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St. John, N. B., April 30, 1903.

Moving Time

Many people are changing their place of living just now. The object is to GET BETTER SUITED. Now if you would change your home to get "better suited," would you not change your place of buying clothing if YOU COULD BE BETTER SUITED and save some money as well? Hundreds have changed to this store this spring and all have found the change to their advantage. YOU TOO will be pleased with the treatment received and the values got at this store.

MEN'S SUITS, \$12.00 to \$14.00. MEN'S PANTS, \$7.50 to \$10.00.

J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring and Clothing, 139 Union Street, Opera House Block.

ON THE RIVER.

Lots of Steamers for the People's Accommodation.

And There Will be Red Hot Competition all Along the Line.

All the river steamers are now running on their regular schedule. The Victoria made her first trip of the season yesterday, while the May Queen has made three trips. Freight has not been very large this spring. There is a little stuff to come down. Potatoes brought a good figure last fall and in consequence the farmers sold about all their crop. Through freight to Fredericton and Woodstock has been fair.

With the completion of the Beatrice E. Waring and the arrival here of the stmr. Princess from Quebec, the up river people will have little to complain of in the way of river service. Never before in the history of the river have there been more steamers on the various routes than at present, and with the addition of the two new steamers named things will hum. A farmer starts for town and his wife has forgotten to tell him to buy her some bonnet strings or hair pins she can catch the next boat and land at Indiantown almost on her husband's heels. It will be a case of "boats pass the door every two minutes for all point north and south."

On the Fredericton-St. John route the old favorites, the David Weston and Victoria, will run every day except Sunday. The Majestic makes daily trips to Gagetown. The Hampstead to Hampstead; the May Queen regular trips to Grand Lake; the Crystal Stream to Washdemok; the Springfield to Belleisle, and the Clifton to Hampton.

When the Princess arrives she will be on the Washdemok route in opposition to the Crystal Stream. The Beatrice Waring will be launched in a few days and will go on the Belleisle route and the Springfield on the Fredericton-Gagetown run, leaving the Fredericton each morning. There she will come into opposition with the steamer Aberdeen, which will go on the route as soon as the Fredericton-Woodstock season is over, which only lasts for a few days in the spring and a few trips in the fall.

It will be a case of pay your money and take your choice and the survival of the fittest. One well known river steambot man remarked to the Star this morning that he would not be surprised if there would be lots of shares in river steamers for sale cheap this fall.

It is understood that the residents of Chipman were agitating the subject of placing a fast steamer on the Grand Lake route.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

King Edward left Rome today for Paris. There was a great farewell demonstration.

The dedicatory exercises at the World's Fair, St. Louis, today were participated in by President Roosevelt, Grover Cleveland, Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop Potter, Gen. Corbin and other distinguished men.

According to an official statement, the weekly plague mortality in India exceeds 30,000 persons. The infected area includes nine British provinces and fifty-one native states.

THE READY REVOLVER.

NEW YORK, April 29.—John M. Smith and Rudolph Sherman were dangerously wounded by an unknown Italian in a shooting affair on Second Avenue early today. The quarrel began in a saloon because of a disparaging remark about a woman which was resented by Smith. The latter was wounded in the side and back of the head and Sherman received a bullet in the left eye. Their wounds may be fatal. The assailant escaped.

FIRE ALARM.

At half past two o'clock today an alarm was rung in from box 2 for a fire on the roof of St. John's Presbyterian church on King Street east. A hole was burned through the roof, but the fire was quickly extinguished. The interior furnishings were fully protected by the Salvage Corps.

THE REAL WIDOW BROW.

Mistaken identity has from time immemorial furnished a basis for amusing complications. In a letter to the Star, the "Real Widow Brow," a young man by the name of Brown, writes that he is the real widow, thereby furnishing the basis for the fun, and the events following are accordingly amusing. The graceful dancing and taking music enhance the attractiveness of the performance.

CALLED TO THE EAST.

LONDON, April 29.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decreased, \$1,000,000; Circulation, increased, \$1,000,000; Bullion, increased, \$1,000,000; Other securities, increased, \$1,000,000; Public deposits, decreased, \$1,000,000; Notes, increased, \$1,000,000; Government securities, unchanged.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

LONDON, April 29.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England was unchanged today at 4 per cent.

STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Wall Street—Prices advanced a fraction, as quite animated dealing. Reaction was in demand on the earnings statement for March and was lifted by the Central Railroad of Mexico stocks and People's Gas showed slight fractional losses.

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COMMERCIAL.

The following is a comparative statement of the revenue collected at the Custom House during the month of April, 1903 and the present year.

Customs	1902	1903
Steamships	\$108,267.53	\$101,261.84
Sick Mariners Fees	528.52	476.48
Total	\$108,796.05	\$101,738.32
Decrease this year		\$7,057.73

Bank clearings for week ending Thursday, April 24, were \$28,129, corresponding week last year, \$25,884.

WIPED OUT.

The Town of Frank, N. W. T. Totally Destroyed

By a Vast Slide of Rock From Turtle Mountain.

MACLEOD, N. W. T., April 29.—Latest reports from Frank indicate that a volcanic eruption occurred there at 4 a. m. today. The earth opened up for three-quarters of a mile in length, and millions of tons of rock slid down the top of Turtle Mountain, which overhangs the little town. The coal pit mouth and several buildings near there were buried. It is estimated that the loss of life is about seventy residents of the town, and in addition about fifty miners who are entombed in the mine.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. at once arranged for trains to convey doctors, nurses and hospital stores, both from the east and the west, to Frank. The Crow's Nest branch railway is temporarily blocked, but the railway company, who have sent large gangs of men here, expect to get it cleared shortly. Business to and from the Kootenays will be forwarded, until the branch is opened, by way of the line and Revelstoke, the old route before the Crow's Nest branch was built.

OTTAWA, April 29.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, who is in Ottawa, was received from General Manager McNicholl, the following telegraphic report of the disaster at Frank, N. W. T.:

Latest report from Frank indicates that the town is almost wiped out. The whole valley below the town for over a mile was shaken up. The earth opened for three-quarters of a mile in length, and then a terrific volcanic eruption occurred at the top of Turtle Mountain, overlooking the town, throwing millions of tons of rock and covering the mine entrance, burying buildings near its mouth 100 feet deep. All the men employed around the mine outside were killed. The loss of life is estimated at over 100, including a number of women and children. The mountain is still in eruption, throwing up rocks. Old Man river is dammed with 40 feet of rock, and the railway track for two miles east of the station is covered with from 5 to 60 feet of rock.

A later despatch states that 70 to 80 residents were killed, besides a party of sixty men entombed in the mines. Are sending doctors, nurses and hospital stores and extra gangs to the scene. Kootenay is being worked via Revelstoke.

Geo. Casey, ex-M. P., who camped at Frank in 1877, recalls in a despatch evidence of former volcanic eruption about the mountains.

WINNIPEG, April 29.—A message received tonight from Frank says: "Miners and their families are all out without injury. Two are dead from suffocation. One of the uninjured found his house covered with rocks and his wife and two children buried. There is a mine where safer than those out of it. No explosion and no signs of gas were felt by the entombed miners."

Additional advices from Frank state that the disaster is really worse than reported. Details are very meagre.

Gen.-Supt. Osborne knows something about the mine and town of Frank, which was wiped out by the recent disaster. Mr. Osborne says that the Frank coal mine is located about two miles east of Blairmore Sulphur Springs, or about fifty-four miles west of Macleod, on the Crow's Nest branch of the C. P. R.

The mine was opened up in the spring of 1901 by a man named Gebro, who floated a company of which a gentleman named Mr. Frank, a prominent citizen of Spokane, Wash., was a principal.

The mine is a vertical one, having a vertical seam thirteen feet wide, seventeen hundred feet above the level of the railway at that place. It was thought to run two or three thousand feet below the surface, and extended back for thirty miles. The mine furnished excellent steaming coal, which was about on a par with the celebrated Crow's Nest coal, although not so good for cokeling purposes. The C. P. R. has been taking from 500 to 1,000 tons per day from the mine.

Mr. Osborne was in charge of the western division at the time the road was opened up, and he put in the preliminary yards at Frank. At that time the only persons near the mine were Mr. Gebro and two laborers. The coal seam was set in hard iron-ore rock, being sharply defined, and the rock itself of such a formation that no impression could be made on it.

Two coal companies operate in Frank—the Canadian-American Coal & Coke Company and the Gold Creek collieries. There are about twenty-six business places in the town. The Canadian-American Company mines 1,000 tons of coal per day.

Frank is practically a new settlement. The population is about 4,000.

LATER.

A despatch to the Star says that the cause of the trouble was a huge slide, and no explosion whatever. The loss of life is not yet known. Ten houses were destroyed and the families killed. Of 17 miners, 15 got out and two were suffocated.

THE DEVIL'S AUCTION.

A number of new specialties unique and attractive have been secured by Chas. H. Yale for the twenty-first edition of his "Devil's Auction." An European sensation never before seen in this country will be one of the many features of interest.

Duffy—"Whatever I say to my wife goes." Meeker—"Is it possible?" Duffy—"Yes. As soon as I leave the house she goes over and repeats it to her mother."—Chicago News.

Estate Agent (to laborer's son)—"Hello, my boy, where can I find your father?" Boy—"In the pig sty, sir. You know 'im by his brown 'at!'"—Punch.

PAUL DUCHAILLU

The Distinguished Author and Explorer is Dead.

A Writer Whose Works Have Been Read With Pleasure.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 30.—Paul du Chailu, the author and explorer, who was stricken with paralysis yesterday, died at midnight.

[Paul du Chailu was born at Paris, July 31, 1835, the son of a French trader of Gabon, West Africa. In 1851, when quite young, he made some exploratory tours around his father's trading factory, and became acquainted with the customs of the Ngonwe. In 1855 he came to America, which he made his home. Under the auspices of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, he undertook a botanic and zoologic expedition to the Amazon basin. This he continued successfully for four years. His accounts of the gorillas and Obongo dwarts were contradicted by Gray and Barth, but later explorations have confirmed them. In 1861 he published his "Explorations and Adventures in Equatorial Africa." In 1863 he started on a second expedition; he visited the Ngunye Falls and Ashangoland, and returned in 1865. His principal works are: "Journey to Ashangoland (1867); 'The Country of the Dwarfs' (1872); 'The Land of the Midnight Sun' (1881), which was the result of a several years' stay in Sweden and Lapland; 'The Viking Age' (1881), etc.

A CORPS OF GUIDES.

Will be Arranged in Connection With Canadian Militia.

The militia organization of the country will shortly be augmented by the addition of a local system of intelligence service. An order-in-council has been passed authorizing the organization of a corps of guides, and in the next general order will be forwarded for raising this corps will be laid down.

In each military district an officer will be appointed, to be known as the district intelligence officer. He will command the militia guides in that district. The military district will be subdivided into sub-districts as far as possible, identical with the regimental districts, which as a rule conform to county boundaries. In each sub-district an officer will be appointed to be known as the sub-district intelligence officer. Each of the sub-districts will be sub-divided, again in the smaller districts, to be styled as guide areas.

Ultimately the corps of guides will be formed into a brigade, and when on active service will receive the same pay as active militia.

This is the first of the new establishments of Lord Dunsford's projected reorganization. The headquarters of the guides will be in Ottawa.

A MILLION FOR IDEAL SERVANT.

Banker Fortune, of Chicago, Will Leave This Fortune to the Right Girl Who Will Serve Him All His Life.

CHICAGO, April 29.—One million dollars is waiting for the servant girl who knows her is a diamond. There is a story like a Cinderella book or something of that sort, but it is nothing of the kind.

There is a man in the city—John Fortune is his name—who has been studying the servant girl problem. He has come to the conclusion that the only girl worth having about the house is one who is a diplomat, who is prudent, who is opposed to tattling and who is a nurse, cook and a dressmaker. Now to the offer. It is a handsome one, with all these qualifications will serve Mr. Fortune during the rest of his life he will leave her \$1,000,000.

John Fortune is the head of the firm of Fortune, Leach & Co., brokers, bankers and dealers in bonds on a large scale. That he will do just what he proposes to do is not to be doubted. He has said he would do certain unconventional things before, and he has made good his word. For example, he started the quiet suburb of Oak Park where his mansion is situated, by announcing that he would place a chime of bells in the cupola of his stable, which was an ornate affair. The neighbors protested, but without avail. The chimers were not only installed but they have been ringing out the hour and half hour ever since.

It is a matter of local comment that Mr. Fortune's servants, apartments are more luxuriously appointed than most of the rooms of Chicago women who keep a servant or two. There is a stately in them and soft rugs and books and oil paintings that cost the banker huge sums.

Having the ideal servants' apartments, Mr. Fortune is now seeking the bright color. Since it became known that he was willing to leave \$1,000,000 good American dollars to any girl who could measure up to the standard which he and Mrs. Fortune have decided is none too high, there have been many visitors to Oak Park. Fortune.

To tell the truth Mr. Fortune believes it will be a difficult matter to find the servant to answer the description. But if she is found she will draw the highest prize ever offered for domestic service.

"I want a girl who wears quiet colors," said Mr. Fortune. "I have always found that the girl who wears bright colors has a bad temper. In addition to that, I want a girl who is neat and physically strong. If the right girl appears she will receive the \$1,000,000 with no more pleasure than that with which it will be given."

DIED IN VANCOUVER.

The death of Vancouver on April 29, of Capt. David Campbell, after a somewhat lengthy illness, at the residence of his family, 17 Hornby street. The deceased was a retired master mariner. He was a native of Britain, N. B., and was well known in the Maritime Provinces. Fifteen years ago he retired from active service and went to British Columbia and resided in Victoria until a year ago, when he removed to Vancouver. He had a large circle of friends in that province, who will deeply sympathize with his widow and daughter and two sons in their bereavement. One son, now near Dawson, while the other, Douglas Campbell, is a partner in Messrs. A. A. Boak & Co.

MONCTON.

Declares in Favor of a Compulsory Education Law.

Have Lost a Son—The Exhibition Association is a Sure Thing.

MONCTON, April 29.—At a meeting of the school trustees and members of the Evangelical Alliance a resolution was adopted and ordered to be sent to the Lieutenant-governor praying for compulsory education. The resolution states that many parents do not see the necessity of sending their children to school; that truancy is prevalent; that improvidence and crime are the result, and that the time has arrived when the school law of the province should be supplemented with some measure whereby upon vote of a city or district it shall be compulsory for parents to place their children under instruction in school for at least a definite portion of each year until the children are of the age of fourteen years. The petitioners also believe that urgent necessity exists for a further amendment of the school law aimed at securing for children under fourteen years of age, who may be working in factories or other industrial establishments in the province a given number of hours' schooling per week during the ordinary working hours of such factory or industrial establishment.

George E. Brown, of Moncton, who has two sons, Guy and Otto, in the U. S. man-of-war Vicksburg, has received word that the former, who was nineteen years of age, fell from a vessel off the coast of Portsmouth, March 20th, and was carried away by a rush of water. The body was not recovered.

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SUPT. OBOBNE.

He is Now Gen. Supt. of Eastern Division—Supt. Wm. Downie, of B. C., His Successor.

General Superintendent Jas. Oboerne of the Atlantic division of the C. P. R. has received notice of his promotion to the position of general superintendent of the Eastern division, in succession to C. W. Spencer, who has been appointed superintendent of traffic on Eastern lines. The change goes into effect May 1st.

Mr. Oboerne's new headquarters will be in Montreal, and he expects to leave St. John the last of this week. His family will probably remain here some time longer. The Eastern division of the C. P. R., which now passes under the name of the Eastern division, comprises the main line between Megantic and Montreal and all the branch lines converging at that city. It is the most important division of the road.

It is stated that the new general superintendent will be Wm. Downie, now superintendent of the West Coast, with headquarters at Nelson, B. C. Mr. Downie was formerly stationed at Vancouver, where he was the first C. P. R. superintendent. He is reported to be familiar with every branch of ocean traffic, which probably had something to do with his appointment to St. John. He is the first of the C. P. R. fleet of Atlantic steamers. He is about fifty years of age and has a record of long and efficient service with the company. He will be the third general C. P. R. superintendent located here, the first being Mr. Timmerman, whom Mr. Oboerne succeeded.

Mr. Oboerne, whose ability as a railroad man and force as a citizen have made him immensely popular with every class in St. John, has a record of good railroad service extending over twenty-nine years. He began in the mechanical department of the Grand Trunk in October, 1874, remaining with that company nine years in various positions. In July, 1883, he entered the mechanical department of the C. P. R. Since then his promotion has been rapid. In 1890 he was made chief clerk to the general manager. In September, 1897, he was appointed car accountant; three years later he was promoted to the superintendency of car service, and two years after that was also given charge of the fuel supply of the C. P. R. In April, 1896, he was made assistant to the vice-president, and three years later was promoted to the position of general superintendent of the Western division, whence he was transferred to St. John May 1st, 1901.

In outside railroad circles Mr. Oboerne's ability has been appreciated, as was shown as early as 1888 when at a meeting in San Francisco he was elected president of the International Association of Car Accountants. During the two years he has been in St. John Mr. Oboerne has earned the confidence and esteem of every man with whom he has come in contact. His interest in this port and this province has only been secondarily to his interest in the C. P. R., and the city can hope for nothing better than the realization in the near future of some of the schemes he has outlined and earnestly advocated for its benefit. Not the least of the good things he has done for this province is his recent action which has resulted in the importation of first-class breeds of cattle for the improvement of New Brunswick stock.

"I have a deep interest in St. John and New Brunswick," said Mr. Oboerne yesterday. "I and my family have made many friends here and have met with nothing but the best of kindness. For many reasons I am sorry to leave. I look forward to great development in St. John and this province in the near future, and what influence I can bring to bear will always be thrown along the lines of their progress."

A despatch from Montreal last night says: At Canadian Pacific offices today three important promotions were announced. C. W. Spencer, present general superintendent of the eastern division, becomes superintendent of transportation lines east of Fort Arthur, the position held by Thos. Tait has thus been divided, Leonard taking the western end and Spencer the eastern. Mr. Spencer's place is filled by the promotion of Mr. Oboerne, general superintendent of the Atlantic division. F. P. Brady, superintendent at Fort Arthur, is promoted to Leonard's old position of general superintendent of the western division with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Oboerne's place is not yet filled.

HALIFAX, April 29.—At the convocation of the Halifax Free School College tonight the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon Rev. H. R. Robertson, Presbyterian missionary in the New Hebrides, South Sea Islands. Twenty-three students have been in attendance during the year.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 29.—The civic election today resulted in the re-election of Mayor Crozier over W. J. Butler by 35. Last year Crozier's majority over Lane was 16.

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BAIRD & PETERS, St. John, Selling Agents.

CLEVER AMATEURS.

The Triple Bill at York Theatre Last Night was Well Put On—Repeated Tonight.

Those who did not attend the entertainment in York Theatre last night missed some of the best amateur dramatic work ever seen in the city. Great preparation had been made for the performance and the work of the majority of those who took part was creditable alike to their ability and the completeness of their training.

In view of the merit of the entertainment and the worthiness of its object, which is to raise money for the new Y. M. C. A. building, it is to be hoped that the theatre will be well filled this evening.

The attraction was a triple bill. The first was a laughable farce, well acted, entitled "Ici on Parle Français." The cast was as follows: Miss Anna Maria, maid of all work, ... Miss M. Gerow, ... H. M. Stanbury, ... Mrs. Spriggins, ... Miss B. Baird, ... Angelina, their daughter, ... Miss D. Sears, ... Julia, wife of Major Rattan, ... Miss L. Nass, ... Victor Dubois, ... Rupert E. Walker, ... Major Regulus Rattan, ... B. Fowler.

The hit of the piece was made by Miss Gerow, who did capital work as Anna Maria. Miss Baird's performance as Mrs. Spriggins was also creditable, while Mr. Stanbury and Mr. Walker in their respective parts deserve praise.

For the more serious drama, "In Honour Bound," Mr. and Mrs. E. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Carpenter played excellently and won hearty applause. The best wine was kept till the last, and the "becheron" from the "Mikao" was applauded with intense keenness. The piece was appropriately costumed and the actors, under Mr. Ritchie's baton, worked like professionals. Roy Thompson as Ko-Ko was quaintly funny and contributed a lot of local hits in his song, "On the List," that caught the house like wildfire. J. W. Rodgers was a typical wandering minstrel and his appearance and acting, in the hit of the piece was "the three little maids," who looked and acted just like Japanese girls, a la the story books. Their every appearance was applauded. Miss Maud March was a perfect Fetti Sing, Miss Helen Fowler a graceful Peep-Bo, and Miss Ella Payne a fetching Yum Yum. Her solo, the "Jewel of Asia," from the "Geisha," was so good that the audience insisted on an encore. Miss L. Robertson's Katisha was most creditable to that young lady's artistic genius. The chorus while not large was strong and effective and was better than many a bigger chorus. The aggregation of the orchestra it is only necessary to remark that it was Harrison's.

DONALDSON LINE.

Its Last Boat of the Season Sailed This Morning—A Big Year.

The last Donaldson line steamer of the season, the Indral, Capt. Gillies, sailed for Glasgow about one o'clock this morning. Her cargo consists of 25,794 bushels of wheat and 2,504 of oats, 2,310 sacks of flour, 2,009 of oatmeal, 59 tierces of lard, 34 boxes of meats, 635 barrels of pulp, 300 standards of deals and 857 cattle. This vessel wound up the winter port business.

The steamer of this line have made 15 sailings to and from St. John during the season just closed. They brought here 28,196 tons of cargo for this city and shipment by the two railroads was a big record exceeding that ever made by any one line since the opening of the winter port business.

ANNUAL MEETING OF P. R. A.

The annual meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association was held last evening at the headquarters of the 62nd Fusiliers. The report of the council for the past year was presented, and with it the statements of accounts. Both showed an encouraging outlook. The officers elected are: Lt. Col. McLean, president; Lt. Col. Loggie, vice-president; representatives on the D. R. A. council, Col. Donville, Col. Tucker, and Major C. P. Winter, Ottawa.

The following compose the council of the association for the coming year: Major J. M. Kinnear, Lt. Col. March, Major P. H. Hart, Capt. D. H. Fairweather, Lieut. E. S. Kirkpatrick, Capt. R. A. Arnold, Capt. E. A. Smith, Major J. D. Chipman, Major I. T. Hart, Capt. A. E. Massie, Major J. H. M. Robb, Jas. Hunter, M. N. Cockburn, Capt. O. W. Wetmore, Capt. J. Manning, Capt. F. A. Foster, Major J. A. McDougall, Capt. S. B. Anderson, M. Nelson, Lieut. J. L. McAvity. The council will meet on Thursday next.

MISSION CANTATA.

The Mission Cantata Song and Story given in Queen square Methodist church last evening under the auspices of the "Minnie Robertson" Mission Circle was well attended and proved to be a decided success. The decorations were white and were originally designed and arranged. John F. Bullock was organist and conductor.

In addition to the choral part of the service, which was well rendered, Miss Racine, Mrs. Nice, Mrs. McAlpine and Miss Bogart being the principal soloists. Interesting papers on missions in various lands were read as follows: India, Miss Edith Winchester; Persia, Miss Florence Bullock; China, Miss Gerie Carnall; Japan, Miss M. Powers; Siam, W. Rogers; Corea, Miss Jessie McLean; Egypt, Miss M. Taylor; Greenland, Roy Smith; Mexico, Miss Annie Smith; India, Mr. Fowler; Canada, Miss Grace Law.

STONE CHURCH JUBILEE.

Rev. A. G. H. Dicker preached in St. John's (Stone) church last evening in connection with the jubilee services, taking for his text the words "take Mark and bring him with thee, for he is profitable to me for the ministry." Mr. Dicker in the course of an eloquent and forceful sermon pointed out that St. Mark did everything in his favor at first, a Christian home and a good mother, and yet he diverted from his post of duty, and on his missionary journey he shrank from the hardships and went back to his mother at Jerusalem. But in spite of this early weakness he became one of the greatest saints. The preacher drew from this the encouraging lesson that there may be a great work in store for each of us, no matter how bad a beginning we may have made.

AT THE LONDON HOUSE

THURSDAY, APR. 30TH.

A Sale of Fine Dress Skirts!

There will be a stir in our Mantle Department tomorrow morning, for we are to put on sale a large lot of really good and stylish Dress Skirts at prices very much below their ordinary values.

Tucked Cheviot Skirts, black or navy, sizes 40, 41, 42. Value \$6.25. Sale price, \$3.98.

Stitched Walking Skirts, in grey, beautifully made. Value \$6.90. Sale price, \$3.98.

Tucked flare Cheviot Skirts, in black only, sizes 40, 41, 42. Value \$5.75. Sale price, \$3.98.

Nine gore black Cheviot Skirts, with lapped seams, sizes 39 to 42. Value \$4.95. Sale price, \$2.98.

Sale of Ladies' Stylish Ready-to-Wear Hats.

Yesterday we announced the selling of a lot of this season's popular Outing Hats and Ready-to-wear Hats at half their regular prices. These are all high-class goods, and at the prices quoted will now be within anyone's reach.

- \$2.95 Ready to wear Hats at \$1.48
\$2.75 Ready to wear Hats at \$1.38
\$2.25 Ready to wear Hats at \$1.13
\$2.10 Ready to wear Hats at \$1.05
\$1.95 Ready to wear Hats at \$1.00

Our Leader Lace Curtains.

An exceptional lot of New Lace Curtains. A new make of goods—very popular designs.

- Lot 1—Five different designs to choose from. Special \$1.00 pair.
Lot 2—Nottingham Lace Curtains of extra neat designs. Special \$1.25 pair.

White Window Muslins.

In Spots, Stripes or Figures, 8c, 10c, to 30c. yard.

Curtain Note.

For small windows, bedroom windows, &c., 45 to 54 inches wide, 12c, 15c, 20c. yard.

300 Tie Lengths of New Fanny Neck Ribbons—Washing—At 25c. Per Tie.

These are remarkably pretty Ribbons in new designs, and all will wash without change. Sold in tie lengths.

Tussore or Linon Color Silks for Shirt Waist Suits—Special 50c. Yd.

These Tussore or Shan-Tong Silks are very popular in the West.

A Sale of Ladies' Hosiery at 25c. Pair.

A large variety of Spring and Summer Hosiery to be placed on sale tomorrow at one price, 25c. a pair. Silk Embroidered, fancy designs, Hermsdorf Hosiery, 25c. pair. Open-Work Hermsdorf Hosiery, 25c. pair. "Cool-Foot" Cotton Hosiery, 25c. pair.

A Sale of White Applique Lace Collars.

A special purchase of White Applique Collars for wearing with Spring Suits. The best we seen for the prices, 35c., 45c., 50c. each.

Hazareth Waists for Boys or Girls, 25c., 35c. Each.

N. B. LEGISLATURE

FREDERICTON, April 29.—Mr. Hazen gave notice of enquiry regarding the bonds of the company authorized to construct a line of railway from Chipman to Gibson.

Mr. Hazen gave notice of enquiry with reference to dismissals from the board of license commissioners in Res-tigouche Co.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley presented the petition of James Manchester and others for a bill to incorporate the New Brunswick Atlantic Railway Co. Although the bill had not been introduced he felt it was in order to explain the object for which incorporation was sought. The promoters had no personal interest to serve, their endeavor being to make a road that would be the Transcontinental lines upon such terms as the governor in council might determine. The proposed bill would become operative unless such arrangements were made. Three transcontinental schemes are engaging the attention of the Dominion parliament and one of them, the Canadian Northern, proposes running direct from Quebec to Edmonton, thence in a straight line to Montreal, no mention being made of connection with St. John. The petitioners, aware of the policy of the government to incorporate no companies unable to produce evidence of its bona fide intention, are simply seeking a charter for the purposes mentioned above.

MR. HAZEN said this was the most important matter that had come up this session, and the legislature should be careful not to make the mistake of having railway lines run from one point to another by long routes. He failed to see the purpose in incorporating the company composed of gentlemen for whom he had the highest regard, but had no intention of themselves building a road. They would simply sell the charter to one of the great transcontinental roads seeking an exit through a Maritime Province port. He failed to see the necessity or importance such legislation. It would be wiser for the legislature to deal directly with the transcontinental companies. Again, if the route be alternative, it would not meet the requirements or wants of a section which has been surrounded by every safeguard. This the promoters had agreed to, and were willing that the charter should be handed over to a transcontinental company upon such terms as the governor in council might determine, or even upon terms that the city council of St. John, Fredericton and Woodstock might recommend. They had no desire to make use of the route along the St. John Valley, but if the matter is left with the dominion parliament our influence might be comparatively small. It was therefore desirable that a charter should be granted, surrounded by every safeguard. This the promoters had agreed to, and were willing that the charter should be handed over to a transcontinental company upon such terms as the governor in council might determine, or even upon terms that the city council of St. John, Fredericton and Woodstock might recommend. They had no desire to make use of the route along the St. John Valley, but if the matter is left with the dominion parliament our influence might be comparatively small. 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