

DAY OF GRAFT FOREVER GONE

What Honest Government Has Done for The Province.

Provincial Hospital Accounts Taken up by Public Accounts Committee --Fine Showing Made.

Fredericton, Mar. 23.—All readers of the public press and all members of the legislature remember the stirring scenes, the brisk encounters, the examinations and evasions and the tense feeling of excitement that characterized the meetings of the public accounts committee in the days now happily passed—when the Provincial Hospital accounts were under review. Those were notorious days, a notable occasion when the head of the McEvoy firm arrived with a host of accountants and clerks and bringing with them a trunkful of books and accounts; and the superintendent of the asylum came before the committee to head off those loathsome inquiries; and when in spite of all obstacles, the Opposition members succeeded in exposing a little of the exorbitant charges and wasteful methods of that regime of graft and extravagance. Those were exciting times, when double prices for hardware, triple charges for groceries and unbusinesslike methods in all departments were being laid bare and defended to the limit by every government supporter.

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GRAND TRUNK BUYING RAILS

Million Dollar Order Given To Cape Breton Steel Works For New Western Ontario Lines.

Toronto, Mar. 23.—The Grand Trunk Railway has ordered 40,000 tons of steel rails from the Sydney, C. B. mills, to replace 260 miles of its tracks in western Ontario. The order amounts to more than \$1,400,000. The company will ship 209 miles of displaced track to the west for yards and sidings on the G. T. Pacific. Some of these rails have been in use since 1869, but are still good, having been imported from England. Being only 56 pounds and 66 pound rails, they are too light for heavy through traffic. Another order may be placed with the Soo corporation this summer.

NOVEL CHARGE OF CRUELTY

Terrapin Dealer In New York Charged With Showing Cruelty To Turtles By "Piercing Their Flippers."

New York, March 23.—On charges of cruelty to turtles, in that it is alleged they transported them on their backs and pierced their flippers. Cleveland Downs, captain of the steamship Saratoga of the Ward line, and Walter T. Smith, New York terrapin dealer, were arraigned before a magistrate this afternoon and paroled for a further hearing. The complainant is Thomas F. Freese, superintendent of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The complainant recites that 65 turtles were mistreated while the defence contends that the methods used are the only practical means of shipping them.

HOUSE BURNED IN PARRSBORO

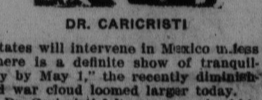
Parrsboro, Mar. 23.—The dwelling house of Hugh Taggart, on Temple street, with most of its contents, including a quantity of provisions, was destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning. The house was outside the water works district and the best the firemen could do when they arrived, was to save the barn which was on fire in several places. There was some insurance on the house.

WAR CLOUD IS LOOMING LARGER NOW

United States Will Intervene In Mexico Unless Order Is Restored By May 1 Declares Dr. Caricristi.

San Antonio, Tex., March 23.—With the new demand for six or seven thousand recruits, the issuance of an order by Gen. Carter making provisions for a sudden move, should it be required, and a statement by Dr. C. F. Caricristi, of the Mexican revolutionary junta, that "The United States will intervene in Mexico unless there is a definite show of tranquillity by May 1," the recently diminished war cloud loomed larger today.

Most of Dr. Caricristi's investigating was done at Washington, although he visited El Paso and Laredo before coming to San Antonio. He said today:—"Of course a complete federal triumph in Chihuahua, C. B. mills, to replace 260 miles of its tracks in western Ontario. The order amounts to more than \$1,400,000. The company will ship 209 miles of displaced track to the west for yards and sidings on the G. T. Pacific. Some of these rails have been in use since 1869, but are still good, having been imported from England. Being only 56 pounds and 66 pound rails, they are too light for heavy through traffic. Another order may be placed with the Soo corporation this summer."



DR. CARICRISTI

Dr. Caricristi felt his facts to embody them in a report to Francisco I. Madero, the revolutionary leader, who at the last report was within thirty miles of the city of Chihuahua. Dr. Caricristi urged the insurrecto chief to achieve a decisive victory at all costs by May 1, he wrote, "President Taft will not wait longer than that for quiet to be restored, business resumed and traffic over railroads to be secure."

PELTED WITH VIOLETS FROM HIGH IN MIDAIR

Aviators Sailing Over Paris Pay Graceful Tribute To Pretty Girls In Procession In City Streets.

Paris, Mar. 23.—While an unusually brilliant Mi Carome procession was traversing the streets today with the queens showering the onlookers with flowers, a monoplane piloted by M. Yodanis and the new dirigible Torras built for the Spanish government, executed evolutions above the boulevards. The aviators in turn pelted the queens with violets. All Paris participated in the spectacle which was favored with a bright summertime day. A bevy of girls from Prague was a new feature of the parade, the dolls of which were particularly beautiful and picturesque.

DR. LANDRY MAKES A FINE SPEECH SHUTTING THE OPPOSITION CRITICISMS

Commissioner of Agriculture was in Great Form in Budget Debate -- Effective Comparison of Honest Government with Late Regime of Misrule and Graft.

All Provincial Revenues Honestly Collected and Every Dollar Honestly Expended for Public Good --Opposition Leader Introduces Resolution in Favor of Reciprocal Trade Pact.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, March 23.—The budget debate is still on in the legislature and there was another midnight session. This afternoon Mr. Robinson, the opposition leader, at the conclusion of his speech, moved an amendment to the motion that the House go into supply and expressing approval of the reciprocity agreement now before the Dominion parliament.

In its present form the amendment is regarded as a vote of want of confidence in the government, and it may be that it will be withdrawn and introduced as a separate resolution at a later date. Some decision on this question will be arrived at before the House meets tomorrow, because if the subject of reciprocity with the United States is to be taken up it is just as well that it should be taken up on its merits, if the proposed trade agreement has any real merits.

Hon. Mr. Morrissey moved the adjournment of the budget debate this evening and will speak when the order of the day comes tomorrow. In the event of the reciprocity amendment being adopted, the speaker will have some possibility of the House getting into supply tomorrow. Following the speech of the opposition leader, Mr. Robinson, the House enjoyed one of the ablest addresses listened to this session, or for many a day in the House, Hon. Dr. Landry, in his address on the department of agriculture under this government and making comparisons which showed the department's work since 1906 very favorably as compared with the old regime.

Later Mr. Bentley of St. John talked at some length. He retailed a lot of the discussion that had been going on for the past ten days, and spent some time trying to explain his unenviable position as set forth by Hon. Robert Maxwell, and then wound up by discussing reciprocity. A large delegation from King's Cove were in the Speaker's gallery this evening and later met members of the government at a dinner at the event of a new bridge being erected on the Kennebecasis the site being from Gondola Point to Reid's Point. The delegation was accompanied by the members for Kings, who afterwards entertained the delegation at a dinner at the Hotel de la Reine. During the evening Mr. Glasier of Sunbury acceptably relieved the speaker, and the President presided over the deliberations of the House during the debate.

Fredericton, Mar. 23.—The House met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr. Hazen presented the report of the committee on law practice and procedure. Mr. Murray presented the report of the standing rules committee. Mr. Landry in reply to Mr. Lablond's inquiry, said that a bonus had been promised to W. W. Dehority for a flour mill to replace that destroyed by the recent fire at Campbellton. Hon. Mr. Hazen presented the petition in favor of the bill to amend the act incorporating the Imperial Dry Dock Company. Mr. Byrne introduced a bill to authorize the town of Woodstock to borrow \$10,000 for permanent streets. Mr. Byrne presented the petition in favor of the bill respecting the Carquet and Gulf Shore Railway. Hon. Mr. Hazen introduced a bill to amend Chapter 170 of the Consolidated Statutes of 1903. Hon. Mr. Hazen introduced a bill to amend the act respecting rates and taxes.

Hon. Mr. Morrissey introduced a bill respecting motor vehicles. Dr. Bourque introduced a bill to amend the act incorporating the Kent Northern Railway Company. Hon. Mr. Morrissey laid on the table papers regarding the Suspension bridge, as requested by Mr. Lowell. The House went into committee of the whole with Mr. Munro in the chair, and agreed speedily judgments in the protection of the woods from fire. Further progress was reported in the bill respecting assignments. The House went into committee with Mr. Cyr in the chair. The county courts act was amended so as to allow speedy judgments in a larger number of cases than at present. Also that the judges hold chambers in the shire towns of the counties on their circuits, also changes in the dates of the Sunbury court, so as not to conflict with York circuit. Hon. Mr. Hazen in reply to questions intimated that a bill taking up the entire county courts act would probably be introduced at the next session.

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BRODEUR FOR THE SUPREME COURT BENCH

Minister Of Marine To Succeed Late Justice Girouard—Laurier To Open Quebec Ridings But Avoids N. York.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Mar. 23.—Orders were issued today by the clerk of the crown in chancery, to the government printing bureau to get the voters' lists for Rouville and Beauce ready at once. This means that Hon. L. P. Brodeur, who is the member for Rouville, is going to the supreme court bench in succession to the late Justice Girouard and that his successor in the department of marine and fisheries will be Dr. H. S. Boland of Beauce. It had been thought that Mr. Lemeux would take over the marine department, but evidently this is not so. The voters' lists for North York were completed today as ordered but at a late hour tonight it was stated that nothing had been done regarding the situation there. Meanwhile the strongest opposition to opening the seat is being manifested by the Ontario Liberals who declare without affectation that if the seat is opened it will be lost on the reciprocity issue.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., March 23.—Nomination day proceedings passed off very quietly in the York by-election and a week from today the people of York County will give a grand majority for Dr. O. E. Morehouse, the Hazen administration, and the building of the St. John Valley Railway.

Frank B. Carvell, of Ottawa, with his usual bravado, has come to the assistance of the opposition and while Mr. Carvell is making a lot of noise he is not doing any damage. Tonight Mr. Carvell spoke at the Opera House at a meeting, and he did not make a good impression upon the Fredericton people. The best illustration of Mr. Carvell's opinion of the people of York county was his significant statement on several occasions during his speech: "I know some of you have sufficient intelligence to understand what I mean."

A PEERAGE FOR HALDANE

British War Secretary Created a Viscount And Will Enter House Of Lords, Relieving Lord Morley.

London, March 23.—King George today created War Secretary Haldane, a viscount. The elevation of the secretary to the peerage has been anticipated as a move intended to strengthen the government in the House of Lords. J. B. Seely, parliamentary secretary of the colonies, has been appointed under-secretary for war, and Lord Lucas, parliamentary secretary of the War Office, has been made under-secretary of the colonies. This exchange of offices is consequent on the elevation of Secretary Haldane, which would place both representatives of the chief government departments in each house. The rumor that David Lloyd George would retire as chancellor of the exchequer is now officially denied. Secretary Haldane's promotion is merely intended to relieve Lord Morley of the heavy task of leadership in the House of Lords during the Earl of Crewe's absence.

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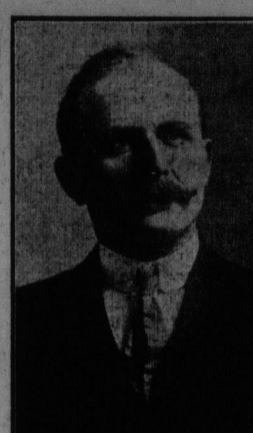
MANITOBA IS NOT FOR SALE

Premier Roblin's Resolution, Refusing Dominion Government's Offer Of Cash In Lieu Of Lands Adopted.

Winnipeg, Man., March 23.—By a unanimous vote this afternoon the legislature accepted the resolution introduced by Premier Roblin, which is in effect a refusal of the offer of the Dominion government for a settlement of the Manitoba boundary question by an annual cash payment in lieu of the public domain of \$200,000 rising to \$300,000. The resolution sets forth that Manitoba will be satisfied with nothing less than equal treatment with other provinces. Either the public domain or financial considerations equal to those of Alberta and Saskatchewan, in the absence of Mr. Roblin, leader of the opposition, the resolution was accepted on his behalf by Mr. Wankler. The galleries were crowded to their utmost capacity by an eager throng and Premier Roblin has seldom been heard to better advantage.

THIRTY HOUSES BURNED IN THE CITY OF COLON.

Colon, Mar. 23.—A fierce fire raged today in 13th, 14th, Bolivar and D. streets. More than 30 houses were destroyed and the local fire brigade and fire forces from the canal zone found great difficulty in checking the flames. As a last resort dynamite was used to blow up several buildings, as the flames were creeping close to the canal zone houses.



HON. DR. LANDRY, Heard In Budget Debate Yesterday.

RECIPROCITY RULED OUT OF HOUSE

Laurier Is Tired Of Hearing Protests Against It And Is Anxious To Get Along With The Supply.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, March 23.—In the house today Haughton Lennox asked what the government had done with regard to the declaration of London. Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that while the government had received the documents connected with the declaration, it had made no representations on the subject to the Imperial government. He said: "As the whole subject of the declaration of London deals exclusively with questions of international law, the government of Canada, not being a sovereign power, did not think itself justified in making official representations on such matters, but the question may be discussed informally with the Imperial government at the next Imperial conference."

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HAD BUBONIC AND FEARED SMALLPOX

Trinidad's Surgeon-General Refused To Allow Smallpox Patients To Land From Steamer In Port Of Spain.

New York, March 23.—Thirteen passengers from the British steamer Tennyson, which reached New York yesterday from Brazilian ports via Trinidad and Barbados, announced today that they had prepared protests to be forwarded to secretary of state Knox, and to the Earl of Crewe, secretary of state of the colonies in London, against alleged inhumane action of the surgeon-general of Trinidad and indifference of Franklin D. Hale, United States consul there. The surgeon general is charged with refusing to permit the Tennyson to place two smallpox patients from the ship's steerage in quarantine at Port A Spain. His answer to the captain's request, the passengers assert, was that there was bubonic plague in the city and that the authorities did not want the added danger of smallpox. Coming to permit the Tennyson to land passengers, is alleged to have asserted that he could do nothing. The Americans feel that he should have visited the vessel or sent his representative. The Tennyson barred from Port A Spain, placed its two infected passengers in quarantine at Barbados, making the voyage, it is charged, at great risk of infection to the passengers.





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SAINT JOHN, FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 24, 1911.

## THE ROYAL COMMISSION.

The Common Council pursued a wise and independent course yesterday by deciding on a policy which, after the plebiscite on the question of the system of civic government is taken, will leave the details of a new charter in the safe and sane hands of a committee of representative citizens.

No thinking man who has heard and read the altogether indefinite proposals to place St. John under a commission, will doubt the wisdom, if the plan carries at the plebiscite, of an independent body, chosen from the citizens themselves, being delegated to draw up a charter with full regard to all interests. Indications now are that commission will be defeated and that the people will vote for the Common Council system. In that event a Royal Commission will have the important duty of hearing and considering the wishes of the citizens in regard to such reforms as may be thought advisable.

It would be manifestly unfair to leave the new charter in the hands of a Common Council which might be hostile to commission, if it carries, or to leave any programme of reforms which might be drawn up subject to the attacks of the friends of commission, with endless disputes before the Legislature. A Royal Commission dis excellent work in uniting the cities of St. John and Portland in 1889, it can do equally good and effective work today on an equally vital question.

## MR. COPP'S MISREPRESENTATIONS.

Mr. Copp, of Westmorland, does not appear to tire of hearing his own voice. He was heard during the debate on the address, but apparently he had not pumped himself quite dry on that occasion, and felt it his duty to inflict himself on the Legislature again during the Budget debate. He had no new facts to add to his previous speech, but facts are the last thing that give Mr. Copp any concern. What he lacks in this direction he makes up in assertions, which he cannot and, to do him justice, does not attempt to prove.

Mr. Copp is also a gentleman of imagination. During that "missionary" tour he made through Westmorland he asserted that the reason there was no general election last fall was because Premier Hazen wished to attend the Coronation of King George, and return to New Brunswick with a title. Unlike Mr. Sweeney, who denies that he thanked God at the same meeting he was not born with a silver spoon in his mouth, but who has since suffered from an impediment of speech that, if not so born, indicates something has since lodged in his throat, Mr. Copp admits that he said something of this sort, but only in a humorous way, and not seriously. If this statement is accepted as correct, Mr. Copp should hereafter take himself seriously, as he will find few who will appreciate such wild statements for humor particularly in the connection Mr. Copp used them.

Now Mr. Copp says that Mr. Hazen did not bring on the elections because he was afraid of the people. The proof of the truth of this statement, like every utterance of Mr. Copp, is lacking. Mr. Hazen has never tried to postpone an election when a vacancy occurred in the House. On the contrary he has on every occasion given the people an opportunity to express their will without delay. This Mr. Copp and every person in New Brunswick know to be true and for Mr. Copp, to state otherwise is a misrepresentation of facts—an offence the member for Westmorland is very frequently guilty of.

In his most recent effort, Mr. Copp was untruthful in every criticism he made of the policy of the Government. The people have long since ceased to expect that Mr. Copp would be either honest or fair in any statement that he makes concerning the Hazen Administration, but he reached the limit of falsehood and misrepresentation on Tuesday night, and outdid all his previous efforts in that direction which is saying much.

It was quite evident from his opening remarks that Mr. Copp did not appreciate the grilling he had received at the hands of Mr. Spronk a few days ago and his attempt to get back at the member for Kings shows the small calibre of the man. Mr. Spronk spoke plainly. There was no mistaking his meaning and his exposure of the methods of the Opposition. The mean and contemptible threats of their press against him to prevent further exposures of their misrepresentations form a chapter in the history of the present session which does not redound to the credit of the Opposition. Mr. Spronk's speech served a good purpose in silencing, for a time at least even the voice of Mr. Copp.

Mr. Copp also had a fling at Dr. Landry in order that he might defend himself as appearing as counsel for the Government while he was a member of the House. Mr. Copp's remarks on this subject must have made his colleague, Mr. Labllois, most uncomfortable as that gentleman, though Chief Commissioner for Agriculture, never posed as a practical farmer. He was also rather unfortunate in his references to the public works expenditures for the present year and was plainly told by Hon. Mr. Morrissey across the floor of the House that the statements he made were untrue and that Mr. Copp knew them to be untrue.

It has become the habit of Mr. Copp and others of the Opposition to assert that the amounts paid structural superintendents for their portion of the work frequently exceed the labor bills. This statement is repeated again and again by men who know that the accounts of the structural superintendents include not only their pay and expenses, but all sorts of small supplies used in bridge repairs, which often exceed in amount the pay and expenses of the superintendents.

Mr. Morrissey's vigorous defence of his own department sent Mr. Copp off on another tack in which he was quite as unfair and untruthful as in dealing with public works expenditures. He asserted that the cost of the administration of Justice had increased under the Hazen Administration. The figures he gave were an average of something over \$19,000 for the last three years of the old Government against \$22,900 for the Hazen Administration. Where Mr. Copp got his information is not known, but there never was a more untruthful statement made on the floors of the House.

The amounts paid for criminal prosecutions by the old Government as compared with the present administration, show a decided decrease in favor of Mr. Hazen. As a matter of fact practically all of the annual prosecutions of the Province for several years before the old

Government went out of power were conducted by lawyers who supported the administration. Mr. Copp himself being one of them. Since Mr. Hazen became Attorney General the very reverse has been the case, the work being done by the law officers of the Crown themselves as is plainly shown in the accounts. The provincial accounts for the Administration of Justice are kept under two heads, one for criminal prosecutions, and the other miscellaneous. The expenditures under these two heads from 1901 to 1910 inclusive are as follows:—

	Criminal Prosecutions.	Miscellaneous.
1901 . . . . .	\$ 2,312.90	\$1,357.72
1902 . . . . .	3,187.99	2,158.03
1903 . . . . .	3,089.71	489.50
1904 . . . . .	2,234.65	222.70
1905 . . . . .	2,033.33	483.37
1906 . . . . .	1,706.33	225.00
1907 . . . . .	3,258.19	433.05
Total for 7 years . . . . .	\$18,292.70	\$5,372.17

The Hazen Government came into power in March 1908. Prior to the change the old Government had paid out the large sum of \$2,400 on account of criminal prosecutions and something over \$600 under the head of miscellaneous. The total expenditures for the administration of justice since 1908 are as follows:—

	Criminal Prosecutions.	Miscellaneous.
1908 . . . . .	\$2,902.63	\$ 609.60
1909 . . . . .	1,931.68	475.10
1910 . . . . .	961.65	120.75
Total for 3 years . . . . .	\$5,795.96	\$1,205.45

The total expenditures for the three years of the Hazen Administration amount to \$7,061.41 and from this must be deducted \$3,000 paid out by Mr. Robinson before he retired from office, which reduces the total amount expended by Mr. Hazen to \$4,061.41, an average annual expenditure of \$1,353.80. Compare this with a total expenditure by the old Government of \$23,764.87 in seven years, an average of \$3,394.88, or \$2,000 per annum more than Mr. Hazen has spent. Mr. Copp's red herring has a very long tail when he attempts to deal with this department of the public expenditure.

Of course Mr. Copp had something to say about the Audit Act and broken pledges, all of which were gross misrepresentations. In dealing with the broken pledges question he ignored the most important pledge that Mr. Hazen made which was to give the people honest government and an honest collection of the revenues of the Province. This Mr. Copp did not attempt to deal with.

## BASELESS CONTENTIONS.

Defenders of the Washington agreement, says the Toronto News, are led into strange misstatements. In the House of Commons a Liberal member has declared that there was yet to be found "one man in the whole great province of Saskatchewan who is opposed to Reciprocity." How then does he explain the opposition of newspapers like The Saskatchewan Capital and The Regina Province?

The Province is Mr. Haultain's chief organ, but it does not agree with him on the important National issue now before the people. From the first it has denounced Mr. Fielding's fiscal departure, and in the latest issues to hand Mr. Sifton, Mr. German, and Mr. Lloyd Harris are commended for bolting. Dealing with the action of the Oppositionists in the Legislature in voting for Reciprocity, The Province says:

"If our political leaders and electors prefer to be provincial rather than national in their policy, they may justify their support and endorsement of the Reciprocity pact. To The Daily Province the situation seems to be fraught with the greatest danger to the commercial and political future of our country. To be simply purchasers of raw material will never make this a great country, and when, in addition, the transportation of that material is given to foreign railroads to be conveyed to foreign markets to build up foreign seaports, manufacturing cities and industries, the result cannot be but commercial suicide. The people of Eastern Canada are not high protectionists, but are willing to bear their share of a tariff that tends toward the upbuilding and development of the industrial and political life of this country. The present tariff bears heavily upon our people. The remedy is a general reduction that will remove a portion of our burden and still furnish sufficient revenue and retain our fiscal independence. If any particular concessions are to be made, let them take the form of Reciprocity within the Empire, having as its ultimate goal imperial free trade. The position taken by the Saskatchewan Legislature is a case of provincial politicians discussing a national question from the narrow environment of their political sphere."

Probably such sentiments prevail more generally throughout all the Provinces than some partisans seem to think. Men, well qualified to estimate the future of a country, prophesy that the Dominion has the making of one of the greatest, wealthiest, most populous and most powerful nations on earth. The Bishop of London has made a striking prediction of this character, and our friends to the south of the Great Lakes see what is coming unless they head us off or absorb us. And that is just what with Mr. Fielding's aid they have actually set out to do.

By quiet and gradual, but nevertheless effectual advances they propose to secure control of our raw materials, of our trade, commerce and transportation, and finally of our political destiny. This insidious danger, this creeping paralysis of our national vitality is one of the gravest menaces involved in this whole fiscal departure. Of the immediate commercial results of ratification we may learn from Americans themselves. Leading United States authorities state that within four or five years the Republic will be selling \$500,000,000 worth of goods per annum in the Dominion as compared with only \$200,000,000 worth today. Is this a prospect that Canadians can contemplate with equanimity? If realized, will it not involve the ruin of Canadian industries and much loss and suffering and expropriation to many Canadian artisans and salaried people?

## COMMISSIONER BENNETT'S LETTER.

The editorial columns of the Times yesterday were devoted principally to abuse of The Standard, and a "small group of persons who, for their own purposes, desire to defeat commission," ending with an announcement that no doubt The Standard had made Commissioner Bennett's letter state what it did not state in regard to the graft and mismanagement under commission in Cedar Rapids.

If the readers of the Times are edified by this style of journalism they are certainly getting their full complement these days. The Times has already driven quite a number of large sized nails into commission's coffin, and it is not for The Standard to hinder the good work.

It is only necessary to add that Commissioner Bennett's letter is on file in The Standard office and open to inspection. No matter how many telegrams Mr. Bennett may send in reply to questions worded to suit the views of the advocates of commission, his letter to The Standard giving FOUR SPECIFIC INSTANCES OF GRAFT AND MISMANAGEMENT, speaks for itself. It demonstrates beyond question what any one of five commissioners, "given absolute control," can, under the commission system, do with impunity.

## NO NEED FOR WORRY OVER YORK COUNTY

Despite Newspaper Campaign of Opposition Slanderbund, Dr. Morehouse is Making Splendid Progress.

Fredricton, March 22.—Friends and supporters of the local government throughout the province should not get nervous over the result of the election in York county on the 30th inst., on account of the articles appearing day by day in the St. John Telegraph, such as "Revolt against Hazen in York County," "Prominent Supporters Leaving Hazen," "York County Solid for Burden," etc., ad nauseum.

That stuff is not intended for home consumption and is sent out to mislead the people of the country at large. Through the influence of Mr. Pugsley and his cohorts at Ottawa, and in New Brunswick, a press bureau is maintained at Fredricton during the legislative session. That bureau has its headquarters in the Parliament Building, is manned by a corps of trained newspaper writers, equipped with a staff of stenographers, has telephones, telegraphs, messengers, all the devices and resources of civilization at their command day and night.

This press brigade is ordinarily employed in doctoring up stuff for the opposition members to get off in the House and in sending out daily letters to the Telegraph and other party papers, misrepresenting, slandering, misquoting, misreading; anything is seized upon that can create possible temporary prejudice against Mr. Hazen and his administration; and nothing is too low or too despicable for them to do at the bidding of their masters.

## Deliberate Falsehoods.

At the present they have trained their slander and abuse campaign upon the York election and the articles that appear about the tremendous success of the Opposition campaign in the Government and the articles of government party, of defections from the Government, of the wonderful success of Mr. Burden's meetings, and the revelation of feeling among the Government members, are not only the veriest buncombe—they are deliberate and unqualified falsehoods.

Where there is an occasional and isolated defection from the ranks of the Government, because of personal pique or assumed personal grievance, such as always exists in every county, yet for every one such, the Government has gained ten adherents from the Opposition.

What possible good the Robinson-Pugsley aggregation can hope to reap from such a campaign, is beyond the comprehension of sensible men. People here know there is no truth nor sense in these "Specials" from Ottawa and in a few days the people of the country will know that the Telegraph has been trying to grossly deceive them.

It is true the Telegraph has not much reputation for veracity and reliability to lose; but one would think that even such an unblushing liar would have some regard for the opinions of its readers. When the result of the York election is announced, it will be proven that the Hazen bunch at work here, was merely obeying the instructions of its masters to deceive the public as long as possible. And then what will result? Can any person believe anything those papers publish?

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Edward McGowan.  
The death of Mrs. Gertrude McGowan, widow of Edward McGowan, occurred in this city yesterday morning. She had been ill for five or six weeks. She is survived by one son and two daughters. The son is Edward, and the daughters Miss Margaret and Mrs. Haggerty of Fairville. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2:30 from her late residence 390 Main street to St. Peter's church.

William J. Roop.  
Friends of William J. Roop will regret to hear of his death which took place on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Roop, who was about 75 years of age, had been in poor health for some time. He was a son of the late John Roop and in his younger days worked in his father's saw loft. Later he engaged in the hotel business and at one time conducted the Central House, a popular house on the King Square. In the old days of the volunteer fire department, Mr. Roop was a very active member of old No. 6 Company. He was twice married and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. G. Dykeman, of Prospect street, and a son, Smith Roop, of this city. The late Mrs. F. W. Jenkins was a daughter. Charles Roop, of Truro, is a brother and Mrs. D. D. Roop, of Liverpool; Mrs. George S. DeForest, of New Jersey, and Mrs. F. E. Craib, of this city, are sisters.

W. M. Philip.  
Mr. W. M. Philip, aged 39, stevedore of the parian line S. S. Bardinian, who was recently placed in the General Public Hospital, died Wednesday night in that institution. Deceased joined the Bardinian in London.

Hurt At Sand Point.  
Martin Walsh, a truckman at Sand Point, received a very painful injury at four o'clock Thursday morning. A large case which he was handling slipped and jammed his knee against another case, crushing it quite badly. He was taken to the emergency hospital, where the injured member was dressed by Dr. F. L. Kenney. Mr. Walsh will likely be confined to his home for some time.

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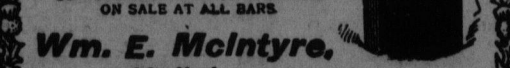
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**MERCANTILE MARINE NEWS**

**DAILY ALMANAC.**  
Friday, March 24, 1911.  
Sun rises . . . . . 6.24 a. m.  
Sun sets . . . . . 6.37 p. m.  
High water . . . . . 6.45 a. m.  
Low water . . . . . 0.45 p. m.  
Atlantic standard time.

**PORT OF ST. JOHN.**  
Arrived—March 23.  
Str Gramplan, 7033, Williams, from Liverpool, via Halifax, Wm Thomson and Co., pass and midse.  
Str Tunisian, Fairful, for Liverpool, Coastwise—Str Bear River, Woodworth, Digby; Str Viola Pearl, Wedlin, Campobello; Lizzie S McNeil, French, Back Bay; Ruby, O'Donnell, Musquash.  
Sailed—March 23.  
Str Athena, McNeill for Glasgow.  
Str Sardinian, Hamilton, for London and Havre (not previously).  
Str Whitefield, Johns for Havana (not previously).  
Str Heathcote, Muir, for Louisburg Ct.  
Str Calvin Austin, Allan, for Boston via Eastport.

**Dominion Ports.**  
St. Martin, Mar 18—Cleared—Str Pesquid, Denmore, for Bath, Me, with 65000 ft ship timber.  
**British Ports.**  
Liverpool, Mar 24—Sailed—Str Empress of Ireland, Forster, for St. John, via Halifax.  
**Foreign Ports.**  
Boston, Mass., Mar 21—Cleared—Str Ruth Robinson, Barton, for Clyde, N.S.  
St. Lucia, Mar 23—Sailed—Str Selasia, Chandler, from Buenos Ayres, for New York, (called for bunker coal).  
Diamond Shoal, N.C., Mar 21—Passed—Str Borna, Vera Cruz, for Halifax.  
Eastport, Me., Mar 20—Arrived—Str Fred B. Jhalano, St. John.  
Norfolk, Mar 21—Cleared—Bark Bark Edna M Smith, Reade, for Port de France.  
**Recent Charters.**  
Bark Andromeda, 75,000 cases of petroleum from New York to Adelaide, Melbourne or Sydney, Australia, 15 cts per case.  
Bark Laura C, 249 tons, from the gulf to Porto Plata, lumber, pt.  
Bark Albert D Mills, 326 tons, from the gulf to San Domingo City, lumber, pt.  
Bark Hieronymus, 417 tons, from the gulf to Kingston, Ja, two trips, lumber, pt.

**Reports and Disasters.**  
Gloucester, Mass., Mar 21—Fishing str Colonial of this port, was driven ashore at Borgee, N.B., yesterday, during a heavy gale, and will probably be a total loss. Crew saved.

Boston, Mass., Mar 21—Str Nanna (Nor) from Macoris, reports Mar 16, lat 36, lon 70, passed a vessel bottom up, about 200 feet long evidently a recent wreck.  
Shipping Notes.  
C. P. R. steamship Empress of Britain, Captain Murray, sails this afternoon for Liverpool via Halifax, with passengers and general cargo.  
Donaldson liner Athena, Captain McNeill, left this port yesterday afternoon with about 30 passengers for Glasgow. This is the Athena's last trip from here.  
Battle steamer Bellasia, Captain Chandler, bound from Buenos Ayres for New York, called at St. Lucia yesterday for bunker coal and proceeded.

The Australian steamship Wakani is scheduled to sail today for the long voyage to Melbourne, Australia from this port with a large general cargo.  
Allan line steamship Virginia, now on her way to Liverpool from this port, took away a cargo valued at \$105,540. Her grain shipments were 24,300 bushels of wheat.  
C. P. R. steamship Lake Michigan, for London and Antwerp, and now on the passage, had a very large outward cargo. Among her freight are 169,118 bushels of wheat, 28,235 bushels of oats, 3,035 bags of flour and 18,487 feet spruce deal. Value as follows—Canadian goods, \$390,945; foreign goods, \$124,456. Total, \$515,401.

Manifest for 88 cars of United States products were received at the custom house yesterday consisting of meats, lard, lumber, etc., for shipment in the winter port steamer.  
Capt. Rogers and two seamen belonging to the H-ated American schooner Allen Green, are now in St. John en route to their home in Rockland. The schooner was wrecked several days ago near Grand Passage, Nova Scotia, and Cook Annis was drowned. The remains were afterwards recovered and forwarded to Rockland for interment. He was a married man and leaves a wife. The survivors had a terrible experience during the storm in which the schooner went ashore, but they succeeded in reaching land. The schooner went to pieces. The shipwrecked mariners called on the American consul yesterday.

**VESSELS BOUND TO ST. JOHN.**  
Steamers.  
Manchester Importer from Manchester, Mar 4.  
Manchester Corporation, Manchester, Mar 11.  
Lake Manitoba, from Liverpool, Mar 15.  
Montrose, from London, Mar 16.  
Pomeranian, London, Mar 15.  
Victorian, Liverpool, Mar 15.  
Manchester Engineer, Manchester, Mar 17.  
Salacia, Glasgow, Mar 18.

**LIST OF VESSELS IN PORT.**  
In Commission.  
Steamers.  
Cassandra, 5228, R Reford Co.  
Empress of Britain, 8024, C P R Co.  
Gramplan, 7033, Wm Thomson and Co.  
Kadima, 2308, J. T. Knight and Co.  
Mount Temple, 6661, C. P. R. Co.  
Pomeran, 1227, Wm Thomson and Co.  
Tunisian, 6802, Wm Thomson and Co.  
Wakani, 3751, C P R Co.  
Barks.  
Emma R Smith, 571, A W Adams.  
Schooners.  
Arthur M Gibson, 298, J W Smith.  
Catharina, 451, John Spaine & Co.  
Eva C, 250, A. W. Adams.  
Flora M, 150, C M Kerrison.  
Harry G Shephard, 205, C M Kerrison.  
Helen Montague, 344, R C Elkin.  
Isaiah K. Stetson, 271, J W. Smith.  
Jessie Anna, 279, R C Elkin.  
Nettie Shipman, 287, A W Adams.  
Oronimo, 121, A. W. Adams.  
Peter C. Schultz, 375, A. W. Adams.  
R. Bowers, 373, R. C. Elkin.  
T. W. Cooper, 150, A W Adams.  
Vere B. Roberts, 120, J. W. Smith.  
Vanola, 272, J W Smith.  
A number of schooners are in port laid up for the winter months.

**ALDERMEN ADOPT ROYAL COMMISSION MOTION BY A MAJORITY OF ONE VOTE**

**Lively Session of City Council, Yesterday Afternoon --Proposal for Nine Aldermen Dropped--City will Advocate Appointment of Royal Commission to Consider Change in System.**

The common council at a special meeting yesterday adopted the recommendation of the bills and by-laws committee to withdraw the bill providing for a plebiscite on the question of government by a mayor and nine aldermen, and to ask the legislature to appoint a royal commission to franchise the city. A report that a bill giving the county the right to tax telegraph lines, street railway tracks and water pipes, had passed the city committee of the legislature, caused a breeze, but finally it was discovered that the bill was to come up today.

There was a long discussion on the specifications for street paving and it was decided to bar out the Hasnam method. The city fathers decided to give the Sheffield choir a civic welcome, and ask the citizens to fly their flags and bunting on Saturday.

Besides the mayor, there were present Ald. Scully, Sprout, Wigmore, McGoldrick, Hayes, Potts, Smith, Willett, White, Jones, Elkin, Likely, McLeod, Russell, Vanwart, with the common clerk and the city engineer.

**The Sheffield Choir.**  
In opening the meeting the mayor said he had received a communication from Mr. Chas. A. E. Harris asking him and the city fathers to extend a welcome to the Sheffield choir which arrives here on Saturday. He expressed the hope that the aldermen would be on hand at the ship to welcome them, and that citizens would display their flags and bunting in honor of the occasion. A motion to this effect was adopted.

A report was received from the treasury board, recommending the acceptance of the tender of Amelias Jarvis and Co. for the city's bonds to the amount of \$250,000 which the board was authorized to issue. The recommendation was approved.

Ald. Hayes then moved a resolution authorizing the issue of the bonds in amounts of £100 and this was adopted.

**Bills and By-Laws Report.**  
The report of the bills and by-laws committee was then received. It recommended that the bill for submitting a form of government by a mayor and nine aldermen to a plebiscite be withdrawn and that this committee be authorized to ask the government to appoint a royal commission form of government shall be adopted at the coming civic election, shall proceed to frame a bill providing for the submission of such scheme and in case the commission form of government shall not be adopted at said election, shall proceed to frame a bill providing for the request for a Royal Commission. He understood that Royal Commissions were usually appointed at the request of the people themselves, and moved that all the yeas after "withdrawn" be struck from the report.

Ald. Hayes seconded this. He thought the request for a Royal Commission was only clouding the issue. He approved of the withdrawal of the bill for a plebiscite on the question of nine aldermen, but he did not think they should call in outsiders to frame a city charter. Although the newspapers claimed the aldermen were incompetent, they should not confess their incompetency. The city had been fighting the legislature for years.

Ald. Jones said he had asked the Board of Works to place the onus of accepting an alternative method upon the council. He had been criticized enough last year.

The Mayor said the engineer should accept the responsibility, and not put it on the shoulders of the council. It was a matter for an expert.

Ald. Scully said the engineer was not infallible. He thought the specifications should contain something about the methods employed, as well as the composition of the concrete.

The engineer said he favored the Hasnam method, but if the Council ordered he could yet insert a provision that no roller should be used on the foundation.

Ald. Wigmore thought the grouting process should be barred.

Ald. Sprout said the specification should be either for hand or machine mixed concrete. There was no need of specifying more than one method.

Ald. Scully and McLeod wanted the clause authorizing the engineer to accept an alternative method struck out.

**The Question of Inspectors.**  
Ald. Potts said the assistant city engineer should be held responsible for the work.

Ald. Elkin said the inspector would have to be on the job all the time and the assistant engineer had other work to do.

Ald. McGoldrick and Hayes were of the same opinion.

Ald. Sprout said the city should not require the contractor to pay the inspector.

Ald. Jones—There is an impression that the assistant engineer is not doing enough work for his salary—that he is not trusted with any matter of importance.

The Mayor said the Board of Directors of the C.P.R. did not discuss details of concrete contracts. They trusted their engineer.

Ald. Potts moved that the assistant engineer be given full charge of the work and be required to do the inspection.

Ald. Likely moved in amendment that the engineer should appoint the inspector, and that the city pay his salary instead of deducting the expense from the contractor, and this was passed.

Ald. Wigmore brought up the question of the depth of sand used under the paving stones, and on motion of Ald. Jones it was decided that not less than 1 1/2 inches or more than 2 1/2 inches should be used.

The Common Council went into session and the report of the general committee was approved.

**Much Ado About Nothing.**  
Ald. Likely said there was a county bill before the legislature providing for the taxation of telephone lines, railway tracks, water pipes, etc. It passed it would cost the city about \$1,900 a year.

Ald. Vanwart said the county secretary had told him that the bill had passed the bills committee of the House.

The Mayor—if that is correct it is rather extraordinary.

Ald. Potts said there was something contemptible about the way the county bills were handled. If the bill had been put through without notifying the city he would raise the devil.

The Mayor called Ald. Potts to order.

The Mayor said the county secretary had agreed to have the bill amended so as to exempt the city water pipes extending into the county. He had advised the aldermen to look after the bills some time ago. He added that the recorder, without definite instructions, should have kept track of the bills and endeavored to protect the city's interests.

Ald. Likely thought the recorder should be required to give all his time to the city's service.

He moved that the Mayor should get in touch with the recorder and wire a request to the premier not to pass any city or county bills until a civic delegation could be heard at Fredericton.

At this point Ald. Russell came in and said that what the county secretary meant was that a government bill allowing municipalities to adopt a new system of assessment had passed the committee stage. The bill defining what they could levy on would come up today.

Ald. Potts moved that the recorder be sent to Fredericton and that the members be notified that the council was opposed to the bill. This was adopted.

Ald. McLeod brought up the matter of trying to get the legislature to insert a clause in the bill incorporating the New Brunswick Hydro-electric Co., enabling the city to claim a percentage of earnings as in other places.

It was said the Mayor was collecting information as to the way other cities dealt with public utility companies of this kind and the matter was dropped.

The council then adjourned.

**SHOWED THEM HOW TO SAVE IN FUEL**

**Practical Saving Illustrated at Dollar Gas Demonstration Yesterday Afternoon—Afternoon Tea to be Served Today**

Yesterday's attendance at the free cooking demonstration with \$1.00 gas at the showrooms of the St. John Railway Company, corner of Dock and Union streets, was more than double that of the day previous, and from present indications it looks as though it will soon be necessary for the demonstrators to seek larger quarters.

Yesterday's demonstration was exceptionally interesting, not only to the ladies present, but proved a revelation to the men who dropped in during the afternoon to note the great saving in fuel bills resulting from the use of \$1.00 gas for culinary purposes to say nothing of its great cleanliness, convenience and freedom from odor.

Vincent, the caterer, prepared and served an excellent dinner which was much enjoyed.

Afternoon tea will be prepared and served from 3 to 5 o'clock today when there will also be a demonstration of bread and pastry baking.

**AMUSEMENTS.**

**Nickel Today, Saturday, Monday.**  
There is a steady stream of good things for the Nickel today, all day Saturday and again on Monday and Tuesday of next week. The bill for the last two days of this week should attract thousands for it is of unusual merit. Madame Parlong-Schlimer will sing that rip-roaring novelty number "I've Got Rings On My Fingers and Bells On My Toes," by special request and Jack Morrissey will continue in "Cutie, Who Tied Your Tie" a New York ditty.

In the line of pictures, Miss Florance Lawrence will be the star of the programme in Lubin's pretty little drama "The Test." The Edison Co. will put on what will doubtless be their finest comedy, "Bumptious As Romeo," veritably a fun-meal from start to finish. The spirited piece of the list is the Western story "Pale, Or A Boy's Faithfulness To His Cowboy Friend." The Saturday matinee will, as usual, be the event of the week for school children.

On Monday, the Nickel takes pleasure in announcing the whole programme of pictures will be devoted to a three-act (2,900 feet) production of Charles Dickens' masterpiece drama "A Tale of Two Cities." This will be the first time in the history of the Nickel that one picture has consumed the whole of the film-list. The Vitagraph Company, who play this wonderful drama, are two well known to St. John people to assure a finished production. This is understood to be the finest literary film yet issued by any company and in the larger cities where it is still being shown the press and people are loudly praising it.

pass any city or county bills until a civic delegation could be heard at Fredericton.

At this point Ald. Russell came in and said that what the county secretary meant was that a government bill allowing municipalities to adopt a new system of assessment had passed the committee stage. The bill defining what they could levy on would come up today.

Ald. Potts moved that the recorder be sent to Fredericton and that the members be notified that the council was opposed to the bill. This was adopted.

Ald. McLeod brought up the matter of trying to get the legislature to insert a clause in the bill incorporating the New Brunswick Hydro-electric Co., enabling the city to claim a percentage of earnings as in other places.

It was said the Mayor was collecting information as to the way other cities dealt with public utility companies of this kind and the matter was dropped.

The council then adjourned.

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FINANCIAL WORLD

STOCK MARKET WAS VERY QUIET

New York, N. Y., Mar. 23.—The ultra conservative attitude toward stock market of both the financial community and the investing public has seldom been illustrated so clearly...

The Pacific railroad stocks furnished about the only noticeable movements of the day. Missouri Pacific showed no intention of settling down...

Dominion Cannery 6 p. c. Bonds The net earnings for the year show the Bond Interest OVER SIX TIMES EARNED.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Table of stock prices for various companies including Am. Copper, Am. Sugar, Am. Car and Found., etc.

MONTREAL

Table of Montreal stock prices including Asbestos, Hillcrest, and various bonds.

MONTREAL AND BOSTON CURB

Table of Montreal and Boston Curb prices including La Rose, Hillcrest, and various commodities.

PRODUCE PRICES IN CANADIAN CENTRES

Montreal, Mar. 23.—POTATOES—Prices held firm owing to small receipts and a good demand. Car lots are selling at 35c. and jobbing lots at \$1.05 to \$1.10 per bushel.

CLOSING COTTON LETTER

New York, March 23.—It is futile to comment further upon a stock market which has shown so little variation of character or volume...

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# THE STANDARD'S PAGE OF SPORTS

## "Bugs" Raymond Cut Loose in Earnest



"BUGS" RAYMOND.

(New York Herald.)  
 Matlia, Texas, Mar. 21.—Returning here this morning for the final week of practice, the New York baseball Giant regulars made a good start by cleaning up the Coits this afternoon in a six inning game. Moreover, they made a shutout, the first one that has been registered in the practice series. Splendid pitching by Bugs Raymond and George Wiltse kept the youngsters away from the plate. Crandall finished strong in the box for the coits, but Drucke was tapped for five runs in the first three innings.  
 Raymond seemed to have everything according to those who battled against him. Having reduced from 210 to 195 pounds, he is now in shape to keep up effective work, and McGraw told him to "cut loose" today. He fanned two men in each inning and held the youngsters to a pair of singles. Wiltse who worked four innings at Austin yesterday, was not quite as effective, but he was not scored on, thanks to Arthur Devlin, who turned out a double play without assistance.  
 Drucke and Otis Crandall were on the rubber for the Coits. Crandall allowed only two hits in the last three innings. Of the four pitchers on duty Drucke was only one to be scored on. In the first inning, a base on balls, an error and hits by Becker, Murray,

## TY COBB IN BAD IN DETROIT

Hot Springs, Ark., March 23.—Because he tried to "crab" Donnie Bush, the short stop de luxe of the Tigers, T. Raymond Cobb, the champion hit smith of the American league, is very unpopular. And, incidentally, because he refused to be "crabbed," Donnie Bush is the most popular "kiddo" on the Royal Beaugate.  
 A Detroit business man who is here with the veteran members of Hughie Jennings' tribe, says the Tiger players are all allied against Cobb. The Detroiters say he has the dope straight from Sam Crawford, Bill Donovan and Jim Delahanty.  
 When Donnie Bush broke in at the windup of 1908, Cobb tried his hardest to make things miserable for the little fellow. Bush is a mere boy and he had the rest of the Tigers with him. Cobb continued to chaff the little fellow, though, until it became so strong that Sam Crawford threatened to slap Cobb's face if he ever criticized the shortstop again. Cobb knew what that was so he quit kidding Bush and everyone knows what Donnie has done.  
 Now Ty isn't on speaking terms with any member of the team. They pass him up, and he speaks only when he is spoken to. Moreover, Cobb's best play does not draw any applause from his team mates, and the more often he strikes out, the better his fellow players are pleased. That's why Detroit business men fear that Jennings will have a hard time repeating his championship conquests of 1907-08-09.

## A PLEASANT SMOKER IN THE R.K.Y.C

The members of the R. K. Y. C. held an enjoyable smoker in their rooms last night. Over four hundred of its members and their friends attended. The following programme was carried out during the evening:  
 Solo, C. A. Munro; Vocal solo, Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond; Vocal solo, J. W. C. Rose; Vocal solo, J. W. C. Rose; Reading, Comic song, F. J. Panter; Reading, E. B. McInerney; Vocal solo, Mr. Reynolds; Vocal solos, members of sailing committee; Selection, 62nd orchestra; Saxophone duet; Vocal solo, Hugh Campbell; Refutation, How the Battle of Waterloo Was Won, Mr. Robinson of the 62nd Band; Vocal solo, E. W. Bonnell; Song, Betty Brown, Mr. Panter; Selection, 62nd orchestra; Refreshments. God Save the King.  
 The different items of the programme were well rendered and generally applauded. At the close of the evening refreshments were served and the smoker was voted one of the most successful in the history of the organization.  
 It is the intention of the club to have as many of the juniors as possible to join the club. A large number have already expressed a desire to join and it is expected that many more will become members before the season opens. The outlook for the coming season is promising and it is anticipated that this will be the most successful yachting season in the history of the R. K. Y. C.

## CY YOUNG WHO SAYS HE IS DONE



Discouraged at the slow manner he has been reducing his weight in the work of getting ready for the next championship campaign in the American league, Cy Young, the veteran pitcher for Cleveland, has again made the formal announcement that this will be the last year he will appear in public as a professional player. Young is still high in flesh and is playing the outfield in practice games and running to reduce his avoirdupois. Young is 45 years old, and has played in the big league since 1890 when he made his debut with the Cleveland club. It seems appropriate now that again a member of the Cleveland team should announce his retirement. Cy won more than 500 games during his 20 years in the major leagues, and lost only about 300 contests. His greatest successes were attained as a member of the Boston Americans after he left St. Louis in 1900. He played with Cleveland until 1908, when he was with St. Louis two years and went to Boston in 1900, when the American league placed a club in that city. He helped Boston to win the American league and world's championships and was a most successful pitcher until 1909 when he was disposed of to the Cleveland club. His baseball star was then setting and in 1909 he won only 19 games and lost 15, although his support was not such as he received from the Boston club. Last year the few games that he won gave him the distinction of having won 500 games since his advent into the major leagues.  
 Young has amassed a small fortune from baseball, he having a farm in Ohio and much other property, and when he returns home he will look after his agricultural interests.

## The Results in the City Bowling League Games

City League.			
There were two matches on Black's alleys last night. In the City League the Ramblers took three points from the Pirates with a total pin fall of 1254 to 1276. The individual score was as follows:			
Gaskin	102	82	89
Hurley	94	85	88
Smith	73	77	72
Tufta	77	86	240
Howard	102	81	83
448 402 418 1278			
Pirates.			
Fosha	91	88	79
Jordan	76	77	94
Sutherland	85	83	78
Lemon	73	101	72
Wilson	102	85	100
427 434 423 1284			
Commercial League.			
In the inter-society league game the O. H. Warwick team captured three points from Macaulay Bros. with a total pin fall of 1191 to 1112. The score was as follows:			
Macaulay Bros.			
McLean	70	74	72
Smith	54	55	51
Latham	79	82	73
Irvine	65	67	77
376 393 383 1153			
O. H. Warwick.			
Ramsay	71	69	85
McLeod	81	86	79
McLennan	72	79	86
Burton	88	74	83
Codner	95	82	75
407 399 394 1191			
Inter-Society League.			
In the inter-society league game of the St. Peter's alleys last night the I. L. & B. team took three points from the Shamrocks with a total score of 1254 to 1097. The team scores were as follows:			
I. L. & B.			
J. McGivern	89	113	85
McGrath	82	87	86
Lalton	78	100	80
Crohn	64	69	77
W. McGivern	70	103	80
384 472 408 1264			
Shamrocks.			
McKinney	66	64	74
Duffy	71	65	79
Harrington	78	71	78
Colgan	70	79	80
Hagarty	88	75	77
371 338 338 1097			

## BILLIARD TOURNAMENT IN Y.M.C.A.

By the first of next week a billiard tournament will be commenced in the Y. M. C. A. There are 12 entries and 66 games will be played. Those who have entered are R. A. Penleton, P. S. Peacock, J. T. McKee, A. W. Robb, Chester Brown, W. H. Latham, Wm. Anderson, J. W. C. Rose, H. P. Babson, T. E. Taylor, Herbert Lockwood, and Geo. Mea. Billiard.  
 Regulars busy for an hour with fielding practice, and the athletes were pretty well tired out tonight, as they had a lively session this morning.  
 The score by innings:—  
 R. H. E.  
 Coits ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 3  
 Regulars ..... 3 0 2 0 0 0 3 8 0  
 Batteries.—Raymond, Wiltse and Wilson; Drucke, Crandall and Gowdy. Umpires.—Messrs. McGraw and Latham.

## OKLAHOMA HAS A NEW WHITE HOPE

No matter how sceptical eastern writers may be about the man who is apparently anxious to redeem the honor of the white race as far as pugilism is concerned by downing Jack Johnson, the West seems to have gone crazy over the ability of Carl Morris. The latest man he wants to meet has not gone crazy, however, by any means, for he says:  
 "If I am to stand up before Morris at Sapulpa on March 28th to be knocked into a cocked hat, he's got to pay me well," says Schreck, who is firmly opposed to his manager, Billy Corcoran, a Cincinnati person. "Morris wants all the glory and the coin. He expects me to take \$1,000 to cover my expenses and pay up my bills. Why, they've built an arena at Sapulpa big enough to accommodate 15,000 people, and all Oklahoma has got ready for the prospect of another victory for Morris. Then, why shouldn't I get my ten months' training on such a big scale if I fight because I will do the best I can, but if this giant is what they say he is, I am not going to take a lambs' dinner and a coat of stuff a lot of green stuff into my jeans."

## WHAT YALE SPENT FOR FOOTBALL

A comparison of the cost of athletics at Yale and Harvard shows that Yale spends about one-third more every year than Harvard on each of its big athletic teams. It cost the Cambridge University \$127,945 to run athletics last year, or about \$425 a day for ten months through which the college season lasts. The football expenditures were approximately \$31,000, an average of about \$1,900 a man to the squad of 21 players. Track athletics cost \$9,000; baseball, \$11,000; and rowing \$15,000.  
 At Yale the appropriation for football was \$40,000. It meant that for every man who got into a "championship" game, as the contests with Harvard and Princeton are called, \$2,500 was expended. On baseball Yale put out a total of \$22,000, while track athletics cost \$13,500. Rowing is practically a flat financial loss, since no admission can be charged and more than \$20,000 is appropriated every year for it at New Haven.

## KNOCKOUT BOUTS IN HALIFAX

(Halifax Recorder)  
 The Lecture Hall at the Armouries was thronged last evening on the occasion of the 60th athletic concert. The regimental band provided music, and there were several solos by men of H. M. C. S. Niobe, but the chief attractions were a half score of boxing bouts between soldiers and sailors.  
 The two chief events were for welterweights, and were to be six rounds each, but Bandsman Stillwell, R. C. R., knocked out Crave, of Niobe, in one round, and Pte. McElroy, R. C. E., knocked out Chandler, of Niobe, in the third round. One of the best bouts was between Lieut. Greer, C. P. A. S. C., and Midshipman Baird, H. M. C. S. Niobe, the latter being the winner. Pte. Cox, R. C. R., and Geo. Ross, F. C. A., heavyweights, were so evenly matched that an extra round was ordered and a draw declared. There were also a couple of good bouts between boys under 90 pounds.

## GOTCH NOT BOTHERING OVER HACK

While in Buffalo last week Frank Gotch gave out an interview in which he said that he doubted the sincerity of Hackenschmidt's expressed desire to meet him. "Hackenschmidt," remarked the champion, "has been over here since November. It is idle for him to say that he has been in condition for a championship match, for he hasn't, and his exploits against the best America has sent against him have proven it. If Hackenschmidt is in such a tremendous hurry why doesn't he stop and take on Zyzysko or Mahmut, meantime, both of them believing that they should get a match and both being ready for him."  
 Gotch thinks Mahmut and Zyzysko will match. Asked about the sincerity of the Turk and Polo, he declared that there was plenty of time to attend to all "I have beaten them all," he said. "They are asking for return matches. Such a challenge as they are making now would sound far better if made by the survivor of the tria. Since I toppled over Tom Jenkins in Kansas City in 1906, I have never failed to answer the question satisfactorily when faced by a foreign challenger. Why should it be supposed that I have changed now? The talk you are reading nowadays is only the political skirmish, I'll bark if they annoy me to the right pitch. They made Jeffries come back and they beat him, but there'll be no Reno about the return of Gotch to the mat if one of the trio gets to it."

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## PACKEY SURE HE CAN TRIM AD WOLGAST CANADIANS ENTER FOR MARATHON

By Tod.  
 New York, March 20.—We're certain it now. Kind had the hunch for a year or more, but after that showing a few nights ago there's no doubt about it. Oh, that Packey McFarland is the best boy of his weight on the map. We're not alone in that opinion, either. Packey thinks so himself, and isn't a bit backward about it.  
 Told Packey that a wire from Los Angeles arrived here saying that Wolgast intended retiring after boxing Hogan.  
 "I've been trying to get on with Wolgast for a year past, but he's a better sidestepper than I thought. Makes the bluff about boxing, but never does. I've won from all the rest of them—Murphy, Walsh, Moran, Britt, Gross, Hyland and a bunch of others—and if I can't get a whack at the champ, what am I going to do?"  
 "I'm no bigger than Gans, Ernie or the rest of the old-time lightweighters. Gans won his title from Erse at 135 pounds, and I can do that nicely. There's no use killing yourself, as poor Gans did, in order to get a match and if I don't intend to, either."  
 "That ringside stuff is a joke. Just because some fighters have fears of others they pull that ringside weight thing and are safe. Why, Battling Nelson pulled that, and ever since all the lightweights are doing it."  
 "Gans never asked anyone to do it when they fought him for the title. Neither did Ernie, and I think that the boxing public will remember those men much longer than a wren of the Wolgast kind."  
 "If I'm not the best light weight in the world, Mr. Wolgast will have to prove it to me."

HORSE NOTES.  
 Flying Fox, the great race horse which Edward Blane purchased some years ago for \$200,000, is dead. He won \$120,000 in purses on the French turf alone.  
 The New Glasgow Chronicle says: Ellin Barron, by Barron Dunham, by Baron Wilkes, 2:18, out of Ella Wood, dam of two records below 2:10, and grand dam of Achille the Great, 2:09, the Maritime Produce best 2-year-old, is developing into a fine big 3-year-old filly.  
 Frank Work, who left \$200,000 when he died last week in New York had only a \$5 gold piece in his possession when he landed there 70 years ago and that he took with him when he ran away from home in Chillicothe, Ohio. He was 92 years old when he died and was known all over America as the driver and owner of the finest road horses that money could buy. Edward, Dick Swivelor, Jack, Pilot Boy, Mahala, Merle Moore and Peter Sterling were some of his noted horses. The stable which he built for his horses in Fifty-sixth street cost \$200,000.  
 John E. Madden has shipped Adam Bode, by Adam—Graec Gumberts, to England, and may start him in the Derby. Adam is a son of Flying Fox, and Graec Gumberts a daughter of the Derby winner Sainfoin.

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THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh to strong north-westerly winds, fair and cold.

Toronto, Mar. 23.—The disturbance mentioned last night is over Newfoundland this evening and the weather has cleared in eastern Canada. Cold weather has prevailed from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, while in the west it has been mild with maximum temperatures of over 60 in parts of Saskatchewan and Alberta. A rather pronounced disturbance is moving over the western provinces.

- Victoria—44, 50. Vancouver—46, 50. Kamloops—42, 54. Edmonton—30, 54. Prince Albert—14, 48. Calgary—34, 62. Moosejavi—26, 60. Qu'Appelle—22, 42. Winnipeg—16, 38. Port Arthur—12, 30. Pelly Sound—8, 18. London—21, 30. Toronto—19, 27. Ottawa—12, 20. Quebec—16, 24. St. John—26, 30. Halifax—30, 38. Lower Lawrence and Gulf—Strong north-westerly winds; fair and cold.

AROUND THE CITY

Knights' Natural B. T. Soap. Will Test New Fire Boxes. Boxes 57 and 144 of the fire alarm system will be tested at 9 o'clock this morning.

Prayer Beads Found. A string of prayer beads found on Union street yesterday, was handed to the police and can be obtained by the owner calling at central station.

Elks' Smoker Tonight. The Canadian Order of Elks will hold a smoker tonight in their building on Charlotte street and an excellent programme has been arranged. Any visiting Elks men who are in the city are invited to be present.

Russell Rutherford's Condition. Russell Rutherford, the C.P.R. brakeman, who was so badly injured at Fredericton Junction, is in a critical condition at the General Public Hospital. His relatives were at the hospital early this morning and his death is hourly expected.

Child in Critical Condition. The condition of Ruby Morehouse, the little girl who was so badly injured in Louis Cohen's tailor shop, Tuesday afternoon, is reported as unchanged at the General Public Hospital, early this morning. There is great fear that the little girl will die of her injuries.

Dinner to Dr. A. A. Lewin. A few of Dr. A. A. Lewin's friends tendered him a dinner at W. E. Newcombe's, Clairmont House, Torryburn, last night, and a few hours were most pleasantly spent. Dr. Lewin was presented with a gift of remembrance during the evening. Dr. Lewin leaves next week to take up his residence in Welsford.

Hod Carriers Meet. A meeting of the International Hod Carriers and Builders' Union was held last night in their rooms in the Opera House. There were about a hundred present at the meeting. The president of the organization, Michael Sullivan, occupied the chair. The question of enforcing the Union scale of wages was discussed by the members, and it was decided that beginning from May 1st the rate of wages would be two dollars per day.

The Grampian Arrives. Allan Line steamship Grampian arrived off Partridge Island last night about midnight from Halifax, and came up to her berth at the West Side early this morning and landed 250 second cabin and 250 steerage passengers. The rest of her 1,500 passengers landed at Halifax. The Grampian holds last year's passage travel record, carrying on one trip, 1,706 passengers. The steamer had a fine trip across the Atlantic. On board were a party of 50 farm laborers under the care of the Salvation Army.

WHITE STAR LINERS MAY COME TO ST. JOHN

Assistant General Manager of Line in City, Last Night, Says They May Come to This Port.

"The White Star Line is greatly interested in the development of the trade between Canada and Great Britain," said P. V. Mitchell, who has been appointed assistant general manager of the line with headquarters at Montreal after April 5, in a reporter at the Royal yesterday. "The two big boats we put in the Canadian trade some years ago, have done well, and our faith in the possibilities of the Canadian trade is shown by the fact that we are putting the Teutonic on the St. Lawrence route this summer. The Teutonic is a boat of 10,000 tons and has been running between New York and Southampton under a mail contract with the British government. This summer we will have the two big new boats running to New York, and so are able to spare the Teutonic for the Canadian service. "St. John will be a great shipping port before many years, and I don't think too much can be said about the possibilities of Courtenay Bay. It will cost a great deal of money to convert it into a harbor and equip it with shipping facilities, but I think the money will be well spent. When the Grand Trunk Pacific comes here, there is bound to be a great increase in the trade of the port. "Mr. Mitchell said his visit here had no special significance as he had come on from New York to consult with the agents of the line. Asked whether the White Star boats were likely to come here in the future, he said his company had a close working agreement with the Grand Trunk and that with the development of Canadian trade it was quite possible that the boats would come here sometime in the future.

Spring millinery opening, Miss Florence Pyne, 67 Broad street, Friday and Saturday, Mar. 24 and 25.

CIVIC MATTERS DISCUSSED AT MASS MEETING LAST NIGHT

D. F. Pidgeon and Miles E. Agar Spoke on Commission Movement, and Alderman Potts Discussed His Land Tax Plan—Audience Listened Attentively, But There was No Enthusiasm.

At the meeting held under the auspices of the trade and labor council, last evening, D. F. Pidgeon and Miles E. Agar, spoke on the commission movement and Ald. Potts advocated the adoption of the land tax in force in Vancouver. The speakers were listened to with close attention, but there was no enthusiasm shown. A telegram was read from Commissioner Bennett, of Cedar Rapids, in reference to his letter published in The Standard, which said that the commission movement was not rampant in Cedar Rapids, and that in spite of the dishonesty of one commissioner, he was a strong believer in the virtues of the commission form of government.

Walter Allingham presided, and in opening the meeting announced that it had been called under the auspices of the trade council. D. F. Pidgeon was the first speaker. He said letters had been appearing in the papers opposing the commission movement, and purporting to be written by workmen. He thought the sentiment of the workers was favorable to the commission. He then gave a sketch of the history of the commission movement in Galveston, but neglected to mention that the Galveston commission had \$2,000,000 to start with, voted by the Washington government. In St. John, the movement was originated by the advertising committee of the board of trade, who had obtained satisfactory reports from 110 cities where the commission obtained. A man on a train had congratulated him on being a citizen of such a progressive city as St. John.

Turning to the commission plan, he said you could not get good men to fill the positions for nothing. The commissioners would be treated as employees and paid to be on duty from 8.30 a. m. to 6 p. m. Continuing, he said it had been arranged through the instrumentality of the labor representatives that any workman should be eligible for election to the commission, if he could get 25 men to sign his nomination papers. Maybe he might be thrown out at the second election, which was designed to overthrow cliques. The present aldermen, he said, were absolute. They could do as they pleased. One of the most disgraceful things he knew of was the fact that eight aldermen had asked for the appointment of a royal commission to frame a charter under which civic affairs should be run. These eight aldermen would find themselves at Fredericton up against a solid wall of citizens. To get an ordinary plebiscite bill passed the citizens' executive would have to send a special train to Fredericton, but if necessary they would take a dozen special trains. He said that they did not blame the aldermen, but the system, under which according to one of the aldermen, the city did not get 5 cents value on the dollar expended. A. E. Agar said there had been a great deal of fault-finding with the present system, and it was felt that an improvement in the system was needed. The present system was a very old one, designed to meet conditions that had long since passed away. Men who had attained middle age had too many personal interests to give much attention to civic affairs, and the present aldermen often had a very superficial knowledge of the

NO SURRENDER LODGE HAS HAD FINE CAREER

Anniversary Held in Fairville Last Night, When History of Order was Read—An Excellent Entertainment.

No Surrender Lodge No. 109, I. O. G. T., met in their hall in Fairville last evening on the occasion of their 20th anniversary. The hall was crowded to the doors, many visitors from other lodges being present. Speeches were given by District Chief Templar E. N. Stockford, J. B. Burgess, Mr. Halanymne, J. Keys, D. C. Fisher, J. T. Stephens, E. Podman, and Mr. Linton. A reading was given by Miss Godfrey. After Chief Templar Reed read the history of No Surrender Lodge, refreshments were served and the gathering closed with the singing of the National Anthem. It was on March 24th, 1885, in the upper room of the building now occupied by Robert Catherwood that a few persons met and under the leadership of Elijah Ross, of Paris, Crete, a branch of the I. O. G. T. was formed. It was thought by some that the branch would last but a short time, as other societies had failed, so, in view of this, the lodge was called "No Surrender," and the following officers were installed:— Rev. Theo. Marshall—C. T. Andrew Cooper—V. T. Mrs. Sarah Hayes—Chap. John Woods—Secretary. Theo. Gillingham—Fin. Secretary. Jas. Semple—Treasurer. Fred Estey—Marshal. Jas. Grievs—L. G. Isaac Griffin—O. G. David Burgess—P. C. T. In addition to these officers, the following were the members:— Geo. Burns, Robert Lawson, Miss Gothe Jones, David Maxwell, Maggie Rose, David Taylor, J. Semple, Samuel Maxwell, Bertha Roxborough, Wm. Roxborough, Mattie Holland, May Rose, Jas. Lockhart, Wm. Miller, Edith Jones, W. Boyle. At this time rudymism reigned in the village and there were at one time as many as fifteen unlicensed saloons besides the licensed ones. With the persistence and courage of No Surrender members there was a change and with the help of David Burgess, a member, who was appointed liquor inspector, the unlicensed



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