

WILSON'S POLICY ADVOCATED

Conservation of National Resources Commission Declares For Studied and United Action.

Mr. Sifton Promises To Drop Party Politics in Work, and Earl Grey Applauds Idea.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 18.—The first annual meeting of the Canadian Commission for the Conservation of Natural Resources opened this morning in the Carnegie Library...

After some preliminary observations Mr. Sifton said that a serious difficulty in the framing of the legislation was the fact that the provinces would look with jealousy upon a federal commission. To avoid this every care was taken to give the provinces the preponderating representation...

Referring to mining Mr. Sifton said that in 1905 the mineral production of Canada was valued at a half million dollars and in 1908 \$87,000,000. He drew attention to the wasteful methods practiced and to the urgent and immediate need of every effort being made to protect the health of the miners...

REMARKABLE FLIGHT MADE BY PAULHAN

Famous French Aviator In Daring Cross Country Flight Covers 47 1-2 Miles—Will Receive \$10,000 Prize.

RECORD YET TO BE DECIDED UPON. Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 18.—Louis Paulhan, in his Farman biplane today, made what aviation experts regard as the most remarkable cross country flight in history. On the wings of a wind that other aviators hesitated to face, the Frenchman dived from aviation field to "Lucky" Baldwin's ranch, 23 miles away, circled the old Santa Anita racetrack and bucked his way to his tent...

CHAMPION OF STRIKERS ARRAIGNED IN COURT

Miss Millholland Assumes Charge Of Inciting Riot In Shirtwaist Strike—Magistrate Releases Prisoner.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 18.—While three hundred girl strikers gathered in and about the court to learn the fate of their pretty champion, Miss Millholland, suffragette, would-be Harvard co-ed and defender of the striking shirtwaist operators, was arraigned in police court today, charged, among other things, with using to disperse after a demonstration near East Side factory last night...

peculiarity of Canada's position at the present time. Having overcome the initial difficulties we have laid the foundations of national progress and are now on the eve of great expansion and prosperity. The least study of the conditions will make it clear that we shall soon see a great influx of capital, especially from the United States. It will come to acquire our sources of wealth. It will acquire in order to monopolize. It is our duty to provide in advance against this by so amending all organic laws that no matter who acquires the ownership the people will not be deprived of their control nor of their fair share of the wealth that is produced from them in the future...

UNIONISTS AGAIN SHOW HEELS TO OPPONENTS IN GREAT RACE FOR POWER

Conservatives in England's Big Political Fight Have Much the Better of Third Day's Voting, Making a Net Gain of Twelve Seats in the Forty-four Contested.

London, Jan. 18.—The elections today resulted in the return of the following:— Unionists 21; Liberals 19; Laborites 3; Nationalists 1. Unionist gains 12; Liberal gains 1. The standing of the parties at the conclusion of today's polling was as follows:— Unionists 120; Liberals 98; Laborites 20; Nationalists 28. Total gains: Unionists 51; Liberals 9; Laborites 1. The Unionists had decidedly the better of the elections held today. Of 44 seats contested, they won 21, of which twelve were represented by ministerialists in the last parliament. The only consolation for the Liberals was in the success obtained in the Bermonsey division of Southwark, where the government candidate H. J. Glanville re-captured the seat which went over to the Unionists in the by-election last November. Several of the Liberal losses, as on preceding days, were caused by three-cornered contests, the intervention of a Labor or Socialist candidate precluding the success of the government supporters.

Fourteen of the London boroughs returned eight Liberals and six Unionists, as compared with eleven Liberals and three Unionists in the last parliament. The Unionist gains include Chelsea, one division of Liverpool, Whitehaven, Boston, Warwick and Leamington, Kidderminster, Coventry and two seats in Brighton. Most of the losses were incurred before the great Liberal victory of 1906 and are returning to the Conservative fold. While there were not so many contests today as Saturday and Monday there were more prominent politicians with fortunes at stake. Two of these, Col. J. E. B. Seely, under-secretary for the colonies, and R. K. Couston, postmaster-general, lost their seats for the Abercromby division of Liverpool and Southwark, west, respectively. The loss of Col. Seely was especially severe for the government, as he has been the spokesman in the House of Commons for the colonial office and was one of the younger men in line for promotion. Three members of the cabinet, Winston Spencer Churchill, president of the Board of Trade, Sydney Charles Buxton, postmaster-general, and Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Education, retained their seats. Mr. Churchill with his labor colleague, A. W. H. Wilson, in Coventry, which he held before 1906 and which he once occupied as a Liberal; J. K. Foster, a prominent writer on fiscal questions, who won against Silas Hocking, the novelist, in Coventry, which was previously represented by another literary man, A. E. W. Mason, who retired from parliament at the beginning of the year. With the exception of North England, Scotland and the big manufacturing towns, the result of the polls shows a steady trend towards the Liberal policy of the Unionists, but, calculating returns thus far announced, the political oracles maintain that this will be insufficient to overcome the big Liberal majority obtained in 1906. Of course, there are many side issues, such as the cry of a weakened navy, which have influenced the voters, particularly at naval ports and in English counties where the landlords wield a great influence, more Unionist gains may be expected.

A Big Turn-Over. There will have to be a big turn-over however, before the government is put out. A Conservative estimate now places the Liberal-Labor majority over the Unionists at between eighty and ninety. This with a compact party would be a working majority, but with the unreliable Laborites, backed up by the Irish when it suited them, the Liberal majority would have to go warily to avoid pit-falls. The Laborites, it is true, are not likely to be so strong in the new parliament as in the last. They already

have lost several seats and several of their members have won only by narrow majorities. This loss of ground by the workmen's party has been one of the surprises of the election. After the successes of 1906, they thought they had formed the nucleus of what promised to be a powerful group. Suspicion that they opposed a larger navy, doubtless had its effect for a number of other opponents of the government's belated action in meeting Germany's building programme also suffered defeat. The surprise which the antagonists were expected to spring have not yet materialized. They have been actively canvassing against the government on previous occasions, gathered in stand against Sydney Buxton today, but thus far they have not engaged in militant tactics. Usual Scenes. The usual scenes occurred in the streets tonight when the returns were coming in, even a larger crowd than on previous occasions, gathered in the squares, watching the screens. Premier Asquith, addressing his constituents at East Fife said that in the last four years the election as far as it has proceeded, was that with two or three exceptions such gains as had been secured by the Unionists had been completely nullified. The great centres of industry were nearly all sold for free trade and whatever might happen, he said, one thing was certain, that in the new parliament tariff reform was a political impossibility. No statesmanship, he added, however ingenious or audacious, could construct a tariff in defiance of the opinion of every one of the great centres of industry. Questioned on home rule, the premier said he could promise no legislation of any kind, until they had settled their question with the House of Lords. Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland at a Liberal demonstration at Bridgewater, said he thought he had not been there in the period between 1874 and 1875. Mr. Paterson was completely flabbergasted and hastened on to his next.

VALLEY RAILWAY SCHEME ENDORSED

Col. McLean Authority for Statement That Ottawa Is Willing To Take Up With Scheme.

Gagetown, Jan. 18.—Braving a storm of rain and sleet, unpleasant in the extreme, a large number of the electors of Queens and Sunbury counties, gathered in force in the Temperance Hall here tonight and unanimously endorsed the resolution pressing for the early construction of the St. John Valley Railway. Advantage was taken of the presence in town of the County Councillors and all occupied seats on the platform. There was a large local attendance and a good sprinkling of ladies in the audience. The resolution, moved by Mr. F. L. Peters, of Queens, and seconded by J. R. Dunn and I. W. Carpenter, read as follows: "Whereas, as this large assembly of citizens, residents of the St. John Valley in the County of Queens, feel keenly our isolated position for five months of the year, absolutely without any transportation facilities of a public nature, and thus deprived from reaching the markets with our farm products, at a time of year when they are in active demand, and also deprived of ordinary facilities for travel now so largely enjoyed by residents of other parts of the province. "And whereas, this isolated condition has become not only irksome and most discouraging to us, but is very seriously interfering with the progress and settlement of the County of Queens, and the thrift and prosperity of its citizens, but is also the immediate cause of a heavy drain on our population, through the emigration of our young people to western parts of the Dominion. "And whereas, our present situation is of two serious and vital nature, to be readily set aside or neglected, and feeling that we have the right to expect fair treatment from both federal and provincial governments, in giving to our necessity in this regard the earliest possible consideration. "We submit as our unanimous decision, that with the construction, equipment, and operation of a line of railway along the western bank of the river intersecting with the C.P.R. at or near the river De Chute or Andover in the County of Victoria, and at a point at or near Westfield, as provided by the Act of the Assembly during the session of 1909, said line of railway to pass as near as possible through Centreville, Waterville, Jacktonville and Woodville in the County of Carleton; Canterbury, Arroy, Kingsdale, Springhill and Centreville in the County of York; Linton, Ormorton, Burton in the County of Sunbury; Upper Gagetown, Gagetown, Queenstown and Hampstead in the County of Queens; the far-famed granite quarry on Spoon Island, Esplanade, Oak Point, Round Hill and other centres in the County of Queens and within the limits of the important centres of population, situated on the eastern bank of the river, would meet with hearty approval of the entire people and residents in the St. John Valley, and would give to the districts named opportunity for increased production, a great stimulus to trade and a greater contentment to the people. "Therefore resolved, that the meeting join with the several boards of trade and boards of ratepayers, Centreville and St. John, and other municipalities along the valley of the St. John, in pressing home on the federal and provincial governments the great necessity of taking immediate steps to insure the construction, equipment and operation of the St. John Valley Railway."

Meeting Spoken. Mr. Maurice Scovil of Gagetown was elected to the chair. In opening the meeting, he spoke of the early railway history of the province and the efforts made to secure a line down the river valley. Nothing had come of all the talk and the section was worse off than in days of the old stage-coach. Mr. F. L. Peters was the first speaker. After referring to the presence of Messrs. Wood and Slipp, representatives of ratepayers, the local legislature, Mr. Peters read a letter from Lieut. Col. McLean, federal member for Queens-Sunbury, expressing regret of his inability to attend and stating: "We must have fairly restrict competition; and the guilty party persists in the conduct which has been reported against; that party is liable to indictment, and a fine not exceeding \$1,000 for each day that he offends after the expiration of ten days from the date of official publication."

NOVA SCOTIA MAN DROWNED AT SEA. Portland, Me., Jan. 18.—Schooner Margie Turner reports that Jack Burke, a member of the crew, was hit by the main boom on Monday and knocked into the sea. A futile effort to reach the man was made by men in a dory. Burke's home was at Cross Island, N. S. His age was 27 years.

THE PROPOSED ACT IN DETAIL. Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Mr. MacKenzie King today made public the anti-combine legislation which the Government has been promising. The outstanding features are: 1—An investigation by a board analogous to the boards of conciliation and investigation now appointed in industrial disputes. 2—In the event of an affirmation by the board that the law is being broken, three penalties are provided: 1—Lowering of the duty. 2—Revocation of a patent which is used to oppose the public. 3—A fine of 1000 a day in case of recalcitrancy. The machinery of the board is as follows: Six or more persons who believe that a combine, monopoly, etc., exists may apply to a judge of the high court. On a prima facie case being made out, the judge shall direct the Minister of Labor to constitute a board. The complainants shall name one member the interests attacked shall name another, these two shall select a chairman who shall be a judge. The board shall report to the Minister. Two Titles. The bill is furnished with two titles long and short. The long one is quite a recitation in itself: "An act to provide for the investigation of combines, monopolies, trusts and mergers which may enhance prices or restrict competition to the detriment of consumers. The short title is "The Combines Investigation Act." Mr. King declared that this bill differs in some respects from other countries, it is aimed at combines or mergers as such, but against the unfair exercise of combines, mergers or monopolies of the powers derived from that form of organization. He approved the principle of organization, describing it as necessary in the present age of world-wide competition. A highly organized industry from the facilities which it has of improving production, should lead to greater efficiency, and on the whole should benefit the public. "But we know," he said, "that in other countries and possibly in this country, organizations have not only used their corporate powers primarily to the advantage of consumers, but have taken in some cases possibly an unfair advantage of themselves. This measure seeks to afford the means of conserving to the public some of the benefits which arise from the large organization of capital for the purpose of commerce."

Two Considerations governed him, the minister went on: 1—Let there be a minimum of interference with private business which is conducted fairly and properly. 2—Let there be a ready means whereby individuals or the public can secure their rights if these are invaded by a corporation. The machinery has already been described in outline. Applications are made to the High Court Judge, he may hear evidence or not as he sees fit. All that is needed is that he decide that a prima facie case has been made out. The board is to report to the minister of labor. The minister shall publish this in the Gazette and shall furnish copies to the press. "Publicity," said Mr. King, "in some cases is more effective than penalty. Penalties, however, are provided. There is the existing expedient of lowering or removing the tariff where the price of an article has been enhanced. Then there is the case of holders of patents. If the owners of the patent uses his exclusive rights unduly to limit the manufacture or supply of an article, so as to injure trade or commerce, such shall be liable to be revoked. If the board finds that any combination unduly enhances prices or unfairly restricts competition; and the guilty party persists in the conduct which has been reported against; that party is liable to indictment; and a fine not exceeding \$1,000 for each day that he offends after the expiration of ten days from the date of official publication."

Fire Protection. Some remarks upon the importance of fire protection, especially in the governments of Ontario and Quebec in this connection and the formation of two great regions on the east slope of the river the other on all the provincial governments and the Transcanada. Having referred to the importance of scientific agriculture he called attention to the

Unionists Revive. London, Jan. 19.—The Unionist morning papers in their editorials insist that the party has recovered from the slight disappointment which followed Monday's polling, and now has full confidence in its ability to reduce the Government's majority as to place the ministers in the power of the Nationalists and Laborites. The Unionists rely upon the contests in the counties which will begin today, to give them further considerable gains. Today's list includes several county seats which were gained by the Liberals in 1906 by the narrowest of majorities and these are fully expected to fall into the Unionist net. The Daily Telegraph says: "The Unionists may rest absolutely certain that the fight is justifying itself every day. The situation is so

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News of a Day

Coast Heard From.
Frankfort, Jan. 18.—The Frankforter Zeitung is informed that Doctor Frederick A. Cook has arranged for a strict income tax at a sanatorium near Heidelberg. The health of the explorer is reported as having been seriously affected by recent events.

Blanket Statement.
Toronto, Jan. 18.—When asked whether the Government in view of the spread of local option contemplate reducing the number of license districts and inspectors, Sir James Whitney said: "There is no important change contemplated in the license act for this session. That is a blanket statement."

Dr. Houghton's Warrant.
Toronto, Jan. 18.—Owing to the present uncertainty of the peace of Europe, a Canadian will best serve the Empire by offering Dr. Houghton's to Great Britain, and by the question of more important changes in the resolution passed by the House of Commons at last night's meeting of the North Toronto Convention.

Dr. Houghton's Warrant.
Toronto, Jan. 18.—William McCreary in Phoenix farmer residing near St. John, was placed on trial before Judge McLaughlin at St. John yesterday charged with defrauding several banks by falsifying their financial condition and thereby securing large loans. The grand jury brought in three indictments against Bell and the case was to have been tried at the last session but was put over on account of the absence of the defendant.

Agency Raided.
Riga, Russia, Jan. 18.—The offices of an international "white slave" agency here have been raided by the police on information from Copenhagen, where fifteen young Russian girls, who answered advertisements for young women to work as dairy maids had been sent. Only one of the white slave traders was arrested. The others had taken warning, but documents were seized showing an average profit of \$30 for each woman successfully placed in Europe or America.

Prison No Bars.
Kingston, Ont., Jan. 18.—Defaulting general manager of the Ontario Bank, Charles McGill, will have served three years in the penitentiary on Feb. 1st, and his five year term, including allowance for good conduct, will expire at the end of this year, when he leaves the penitentiary. McGill will step into a prominent business position. Many concerns have

GUARANTY SCHEME FOR SCOTLAND

Project for the Frith to Clyde Canal Again Being Revived
—Thirty-six Feet Deep—Has Many Advantages.

CONTINENTAL ATTENTION HAS BEEN AWAKENED

London, Jan. 18.—Under the spur of the report of the royal commission advocating state control and upbuilding of England's inland waterways, as already reported, renewed agitation has developed in many quarters in support of the projected Frith to Clyde Canal.

This plan proposes neither more nor less than a thirty-five mile battle ship canal between the Frith of Forth and the Firth of Clyde, by which the existing routes by from one hundred to six hundred miles. Engineers have figured that the work could be completed in nine years at an aggregate expenditure approximating \$100,000,000.

The project for the construction of a deep waterway connecting the North Sea and the Atlantic Ocean is not a new one. Interest already has been aroused in many quarters, and there is now no doubt that the next Parliament will be petitioned for government financial aid in behalf of the project. The support of the Commissioners of Navigation and of the Harbor Trustees of seventy-four of the most prominent centres of the northern area of the United Kingdom has been promised to the Frith and Clyde Canal Association, which is the central organization behind the project, when such a petition is presented. Continental attention has also been attracted.

Advantages of Canal.

Owing to the facilities and practical economies which the new channel would offer to foreign shipping, Denmark, Holland and even Germany through trade and official bodies have asserted their intention of using it. Such a new passage between Northern Europe and America, it is recognized, would avoid the fogs and lides of the English Channel. It would afford, so its proponents argue, the east coast and the ports of Northern Europe to the west coast, as well as to Ireland and the United States and Canada.

"We are much pleased with the suggestion of the Canal Commission," said Admiral Sir Charles Campbell, honorary president of the organization that is agitating the project. "That the government should be approached on the subject of using the money it will give to this waterway that would carry Dreadnoughts between the Frith and the Clyde. We certainly shall take steps to ascertain their views."

"We could start throwing dirt tomorrow, if only the financial end of the problem could be solved. The cost, it is true, has been estimated at approximately \$100,000,000, but with recent inventions in excavating machinery a saving of 40 per cent might be effected on those figures. If the government will guarantee three per cent interest on the capital required during the construction of the whole of the money needed would be subscribed tomorrow. It only means diverting the interest on the Suez Canal shares for one year and the thing would be done. But if, on the other hand, the government would find half the capital, I think they would be no difficulty about the other half. The canal will be quite self-supporting when once it is opened."

Naval men assert that it would be difficult to overestimate the importance of such a waterway to the strategic interests of the Kingdom. They point out that it must exercise a commanding influence over naval problems in the North Sea, as it would probably provide the most convenient and safest passage for battle ships and destroyers between the Atlantic Ocean and European water, allowing rapid mobilization at will on either coast.

As a line of retreat, too, for lamducks to the repairing bases at Glasgow or Belfast, in the canal itself, at Stirling or Greenock, or the suggested new dock in Loch Lomond itself, it would be of the foremost importance. Discussing the strategic possibilities of the canal, Commander E. Hamond, R. N., who has been in command of the Admiralty, has asserted that such a canal might obviate the need of the construction of a great naval base at Rosyth, on which, according to existing plans of the Admiralty, as much as \$200,000,000 might have to be expended for the creation of a first class base at that point.

In addition, he added, the proposed canal would be of great commercial value and could be made to pass as well as the Manchester ship canal. Then, too, there would be used only an emergency dock at Rosyth.

The German Programme.

With the constant habit of drawing parallels with what Germany is doing, which has become fixed custom with Englishmen these days whenever a naval subject is broached, it is pointed out that that country has committed itself to enormous outlay upon the widening of the Kaiser Wilhelm Canal and the conversion of Wilhelmshaven from a shallow inlet, full of sandbars, into what promises to become by next year the second largest naval harbor in the world. All of which, naturally, is being utilized as another spur to the proposed Frith to Clyde canal.

APPEALS TO GERMAN ARMS

Navy League Issues a Stirring Manifesto -- Storm Clouds Still Lie Black in the North West.

NATION MUST NOT BE TURNED FROM COURSE

Washington, Jan. 18.—That Germany has not yet forgotten that England still has a great navy is indicated by the manifesto just issued by the German Navy League. The manifesto constitutes a stirring appeal to Germany not to be diverted by any considerations whatever from the naval expansion in which the league is now so actively engaged. The greater part of the manifesto is devoted to the question of the German Government and press have observed a calm and dignity which are the results of a good conscience. "English statesmen and admirals have not shrunk from agitation against Germany even outside of Europe," and the well-organized jingo press has done its best to attract world-wide attention to the display. At intervals on the other hand, it heard a different refrain, a soothing song, which is intended to attract the steersmen of the German empire from their course. Rumors of all sorts of reconciliations are abroad. Now a suggestion is made that the Congo, the Nile and the Tigris, now again naval construction—all for the improvement of general relations. It is a dangerous game, which makes it a duty for every patriot to suppress all endeavors which could be pointed to by any foreign power as weakness.

"That man of party, would incur the odium of doing or allowing to be done a deed which the inevitable result must be a weakening of our prestige among the people, which could never be repaired. What part could have regard to the next Reichstag elections and yet undertake to represent a policy of diminution of our naval power, or other important interests in the vain hope of composing an antagonism which lies in the conditions of existence of the two peoples."

The manifesto goes on to declare that questions of existence call for strong nerves and far sight. At such a point of view of the question of the honor of others is inadmissible, and as compared with the importance of Germany's vital interests, calculation as to the danger of the question of the nation might be effected more cheaply. It is especially superfluous "when the calculation takes the point of view of the question of whether we could thereby win the favor of our rich cousin." So once Holland fell from the height of her power she was treated as a question in the light of such petty considerations.

TEACHING BOYS TO FARM

The Bradford College Ranch Near Calgary Likely to Prove a Success -- The Scheme As Outlined.

OPERATIONS TO COMMENCE AT EASTER

Last August Dr. Gray, warden of Bradford, England, presided at the Educational Science Section of the British Association held at Winnipeg. Before returning home he bought a house and a ranch of 1,320 acres near Calgary. On this ranch has been inaugurated an experiment in education and agriculture that is attracting widespread attention, one that may be destined to have a most important bearing on the immigration problem of Canada, and that has a deep significance to every British subject who is interested in the future of the Empire.

The Bradford College Ranch. The ranch bought by Dr. Gray is known as the Bradford College Ranch, and its purpose is well described in the London Spectator. "The Bradford Ranch," says the Spectator, "is a business proposition. It is intended to pay its way, and to help its pupils to pay theirs. A party of boys from Bradford would go out about Easter— that is about the time active work on the ranch would begin. They would remain until October in each successive year, and in October they would be advised to attend a winter session at one of the Canadian Agricultural colleges— at Guelph, Montreal, or possibly at an agricultural college to be affiliated to the University of Edmonton. In the spring the young men would return to the ranch work again, and by the end of two years a ranch pupil ought to be in a position to invest capital in the purchase of a ranch for himself should he wish to do so, and to invest his money knowing what he was buying."

Protecting Intending Settlers.

The advantage of a young Englishman knowing something about the country before sinking his money need hardly be pointed out. Everybody knows that money can be lost as rapidly in Canada as it can be made. In the same section of land may be two excellent quarter sections and two worthless quarter sections. Moreover, everybody who sighs for a life in the open, and an occupation "near to nature's heart" is not necessarily a good winter farmer. He may think that agriculture is the life he wants; but a couple of years actual work on a farm and a couple of winters spent in studying the theoretical side of agriculture may very well teach a young man that he is not out to be a farmer. Is a good deal better to come to this realization before one's capital has been invested in the farm. The chances are that after the probationary period on the Bradford College Ranch the pupil whose fancy for farming has not been destroyed will make a first class settler.

Life on the Ranch.

The scheme contemplates the payment by each pupil of \$100 premium. He would also be called on to pay for his passage out here, his board, and it would cost him probably \$40 a session for two years' fees and boarding expenses, when attending college. Also he would have to get his board on the ranch for six or seven months of the year, and practical instruction from an expert Canadian farmer. Also he would receive in wages of \$2 a month, and more, if he proved worth it. In the two years, therefore, he would have returned to him in wages perhaps half of his \$100 fee. While life on the ranch will be thoroughly practical, simple, and strenuous it will be free from the ordinary and distressing that are too often associated with agricultural apprenticeships. The Bradford College Ranch is a modern residence of 25 rooms with all modern appliances, even to the inclusion of a play-plant.

What is being done near Calgary in connection with the Bradford College Ranch, and in other outlying portions of the British Empire. To carry on and extend the work the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement in the Overseas" has been formed. The Head Masters' conference of England has approved the idea and recommended the establishment of a local office in each of the British Empire. To carry on and extend the work the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement in the Overseas" has been formed. The Head Masters' conference of England has approved the idea and recommended the establishment of a local office in each of the British Empire. To carry on and extend the work the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement in the Overseas" has been formed. The Head Masters' conference of England has approved the idea and recommended the establishment of a local office in each of the British Empire.

LOCAL

Loss by Western Fire.

Mr. James T. Carpenter, meat dealer, Mill street, has received word from his son, Harry, who carries on business at Oaage, Sask., that by the burning of an elevator at that place he lost about \$2,000. Besides the meat business Mr. Carpenter is agent for the Ogilvie Flour Company.

Annual Meeting of Union Club.

At the annual meeting of the Union Club on Monday evening, Mr. S. C. deForest was re-elected president and Judge Forbes vice-president. Messrs. F. J. G. Knowlton, F. R. Taylor, John A. Keeffe, H. P. Robinson and Wm. A. Ewing were elected a managing committee with the officers.

In the Police Court.

In the police court yesterday Robert McCallum and John Sullivan arrested for stealing a quantity of brass, the property of Mr. R. C. Elkin, pleaded guilty and were remanded for sentence.

Fire on Mill Street.

An alarm from box 157 about 11 o'clock yesterday morning called the fire department to Mr. Samuel Hawker's house, corner Mill street and Paradise row, where fire had started between the joists of the upper floor, occupied by Mr. Wm. J. Farren, who keeps the Halifax House. Considerable damage was done by water and by the tearing up of the floors to get at the fire. Seven rooms and the hall were thus damaged. Mr. Hawker has the house insured for \$2000 in the Western, R. W. W. Frink, and \$500 in the Queen Fire Insurance Co. Jarvis and Whitaker. He also has \$3000 on the stock. Mr. Farren has \$400 on his furniture in the Sun Fire Insurance Co.

WORK ON REVISION OF THE VULGATE

Head of Commission Delivers Important Address—Will Be Based on Collection of Manuscripts.

Rome, Jan. 18.—At the British school today, in the presence of leading archaeologists and prominent members of the English and American colonies, Abbot Gasquet, president of the commission for the revision of the Vulgate, lectured on the work which had been undertaken towards the recovery of the text of St. Jerome's Latin Bible.

The lecturer sketched the history of the revision from the fourth to the sixteenth century, when the present authentic edition was published, and explained the method which was now being followed. He said that the revision would be based on collations of Biblical manuscripts found in the principal libraries of Europe and their comparison, and a final review when the exactness of St. Jerome's text had been determined.

The lecture was illustrated with photographs of unique ancient manuscripts which had been discovered in the bindings of modern books, several specimens of Bibles and J. Pierpont Morgan's sixth century Gospel book.

The lecture was regarded as very important. It practically constituted the first report on the revision of the Vulgate.

THE COTTON MARKET.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet, 35 points lower; middling upland, 13.85; middling gulf 14.10; sales 1,900 bales.

New Orleans—Steady, 15.
Savannah—Nominal, 14 5/8.
Charleston—Nominal.
Memphis—Nominal, 15 1/4.

Consolidated—Net receipts for four days, 65,103; exports to Great Britain 3,743; to France 5,271; to continent 23,131; stock 882,814.

REGISTRY AT ST. GEORGE DESTROYED BY FIRE

St. George, Jan. 18.—Fire broke out at 8 o'clock this morning in the upper portion of the Anglican church rectory, probably from a defective stove, and it gained such headway in a short time that it was impossible to save it, although the St. George people made every possible effort to do so. Rev. Mr. Lynd saved his furniture. The barn was insured in the Union for only \$1,000, and the loss to the parishioners, who have just completed a new church, will be considerable.

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Last August Dr. Gray, warden of Bradford, England, presided at the Educational Science Section of the British Association held at Winnipeg. Before returning home he bought a house and a ranch of 1,320 acres near Calgary. On this ranch has been inaugurated an experiment in education and agriculture that is attracting widespread attention, one that may be destined to have a most important bearing on the immigration problem of Canada, and that has a deep significance to every British subject who is interested in the future of the Empire.

The Bradford College Ranch. The ranch bought by Dr. Gray is known as the Bradford College Ranch, and its purpose is well described in the London Spectator. "The Bradford Ranch," says the Spectator, "is a business proposition. It is intended to pay its way, and to help its pupils to pay theirs. A party of boys from Bradford would go out about Easter— that is about the time active work on the ranch would begin. They would remain until October in each successive year, and in October they would be advised to attend a winter session at one of the Canadian Agricultural colleges— at Guelph, Montreal, or possibly at an agricultural college to be affiliated to the University of Edmonton. In the spring the young men would return to the ranch work again, and by the end of two years a ranch pupil ought to be in a position to invest capital in the purchase of a ranch for himself should he wish to do so, and to invest his money knowing what he was buying."

Protecting Intending Settlers.

The advantage of a young Englishman knowing something about the country before sinking his money need hardly be pointed out. Everybody knows that money can be lost as rapidly in Canada as it can be made. In the same section of land may be two excellent quarter sections and two worthless quarter sections. Moreover, everybody who sighs for a life in the open, and an occupation "near to nature's heart" is not necessarily a good winter farmer. He may think that agriculture is the life he wants; but a couple of years actual work on a farm and a couple of winters spent in studying the theoretical side of agriculture may very well teach a young man that he is not out to be a farmer. Is a good deal better to come to this realization before one's capital has been invested in the farm. The chances are that after the probationary period on the Bradford College Ranch the pupil whose fancy for farming has not been destroyed will make a first class settler.

Life on the Ranch.

The scheme contemplates the payment by each pupil of \$100 premium. He would also be called on to pay for his passage out here, his board, and it would cost him probably \$40 a session for two years' fees and boarding expenses, when attending college. Also he would have to get his board on the ranch for six or seven months of the year, and practical instruction from an expert Canadian farmer. Also he would receive in wages of \$2 a month, and more, if he proved worth it. In the two years, therefore, he would have returned to him in wages perhaps half of his \$100 fee. While life on the ranch will be thoroughly practical, simple, and strenuous it will be free from the ordinary and distressing that are too often associated with agricultural apprenticeships. The Bradford College Ranch is a modern residence of 25 rooms with all modern appliances, even to the inclusion of a play-plant.

What is being done near Calgary in connection with the Bradford College Ranch, and in other outlying portions of the British Empire. To carry on and extend the work the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement in the Overseas" has been formed. The Head Masters' conference of England has approved the idea and recommended the establishment of a local office in each of the British Empire. To carry on and extend the work the "Public Schools League for Imperial Land Settlement in the Overseas" has been formed. The Head Masters' conference of England has approved the idea and recommended the establishment of a local office in each of the British Empire.

NEW TRIAL ORDERED IN CUMMINGS CASE

Fredericton, Jan. 18.—Judge Wilson gave judgment today in the application for a new trial in the case of the late Mrs. Cummings. The court granted a new trial without costs on the grounds of misdirection to the jury as to the measurement of the damages. The plaintiff is a resident of Canterbury and the defendant's company are doing business in St. John. The plaintiff sued for the price of a car load of hay, which the defendant acknowledged, but filed a counter claim for breach of contract, claiming that the plaintiff had not delivered a car of potatoes he had contracted for with them. The defendant's counter claim was allowed and a verdict for \$19 entered. R. W. McLellan appeared for the plaintiff, and R. B. Hanson for the defendant on behalf of Barr Hill, Ewing and Sanford of St. John.

PARTED FORTY YEARS

IS UNITED BY CHILD

Rosa Decker 11 Years Old Locates by Letter Writing Mother's Brother Long Mourned as Dead.

New York, Jan. 18.—Through clever work by her daughter, Rosa, 11 years old, Mrs. Rachel Becker, of No. 212 East Fifth street, was reunited yesterday with a brother she had not seen or heard of for 40 years, and had given up as dead. The girl who had often heard her mother speak of her brother, Israel Buchman, wondering if he were alive or dead, heard from a chance acquaintance who had lived at Devil's Lake, North Dakota, that he had known a cloister there by that name, two days before she was given up as dead. The girl who had often heard her mother speak of her brother, Israel Buchman, wondering if he were alive or dead, heard from a chance acquaintance who had lived at Devil's Lake, North Dakota, that he had known a cloister there by that name, two days before she was given up as dead.

STEAMERS

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ELDER DEMPSTER LINE. S.S. Sokoto, 1969 tons will sail from St. John about the 3rd of Feb. for Nassau, Havana, and will take cargo for Mexican ports, Vancouver and Victoria to be followed by the S.S. Borna, 2074 tons, sailing from St. John about the 3rd March.

CANADIAN PACIFIC. IMPORTANT CHANGE IN SERVICE West of Montreal. Train No. 1 After December 31st will run between Winnipeg and Calgary only.

N. B. Southern Railway. On and after SUNDAY, Oct. 3, 1909, trains will run daily, Sunday excepted, as follows: Lv. St. John East Ferry ... 7:30 a.m.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET

Table of Montreal Stock Market prices. Columns include Stock Name, Shares, Bid, Ask, and Price. Includes entries like Amalgamated Copper, American Beet Sugar, American Car and Foundry, etc.

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MONEY ON CALL AT 3 3/4 P. C.

Table of Money on Call rates. Columns include Location, Rate, and Date. Includes entries for New York, N. Y., Jan. 18, Close.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of License Commissioners for the County of St. John, under the Liquor License Act, 1896, and amendments thereto, have fixed the twenty-fifth day of January, instant, at 2:30 o'clock, in the afternoon, at the office of the Chief Inspector, 42 Princess Street, in the City of St. John, as the time and place for considering applications for licenses under said Act for the ensuing license year.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET; YES-TODAY'S TRADING IN WALL ST.

(Quotations Furnished by Private Wires of J. C. Mackintosh and Co., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange, 111 Prince Wm. Street, St. John, N. B., Chubb's Corner.)

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AMERICAN VIOLENT PRICE MOVEMENT IN MARKET

New York, N. Y., Jan. 18.—Flour—Dull and lower. Jan. Receipts, 26,045; shipments, 281. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red, 1.30, sales nominal, domestic and foreign. Duluth, 1.22 and No. 2 hard winter, 1.23, nominal flour, receipts, 25,200; shipments, 47,819.

MONTREAL COALS AND CURB STOCKS.

Table of Montreal Coals and Curb Stocks prices. Columns include Stock Name, Bid, Ask, and Price. Includes entries like Asbestos Bonds, Can. Cem. Co., Cobalt Lake, etc.

MORNING SALES

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WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET

Table of Winnipeg Wheat Market prices. Columns include Item, Price, and Quantity. Includes entries like The Ogilvie Flour Mills Co. Ltd., Winnipeg Wheat Market, etc.

PRODUCE MARKETS

Special to The Standard. Montreal, Jan. 18.—A feature of the flour market is the stronger feeling which has developed. Spring wheat grades and millers generally have advanced prices ten cents per barrel, making spring wheat patents 87c.

The demand for potatoes is somewhat limited and the market is quiet. Green Mountains in car lots, varieties are selling at 60 to 62 1/2 cents per bushel, unchanged at yet 10 cents.

ENGLISH LUMBER MARKETS

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NEW GRAND CIRCUIT MEN

Harness Racing Comes Into Its Own Again With the Election of These Men--What They Have Done.

Harness racing has again come into its own, and now that Harry K. Devereux, the best amateur reinsman in the United States, has been chosen head of the grand circuit, amateur and professional racing is under the direction of one man.

Harry Devereux has done more for the light harness horse than any individual in the United States in the past ten years. He is one of the men who encouraged and persisted in making racing when others poo-pooed the idea.

He it was who added North Randall to the grand circuit when the Glen-



H. K. DEVEREUX.

ville track was put out of business, and through his efforts the new home of the harness horse is the finest in the world and its track the fastest. Devereux is not only president of the grand circuit, but president of the League of Amateur Driving Clubs of America, and no man is better fitted by nature and training to do both of these more honor.

The election of Gen. J. Dietrich as secretary of the grand circuit needs no comment. Dietrich is known to every man and boy who follows the game as one of the most capable secretaries in the business, and his election is a matter of course.

But that same sign was not forgotten--not what you'd notice! And it still clings to my think-tank like the festive burdock to a pooler's car. No pard, the old game ain't what she used to be; she's better--much more so.

Paste this in your hat: There's as much difference between the hockey of today and the hockey of a decade ago, as there is between the in-my-day youngster taking his well-merited and much-deserved tanning through the medium of the stout pine shingle, and the boy of today standing for his in the form of a gentle reproach. Both are effective; but the latter is more humane.

So it is with hockey. Ten, eight or even five years ago if six or seven sturdy puck-chasers were not relegated to the land of blink during the course of a game, the fans quitted the scene of battle in a disgruntled frame of mind. They had been cheated. Ping-pong! Tiddle-winks! Punk hockey! Today we have it the other way 'round.

What's the reason? Simply this. The elimination of heavy checking and bodying to the boards and the mering' out of the penalties against the laying-for-your-man tactics, have brought about the ushering in of the scientific stunt. The game before referred to, has gone down as one of the best, from a scientific standpoint, ever played on Maritime ice. It couldn't suit everyone, though. The "old timer" attended, expect gored and received hockey. He couldn't understand the intricacy of play, so he voted it slow. Some ninety-nine per cent. of fandom left that rink saluting Red Vix? The science of the game appealed to them; not the brutality.

And yet, hockey could be dishied up a little cleaner in the Maritime Provinces. What did Bob Meldrum, later than last season, say of it? "You don't know? Well, here it is: "Were such rough-house tactics permitted among the speedy teams of the Upper Canadian leagues, half the players would be on the hospital list inside of a week. He scored an inner that time, not to say a "ball."

Another feature which has served to render play more scientific, and incidentally more spectacular, is the elimination of the lift. And with the passing of the lift has gone the heavy defence stick. Rarely, today, does one see a defence man (bearing goal) using the old style "sled-runner." The lighter stick is a necessity since the coming of the "take-wrap" scheme. The points as well as the forwards must have the wrist-shot today. In "Mike" Kane's time such was not necessary. Bats in the belly for the man who dared think otherwise.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.--Neither the National League nor the National Commission has a right to interfere in a dispute between a club and its manager is the contention of Horace S. Fogel, president of the Philadelphia National League Club, in a matter of the salary dispute between his club and William Murray, the deposed manager.

Murray laid his complaint before the National League directors and the National Commission. President's answer to the complaint de-lis-tic right of either body to interfere in the private affairs of any club in the league. He says: "It is the right of Mr. Murray to be a player, but as a manager and subject of the jurisdiction of the league as a salaried official."

Mr. Bennett for AUSTRALIA. In favor of the... Jan. 18.--Stan that the rights of Tom Thomas, violated by its weight champion, Citing many England in June to gain his position, the title, Ketchell, of Texas, can weeks in Eng- under consideration. al. Consideration of and promises be continued tomo

HOW HOCKEY HAS BETTERED

The Evolution of Canada's National Game -- What the Penalty Pen Has Done for the Sport.

Say, pard, did you ever run a foul of a terse and tidy little cluster of words that you couldn't shake? Not the get-wise-late-it-from-me line of guff, but the sort one hears snapped out at the crucial moment of close play, when it would seem as though the fall of a pin would spell disaster for someone?

Sure, you have! who hasn't? Your Uncle George met-up with his while hanging by an eye-lash to a rafter, in the capacity of a breath-leasly interested spectator at a cham- pionship-snatching game of hockey.

It came by way of a remark from my most deadly rival in the eye-lash- ing contest, when the score was tied, and the tension was so all-fired tense you could fairly hear it crack.

A remark did I say? Motion over- ruled! It could hardly be termed a remark; rather a reminiscent sigh from an "old timer," and it listened something like this: "She's not much like the old game, friend."

Not a very long sigh, to be sure; but it went begging a response. Why? I think any fair and open-minded in- dividual will admit that between clinging like a fly to a rafter and en- deavoring at the same time to follow- ing sizzling shots and spectacular negotiations of the game, one is not afforded much spare time wherein to carry on an altercation with a wuzzy fan (for he sure would have resented contradiction).

But that same sigh was not forgot- ten--not what you'd notice! And it still clings to my think-tank like the festive burdock to a pooler's car. No pard, the old game ain't what she used to be; she's better--much more so.

Paste this in your hat: There's as much difference between the hockey of today and the hockey of a decade ago, as there is between the in-my-day youngster taking his well-merited and much-deserved tanning through the medium of the stout pine shingle, and the boy of today standing for his in the form of a gentle reproach. Both are effective; but the latter is more humane.

So it is with hockey. Ten, eight or even five years ago if six or seven sturdy puck-chasers were not relegated to the land of blink during the course of a game, the fans quitted the scene of battle in a disgruntled frame of mind. They had been cheated. Ping-pong! Tiddle-winks! Punk hockey! Today we have it the other way 'round.

What's the reason? Simply this. The elimination of heavy checking and bodying to the boards and the mering' out of the penalties against the laying-for-your-man tactics, have brought about the ushering in of the scientific stunt. The game before referred to, has gone down as one of the best, from a scientific standpoint, ever played on Maritime ice. It couldn't suit everyone, though. The "old timer" attended, expect gored and received hockey. He couldn't understand the intricacy of play, so he voted it slow. Some ninety-nine per cent. of fandom left that rink saluting Red Vix? The science of the game appealed to them; not the brutality.

And yet, hockey could be dishied up a little cleaner in the Maritime Provinces. What did Bob Meldrum, later than last season, say of it? "You don't know? Well, here it is: "Were such rough-house tactics permitted among the speedy teams of the Upper Canadian leagues, half the players would be on the hospital list inside of a week. He scored an inner that time, not to say a "ball."

Another feature which has served to render play more scientific, and incidentally more spectacular, is the elimination of the lift. And with the passing of the lift has gone the heavy defence stick. Rarely, today, does one see a defence man (bearing goal) using the old style "sled-runner." The lighter stick is a necessity since the coming of the "take-wrap" scheme. The points as well as the forwards must have the wrist-shot today. In "Mike" Kane's time such was not necessary. Bats in the belly for the man who dared think otherwise.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.--Neither the National League nor the National Commission has a right to interfere in a dispute between a club and its manager is the contention of Horace S. Fogel, president of the Philadelphia National League Club, in a matter of the salary dispute between his club and William Murray, the deposed manager.

Murray laid his complaint before the National League directors and the National Commission. President's answer to the complaint de-lis-tic right of either body to interfere in the private affairs of any club in the league. He says: "It is the right of Mr. Murray to be a player, but as a manager and subject of the jurisdiction of the league as a salaried official."

Mr. Bennett for AUSTRALIA. In favor of the... Jan. 18.--Stan that the rights of Tom Thomas, violated by its weight champion, Citing many England in June to gain his position, the title, Ketchell, of Texas, can weeks in Eng- under consideration. al. Consideration of and promises be continued tomo

SPORTS HOCKEY, BOWLING THE RING, BASKETBALL

These Girls Smelled Defeat But The Once



YPSI'S STAR BASKETBALL TEAM.

Ypsilanti, Mich., Jan. 18.--But once in the history of co-ed basket- ball teams has an "Ypsi" state nor- mal team been defeated, and then, to rub it in, it was the Mt. Pleasant normal, coached by a former "Ypsi" girl, that turned the trick.

Ypsilanti's teams are coached by Frances Cheever Burton, whose suc- cess as physical director and coach has attracted country-wide attention. Mrs. Burton doesn't conduct a train- ing table or insist on a diet, but she gives close attention to her charges. All team candidates must abstain from pie, puddings, hot bread and biscuits, candy, tea, coffee, and give up social engagements so dear to the college girl.

It matters not how fine a player she may be, the girl who will not promise to give up these pleasures will not try for the team. And the girl who shows the least sign of ex- haustion after a practice period is not permitted to continue. The training is calculated to give

THISTLES WIN OUT FROM CAMPBELLTON

Campbellton, N. B., Jan. 18.--Four rinks of the Thistle curlers of St. John started here this morning to play a match game with Campbellton in the McCaffrey cup series. The visitors arrived in a private car at- tended to the Maritime Express. In the afternoon games the score was very close, the Thistles leading by one point, but during the evening the contest was all one-sided, the visitors piling up a lead of thirty points. At the close of the game the visitors were entertained at supper and an enjoyable time spent.

The following are the rinks and scores: Afternoon. Campbellton, D. Cameron, F. E. Lockhart, F. Watson, J. H. Wilson, Jas. Mitchell, J. T. Mowatt, D. Malcolm, F. M. Murray, W. A. Shaw, T. Wain, skip.....19 skip.....13 George Barnes, A. McE. McDonald, Frank Likely, D. J. Bruce, Frank Weldon, A. A. Andrew, W. A. Shaw, T. Wain, skip.....11 skip.....16 Evening. W. H. Mowatt, J. S. Benson, E. S. R. Murray, E. H. Anderson, F. McAndrews, E. J. Allingham, J. Malcolm, F. P. Wetmore, skip.....24 skip.....19 Dr. Rowley, A. Keen, S. W. Palmer, H. Milkan, J. W. Cameron, A. O. Keefe, J. F. Shaw, R. K. Shives, skip.....24 skip.....8 Total.....78 Total.....47 The Thistles will play Chatham to- morrow.

CRESCENTS TAKE TRURO INTO CAMP

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 18.--In the seventh game of the hockey league series here tonight the Crescents of this city defeated Truro by a score of 4 to 0 in a good exhibition of hockey, considering the condition of the ice. The Crescents scored two goals in the first half and two in the second. Four rinks of Truro curlers came here today to play for the McLean Cup, but owing to the soft condition of the ice was postponed until to- morrow.

FRANK KLAUS WINS OVER JACK TWIN

Boston, Mass., Jan. 19.--Frank Klaus of Pittsburg hammered Jack (Twin) Sullivan of Boston for twelve rounds at the Army A. A. tonight

MONKTON WICKS ALLEY DUST

Railway Town's Bowlers Not In It With Local Outfits--Slow Game On the Victoria Alleys--At Black's.

The champion Victoria thin pin artists vanquished the cream of Monkton's bowling talent on the Victoria alleys last evening in a game, the only feature of which was the remarkably low scores of the players on both sides.

The Victoria team took all four points by a good margin, the railway town boys never having the slightest chance of winning out. In justice it should be said that the Monkton bowlers are really more classy players than their scores would indicate. They mostly used a swift cross alley ball that looked good from the bleachers and which played considerable havoc when directed in the proper place. They showed a lamentable lack of control, however, and evident, poor judgment in "picking up spares." On the other hand the local pin pickers never approached the form which won for them the title of champions of the city and the handsome trophy emblematic of that honor.

They rolled a game that was am- azingly straight and level, and very little glory can be claimed by them in winning the game. Law was the only man who showed his real form, rolling the highest string of the game and also having the fine average of 89.13. Sullivan was "away off" in the first string and 72 timbers was his limit, but he redeemed himself by piling up 89 and 90 sticks in the last two strings.

Campbell was the oracle of the visit- ing aggregation, and although not shining resplendent at any stage of the proceedings, his average totalled 81. The local champs took the first string with the comfortable margin of 24 sticks, the second with 22 and the third with 13, pulling out with the substantial majority of 59 timbers.

The scores were: Victoria. Law.....90 87 298--89.13 McLellan.....73 89 76 229--78.13 Riley.....74 81 79 234--78 Sullivan.....72 90 89 251--83.23 Cowan.....83 73 82 238--79.13 392 405 423 1220

Moncton. Saunderson.....69 69 85 223--74.13 Smith.....70 75 76 221--73.23 Gross.....75 78 82 235--78.13 Boyd.....81 78 87 246--82 Campbell.....71 83 89 243--81 368 381 410 1159

Horror! A philosopher who once remarked that "the unex- pected happens." The author of the phrase was a wise old owl, as anyone who saw the Sun bowlers actually capture one point from the Telegraph yesterday afternoon, will readily ad- mit. Don't drop the paper in surprise, Mr. Reader, for it's a fact. The as- sumed Mr. Mullings turned the trick, rolling a game, that taking everything into consideration was simply remark- able. Not only did he score a margin, but they approached within an ace of romping off with the grand total, the Telegraph men winning out with one lonesome stick. The scores were: Telegraph. Sage.....72 71 80 223--74.13 Patterson.....76 78 90 244--81.3 Crawford.....69 76 66 211--70.13 McCafferty.....81 86 79 246--82 283 311 315 924

Sun. Boyce.....82 71 88 241--80.13 Morrissey.....55 65 68 189--63.13 McLaughlin.....87 83 78 248--78 Mullings.....85 85 89 259--86.13 294 295 324 923

Tie in City League. The game on black's alleys last evening resulted in a tie between the insurance men and Tigers, each team taking two points. The game was very exciting the scores being high and capturing one point from the Tele- graph, but the tables were turned in the second and third when the In- surance aggregation took both in sum- ming up it was found that the total pinfall on both teams was the same and it was decided that each man should roll a ball, the winners taking the extra point. In the rolloff the Tig- ers pulled out victorious, which gave each team two points.

For the "striped ones," C. Lunney put up the best game, averaging 101. The others all got over the eighty mark in the Insurance quietette. Gre- gory secured an average of 97.25, while Macburn rolled 92.15. The scores: Insurance. Machum.....50 102 84 377--92.13 Gregory.....84 93 106 283--97.23 Atchison.....82 86 86 254--84.23 Estey.....88 81 76 245--81.23 Gilmour.....73 95 87 255--85 427 458 439 1324

Tigers. Lunney.....111 89 103 303--101 McKeil.....112 79 74 265--88.13 Belyea.....82 84 74 240--80.13 Wilson.....87 81 85 253--84.13 F. Bailey.....86 94 83 263--87.23 478 427 419 1324

Maples. The Maples scored an easy victory over the Shamrocks on St. Peter's alleys, last evening. The winners rolled fairly well, but on the losing team the scores were very low, not a man reaching the eighty mark. Jas. McIn- tyre, of the winners, was high man averaging 96.13. The scores: Maples. McCowan.....76 67 65 208--69.13 Delaney.....77 83 87 247--82.16

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EXMOUTH AND INDIANS WIN

Last Night's Results in the In- dependent Basketball Series --Has Beens Win Out in Volley Ball.

The Exmouth Y. M. C. A. basketball team defeated the Y. M. C. A. Har- riers 29 to 9, and the Algonquins de- feated the St. Andrews 28 to 23, in the Independent Basketball league last evening. The games were play- ed in the St. Andrew's hall, but owing to the disagreeable weather there was only a small attendance.

The Harriers-Exmouth game was first called. The teams lined up as follows: Y.M.C.A. Harriers. Exmouth Y.M.A. Forwards.....N. Hipwell M. Latham.....K. Wilson Centre.....H. Stone.....Greason Defence.....A. Babson.....Alexander R. Berton.....Lawton

In the first half play was fairly even and at the close the score stood 9 to 6. In the second half, however, the Exmouth players scored fourteen points, while the Harriers were able to make only three.

The game was fast throughout. The combination work of the Harriers was better than their opponents in the first part of the game, but later on it went to pieces and both teams showed weakness in this depart- ment of the game. The Harriers were weak in shooting and they did not mark their opponents as closely as they might have done.

The summary follows: Goals from floor, Hipwell, 4; Wilson, 5; Greason, 3; Alexander, 1; Stone, 3; Latham, 1. Points from foul, Stone, 3; Hipwell, 2; Alexander, 1; Greason, 1. T. Coram refereed in a satisfactory manner.

The second game between the Al- gonquins and St. Andrews, was also well played and the score was closer than in the first game. It was the St. Andrew's team first appearance in the league and they showed by the game they put up that they were a fast lot of young players.

The lineup of the teams follows: St. Andrew's. Forward.....Algonquins C. Dobson.....Holder H. Patterson.....Chase F. Finley.....Corbat Defence.....

Morris.....82 66 74 227--79 McIntyre.....108 95 88 288--96.13 Colburn.....76 97 95 268--89.13 470 406 413 1249

Shamrocks. Mahoney.....28 60 66 254--78.23 McChuskey.....84 68 78 230--76.23 Duffy.....72 81 74 227--75.23 J. Gallagher.....72 71 76 219--73 Letaney.....66 76 52 194--64.23 274 386 346 1166

Black's Alley team adminis- tered an awful wallop to the aggrega- tion of pinpickers from the railway town, piling on the whitewash over them in three straight strings and trimming them 159 timbers in the total pinfall.

The fans turned out in full force in anticipation of some excitement and they were not disappointed. The game was a contest, was very poor for Monkton was plainly outclassed at every stage of the game, but good scores were put up by Black's team, who relieved the alleys of the weight of 159 wins.

In the first string Monkton got over the fourth century mark by six tim- bers, while Black's cleaned up 474 in the second the local men piled up 440 while Monkton laid out but 280.

In the third Monkton was again pushed down the toboggan for 21 sticks. For the winners Chip Olive was the big noise, piling out 292 pins, Har- rier Black was next in line with an average of 92.13. Tommy Wilson got a bad start but averaged but one-third usual steady game, while Lunney had hard luck in the third. For Monkton, Campbell was the only man who was rolling, the others all had an off day. The scores: Black's Alleys. Olive.....101 88 103 292--97.13 Lunney.....90 85 74 249--83 Moore.....87 82 84 253--89.23 Wilson.....83 93 92 268--89.23 Black.....103 92 82 277--92.13 474 440 436 1350

Moncton. Anderson.....81 77 85 243--81 Smith.....73 59 70 202--67.13 Gross.....78 76 79 233--77.23 Bedford.....87 75 76 238--79.13 Campbell.....87 93 95 275--91.23 406 380 405 1191

CARLETON HAS ELECTED ITS SKIPS

At a meeting of the Carleton Curl- ing Club last evening the following skips were elected to play against the Thistles on Saturday: Harry Belyea, J. M. Wilson, J. Medley Belyea, J. H. Driscoll, J. S. Scott, Wm. Kaddock, W. O. Dunham and J. Fred Belyea.

The Thistle skips for the match will be R. S. Orchard, A. G. Stevens, A. J. Machum, A. P. Patterson, H. C. Olive, Dr. L. A. Lanstrath, J. C. Chesley, Alex. Macaulay.

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A PANACEA FOR THE ILLS OF BASEBALL

If baseball fans want more batting in the game and consistent work with the stick is always a pleasing feature of any diamond ball, Fred Lake, manager of the Boston Nationals, is on deck with a suggestion that he thinks would result in giving the fans what they are surely longing for.

"Reduce the number of balls from four to three and you have a solution of the question," says Lake. "If the committee on rules adopts the sugges- tion that several of the major league managers are now considering, I think that it will result not only in increasing the batting but also in shortening the game, and in addition developing greater accuracy by the pitcher."

First Ball Usually Wide. "As everyone knows well it is a base of a battle of wits between bat- sman and pitcher. The batsman goes to the plate and as a general rule the first ball served is a wide one that the twirler hopes that the man with the bat may be induced to swing at. If it isn't he shoots the net ball across the rubber and takes his chances on its being either hit or called a strike."

In the second ball is called a strike on the batsman the pitcher again is inclined to hand up a wide one, and therefore, it is a case of guesswork on the part of the bats- man. He has got to take his chance on the ball being a good one. How often have you seen the man at the bat being forced through two strikes being called upon him to hit at a wide one and then take his seat in dis- gust?"

By forcing the pitcher to send the ball over with reasonable fre- quency the batting will not only be increased but greater accuracy will follow and the chances of injury to the batsman will not be so great. Sel- dom does a batsman get hit by a well pitched ball. It is one of the wild and fast ones that catches a player in the face or ribs and forces him to re- tire from the game.

Get By In Speed. "There will not be so many twirlers rating as first class men under the changed conditions. Many a pitcher is getting by and with a big reputation today simply because he has terrific speed and his wildness aids him in besting the batsman. If Cy Young or Joe Wood with their great speed lack- ed the accuracy of certain pitchers I might name, hits off these two twirl- ers would be few and far between. But every batsman knows that old Cy can put them over, and they feel reas- onably safe in standing up to the plate before the old veteran's great speed."

With the number of balls reduced from four to three pitchers would strive to obtain even greater accuracy, and I do not think that the number of bases on balls would be increased. Players who could not put the ball over the plate would find fast company too swift for them and retire.

"Classy pitchers would still show their class and batsmen would be a good deal better than they are hit- ting today."

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales, southerly to westerly, occasional snow, turning to snow, in some localities colder by Thursday.

CHAMPION LAZY MAN OF AMERICA PAYS VISIT TO ST. JOHN

John Patterson Says He Has Not Worked For 30 Years—Blames Conditions In The States.

Although perhaps not the most distinguished yet by no means the least interesting visitor in the city yesterday was John Patterson, whose sole right to fame lies in the fact of his peculiar claim of never having done any form of work for the space of 30 years.

He related his story to a select but interested audience as he sat behind the stove in the pilot rooms between the puffs of smoke from a borrowed pipe and tobacco.

Since the year 1880, he said, he never remembered having done anything that could be classed as work and during that time had kept constantly on the move making his way through nearly every city, town and village east of Chicago.

Patterson is about fifty years of age and appears hale and hearty with no appearance of ever having suffered much from hunger.

Asked why he preferred such an existence, he replied that social and economic conditions in the United States were yearly causing hundreds of young men to become tramps, and that perhaps a lack of opportunity in his younger days was responsible for what he humorously termed his "profession."

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HOLIDAYS ARRANGED FOR PERMANENT MEN IN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Committee Yesterday Sanctioned Appointment of Two Probation Drivers—Will Relieve 27 Men One Day In 15.

A meeting of a sub-committee of the safety board appointed to arrange for the one-day holiday a fortnight for each of the drivers in the fire department, was held yesterday afternoon.

It was further decided that the chief of the fire department should appoint permanent men from the probation drivers so that in future every driver should have served in this capacity before being given full charge of the expensive apparatus of the department.

Some changes were made in the department yesterday by Chief Kerr. Frank Furlong, who has been driving No. 1 hose reel, has been transferred to the chief's horse; Joseph Redmond is transferred from No. 2 to No. 1 hose reel; D. Galvan from No. 1 hook and ladder to No. 2 hose reel, and Alex. Chisholm to be driver of No. 1 hook and ladder, King street east.

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FUNERALS Mr. James H. McAvity. The funeral of Mr. James H. McAvity, one of St. John's best known citizens, took place from Trinity church yesterday afternoon.

DISAPPOINTED IN LOVE HE LIVED A HERMIT Worcester, Mass., Jan. 18.—After more than ten years of a hermitic existence in a remotely situated hut, last two months of which have been passed on the damp floor which served as a bed, while he was ill as a result of exposure and lack of food, drew P. Johnson, an aged Swedish re-

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AROUND THE CITY

Carleton Skips for St. Stephen. Four rinks of Carleton Curling club players will leave today to play the St. Stephen club. The Carleton skips will be Messrs. J. F. Belyea, W. O. Dunham, Wm. Ruddock and P. W. Wetmore.

Y. M. C. A. to Organize Checker Club. At a meeting of a number of checker enthusiasts, last evening in the Y. M. C. A. it was decided to organize a checker and chess club. Meetings will be held every Tuesday night in the Y.M.C.A. Next Tuesday the officers will be elected.

A. O. H. Assembly. The second assembly of Division No. 1, A.O.H., will be held in their hall on Friday evening. The committee has arranged to provide music for both of the large rooms. The chaplains will be Mrs. J. T. Sheehan, Mrs. T. Martin and Mrs. M. Cavanaugh.

Free Lecture Course. The first lecture of the popular free course to be given by the Ladies' Association of the Natural History Society will be held in their rooms, Union street, tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. The subject will be Reminiscences of Rome by Mrs. John H. Thomson.

Dominion L. O. L. Dominion, No. 141, L. O. L., held their regular meeting last evening in their hall Simonds street. Four new members were initiated. After the meeting had adjourned an informal programme which included addresses by H. Sellen and F. Latham, and a song by Mr. Sellen was carried out. Refreshments were served.

Schooner Collector in the Storm. A despatch received in the city yesterday stated that the schooner Collector of St. Margaret's Bay, N. S., Captain Mahoney, well known in shipping circles in this port, had arrived at Vineyard Haven with one of her boats washed away, her fore boom broken and her deckload of laths washed overboard.

Fire Losses Adjusted. The work of adjusting the losses sustained in the fire in Brussels St., on Saturday was concluded yesterday. Mr. Meserity whose store was damaged has been awarded \$75, and Mr. McKean, \$106. Mr. F. Graham was given \$875 and Mr. H. Ryan \$400. Mr. O'Keefe received \$100 for damages to his furniture.

Lecture on Swiss Lakes. The second lecture of the travel course was given last evening in the rooms of the Natural History Society by Mr. J. Clawson. A graphic description of the Swiss lakes, supplemented by a series of reflectoscope views, was greatly enjoyed by the large number present. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker. Dr. G. U. Hay presided.

Bank Clerks Fraternize. Although the wet weather spoiled the sleigh drive which they had planned, a number of bank clerks were not to be disappointed and went out to Torryburn on the Quebec express last evening and had supper at the Clairmont House. After the programme of songs and speeches was carried out and the party returned to the city about two o'clock on a special train.

Preventive Officers Appointed. Mr. Harvey C. Ring of St. John street, Carleton, has been sworn in as a preventive officer by Mr. A. T. Dunn, collector of customs, succeeding the late Mr. Samuel Robinson. Messrs Ephraim Corbett and George McSherry were also sworn in preventive officers. It is said that the department has authorized the appointment of two additional men on account of the increased work on hand.

Sunday School Concert. Despite the inclemency of the weather a large number attended the Sunday school concert in Main street Baptist church last night and the evening was spent very pleasantly. Following was the programme: Chorus, Christmas Bells; recitation Miss Jennie Thorne; duet, Misses Floy Hayes and Cora Colwell; reading, Miss Ruth Phipps; solo, Miss Irvine; Shepherds chorus; recitation, Misses Grace and Viola Gallop and Olive Estabrook.

Across Canada. Interesting lecture on a trip across Canada in the German street Baptist church last evening before a fair sized audience. The interest of the address was enhanced by numerous views of the places along the line of route. At the conclusion of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was passed on the motion of Mrs. S. D. Scott. Before the meeting broke up O Canada was well rendered by a quartette.

New Branch Bank at St. Martins. Mr. A. P. Hazen, manager of the Bank of British North America, returned yesterday from St. Martins where he arranged for the opening of a new branch today. Mr. John Black has been appointed manager. Mr. A. R. Swift of the local branch of the bank has been transferred to St. Martins. Mr. Swift has been a very popular with the bank's patrons during his stay in the city and these, together with a large circle of friends, will learn with regret of his departure.

COUNSEL CLAIMS EXPRESS COMPANY IS LIABLE ANYHOW

J. King Kelley In Police Court Contends Fine Should Be Imposed For Forwarding Partridges Out Of Season.

The charge against the Canadian Express Company of having partridges in their possession contrary to law on the report of Game Warden Chas. Dean, was commenced in the police court yesterday afternoon. The partridges were seized in the company's warehouse on King street, and were shot at Young's Cove, Queens county.

Mr. J. King Kelley, who appeared for the prosecution, argued that whether it was known or not by the company what the contents of the packages were the partridges had no right to be in existence as dead game and that in any event the company must be found liable for the offence.

Supt. Taylor and Mr. E. Creighton of the Express Company were present in court and said that they thought the birds were poultry and that it was all right to export them. They asked that the case might be held over until Monday in order that the company might be represented by counsel.

This was agreed to and the hearing was adjourned. The fine for the offence, with which the company is charged ranges from \$50 to \$100.

WILD CATTLE MAKE THINGS LIVELY ON STEAMER MONTREAL

C. P. R. Liner Sailed For London This Morning With Large Cargo—Chinese Journalist On Board.

The C. P. R. S. S. Montreal, Capt. McNeil, sailed for London and Antwerp early this morning with a heavy cargo of flour, 300 tons of hay, 8,000 bushels of wheat and 300 head of cattle. Most of the cattle were wild ranchers and several of them when placed on board broke loose and made things lively for a while around the ship.

Among the passengers was Hop Lee Chong, one of the staff of the Chinese Free Press, who arrived yesterday from Vancouver to sail for London. Mr. Chong is going to visit his brother Li Chong, who owns several laundries in the Old Country. He will return to China about the middle of March.

Two handsome canoes consigned to G. M. Brown and Co., London, were included in the steamer's cargo. The S. S. Montezuma, the next boat to arrive here from London and Antwerp, will take very little export but will carry away about 250,000 bushels of grain.

The Allan liner Tunisian from Liverpool via Halifax, is expected to reach this port early this morning. The steamer left Halifax for St. John yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. She has on board seven saloons, forty-two second-class and 129 steerage passengers to be landed here.

The C. P. R. S. S. Monmouth is due here on Thursday morning from Bristol.