherto there has been nothing larger than Little's Hall which could seat only about 500.
Dr. Borden is seeing his daughters, Elaine and Gladys, off for Columbia College. Both are graduates in arts of Mt. Allison University, while one has taken the Ladies' College course in fine arts, the other domestic science. This university confers the degree in a wide range of courses, and these Sackville ladies are following up their studies in art, and in domestic science respectively.

LAKE GEORGE AFFINITY CASE ON AT CAPITAL

Proceedings In Case Of H. Allen McLean Who Is Asking Damages For The Alienation Of His Wife's Affections.

Fredericton, Jan. 5.—In the York circuit court this morning before Judge Landry, the case of H. Allen McLean vs. James Lyons, commonly known as the "Lake George affinity case," was commenced and the proceedings attracted a large number of spectators.
McLean is asking for damages to the extent of \$2500 from Lyons for alienating his wife's affections.
Following the preliminary work this morning the plaintiff was on the stand the greater part of the session. His examination commenced shortly before the adjournment at noon.
McLean seeks damages for the loss of his wife, her company and her services in caring for him and their ten children, and claims that Lyons assaulted, ill-treated and debauched his wife and made her sick for a long time.
The case of the defence is briefly the plea of not guilty and that the defendant believed that Mrs. McLean had been compelled through threats and violence to leave her husband and that he had harbored her.
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RECOVERS SILVERWARE STOLEN FROM PREMIER

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Two years ago the residence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier was burglarized and some valuable silverware was stolen. Every effort to trace it was unavailing until today when Benoit Rouleau, the veteran city diver, brought several of the articles back to earth from the deep bed of the Ottawa river. He was compelled to leave beneath the cold waters, watches, spoons and other tiny silver, as well as the weather ten degrees below zero, and a foot or so of ice covering the river, he had to wear such heavy gloves that he could not grasp so small a thing as a dinner fork. Rouleau recovered a silver teapot, a sugar bowl, salt cellars and other tableware. He will go down later in the week. Some of the loot is believed to have come from Montreal. The Premier's initials were on several of the articles. The police are looking for a Jeweler who formerly resided here, and is now believed to have crossed the border.
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APPOINT COMMITTEE TO NEGOTIATE UNION OF MISSION FIELDS

Baptist Foreign Mission Board Discuss Purchase Of London Society's Property—Simms Memorial Completed

At a meeting of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board yesterday afternoon a committee was appointed to meet representatives from the Upper Canadian Board here in February, for the purpose of considering the advisability of the two boards uniting in the missionary work they are doing in India.

The matter of the union was discussed at considerable length by those present at the meeting. The fields that are kept up by the boards in India add up one another and there are eight or ten stations in each. By uniting the two it is believed the work could be better and more successfully carried on and a large number of missionaries, between sixty and seventy, would be working under one board.
The committee appointed by the local board consists of Mr. W. H. White, Rev. Dr. McIntyre, Rev. D. Hutchinson, Mr. A. A. Wilson, Rev. W. V. Higgins, Rev. I. C. Archibald and Mr. E. M. Sipprell.

Another matter considered was the proposal to purchase from the London Missionary Society, its station in India which is a connecting link between the Upper Canadian and local missions. A communication was read from the Upper Canadian board offering to pay one-half of the price of the London board's property. It was decided to find out what the London board would sell for. It is believed the sum will be about \$20,000.
A communication was read from Rev. H. Y. Corey, of Chicoutimi, stating that the T. S. Simms memorial church had been completed.
Mr. W. H. White presided at the meeting and those present were, Rev. Dr. McIntyre, Rev. D. Hutchinson, Rev. M. E. Fletcher, Rev. W. Camp, Mr. Wm. Peters, Mr. W. C. Cross, Mr. A. H. Chipman, Rev. I. C. Archibald and Rev. B. H. Nobles.

NO CHANGE IN RATES FOR BRAKEMEN

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The Railway Commission this morning decided not to forbid the presence of brakemen on the top of moving trains. The proposal was made for the purpose of allowing the reduction of the height of bridges and overhead crossings of railways. At present there has to be 22 feet 6 inches between the rails and the bridge, so there will be room for brakemen to stand on the top of the cars without danger. If the height of the bridges could be reduced by keeping brakemen off the tops of freight trains the cost of overhead crossings would be greatly reduced.
The proposal to remove the brakemen was opposed as impracticable by representatives of the Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern and other lines. They declared that even with air brakes on all freight trains there was need for men on the tops of cars to give signals and to supplement the air on grades. The board decided not to interfere with the present conditions.

FIRST GIRL STUDENT TO WIN COVETED PRIZE

Men at the Royal Academy Schools, London, Beaten by Miss Robilliard—Number of Girls in School Grows.

London, Jan. 5.—Miss Marianne Robilliard has made a record. She is the first girl student to win the gold medal and travelling studentship at the Royal Academy Schools, a prize worth £200.
At one time the gold medal was a separate award and twice it has been won by girls, who, however, did not succeed in obtaining the higher prize. The school, one part of Burlington House, and the students are admitted by competition and receive free education for six years, the professors being the royal academicians, who teach a month at a time in rotation.
In the beginning the students were all men and the dismay of the academicians can be imagined when they found that one year they had admitted a girl. The names of the successful candidates are not known until after the judging of the work sent in the competition for admission to the schools. At first the academicians were at a loss to know what to do with the successful student, but finally they decided to let her work in the school with the men. At the present time the state of affairs has completely changed; for girls number as many as the men and they carry off an increasing number of the prizes. This year they took eight out of sixteen.
There are three gold medals and travelling studentships, one for painting, one for sculpture and one for architecture, the two latter being awarded to A. Buxton and H. Jewell respectively. The subject for painting, the prize for which has been won by Miss Robilliard, is "Dives and Lazarus." There were many competitors, but Miss Robilliard's picture was by far the best. It is well composed and admirably painted and the scheme of coloring is promising. The idea is treated allegorically, for the figure of Christ is introduced behind Lazarus, while the child in the foreground with the peacock's feathers and the hour-glass is typical of time and the vanity of the world.

RUMORS AGAIN SHAKE ROCK ISLAND STOCKS

Report Of Friction Among Leading Interests Cause Of Seven Point Break In Common Stock.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Reports of friction among the leading interests in the Rock Island Company, rumors that Daniel O. Reid was to go abroad and that he would retire from the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, caused a break of 7 1/2 points in the common stock of the road today and a decline of more than three points in the preferred stock.
The financial district has heard a great deal about Rock Island since the sensational movement in the stock a fortnight ago.
Today's rumors had it that very serious differences had broken out between those who control the property and an open breach was hinted at. These were denied in responsible quarters. Reports that Mr. Reid contemplated an early departure for Europe also were denied.

WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Women who are so attractive should be content to their lot. The effect of a ten ruined by a stride. Physiognomists have made a character indicating features of the head. Y. strikingly does show itself in the in the shape of a. It requires no character delineation woman's walk. If the steps be tall, timidly, by of confidence at strides be long firm and arms no further evidence.

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CHARACTER IN A WOMAN'S WALK

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DELUGED BY A RAIN OF KISSES

Isaac Benofsky Would be Kissed by Police Had Not Rescued Hyman Levine-- Kissed Him Even After That

New York, Jan. 5.--For a few minutes yesterday it looked as if Hyman Levine of No. 145 Delancey street was going to annex a new brother for Christmas.

THE WOMEN OF THE ORIENT

The Position of the Fair Sex in China--Success of Doctors of Their Own Sex--Docile and Eager to Learn.

In China, as in other Eastern countries, it is imperatively necessary if women are to be reached to reach them by women. Though not absolutely secluded as in Indian zenanas, a Chinese woman is practically unapproachable to men who are not near relatives; she does not, it is true, turn her back and avert her face when a stranger appears as a Korean woman does, neither does she veil her face as a Mohammedan woman would do; but nevertheless she is kept apart from intercourse with men, and to listen freely to male teachers, though far more possible in these latter days of emancipation than if ever was before, is still a difficulty and an impertinence.

MANY VOLUNTEERS FOR MISSION FIELDS

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 5.--Crowding the platform of Convention Hall at the close of the quadrennial international convention of the Student Volunteer Movement last night, ninety-two college and university students offered themselves for service as foreign missionaries.

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The Winter Modes Breathe Exotic Air

The Coat Long or Short -- A Decided Fancy for Gowns of White Material--Walking Skirts Made Awkward by Fashionable Band of Fur--Much Braid and Embroidery.

New York, Jan. 5.--There is a splendid air about the winter fashions, one both medieval and exotic. The extravagant and rather bizarre use of fur speaks of barbaric Russia of the Middle Ages, the radiant gold and silver fabrics, the crystal strewed gauzes and the glittering brocades suggest Byzantine sources and the sumptuous velvets, the soft thick woollens and the heavy silken stuffs might have come straight from the looms of medieval Europe.

Period gowns have a decided vogue and will be considered further on in this article, but the two little gowns just described come under this head. A more conventional frock of willow green velvet has the Russian tunic edged with chinchilla, showing about twelve inches of the plain velvet underskirt, and there is also a band of chinchilla on the sleeves above a velvet puff collar and a blouse of silver tulle veiled with gray chiffon.

10 More Victories. Toronto, Jan. 5.--Later returns of local option voting show added gains for the temperance forces. To the column of 61 victories have been added 10 more. To offset these there are eight additional places where the temperance cause lost under the three-fifths ruling. Special interest centres about the city of Brantford, which gave a simple majority, according to official figures, of 811 for local option, but which was still disqualified under the three-fifths clause. The vote stood 2711 against 1900. As 53 more votes would have carried the by-law, a recount has been demanded, and the temperance organization is being maintained for further effort. Returns so far received show the following result: Contests, 161; carried, 71; lost, 90. The three-fifths clause 54; defeated, 17; repeats, 2; places still to hear from, 11.

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There is Much Said in Favor of the Supposition—Several Theories Advanced as to Brilliancy of Famous Star.

THE CLOSTER FANCY OF THE DARK AGES

The year of Halley's comet lends some piquancy to the old suggestion that the Star of Bethlehem was a heavenly body of that order, says The Literary Digest. No one ventures to assert that the stellar phenomenon which moved the magi to travel to the court of Herod was really Halley's comet, which made its appearance in 1066 B.C. but the modern Christian, asserts Mr. Waldemar Kaempfert, seeks for a scientific explanation of the Star of Bethlehem "in the hope of removing the doubt upon the narrative of Matthew, but to give its astronomical support."

Discovery of Comets. Mr. Kaempfert writes: "The supposition is made in favor of the comet at the rate of two or three a year. Not all of them are particularly brilliant, but it is not inconceivable that one of these comets occasionally appeared that were brilliant enough to strike terror into superstitious hearts. Indeed, the law of gravitation applied to the comet which bears his name and which has revisited the earth at intervals of seventy-five and one-half to seventy years, comets were regarded as divine messengers, as omens of good or evil, and particularly as harbingers of pestilence and war.

Protest Bill. Toronto, Jan. 5.—The executive committee of the Dominion Marine Association yesterday unanimously voted complete disapproval of the insurance bill now before the Senate, so far as the clauses relating to marine matters are concerned.

Dead Suddenly. Woodstock, Jan. 5.—Albert Patterson, an old and well-known citizen of this town, died suddenly last evening at his home. He was in his 68th year, and a resident here for the past 15 years.

Dead in Manchester. Manchester, N. H., Jan. 5.—Mr. John H. Whitten, superintendent of the Stark Mills in New Hampshire, one of the largest manufacturing concerns of New England, died yesterday afternoon in this city.

Managers Water Power. The Board of Trade has forwarded to the City Council a resolution asking the council to co-operate with the board in ascertaining the value of the water power in the city.

Action for Damages. Mr. E. H. McAlpine, acting for Mr. Milford Ferris, has presented to the city a claim for damages for injuries sustained by his client in a fall over Rodney Wharf, Carleton.

Two Slight Fires. Firemen were called out at noon for two slight fires, neither doing any great damage. The first was in a house in Exmouth Street, owned by Mr. Traflet and occupied by Mrs. Traflet and her children.

Canada's Anxiety is Not Taken Seriously at Washington—Mr. Balfour Makes Great Speech at Henley.

SHIPS SEGREGATED IN HOME WATERS

Washington, Jan. 5.—The concern manifested in Canada regarding the presence of American naval vessels on the Great Lakes is not taken very seriously in Washington. People are inclined to smile at the idea, broached in the Dominion Parliament, that Canadian shipping would be at the mercy of the United States in the remote event of difficulties arising between the two countries.

Eight All Told. They are eight in number. Of this number only one strictly belongs to the United States navy—namely, the Essex, a vessel of the old paddle-wheel type, built in 1842. She is only 164 feet long over all.

As the campaign against the peers weakens, the German naval menace and home rule comes to the front. At yesterday's annual gathering of the House of Commons at Belfast, the Liberal Unionist speaker, Mr. Balfour, said that the Liberal party were not prepared to support the bill which would give the House of Lords the right to veto any bill passed by the House of Commons.

Home Rule. On this side of the Irish Channel, however, little is heard as yet of the Liberal Unionist speaker's enthusiasm for it. Unionists have other things to think of. With the German menace it is quite different. Balfour has seldom spoken with more enthusiasm than he did last night, when with all gravity as ex-premier, he declared on diplomatic authority that the experience of the past four years had convinced Germany that the day was quickly approaching when the British Empire would go down before them.

Sudden Magnificence. "If the Star of Bethlehem was in truth a nova which flashed into being in a night and soon outshone all the other stars, it must assuredly have attracted the notice of a practised astronomer. The occurrence constitutes an infringement of which it could not be reconciled with those regularly recurring stellar phenomena which the temple priests were in the habit of observing and even of foretelling. At a time when science was still more or less shrouded in mysticism, it was but natural that a peculiar significance should have been given to such a sudden apparition, particularly when it is considered that the Jews were yearning for the birth of a king who would free them from the Roman yoke and whose coming had been mysteriously heralded in those prophetic words of Balaam: 'I shall see him, but not now; I shall behold him, but not nigh; there shall come a star out of Jacob and a scepter out of Israel.'

Celestial Pinwheel. "That dizzy whirling celestial pinwheel may be regarded either as the centre of a new solar system or as a new-born world—not a rock-encased, non-swinging, such as ours, but a glowing chaotic mass. Gases and fine dust compose the hot spiral streams of the celestial pinwheel; and the dust, gathered in great whirling clouds, is periodically interposed between the sun and the star, and thus causes those more or less regular obscurations which are so characteristic of many new stars. The effect of this whirling on the mass of gas and dust is to produce a flat disk, intensely hot and dense at the centre, extremely attenuated and cold at the remote outer edge. As soon as the pinwheel formation is gradually obliterated through the action of gravitation and other forces, evidence enough of these mysterious processes are found in those vast expanses of misty light which are called nebulæ, because of their appearance. These nebulæ are the products of dust and gases thrown out by colliding dead stars, and out of them planetary systems have been formed.

Manitons, Man., Jan. 5.—C. A. G. Agnew's new brick store, occupied by the Manitons Trading Company, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. The building and stock were insured for \$10,000.

Love Letters of Poet to be Published. Paris, Jan. 5.—Seventy-nine autograph love letters of the poet Alfred de Musse, which were deposited thirty years ago with the National Library, were opened today. They will be published shortly. The letters were given to the French nation at the instance of Jules Troubat by the woman to whom they were addressed on the promise that they would not be printed until a certain time had elapsed after her death. She is described as Mlle X, and it has been stipulated that her real name be kept secret.

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5,600 Unionist Meetings Held in England in One Night—Mr. Balfour Makes Great Speech at Henley.

CONFINES HIMSELF TO TARIFF REFORM

London, Jan. 5.—Last night orators reached flood tide. Yesterday meetings of Unionists and Radicals numbered five thousand six hundred in all parts of the country. It is estimated that the reports would fill a whole year's issues of the world's greatest newspaper, the London Times, advertising columns and all. Last night those speakers included Asquith, Balfour, Lloyd-George, Churchill, F. E. Smith, Bonar Law, Lords Curzon, Rothschild and twenty-three other peers, but though the public absorption in the election continues the dominant issue varies almost from day to day. When the campaign opened before Christmas the main speakers were to concentrate against the lords. That was the winning card, and under the stimulus of Lloyd-George's purple speeches the peers seemed easy prey. But the popular appetite soon tires of one dish, especially if highly priced, and even in Radical circles Lloyd-George's talk last night about the House of Lords as a menagerie working overtime at the circus business falls a little flat.

Immediately following Lloyd-George's speech the Radical Chronicle caustic criticism of the subject by Earl Stanhope, who was a recent guest of Earl Grey at Ottawa, Stanhope said: "Look at the methods of this chancellor of ours, this dignified successor of Gladstone. If you are a landlord or possess anything of income, he says you are a ruffian, a blackguard if you vote Conservative, and you must be taxed. But if you are a soda water manufacturer, he says: 'My boy, I know you are not a ruffian, you are a benefactor to the race. You shall not be taxed.' Turning next to licensed victuallers our chancellor says you are a monster if you vote Conservative, and you shall be taxed out of existence. But the cocoa manufacturers, who are the mainstay of Liberal journalism and the Liberal party funds, he consoles by the assurance that they will not go tax free, but will continue to enjoy the incidental protection of the present British food laws."

As the campaign against the peers weakens, the German naval menace and home rule comes to the front. At yesterday's annual gathering of the House of Commons at Belfast, the Liberal Unionist speaker, Mr. Balfour, said that the Liberal party were not prepared to support the bill which would give the House of Lords the right to veto any bill passed by the House of Commons.

Home Rule. On this side of the Irish Channel, however, little is heard as yet of the Liberal Unionist speaker's enthusiasm for it. Unionists have other things to think of. With the German menace it is quite different. Balfour has seldom spoken with more enthusiasm than he did last night, when with all gravity as ex-premier, he declared on diplomatic authority that the experience of the past four years had convinced Germany that the day was quickly approaching when the British Empire would go down before them.

Sudden Magnificence. "If the Star of Bethlehem was in truth a nova which flashed into being in a night and soon outshone all the other stars, it must assuredly have attracted the notice of a practised astronomer. The occurrence constitutes an infringement of which it could not be reconciled with those regularly recurring stellar phenomena which the temple priests were in the habit of observing and even of foretelling. At a time when science was still more or less shrouded in mysticism, it was but natural that a peculiar significance should have been given to such a sudden apparition, particularly when it is considered that the Jews were yearning for the birth of a king who would free them from the Roman yoke and whose coming had been mysteriously heralded in those prophetic words of Balaam: 'I shall see him, but not now; I shall behold him, but not nigh; there shall come a star out of Jacob and a scepter out of Israel.'

Celestial Pinwheel. "That dizzy whirling celestial pinwheel may be regarded either as the centre of a new solar system or as a new-born world—not a rock-encased, non-swinging, such as ours, but a glowing chaotic mass. Gases and fine dust compose the hot spiral streams of the celestial pinwheel; and the dust, gathered in great whirling clouds, is periodically interposed between the sun and the star, and thus causes those more or less regular obscurations which are so characteristic of many new stars. The effect of this whirling on the mass of gas and dust is to produce a flat disk, intensely hot and dense at the centre, extremely attenuated and cold at the remote outer edge. As soon as the pinwheel formation is gradually obliterated through the action of gravitation and other forces, evidence enough of these mysterious processes are found in those vast expanses of misty light which are called nebulæ, because of their appearance. These nebulæ are the products of dust and gases thrown out by colliding dead stars, and out of them planetary systems have been formed.

Manitons, Man., Jan. 5.—C. A. G. Agnew's new brick store, occupied by the Manitons Trading Company, was totally destroyed by fire yesterday. The building and stock were insured for \$10,000.

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The dates of the letters run from 1837 to 1848. It is generally believed here that the mysterious Mlle X is a woman with whom the poet lived in intimate relations for eleven years and who married his brother Paul after Alfred's death. She carefully clipped or erased from the letters all portions which might betray her identity.

EVEN SPLIT IN CITY LEAGUE

Powers Discipline Careless Athlete



MEL SHEPPARD

They're handing it to athletes in the east to a fare-you-well. The latest to feel the displeasure of the powers is Mel Sheppard of the I. A. A. C. and American Olympian team.

M'LELLAN CUP SERIES FIXED

Schedule of this year's Championship Curling Matches Drawn Up Last Night--Keen Competition Looked For.

Messrs. F. Baxter of Truro, N. S., and J. S. Gregory of the city, trustees of the McEllan Cup which is competed for each year by the leading curling clubs in the Maritime Provinces have issued the schedule of challenges for the cup during of season.

ALL ST. JOHN HOCKEYISTS OFF TONIGHT

The All St. John hockey septette will leave tonight on the 11.25 for Halifax where they will stack up against the crack Wanderers of that city.

HORSEMEN OF MONCTON TO GET BUSY

Moncton, Jan. 5.—Moncton horsemen have decided on a speedway for the coming winter and at a meeting of enthusiasts last evening a Moncton Driving Club was formed.

ENGLAND BIG REVEAL

Professional Running to Enjoy Material Boost This Year--Some Interesting Events--Cartmell and Postle.

London, Jan. 5.—If we do not see a genuine revival of professional running in England during 1910, it will be entirely due to the want of enterprise on the part of promoters and prominent runners.

ABEGWEITS TO GET BIG MEET

M. P. A. A., Awards Skating Championships to Charlottetown Club--Maritime Outfit in Session.

Special to The Standard. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 5.—A meeting of the M. P. A. A. was held at Pictou tonight, and outside of a few additional by-laws being added, and Sweeney and Mahoney, of St. John being reinstated little was done.

GOOD SPORT IS PROMISED FOR TONIGHT

Some good sport is promised at the Victoria Rink this evening when the first race for the championship of the city will take place.

ST. JOHN TO HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE SURE

Hockey enthusiasts in the city will be glad to hear that plans are almost completed for the formation of an intermediate hockey league.

NEW HOCKEY LEAGUE MAKES INITIAL BOW

The first basketball in the senior league will be played tonight at the Algonquins hall, between the Millidgeville team and the Algonquins.

Johns Takes All Records



LEE JOHNS.

Lee Johns, the New York bowling shark, has established a new record of 275 1/2 for three games, a mark which high score bowlers will have some fun shooting at before they threaten it.

THE SYNDICATE KIND RAPPED

Chairman of National League Comes Out Flat Footed Against Syndicate Baseball--Thos. J. Lynch Feted.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 5.—A straight declaration against "syndicate baseball" in the report of August Herrmann, chairman of the National Baseball Commission, was the feature of the annual meeting of that body today.

NO SURPRISE

Jack Johnson surprises nobody with the positive statement he will not consider Hugh McIntosh's offer of a \$40,000 purse to fight Tommy Burns in Australia next fall.

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EVEN SPLIT IN CITY LEAGUE

Ramblers and Newmans Split Even in Fast Game on Black's Alleys--Holy Trinity Takes Three Points.

The result of the game between the Ramblers and Newmans on Black's Alleys last evening, was a big surprise to a great many.

Last evening's game will change the standing of the league somewhat as the Newmans who led the procession will drop to a tie with the Pirates for first place.

After exercising moderately it rose to 80 and after three minutes of violent exercise only to 92, with an even regular heart action.

AMATEUR ATHLETICS IN ENGLAND

London, Jan. 5.—So much has been written on foot racing that only a few lines can be given to amateurs.

JOE GANS PICKS NEGRO TO WIN OUT

New York, Jan. 5.—Joseph Gans says: "A week ago a flash came to this country informing us that Bob Fitzsimmons, one of the craftiest and best fighters that ever stepped into a ring, went down to defeat and the epitaph was 'He could not come back'."

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales, milder with snow or rain.

New England Forecast. Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—New England—Rain or snow and warmer.

AROUND THE CITY

St. Vincent's Alumnae. There will be a special meeting of St. Vincent's Alumnae Association

Police Relief Association. At a meeting of the St. John Police Relief Association held yesterday afternoon

The Carnival. For the finest assortment of costumes ever shown in St. John

Somersville-Carnaut. A quiet wedding took place last evening in St. Andrew's church

The First of the Season. That householders should exercise great care with their water tanks

Heavy Gales Reported. Schooners arriving in port yesterday report unusually rough weather

Recovered Her Property. A young lady, who was travelling from Amherst to St. John

The Dredging. The disadvantage of employing small dredges under the conditions prevailing in St. John harbor

Under the Weather. A squaw known as Sloppy Weather, had to be put off the Halifax express

York-Bonnell. A pretty wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. Roy Watters

The Mayor's Election in Toronto. Mr. Frank Fenton, who spent a week in Toronto during the mayoralty election contest

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT IN CITY'S SYSTEM OF SANITATION

Rev. Hunter Boyd Discussing Underlying Causes Of Tuberculosis Surprised At City's Lack Of Initiative In Providing Public Conveniences, Public Baths, And Better Ventilation Of Buildings Also Much Needed.

At a meeting in the market building last evening, Rev. J. Hunter Boyd in an address to the master painters and kindred industries advocates the providing of public sanitary conveniences

Condemned Present Conditions. Being asked with reference to the plumbing trade, Mr. Boyd expressed his surprise in city that nearly 50,000 population there was no sanitary conveniences for the use of the general public.

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be done to remedy this evil in the interest of decency, public health and sobriety.

Law Regarding Ventilation. In closing Mr. Boyd spoke strongly of the neglect in enforcing the law relating to the ventilation of public buildings and said it seemed as if the law was not generally known.

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PERSONAL

Miss Enid Hutchinson, daughter of Rev. D. Hutchinson will leave this morning to resume her studies at the Acadia Seminary.

Mr. Malcolm McAvery and Messrs. Don and Maurice Fisher left last evening for the Royal Military College, Kingston after spending the holidays with their parents in the city.

For the Rink Medal. A rink skipped by George Scott defeated a rink skipped by Howard Clark in a close match last night at the Carleton Curling Rink.

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