

HOW POLITICAL GAME IS WORKED IN EL PASO, TEXAS, UNDER COMMISSION RULE

Standard's Representative Interviews Two Prominent Citizens--Startling Results with Five Men in Control--Fixtures in Office by Influencing Votes--Citizens Pay Dearly for Improvements.

Before leaving Montreal, Mr. H. V. Mackinnon, who is investigating the methods and results of the commission form of government for the Standard, secured an interview with two prominent residents of El Paso, Texas, where the system has been in force four years.

It is not denied by these Texans that El Paso has benefited in its improvements under commission rule, but they point out that the citizens have paid dearly for their advantages.

By the mere fact that El Paso has been found to be a success from El Paso, Texas, El Paso, he remembered, is one of the southern commission form of government, also without all the modern improvements which Des Moines has included.

Mr. John O'Keefe is a Maritime mine owner. Previous to the introduction of the commission plan he was a member of the city council of El Paso. He was then a Republican and is still in federal politics, but at the present time he is a Democrat in State politics.

They talked together. What one said the other agreed with and each confirmed the other's report on pre-commission conditions, based on interview results. As a matter of fact they said:

"The world is a magnificent bunco game. Politics is played by everyone and by every people. The political game has the brains and who have the knowledge of how to supply them, best will control things in spite of the rightness or wrongness of the principles adopted by those who disagree with them."

"When one of these little white angels, such as a great many people suppose the commission form of government to be, flaps its wings over the millenium, it is a mistake. That time will only come when all the people in the town are little white angels."

A Political Game. "The commission form of government, in so far as El Paso is concerned, is merely a concentration of the political game whereby the privileges formerly exercised by a considerable number of people are now concentrated in the hands of a few."

"There can be no doubt that El Paso has improved under commission rule—it would be useless to deny this—but at the same time the fact remains that the Democratic machine bosses everything just as it used to in pre-commission days, and the most striking result of the adoption of our new charter is to make more permanent than ever the absolute control of the political machine, based on vote in sole control, just as he was five years ago, and there is every indication that he will remain in this position until he dies."

Adopted Four Years Ago. "Four years ago El Paso adopted the commission plan. There was no particular reason why it should do so, conditions then were no worse than they were and are now in great American cities. We had a council consisting of a mayor at \$50.00 per month, and eight aldermen at \$25.00 per month each. The aldermen were elected under the ward system, two from each of the four wards in the city. The mayor was elected by the city as a whole."

The whole organization of civic politics, of state politics and the federal politics was controlled by the Democratic machine. The introduction of the commission, although it was placed before the people as a means for their benefit, was in reality nothing more or less than a trick of this organization to make more permanent its grasp on civic affairs."

The End Achieved. "This end has been achieved. We now elect a mayor at \$3,600 per year and four commissioners at salaries of \$1,800 each. These men are supposed to give half their time to civic affairs. As a matter of fact, and as will always happen no matter what conditions may exist, these men give to the business of the city just as much time as they feel disposed to give, without regard to the actual needs of the municipality or to the wishes of the people."

In our original charter we did not embody the referendum initiative and recall, but of late there has been a movement because of dissatisfaction with the administration, to include these provisions in the charter. In anticipation of this movement the commissioners themselves prepared a bill which is now before the State Legislature, and which they believe will give them all they desire.

Increased Their Salaries. "This measure includes the recall, but it also includes a provision for increasing the salaries of the commissioner and of the mayor, as well as granting them other privileges which they do not now enjoy and which will make their positions more secure."

They are elected for two years. At the expiration of their first term of office, these commissioners hold a private meeting, and to anticipate movement on the part of the citizens they declare themselves in the field for re-nomination. That settles it. Nobody else would bother nominating for these commissioners every indication of sticking together, vote and of the corporation vote, and no one else could beat them. They are secure in office and will remain there as long as they stick together."

Sticking Together. "The present commissioners show every indication of sticking together, permanently, they are the successors of the old council elected by the Democratic machine, and unless some fatal dispute arises between them (which is not at all likely) they are fixtures."

It is quite true that under the commission plan El Paso has prospered. Previous to commission days we had no permanent pavements. There were a great many civic improvements which El Paso did not enjoy. We have them now and apparently the city is going ahead because of its new form of government."

The Reverse Side. "But looking on the other side we will find the following facts: El Paso is a city of 48,000 people, four years ago its tax rate was \$1.38 per \$100, and its bonds were reasonably placed. On the introduction of the commission plan the commissioners found it necessary to raise more money, for they realized that improvements in civic affairs must be made if they were to justify their position."

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LIGNITE COAL AREAS AT EDMONTON, ALB.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The geological survey in a special bulletin today announced the presence of a valuable lignite coal area at Edmonton, Alberta. It is 14 miles in extent and is estimated to contain 80,000,000 tons. The prediction is that Edmonton will become the centre of a flourishing coal industry. "Used in the gas producer of the down draft type," says the report, "this coal is more economical power production than the best grade under a steam boiler."

DIED OF POISON ON WAY TO ASYLUM

St. Thomas, Ont., Feb. 14.—When the police went to take Daniel A. Pound, a carpenter for the purpose of removing him to the asylum as being of unsound mind, he dropped, got into the cab, and at the police station died of carbolic acid poisoning, self administered.

DREARNOUGHT SEIZED AT ISLE OF PINES

Kingston, Jan. Feb. 14.—Word has been received here of the seizure of the British schooner Drearbought, by the authorities of the Isle of Pines. The vessel which is of local register, left the Cayman Islands carrying passengers and on arrival at her destination, was seized for breach of the immigration laws. The captain was sent to jail.

R. W. HEWSON PRESIDENT OF BARRISTERS

Moncton Lawyer Chosen Head By Legal Men In Annual Session At Fredericton—Praise For Local Government.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 14.—The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Bar Association was held this evening in the Supreme Court rooms. Among those present were the following:— G. Teed, T. C. Allen, J. D. Phinney, A. A. Wilson, R. A. Lawlor, Recorder Baxter, A. B. Copp, J. W. McCready, H. Coy, E. A. McKay, R. W. Hewson, J. R. Slipp, R. B. Hanson, J. R. Dunn, P. R. Sharkey, W. H. Harrison, P. J. Hughes, H. G. Fenety, H. Peters, P. A. Guthrie, W. P. Jones.

President M. G. Teed, K. C., presided. The report of Secretary Treasurer Dr. T. C. Allen, was read and adopted. The revenue of the society during the past year including the balance on hand, amounted to \$2,756.54, and expenditure \$2,990.95, leaving a balance on hand at the present time of \$665.61.

President Teed read a petition from thirteen New Brunswick law students attending the law department of Dalhousie University, praying that they be placed in the same position as King's College Law School students as regards examination with the exception of procedure. On motion the petition was left with the incoming council with the request that the matter be considered by them.

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The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:— President—R. W. Hewson. Vice-president—J. B. M. Baxter.

Members of the Council—A. B. Connell, H. A. Powell, M. G. Teed, A. J. Gregory, A. R. Slipp, R. A. Lawlor and J. W. McCready. Secretary-treasurer—Dr. T. C. Allen. The Attorney General and Dr. T. C. Allen were appointed a committee to obtain subscriptions to pay for the painting of a portrait of the late Chief Justice Ritchie to be hung in the Supreme Court room.

After discussion it was resolved that the president appoint a committee of six, one from each county court district in the province, to meet the government and present some scheme by which stenographers may be appointed and paid, and that this committee act with other bodies in seeking such a scheme. The president appointed as such committee, A. B. Connell, P. A. Guthrie, J. B. M. Baxter, G. W. Fowler, R. W. Hewson and R. A. Lawlor.

A committee was appointed to draw up resolutions of condolence on the deaths of Dr. A. O. Earle and Dr. C. N. Skinner, past presidents of the society. Feeling addresses were made by several members of the society.

Praise For Government. The society passed a unanimous vote of thanks to the chief commissioner of the board of works and the attorney general for their kindness and promptness in providing the new excellent library facilities. The government came in for warm praise from several speakers irrespective of politics, both the mover and seconder of the resolution. Mr. Phinney and Mr. Hughes respectively speaking in the highest terms of the kindness shown to the society by the chief commissioner and attorney general.

On motion of Mr. Hewson, a committee was appointed to watch legislation in respect to laws passed regarding the legal profession. Mr. Hewson claimed that much legislation which passed was afterwards criticized owing to the fact that the profession did not take enough interest in what was being done. The members of the committee are Messrs. Hewson, Phinney and the secretary.

Upwards of 100 attended a Valentine dance given at the Queen Hotel by Fredericton and the affair was one of the most brilliant and successful social events of the season.

MORE THAN TEN DEAD IN WRECK

Courville, France, Feb. 14.—Four additional bodies were taken from the wreck here up to midnight and one of the injured, making the total number of fatalities ten. It was apparent also to the searching parties that other bodies are still uncovered, as charred flesh was still visible under the debris, which was still blazing at that hour.

LOWER DUTIES.

Kingston, Jan. Feb. 14.—At the opening of the legislature today the governor, Sir Sydney Oliver, forecast-

MAJORITY FOR RECIPROCITY CLIMBS TO 129

Only Five Democrats Oppose Measure In U. S. House, While Republicans Divide Almost Equally.

Washington, Feb. 14.—President Taft's reciprocity agreement with Canada was ratified in the House of Representatives tonight through the support of the almost solid Democratic vote. The McCall bill, carrying the agreement into effect, was passed 221 to 92. A majority of the Republicans present voted against the measure, the division being 78 yeas and 87 nays.

The Democratic vote was 143 yeas and one nay. A majority of the Republicans present voted for the bill. The McCall bill now goes to the Senate. What its fate will be in that body is problematical at this time. President Taft believes that if a filibuster can be avoided and a vote taken, the bill will pass.

The passage of the bill in the House came at the end of a long debate, which at times was as bitter as has been heard on the floor of that body in many years. The fight was confined almost wholly to the Republican side. Democratic members joined in from time to time, and favored the majority members for their lack of unity.

The Democratic leaders also put in the claim that the reciprocity agreement was good Democratic doctrine, and declared that they were glad to welcome President Taft and many of the House Republicans into the Democratic fold. The suggestion came from the Republican side that Mr. Taft and Champ Clark might be rivals for the next Democratic presidential nomination.

Mr. Clark claimed that in a contest of that sort he would win with "hands down." Closure Rule Applied. A final vote was reached tonight only through the application of a closure rule which shut off all amendments and disposed with the reading of the bill. The procedure was decided upon only after Mr. McCall, in charge of the bill, had failed to get unanimous consent to do away with the calendar on Wednesday. If that had been secured, he said, he would have been glad to let the debate continue for another legislative day.

The Republicans opposed to the bill fought the rule to the very last, denouncing it in caustic language. They directed their fire especially against Democrats, and accused them, on the eve of going into power in the House, of enforcing a "sag" rule as drastic as anything against which they had been eloquently inveighed in the past. The Democrats laughed loudly at the charge and seemed thoroughly to enjoy the discomfiture of some of their old time enemies.

Champ Clark took Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania sharply to task for complaining of the "undue haste" which the House was acting on the reciprocity matter. The speaker-to-be declared that the Democrats had sat for years, bound and gagged while the gentleman from Pennsylvania and his associates had the measure before them, and had rushed legislation through without giving an opportunity for amendment. Undoubtedly an overwhelming vote for the speaker-to-be was given by the Democrats.

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H. A. POWELL SPEAKS ON CANADIAN RAILWAYS

St. John Man Favors Private Ownership Under Control Of Independent Commission—Views On Valley Railway.

Moncton, Feb. 14.—Despite other attractions there was a large attendance at the Canadian Club meeting this evening when H. A. Powell, K. C., of St. John, spoke on railway developments in Canada. He said this province was highly favored as the expenditure on railways was in excess of value of all real estate.

Speaking of the control of railway corporations he did not believe the government ownership would solve the problem, but favored company owned roads, controlled by an independent commission.

Referring to the St. John Valley Railway, Mr. Powell said it should be a part of a transcontinental system. He was opposed to any other schemes. The guarantee of \$25,000,000 per mile was a serious matter for the province and would involve a heavy tax.

HON. GEO. E. FOSTER SHOWS DANGER OF RECIPROCITY IN GREATEST SPEECH OF CAREER

LONDON PAPER CALLS PARTIES TO SAVE EMPIRE

Editorial in Morning Post Today Based On American Prediction Of Canada's Annexation.

London, Feb. 14.—The Morning Post bases an editorial on a Washington despatch declaring that American public men openly predict that reciprocity will lead to the eventual annexation of Canada by the United States.

The editorial appeals to Unionists and those Liberals not yet blinded by partisan prejudice, to close the ranks and fight to save the Empire, which is threatened with danger.

The Chamberlain section of the Unionist party is making a strong effort to rally its followers. A series of meetings has been arranged to be held in London and the provinces to stir up a vigorous campaign in favor of Imperial preference.

BUSINESS TED UP BY FIRE

Disastrous Blaze Nears Wipes Out North Side Of Principal Street—Explosions Damage Remaining Buildings.

Hensall, Ont., Feb. 14.—This place was visited this morning about five o'clock by a most disastrous fire, which almost swept out the whole north side of King street. The fire is supposed to have started in J. B. McArthur's hardware store, but this is not certain. Fanned by the strong winds, the blaze spread rapidly towards the Commercial hotel and completely destroyed the following places of business:— J. and C. McDonnell, hardware and furniture.

R. R. Rennie, dry goods and groceries. R. J. Drysdale, shoe merchant. T. W. Palmer, restaurant. F. Mannes, barber. J. B. McArthur, hardware and the Commercial hotel. The main street of the town presents a scene of desolation this morning and business is practically at a standstill. The stores on the north side of the street were all more or less damaged by explosions of cartridges and powder in the hardware stores, and nearly all their plate glass windows were shattered.

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JOB STILES TAKEN BACK TO ALBERT JAIL

One Of Creditors Secures Judgment For \$80 And Costs While Defendant Is Committed.

Albert, Feb. 14.—The suit of Robert S. Woodworth against Job Stiles, who lately made an assignment was up today for hearing before Magistrate E. E. Peck, and the plaintiff obtained a verdict and judgment for eighty dollars and costs of the suit. After the judgment was signed an order of render was granted by the Magistrate, and as a result Mr. Stiles was again placed in jail in discharge of his bail.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE ARBITRAL CASE

The Hague, Feb. 14.—The permanent court of arbitration assembled today to determine the case of the Indian la wstature Savarkar in dispute between Great Britain and France. An interesting international question of the right of asylum is involved. After preliminaries of opening, the session will be adjourned until Thursday, when arguments will be made.

Canada's First Tariff Expert Holds Rapt Attention of House in Eloquent Three Hours' Speech, Exposing Economic Fallacy and National Menace Contained in Proposed Agreement.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—The speech which Hon. Geo. E. Foster delivered in the Commons today will rank as one of the greatest delivered made to a Canadian parliament. Dealing with the reciprocity arrangement in masterly fashion as befitting the greatest tariff expert Canada has, he added such eloquence that the House for the greater part of a three hours' session gave him rapt attention, and at times broke into spontaneous applause.

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In the connection there is much comment in the lobby tonight over the fact shown by a bluebook published this evening that on the very day the grain growers were here on Dec. 15 last the premier received the resolution of Niagara fruit growers' association passed at St. Catharines which asked that nothing should be done towards making a reciprocity arrangement with the United States, before consulting with the representatives of the fruit growers. Sir Wilfrid Laurier's reply to the fruit growers therefore constituted an evasion.

Perhaps the most convincing portion of Mr. Foster's speech was that which showed how Mr. Fielding and Mr. Paterson had looked after their own interests. The House roared with laughter when he announced that the minister of finance had urged his coal scuttle and the minister of customs had sat tight on his biscuit box.

He said that the abrogation of the treaty of 1854 was the best kick that Canada had ever received. FROM THE CHAOS THAT FOLLOWED THERE SLOWLY EVOLVED A NATIONAL IDEAL, "CANADIAN DEVELOPMENT, CANADIAN AND BRITISH CAPITAL FOR CANADIAN INDUSTRY, CANADIAN WORKMEN FOR CANADIAN PRODUCTION AND CANADIAN ROUTES FOR CANADIAN TRADE."

"In the face of this ideal, geography and distance had been annihilated; the croaker, pessimist and coward had been shamed to silence and recruited into good citizens; the plains were shot with steel; the mountains tunneled and the national ports filled with commerce. Across the seas we clapped hands with the nations within the Empire, and surrounded with a cordon of defence the old Empire that gave birth to us all."

"This land is our father's; we have made it, we and our fathers. Please God we will keep it for our children and for our children's children to the remotest generation. We have wrought so in order to bestow a great gift upon a rich nation; we have wrought to build for ourselves a national home and a dividend altar of our own, and those that are not for ourselves and those that are not for our country in this great far thrown country that God has given us for our own."

Cut Across Ideals. The proposal, continued Mr. Foster, cut square across the national ideal. With \$2,000,000 to the south it meant meant absorption and hegemony. That pressure against \$600,000, the close proximity of the countries, the efflux and influx of commerce would weaken the ties of the Empire. He hoped the meaning of the proposal would sink deep until there should burst forth from the country a protest that the pact contemplated would be recalled and the old path converging on the north land followed without uncertainty and doubt.

In opening, Mr. Foster said that the most important factor in the agreement would be the effect on production and in turn on capital and labor. The United States press was silent, he pointed out, on the subject of capital being sent into Canada and the establishment of branch industries in Canada. This was in direct contrast with the tendency of the past few years.

"The United States covets the rich natural resources of the Dominion of Canada," he argued. "Not to develop them here, but to draw them to points for their own manufacturers. THE ARRANGEMENT WOULD NOT BE IN OPERATION FOR FIVE YEARS UNTIL THE TRUSTS WOULD OWN EVERYTHING IN CANADA THAT WAS LOOSE. THE RESULT WOULD BE TO DIVERT THE RAW MATERIAL FROM CANADA, HAVING ONLY THE DIGGING, FELLING AND MINING DONE IN THIS COUNTRY WITH THE FINISHING ARTS APPLIED IN THE UNITED STATES. Every man who had a sense of trust and spirit of independence would have to face the question for himself."

Effect on British Capital. Mr. Foster pointed out that the effect on outside capital coming into Canada would be deleterious. Over \$1,500,000,000 of British capital was invested in railways and public works in Canada. Under the changed conditions brought about by the agreement a feeling of doubt and uncertainty would be engendered. With the protected market always afforded by United States, investors would be sure to choose the larger area. Labor also would go where the capital made

employment easy. The agreement was the thin wedge of full free trade between the two countries, which meant a circle from the frozen seas of the north to the Rio Grande and without that circle there should be free trade unimpeded outside that circle would be the world with a tariff wall against it.

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SAINT JOHN, WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 15, 1911

MR. BORDEN'S SPEECH.

The speech delivered by Mr. Borden in the House of Commons on Thursday last, judging by the Standard report, was one of the best he has ever made in that chamber, and he has made many excellent ones. It had been anticipated with great interest by the country which was anxious to learn the views of the leader and the position of the Liberal-Conservative party on the vitally important question now up for discussion and decision. We feel sure that the utterance will disappoint neither the Conservative party nor that large portion of the country which is not bound hand and foot in the leading strings of Liberal partisanship. It will appeal to moderate men as a temperate and clear exposition of the great issues involved, and as inviting them to thought and examination, rather than pronouncing and imposing dogmatic opinions upon them. The large groundwork of the issue is developed in broad and striking outlines, the magnitude of the interests involved and the possible grave consequences of the action proposed are set forth in full relief. It cannot be classed as a fighting speech in the sense of flashing swords and booming guns, but it is a veritable magazine of resource and supply.

Mr. Borden prefaced his remarks by a strong protest against the unjust and unconstitutional proceeding adopted by the Government in rushing through Parliament a measure involving the gravest issues ever confronted by Canada, and which had been prepared without mandate of the people, and without consultation of the great interests affected, and now was to be made effective without reference to the electorate. The argument, founded by the Government upon the desire for Reciprocity evinced by Canada in 1854 and later, he brushed aside by remarking that this was 1911 and not 1854 or 1868, that the Canada of today was in all the essentials of nationhood, and the conditions of environment absolutely different from the Canada of those periods. He sketched in broad outlines the growth and progress of the last forty years in trade, in finance, in transport facilities, in the number of great cities and general population, in the amazing increase of farm, forest, fishery and mineral production, and the wide distribution and development of our manufacturing industries. Why step aside now from this great highway of prosperity, which we had been at such infinite pains and expense to establish, and along which we had travelled with such safety and profit to try a new, problematical, unstable and, perhaps, dangerous path?

We had accomplished much in the way of National development, but we had undertaken extended and expensive works in the same line, a two hundred million Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, a new Welland Canal to cost \$25,000,000, a Georgian Bay Canal estimated at \$100,000,000, and a Hudson's Bay road at \$30,000,000. Why all the former, and why these others now and in the near future, if all our channels of trade were to be changed to north and south instead of from east and west, and United States markets were to purchase our raw materials and supply our finished products? Every argument used, and every authority quoted in the United States from President Taft downwards, favored this pact because it would open to that country our splendid natural resources, and enable them through these fresh and cheap supplies to husband their own rapidly diminishing stores of raw material, and more successfully manufacture for the outside world, including our own. Does it satisfy Canadian aims and aspirations to be content with supplying the raw material for a rich and powerful neighbor and thus enable her to grow richer and more powerful, whilst we saw their wood and draw their water for them? Why shall we not utilize our splendid natural resources, and employ our own sturdy labor in working up these resources ourselves, and distributing them along the channels of interprovincial trade and exchange with the Mother Land? We have been at great pains to unite our far flung provinces by the affiliations and interest of mutual trade along our National highways. Why should we now tap these great highways at every point by north and south connecting links, sever the interprovincial connections, divide our 3,000 mile wide country into sections and drive each section to trade with the United States instead of with each other? It was not by such methods we have become great, nor by such methods can we remain self-dependent and unitedly prosperous.

The advocates of this measure here and in the United States tell us that this is but the commencement, that more is to follow, that free trade between the contiguous countries is their goal. That means commercial union and the consequence of commercial union is political union. Is Canada prepared for that? Mr. Borden did not think so. A long battle had been nobly waged against all the initial difficulties of nation building, the campaign was far advanced, position after position had been captured and occupied, the end and victory were both in sight. Loyalty to the memory and the ideals of the men who had done so much in the past, loyalty to their ideals, which we have inherited and enlarged, demands that "we should continue with firm heart and unabated hope upon the path on which we entered nearly fifty years ago."

AUTOMATIC STREET LIGHTING.

There is a certain German village in which a street lighting novelty is in vogue, which has certain disadvantages. In fact, some of the disadvantages are so obvious as to preclude the possibility of the adoption

of the system in larger and more enlightened communities. The novelty rests upon the oratorical interrogative, the form of question to which no answer is required, to which the impossibility of answer is calmly assumed, and, as a rule, tacitly assented to. This is the question:—"Why should sober-minded citizens who are in their homes and safe in bed by ten o'clock at night pay lighting taxes for others, who, being of a jovial turn of mind, prefer to stay in cafes, clubs or bars until midnight and do not return home until the early hours of the morning?"

Manifestly, it is unfair, but in urban communities there are persons required to be out at night, not for pleasure, but of necessity, and often for the service of the community. At the same time, this German device will, in all probability, prove a terror to late night birds. To the village of Zarkau, near Glogau, in Silesia, must be given the credit of installing a system of automatic electric lighting for the streets. The electric lights burn every night from the outskirts of Glogau through the village of Zarkau, a distance of about a kilometer, until ten o'clock, at the cost of the community. At ten o'clock they are switched off.

At each end of this kilometer stretch, on an iron pillar, stands a small iron cupboard lighted by a tiny electric light. Persons who are out after ten o'clock, wishing to have their way lighted, must insert a ten penny piece in a slot in the side of the iron cupboard. Then the nine lamps placed along this stretch burst forth into a twelve-minute life, thus enabling the passenger to pursue his way in lightness. The scheme is working satisfactorily, and it seems quite probable that other German villages and towns will follow the example of Zarkau and install the automatic lighting system to be put into operation after ten o'clock.

It has been said that the scheme has manifest disadvantages. Fancy a minion of the law chasing a thief, or a desperado of any sort, under the necessity of stopping to get light—and wind—at the end of every twelve minutes; or a busy doctor hurrying to some sick patient, or to the scene of some accident, having his progress interrupted, or his way unlighted! Village life in the Fatherland may be favorable to the success of such a scheme, but, outside of rural Germany, it would prove to be little more than a test of the sobriety or the inebriety of the belated pedestrian.

A "STRIKING" CLOCK.

This is the tale of a clock, in the words of Hon. William Pugsley, "a striking clock." In Lunenburg, N. S., the public building erected by the Dominion Government lacked a clock. There was a hole where the timepiece should be, and, as Mr. Pugsley explained, the hole was a constant reminder that the town still had a claim on the Government. The request went to Ottawa, and as Lunenburg is a good Liberal constituency, the demand did not fall upon deaf ears.

Mr. Pugsley decided to supply Lunenburg's need. The Public Works Department has had some practice at buying and installing clocks, but Lunenburg was favored above the ordinary. While other places might be able to conduct public affairs quite decently and in order with a clock costing a few hundred dollars, no such plebeian timepiece would do for the constituency that had sent Mr. A. K. McLean to Ottawa as a valiant member of the "Blocking Brigade." A \$1,000 clock for Lunenburg, nothing less.

Now this is the sad part of it, that though Lunenburg thought it got a \$1,000 clock there is some doubt about it. Mr. Pugsley had a friend down in Halifax to whom he went, told him to draw up the specifications for the timepiece and name his price. The Halifax man did not manufacture the clock, he simply bought it; in other words, he was the middleman. The clock was made in Germany.

In the Public Works Department there are scores of trained architects and other specialists on building. The purchase and installation of a clock should not be a serious problem for them to tackle. But this is not the Pugsley system. The middleman had to have his share in the transaction. Mr. Pugsley said it was a "striking clock." It was likewise a striking transaction.

QUITE DISINTERESTED.

Being confronted with an expert opinion which shows the weakness of the commission plan, the Times wriggles out of the difficulty by saying that Mr. Brazz, the managing editor of the Canadian Municipal Journal does not know what he is talking about. Mr. Brazz is a recognized authority on civic matters. It makes no difference to him whether St. John elects to be ruled by commission or by common council. He gives it as his firm conviction, the result of wide experience, that commission rule is no proper form of government for a Canadian city.

The Times sees in this agitation for commission the chance of a lifetime to wipe the common council out of existence and get even with the citizens for electing year after year an independent council, which, by means of slates, tickets and combinations, it has vainly endeavored to control. We publish this morning some interesting evidence from El Paso, Texas, showing how commission rule is worked there as part of a political machine. With the Times and Telegraph shouting loudly for a commission, it should not be difficult to discover the hiding place of the colored gentleman in the underbrush.

"It is yet to be demonstrated," says the Hamilton Herald, referring to government by commission, "that the concentration of all power, legislative and administrative, in the hands of a small group of paid officials is the ideal system of municipal government. The system is yet too young to have its weaknesses fully revealed." But the weaknesses can be easily discovered when the system is subjected to a searching investigation.

St. John Globe:—"Civic reform is what is wanted—what has always been wanted, and no doubt will always be in demand while human nature is what it is—and the people are entitled to pronounce upon any reasonable plan that can be put forward, even if it has not the endorsement of the Board of Trade." Thus gently but firmly, the Globe puts the commission scheme where it belongs.

Current Comment

(Calgary Herald.)
The statement that women will run from a mouse had been made so often that it is generally taken as a fact. But next time you are about to comment on the fact just remember that a woman of 71 years of age down in Philadelphia had her appendix removed without taking an anaesthetic. Talk about nerve!

(London Free Press.)
The declaration of the New York Herald that the reciprocity agreement is a victory for President Taft and Canada's representatives over England is a clear indication of the direction in which we are drifting.

(Toronto News.)
A Brooklyn baker wants a divorce because his wife makes him sleep with a fox terrier. Query: How does he get into the dog-house?

The Standard's Old Reporter

British Citizens.

"My opinion at noon today was that all our civic officials ought to be compelled to stand an election," said Uncle Josh. "It struck me that this plan would make the officials mighty eager to serve the public, or the politicians, and with axes to grind, and that it would render unnecessary the selection of high priced commissioners to duplicate the work of the higher officials."

"About three minutes past noon, I got hit with another brilliant idea, and that was that we ought to make all the aldermen stand an election every year instead of letting them go in by acclamation and get the impression that they are exalted prophets who don't need to keep their ears to the ground. Seems to me the great trouble here is that the citizens leave the aldermen too much to their own devices now. They don't ask a candidate whether he has a programme, or what he knows about what the new aspirant as well as the old stager when asked his opinion on any civic question usually says, 'Well, I'm not prepared to tell you, but I'll tell you my reason, for I think every body ought to give a reason for his opinions or actions, and my reason is that I don't know anything about this question, which is an excellent reason why a man should not ask to be entrusted with the affairs of the public.'"

"This city won't get the best kind of government until the citizens are aroused, and the citizens are aroused by the exercise of a civic question as the citizens of Glasgow were over the tram question in 1894. Good civic governments are not made with prayers."

"Over in Glasgow, Ballie Stewart, head of the wholesale Scottish co-operative society, doing a business of \$20,000,000 a year, who entered the council as a labor representative at the beginning of the citizens' fight for the control of the civic franchises, told me the city government of his city did not begin to be good till the citizens were sufficiently interested in its proceedings to be ready to tar and feather aldermen who did not do as they were expected to do."

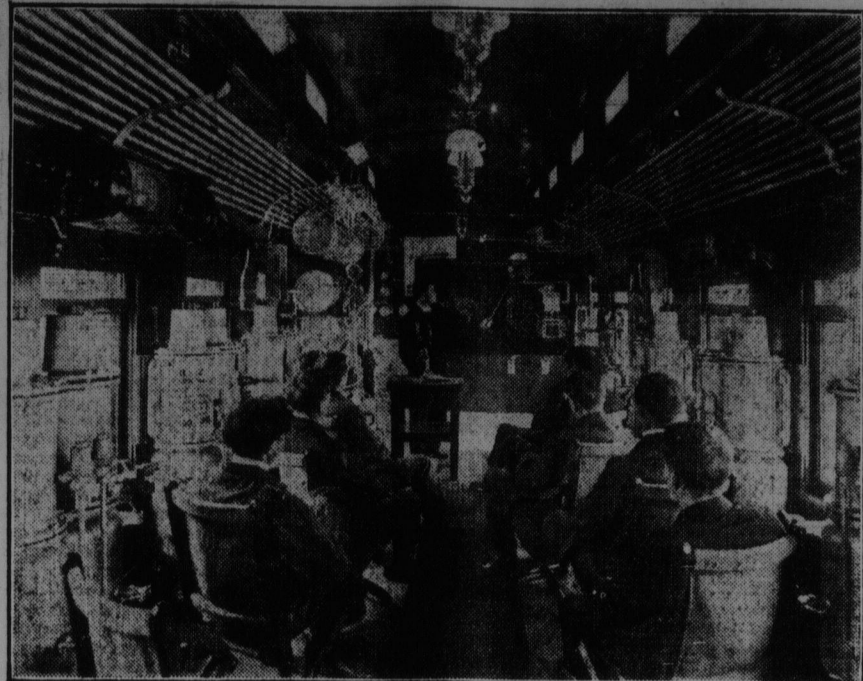
"Up to 1894, the city of Glasgow, though it owned the tramway tracks, leased the lines to a private company for operating purposes," said the ballie. "But when the question of renewing the lease came up, there was great excitement in the old town."

The Start.

"A majority of the City Council favored a renewal of the lease, the company being willing to accept heavier city obligations and concede more favorable terms to passengers. But among the citizens a demand for municipal operation began to make itself felt. The success of the city as a common carrier on the harbor had opened our eyes to the possibilities of publicly-operated social services. A movement to municipalize the tramway system was inaugurated by the Citizens' League, backed by the local Trades and Labor Council and other societies. Even the Landlords' Association joined the movement. The hope that the city would apply the profits of tramway operation to a reduction of the rates."

"The City Council, as I said, favored the company, but an election had to be held before the Council could deal officially with the question of the renewal of the lease. Only one-third of the members of the Council are elected at a time. Under the circumstances we could not definitely commit a majority of city fathers to our policy, but we could make a demonstration of public opinion. The Citizens' League selected its candidates; the company soon had its supporters in the field. On every hand we encountered the opposition of the company; its influence and resources surprised us. We made some investigations at the Registrar's Office in Edinburgh, but we could not get a demonstration of public opinion. The Citizens' League selected its candidates; the company soon had its supporters in the field. On every hand we encountered the opposition of the company; its influence and resources surprised us. 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This car is fitted up with all the latest forms and improvements of the brake and is in charge of a competent instructor, who gives lectures to the employes. Intermediate Transportation stations. The above picture shows the interior of the car during the progress of a lecture.

CANADIAN SEES DAY OF DANGER

Correspondent to Standard Interprets Advances of U. S. as Aimed at British Sovereignty in Canada.

To the Editor of The Standard. Sir.—The opinion obtains in certain circles on both sides of the sea that Canada is nearing the parting of the ways, and that important and far-reaching changes are impending. Some are hoping for closer relationship with the mother land and her overseas dominions, and the strengthening of the ties that bind us to each other by the adoption of some form of Imperial federation. Some advocate independence and these get aid and comfort from the frequent and sympathetic allusions made thereto in the addresses of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, delivered on both sides of the border. A few others favor annexation to the United States, preferring to enter the competition, satisfied the final issue would be absorption if independence was adopted and therefore they favor the shorter route.

WEDDINGS. Zwicker—Hamilton. St. Paul's Valley Church was the scene of a happy event at ten o'clock yesterday morning, when Miss Alice Hamilton, youngest daughter of the late Dr. George Hamilton, was united in marriage with Rupert Zwicker, of Cape Breton. The relatives and other friends of the bride were present to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. E. B. Hooper. Rev. Mr. Millidge, after which the happy couple left for their home in Cape Breton. The bride, a popular young lady, was the recipient of many beautiful remembrances from her friends and carries to her new home the good wishes of all who knew her.

5,000 FACTS ABOUT CANADA. The 1911 edition of this indispensable collection of concrete facts about Canada, edited by Frank Youg, of Toronto, the well known lecturer and writer, and author of the new book, Through the Heart of Canada, has been issued and is filled with fresh data of a most interesting and illuminating character. It is a marvel of condensation, presenting in small space striking figures relating to every phase and department of Canada's resources, trade and national life.

HANGED HIMSELF ON BUSY STREET. New York, Feb. 14.—The most spectacular suicide that New York has ever known took place at Washington Avenue and Montgomery Street, Brooklyn, early today, when a well-dressed man, who climbed a pole to about twenty feet above the pavement, drove a nail into a sign which hung over the street, placed one end of a rope about his neck and tied the other about the nail and then dropped. The man was about 60 years old and there was nothing in his possession by which he could be identified.

FELIX HEBERT HOTEL BURNS AT EDMONSTON

Building and Furniture Totally Destroyed While Guests Narrowly Escape With Lives—Loss Placed at \$10,000.

Edmondston, N. B., Feb. 14.—Fire broke out a few minutes before one o'clock yesterday morning at the Felix Hebert Hotel, of which A. M. Sirola was proprietor. Before closing the house for the night the clerk went into the kitchen to check that all was well and found it a mass of flames.

EXCHANGE IN LECTURESHIPS. Suggestion Made by Fredericton Man That This Method be Adopted in Celebration of Peace Centenary. A letter from Dr. Harlan Creelman, formerly of Fredericton, and now of the Theological Seminary of Auburn, N. Y., regarding the 100 years' peace celebration is referred to by the Amherst Daily Advertiser as follows:—

OBITUARY. Mrs. Jane Holder. The death took place at Winnipeg on Feb. 11 of Mrs. Jane Ustla, widow of William B. Holder, formerly of Fredericton. The deceased is survived by three children, one son and two daughters, at home, and Mrs. James Gurney, of Presque Isle, Maine, and by several brothers one of whom, Clarence Shaw, resides in Fredericton. Much sympathy is felt for her family. The interment took place at Winnipeg on Monday.

DIED. Fairweather.—In this city on the 13th inst., at his father's residence, 42 Cannon street, after a short illness, Asa C. Fairweather, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Fairweather, in his 15th year, leaving mother, father and five sisters to mourn his loss.

Second Of Nickel's Prize Programmes. Today and tomorrow the Nickel will present the second round of pictures for the delight of thousands and the education of those who are trying for the five dollar gold piece in the Criticism Contest. This bill is, the management stoutly avers, par excellence as the following outline might suggest to those who know:—A superb Reliance Co. drama "The Dispensation" with Marion Leonard, James Kirkwood and Arthur Johnston in leading roles; a spicy and sweet Vitagraph comedy-romance "The Girl in the Film," with Leo Delaney and Lillian Walker in the principal parts. These two films in themselves are a rattling good show but the Nickel has still more good things in "Dahlia"—an exquisite study from Royal Life in real colors and a spectacular historical production by the Gaumont Co. entitled "Count Tschok of Moravia." This picture is also controlled by hand. Those writing criticisms for competition will certainly have their work cut out for them in this bill of all-feature film. Miss Humphrey and Mr. Duzelle and the Orchestra.

AN APPRECIATION. London, Feb. 14.—The Express in a character sketch of R. L. Borden, Canadian opposition leader, says he is presently in a business man of Canadian politics. He has none of Laurier's airy phraseology and has always fought for political cleanliness.

Sickness is usually caused by the accumulation of waste matter and impurities within the body. Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills, enable the bowels, the kidneys, the lungs and the pores of the skin to throw off these impurities. Thus they prevent or cure disease. 25c. a box.

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A new stock of the latest and best New York PERFUMES and SACHETS. We invite you to call and sample them, as they comprise the very swiftest odours. BARDSELY'S PHARMACY, 109 Brussels St.



Jewelry for Evening Wear. When you're finished dressing for a social function do you sometimes feel that something is lacking? Perhaps the one thing needed to produce the desired effect is a necklace or sunburst—or perhaps a bracelet. A bit of jewelry is, as a rule, what is wanted. Come in and compare prices if for no other reason. Store closes evenings at 7:30 except Saturday.

A. Poyas, WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER, 16 Mill Street.

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Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick

All persons having any Bills to present at the next meeting of the Legislature are requested to have one hundred copies of each bill printed on good paper. Dated this ninth day of February, A.D. 1911. HENRY B. RAINSFORD, Clerk.

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Do you know that 75 per cent of all headaches are caused by eye strain? That drops will relieve this, but the correct glasses will cure it. Our facilities for eye-testing and fitting are complete. D. BOYANER, Scientific Optician, 38 Dock Street.

Anglican Missions. The Anglican Central Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement has arranged a meeting for Thursday, Feb. 16th, at eight o'clock p. m., in St. James church school house, at which the Bishop of Fredericton will deliver an address on Diocesan and Domestic Missions, and Rev. Dr. Conyers on Foreign Missions. All men interested are invited to attend.

ROYAL COURT NOT LIKELY

Duke Coming to Ottawa Will Not Interfere With Course of Affairs at Rideau—May Court Club.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Society is wondering whether the appointment of the Duke of Connaught as governor general of Canada will mean the creation of anything like a royal court, as at Rideau Hall. That the formalities and restrictions of London court life will be attempted here is, of course, out of the question, but it has been thought in some quarters that the accession of the King's uncle to the vice-regal post when Earl Grey retires next September, may involve a vision of the invitation list and something of a restriction of the right of social entry at Government House.

So far as can be learned, nothing of the kind will result. It is expected that things will continue at Rideau Hall much as they have during the residence there of the Earl and Countess Grey and their predecessors and kinsmen, the Mintes. Social entertainments are, it is understood, to be managed in much the same way, and invitations issued as usual, according to political and civil rank.

There will have to be some modification probably of the rules now surrounding the drawing room, with which the governor general and his wife open Parliament. At present anybody from near to peasant, if properly attired, may be received at the drawing room, and as a general thing the attendance runs from 600 to 1,000. But this is the popular interest in royalty, especially among women, that the Duke and Duchess of Connaught probably will be obliged, if no restrictions are imposed, to receive several thousand persons. That would mean a suffocating crush in the present state of the accommodations in the senate where the drawing room is held.

Society Vaudeville Planned. That ceaselessly active organization the May Court Club, has now gone into vaudeville. The governor general and the Countess Grey have given their patronage to the entertainment that the clever young women of the club and some of their men friends will put on at the Russell Theatre Wednesday evening. The proceeds will be given to the children's ward of the Water street hospital. So diligent have been the efforts of Miss Margaret Fitzpatrick, daughter of Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, chief justice of Canada, that a big success is promised, for there is considerable amateur histrionic talent. There is to be a French maids' chorus which is talked of as a great hit. Skirts will be worn nine inches from the ground.

THE COURTS. Supreme Court. The supreme court en banc opened at Fredericton yesterday morning with the full bench present. There was a good docket to be made up and consequently quite an attendance of members of the bar outside the city, including M. G. Teed, A. B. Connell, J. B. M. Baxter, and A. A. Wilson, K. C.'s, and A. Lawson, J. R. Dunn, A. B. Copp, R. W. Hewson and others. Common motions were taken up by the magistrate for proper return. Order granted accordingly.

Buy Another Property. T. S. Simms & Co., Ltd., has purchased the property on Brussels St. formerly owned by Patrick McCarthy. Their intention in making this purchase was to secure access to their premises from Brussels street, which is provided by an alleyway in the new addition. The building on this property may be pulled down. For the present, at least, the company has no intention of extending the factory in either direction. The Minnehan building on Union street will give extra room is required immediately, and the lot to the west of the factory will be used for storing lumber.

Summer School of Science. The attractive catalogue of this school, which meets this year in Fredericton from July 12 to Aug. 2, is just to hand. Particulars are given in it of courses in Agriculture, Botany, Nature Study, Chemistry, Drawing, Manual Training, Geology, English Literature, Physics, Human Physiology and Zoology. Courses are also given in Military Drill and Physical Culture. A number of scholarships, value ten and twenty dollars each, will be awarded to teachers on the work of the session. Any teacher or others interested can obtain a catalogue by sending a post card to the local secretary, T. B. Kidner, Fredericton.

Motion Paper. 1. Hall vs. Donahill et al., Case under Workmen's Compensation Act referred by Mr. Justice McKeown. 2. The King vs. W. J. Nickerson, ex parte Thomas J. Gorman, J. D. Phinney, K. C., to show cause. 3. The King vs. R. L. Maltby, Police Magistrate, Newcastle, ex parte J. P. Whalen, A. R. Slipp, to show cause.

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tee of peace. To insure such a leadership, to accomplish so noble a mission, a sufficiently large endowment would have to be raised, so that the best talent on both sides of the border could be secured to give weight and efficiency to the undertaking. In view, however, of the importance of the end to be accomplished, surely there ought to be little difficulty in raising the necessary funds.

County Court. 1. In re estate of David Kennedy, W. F. Jones, K. C., to support appeal from the Carleton County Court. 2. McKane vs. Campbell, referred by Mr. Justice McKeown, J. M. McIntyre to support review from Town of Sussex Civil Court. 3. McKane vs. O'Brien, Special case by order of Mr. Justice Landry. H. A. Powell, K. C., for plaintiff; R. A. Lawlor, K. C., for defendant.

Appeal Paper, Probate. 1. In re estate of David Kennedy, W. F. Jones, K. C., to support appeal from the Carleton County Court. 2. McKane vs. Campbell, referred by Mr. Justice McKeown, J. M. McIntyre to support review from Town of Sussex Civil Court. 3. McKane vs. O'Brien, Special case by order of Mr. Justice Landry. H. A. Powell, K. C., for plaintiff; R. A. Lawlor, K. C., for defendant.

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HALIFAX LOSE AT MONCTON 6-3

VICTORIAS MARITIME CHAMPIONS

Halifax Go Down Before Superior Team in Game Which was Won in First Half by Moncton's New Men.

Moncton, Feb. 14.—Two thousand howling hockey fans saw Moncton win the professional hockey championship of the Maritime Provinces by defeating the sturdy Halifax septette tonight. It was a game calculated to rouse the enthusiasm of spectators to the highest pitch, and though Moncton rosters predominated, the visitors had many friends who followed them from their home town or joined the party at Ankerst and other points along the line.

Halifax, though out of the race, put up a stubborn fight, and it was the fastest hockey ever seen here. On sides were numerous, and there was considerable individual play though, on the whole, both teams showed much proficiency in combination work. There were persistent rumors that Halifax was getting new players, but these proved incorrect, and both teams lined up as before.

The play started fast and furious and the puck went with a rush to the Halifax end and then to the Moncton end, but after a very short period Scott notched up the first goal for Moncton on a pass from Norman.

After the face off Doran made a great run from cover and passed to Nicolls who notched up No. 2, and soon afterward No. 3 for Moncton. The play was in the centre of the rink. Halifax made several close shots but the Moncton goal tender was at his best and kept the net clear. Play was in centre at half time.

Beginning the second period the visitors redoubled their efforts, but Moncton soon had four to her credit. There was another offside, and with the face off near the Moncton goal Wortman made a brilliant stop, and the faces seemed to be against the visitors.

A little later, however, on a face off in Moncton's territory Weaver succeeded in doing the trick on a long shot. Condon a little later carried the puck to the Moncton end but missed an easy chance to score. The puck then travelled from end to end and Weaver, making a brilliant rush, scored No. 2 for the visitors. Later the visitors got their third. This was making it decidedly interesting, and the game proceeded faster and more furious than before if possible. Halifax made another close shot, but Doran relieved the situation and carried the puck to the visitors end. Weaver rushed it back but failed to score. Moncton found the net for the fifth time, and the sixth and last goal was by Norman who, unassisted, carried the puck the whole length of the ice and scored in sensational style.

Details of Game.
The details of the game are as follows:

Goals.
1st Half—Scott, Moncton, 4; Nicolls, 2; Condon, 1; Halifax, 0.
2nd Half—Norman, Moncton, 1; Wilkie, Halifax, 5 mins.; St.

TWO GAMES OF BASKETBALL

Keen Interest in Result of Tonight's Match Between Y. M. C. A. and Exmouths -- Standing of Teams.

There will be two games played tonight in the City senior basketball league at the Y.M.C.A. Gym, Chipman's Hill. The first game will be between the Exmouth Y.M.A. team and the Y.M.C.A. team, and will probably be the fastest and hardest fought game played here this season, as these two teams are tied for first place in the league, each having won four and lost one game.

The teams will probably line up as follows:

Exmouth Y.M.A. Y.M.C.A.
Greerson, Capt. Willett, Capt.
Wetmore Latham
Wilson Finley
Turner Macaulay
Lawton Babson
Portland Y.M.A. team and the Millidgeville team. These teams have not announced their line up as yet, but both will be strong. The Millidgeville team has shown considerable improvement since the opening of the league.

A. W. Thorne will referee both games.

The standing of the league to date is as follows:

Team	Won	Lost	P.C.	To Play
Y.M.C.A.	4	1	.800	4
Exmouth	4	1	.800	4
Portland	2	3	.400	4
Millidgeville	0	5	.000	4

SPORT FRAGMENTS.
The Cleveland hockey team again defeated the Stratford (Ontario) seven, champions of the Ontario Hockey Association, in a hard fought game at Cleveland on Saturday night. The score was 7 to 2.

The "Baxter mile" which has been the feature of past Columbia meets, has been transferred to the New York Athletic Club games this year, as the collegians will not hold a meet. George Bonhag will attempt to get another leg on the cup for the Irish-American Athletic Club when the race is run next Saturday night in Madison Square Garden.

These Five Men Broke Records At St. Louis Bowling Meet



No. 1, W. Miner; No. 2, W. Williams; No. 3, Andy Hall; No. 4, Edward Guston; No. 5, Ed. Hemmingway.

The Flenners of Chicago won the eleven men team championship at the American bowling congress, rolling 2924, the third highest score rolled in the history of the A. B. C., which has been organized 11 years. The Flenners hung up their scores early in the tournament and for 11 days crack teams shot at it and failed. The nearest to the top score was the Brucks, No. 2 of Chicago. They rolled 2821.

HERE HE IS YANAGANS AND MACAULAYS TAKE THREE AT BLACKS

On Black's alleys last night in the city league, the Yanagans took three points from the Insurance team by a total pinfall of 1274 to 1231. In the Commercial league Macaulays Bros. took three points from Emerson and Fisher, with a total score of 1233. The following were the teams:

Team	Score
Black	106-96-81-283-94-13
Logan	89-88-75-253-84-13
Codner	84-99-86-269-89-23
Masters	59-78-75-243-81
McLellan	79-78-69-226-75-13
449-438-386-1274	
Insurance	82-79-83-244-81-13
Gregory	80-78-94-254-84
Stevens	79-83-75-257-79
406-399-399-1195	

THISTLE LADIES WIN BY LEAD OF ONE POINT

The third and deciding game for the city championship in the series between the Thistles ladies' curling club and the ladies of St. Andrews club was played in St. Andrews rink this morning. The Thistles won by a margin of one point. The rinks and scores were as follows:

Team	Skip	Score
St. Andrews	Miss Jack	9
Mrs. R. K. Jones	Miss Likely	13
Mrs. H. R. Robinson	Mrs. F. E. Williams	13
Mrs. G. Robertson	Mrs. F. Miles	13
Mrs. R. Sturdee	Skip	13
Miss V. Barnes	Miss B. Macaulay	12
Mrs. E. Cruikshank	Mrs. Jackson	12
Mrs. W. Holly	Miss E. MacLaren	12
Mrs. Pope Barnes	Miss T. MacLaren	12
Mrs. G. W. Jones	Skip	12
Miss H. Smith	Miss E. Macaulay	6
Mrs. G. W. Jones	Mrs. Prince	6
Mrs. E. Givan	Miss Campbell	6
Mrs. H. Schofield	Mrs. Thorne	6
Skip	Skip	6
Totals	Totals	31

Two rinks played for the Likely trophy on the Thistle ice last night when Skip S. W. Palmer won from J. Fred Shaw by a score of 17 to 7. The rinks were:

Team	Skip	Score
Rev. J. McCaskill	Don Cameron	17
R. M. Fowler	W. M. Rivers	7
H. G. Barnes	A. Sinclair	7
S. W. Palmer	F. Fred Shaw	7
Skip	Skip	7

GARNETT AND ALBERT WON RACES AT VIC

There were about a thousand people at the Victoria Rink last night to enjoy the skating and witness a couple of races.

The first race was a 220 yard hurdle and Albert Defeated Longley in 28.2-5 seconds.

ST. ANDREWS ARE BEATEN

St. Stephen Curlers Have Lead of Thirteen in Three Rink Match -- Majority in Every Rink.

St. Stephen, Feb. 14.—St. Andrew's Curling Club suffered defeat here today at the hands of the local club. The scores were:

Team	Skip	Score
St. Andrew's	H. H. McAdam	13
C. W. Brown	G. S. Topping	13
W. E. Foster	W. L. Grant	13
E. A. Smith	F. C. Murchie	13
H. B. Robertson	Skip	13
F. W. Roach	W. P. Nicholson	13
H. Kinner	D. M. Bruce	13
F. C. Beatey	E. Stevens	13
E. Magee	Dr. Laughlin	13
Skip	Skip	13
Geo. Murray	M. Buchanan	13
Walter Evans	B. Buchanan	13
J. H. Thilston	C. Fred Holt	13
W. B. Howard	A. G. McWha	13
Skip	Skip	13
Total	Total	43

After the game the visitors were entertained to a supper.

THISTLES GO TO ST. STEPHEN ON THURSDAY

Four rinks of Thistle curlers will leave on Thursday for St. Stephen where they will meet the St. Stephen aggregation in a friendly game. The Thistles rinks chosen are as follows:

Team	Skip
D. W. Warwick	H. C. Vanwart
Dr. Raymond	S. W. Palmer
R. H. Gibson	A. J. MacLennan
G. S. Bishop	A. D. Malcolm
J. S. Malcolm	Skip
Skip	Skip
H. Tapley	W. H. Mowatt
F. F. Burpee	W. B. Robertson
Dr. Raymond	P. A. McAndrews
J. F. Shaw	W. A. Shaw
Skip	Skip

SHERBROOKE TRIMMED BY BOSTON TEAM

Boston, Feb. 14.—The Boston Hockey club defeated the much heralded Sherbrooke hockey seven last evening, 4 to 2, the very best game played at the arena this winter. The Canadian visitors were the excellent players expected of a team which stands at the head of the interprovincial league, but in the Boston men they met past masters of the game who were at their best.

AUTO DRIVER KILLED IN HAVANA RACE

Havana, Cuba, Feb. 14.—During a city Sunday automobile race in this city Sunday a Fiat car was in collision with a Hispano-Swiss, both powerful machines. The mechanic of the latter car was killed and the driver injured. The accident happened in front of the grand stand and many of the spectators had narrow escapes, as one of the machines turned over twice in the air.

MOTOR BOAT RULES CHANGED

Possession of International Trophy for Year Will Not Depend on Result of One Race.

New York, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Undoubtedly the most interesting change in the new rules, pursuant to the revised conditions of the British International trophy for motor boats, is the clause that says that there shall be at least two races and as many more as necessary until one country has won the two races for the prize. Heretofore it has been the custom to decide the event by a single contest. This created considerable criticism last summer. In the struggle for the cup off the Larchmont yacht club the Pioneer, the challenger, the property of the Duke of Westminster, ran foul of a bed of sea weeds and was delayed long enough to lose the struggle. At that time it was acknowledged by the representatives of both the United States and England that one contest was not a fair test and a series of races should be held to decide the ownership of the trophy.

The new deed of gift has several other interesting clauses. It states that the races must be held between June 1 and October 1 of each year, and that March 1 is the latest date that the holding club may be challenged for the prize. This is later than the former deed of gift and will still allow of a race for the prize this summer.

The motor boat club of America, the present holder of the trophy, has not as yet stated whether or not it has received an official challenge from the other side. It is generally understood however, that the club will be challenged this year.

No change has been made in the overall length of the boats that are eligible to race for the trophy. According to the revised rules, no boat shall exceed 40 feet over all length. This is in favor of American yachtsmen. On the other side 50 feet is the overall limit for the principal cup races. It means, therefore, that a challenger must build a special boat, practically worthless for any other purpose, to come after the Harmsworth prize. Should the trophy ever return to a European country, undoubtedly the length of the boats will be increased to comply with the conditions that govern other high speed races.

U.N.B. COMES TO FRONT IN SPORT WORLD

Fredericton, Feb. 14.—It may seem a little early to be making preparations for the next football season, but the U. N. B. football managers have been asked to give dates to the English Rugby team of McGill university, who contemplate touring the Maritime Provinces next fall.

It is believed that arrangements will be completed for the McGill team to play Capt. Dixon's U. N. B. team and the prospects of the game are being looked forward to with favor at the U. N. B.

The U. N. B. basketball team will probably leave here on their trip to Upper Canada about Saturday, 25th inst. Details for the trip are not as yet complete, but the team will probably be away 10 days, playing at Montreal, Ottawa, Kingston and Toronto.

Frank Goteh, the wrestling champion, is working his way eastward, and will be in New York by February 25. On that night he is to wrestle three men at a carnival to be conducted by the Empire Athletic Club, in Pohlmann's Pavilion, Jersey City, N. J.

Baltimore friends of "Jack" Johnson are interesting negro people in raising funds to present the proposed diamond belt to the big fighter. It is planned to present the belt in the city that raises the most money.

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MILLER WON SKATING TITLE AT NEWBURG

Newburg, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The eastern outdoor championship skating races were started yesterday afternoon at Brookside lake, near Newburg, by the Newburg wheelmen before 2000 people. The ice was good and the races were skated on a quarter-mile track. Crack distance skaters from the metropolitan section, Verona Lake and the Hudson valley took part.

Joseph Miller, New York A. C., won the quarter mile; Joseph Stoltz, Riverside skating club, second; K. P. Day-

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AROUND THE CITY

Attendants' Ball. A ball given by the attendants of the Provincial Hospital was largely attended last night.

Y. M. C. A. Sleigh Drive. All the boys of the Y. M. C. A. will be entertained at a sleigh drive Friday evening.

Fine Of \$100. In the police court yesterday afternoon, J. E. Walters, of the West End, was found guilty of illegal sale of liquor and fined \$100 or three months in jail.

St. James Reunion. A congregational reunion will be held in St. James church on Friday evening.

Lectures at Hampton. A Gordon Leavitt went to Hampton on last evening's train where he delivered a lecture on Natural History.

Escaped From Court House. Yesterday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock while the chain gang was at work in the Court House, Walter Law, one of the prisoners, made his escape by going through a side door.

Annual High Tea. The young ladies of St. John the Evangelist church, are actively engaged in decorating the hall in preparation for their annual high tea which will be opened next Tuesday evening.

Injured In Street. Last evening a lady slipped on the ice on Charlotte street, and received a blow on the head which stunned her.

Stricken at Rink. Last night while in attendance at the Victoria skating rink, William Livingston, a middle aged man, suffered a partial stroke of paralysis.

Announcement. Mrs. Thomas H. Branscombe, of Cumberland Bay, Queens County, N. B., announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Miss Rose B. Branscombe, to Elmer L. Barratt, of Merritt, British Columbia.

Lives With Fractured Skull. About one o'clock yesterday afternoon John Norris of London, Eng., and boatswain on the Furness liner Kanawha, fell into the hold of the steamer, a distance of about 20 feet.

Enjoyable Outing. With a beautiful moon, plenty of snow for snowshoeing and tobogganing, the large number of ladies and gentlemen who had an outing at Pandemec and Westfield yesterday afternoon and evening, thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Imported Horses. A. H. Thompson, the well known importer of horses and pure bred cattle, arrived here on the Cassandra yesterday with a consignment of Clydesdale mares and French stallions.

New Society. The farmers of Fredericton Junction met in the Agricultural Hall on Saturday evening and organized an agricultural society.

Master Painters. The adjourned annual meeting of the master painters and decorators was held in their hall, Market building, last evening.

Hazen Brown, Sr. Hazen B. Brown, Sr., passed away about 7 o'clock last evening at his home in the North End, 25 Sheriff street.

Wood Pulp Industry. The lecture last evening on the wood pulp industry of Canada at the Natural History Society was of a most interesting nature.

ALLEGED INJUSTICE TO CANADIAN SHIPPING

Marine Engineers Complain That no Provision is Made for Their Getting on Naval Vessels--Trade Unprofitable

That the new Canadian Navy is not a Canadian navy was the theme of a warm debate at a meeting of the Marine Engineer's Association held in the Temple of Honor Hall, Main street, last evening.

Attention was directed to the fact that when the Canadian marine engineers a few years ago entered a vigorous protest against the employment of foreign vessels in the Canadian coasting trade, the government showed its interest in the development of merchant shipping as a nursery for the navy by passing an order.

The discussion was very heated, it being stated that if the government continued to neglect the shipping interests and the men who follow the sea, it will not be many years before the marine engineers will have to take up farming for a living.

CAME UNACCOMPANIED TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL

St. Stephen Woman Came Here by Train and Engaged Hack on Arrival of Train to Drive to Hospital.

A peculiar occurrence is reported to have transpired at the railway depot on the arrival of the Atlantic express Monday. Among the passengers who approached the coachman's stand was a woman who stood in front of the drivers for a time and then pointing to her head she exclaimed, "I want a hack. I'm out of my mind and I want to go to the asylum."

St. Jude's Men's Reunion. Another of the men's reunions which have proven such an enjoyable feature in connection with the work for men in St. Jude's church, West End, was held last evening in the school room.

Successful Cantata. The cantata given by the Junior choir of St. James' church last evening was one of the most enjoyable entertainments ever held in connection with the church.

Wood Pulp Industry. The lecture last evening on the wood pulp industry of Canada at the Natural History Society was of a most interesting nature and was illustrated by a series of fine views.

Brussels Street Tea. The Valentine Tea and social held in the school room of the Brussels street Baptist church last evening was a great success.

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C. P. R. PURCHASE ON KING STREET RUMORED

Prominent Official of Company Says Startling Announcement May be Looked For--One of Two Buildings,

That the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is contemplating the purchase of property in King street and has, in fact, practically arranged to take over one of the best business stands on that street, after making an offer for another property, is the report which is in circulation in the city.

Some months ago persons acting for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company made an offer for the property on the corner of King and Germain streets occupied by J. M. Roche and other tenants and owned by the Foster estate, George E. Fullweather is the agent for the estate and the owners of the building refused to sell.

It is also stated that the big railway company has been looking for a King street site for a hotel, but this is probably a revival of an old rumor.

There is also considerable activity in residential property in the West and North ends, but some real estate men say that the city will not realize the best results from the boom which is now on, for the reason that there is a general tendency to inflate values.

St. Valentine's Day. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Seaman's Mission, and the board of management, entertained last evening at the Institute by Mrs. G. Wilford Campbell.

Mr. G. Wilford Campbell Entertains Seamen's Mission Leaders-North End W.C.T.U. Hold Re-union.

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North End W. C. T. U. The North End W. C. T. U. held a pleasant reunion and entertainment at the home of Mrs. Charles Ferris, 214 Lockland Road, in honor of St. Valentine's Day.

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