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HEARST BOOM FOR NEW YORK'S GOVERNOR

Capitalists and Corp. rations Greatly Alarmed Over the Result

Newspaper Warns Democrats and Republicans of the Danger That Confronts Them—Mayor McClellan Still After Scalp of Tammany Leader—Death of John A. McCall Laid to Insurance Inquiry—His Rise and Fall Subject for Press Comment.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) New York, Feb. 19.—The "big interests" of the city are becoming increasingly disturbed by Hearst's municipal ownership propaganda. The Ryan-Bemont merger, by which the transportation of the millions of the metropolis is controlled entirely by one corporation, has served Hearst as an effective weapon.

Transportation on Manhattan Island will always be a most vexatious problem, and the average citizen who goes to his work in the morning and goes home in the evening usually curses the railroad companies heartily twice a day.

It has been definitely decided by Hearst and his men that he shall make a try for the governorship this fall. With the prospect of his race for the mayoralty, he must be reckoned with. More than half the people of New York believe he is elected, even if they may be glad McClellan retains the place.

The Evening Post, the other day, got real scared about Hearst. Among other things it said: "The Hearst candidacy has now seriously to be reckoned with. The clamor of it will fill the state. Republicans are frightened with it, and decent Democrats know not where to turn. A new Bryan Bryanism. Hearst and his friends announce that they will not be thought of, heading a movement which, if not financed by him, would attract but few with brains in stable equilibrium, it raising the chief office of the state, and other people are saying that there is no means of beating him off. This is the political portent now confronting the citizens of New York. About it they will have to think, write, speak, act for months to come."

The Sun disturbs the Post, but is evidently somewhat disturbed. It says: "We agree with the Evening Post that the municipal ownership movement will have to be reckoned with seriously. The indications are in stable equilibrium, it directed with considerable political ability and with the considerable pecuniary expenditure which attends the chief promoter's efforts at self-advancement and self-assertion."

"Mr. Hearst and the cry for municipal ownership, as the first number in an unknown programme of socialistic agitation,

are likely to occupy public attention for months to come. The situation regarding him, and it may become, in certain of its features, more and more like that which existed ten years ago when Bryan seized upon well remembered but now obsolete financial heresy as a political issue and led the Democratic organization with many recruits from among the discontented, the Radicals, and generally the half-baked intellects of the United States, into the fight for sixteen to one.

"The Sun, however, is not able to share the Evening Post's apparent depression of spirits concerning the probable result. The prospect may be such as to inspire serious thought and to necessitate determined action to prevent immeasurable evil, and yet at the same time afford no sufficient cause for profound gloom or for universal discouragement among the conservative.

"The view that Republicans are already frightened, that decent Democrats do not know where to turn, and that sober people are saying that there is no means of defeating Mr. Hearst's enterprise, does not seem to us to be warranted by the circumstances. On the contrary, we should say that for reasons, upon which it is unnecessary to dwell, the figure of the present political adventurer is by many degrees less alarming and less to be feared than was William J. Bryan and the false standard ten years ago."

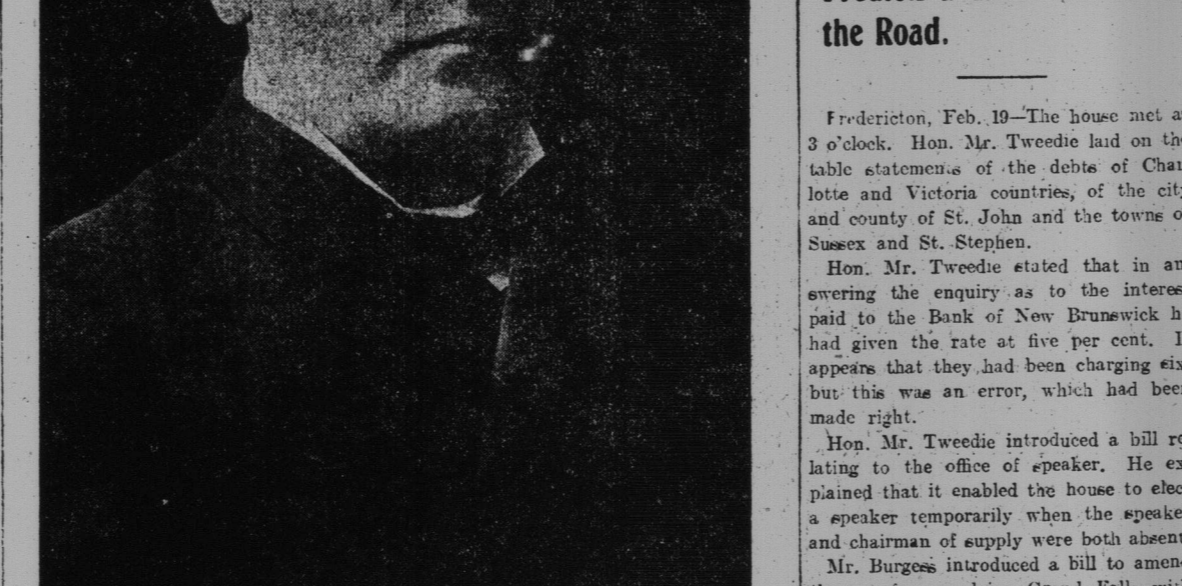
Another Warning. The Globe today says: "Unless the conservative Democrats of the state bestir themselves with more than usual energy they will probably see Hearst run away with the nomination and make a canvass for the governorship on a platform that may, but for his money which he pours out lavishly in politics, would never be thought of, heading a movement which, if not financed by him, would attract but few with brains in stable equilibrium, it raising the chief office of the state, and other people are saying that there is no means of beating him off. This is the political portent now confronting the citizens of New York. About it they will have to think, write, speak, act for months to come."

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PREMIER DELIVERS HIS BUDGET SPEECH

Figures on Surplus Coming Year

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditures—Mr. Tweedie Deals Exhaustively With Central Railway Affairs and Predicts a Great Future for the Road.



HON. L. J. TWEEDIE, PREMIER AND PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

Fredericton, Feb. 19.—The house met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr. Tweedie had on the table statements of the debts of Charlotte and Victoria counties, of the city and county of St. John and the towns of Sussex and St. Stephen.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie stated that in answering the enquiry as to the interest paid to the Bank of New Brunswick he had given the rate at five per cent. It appears that they had been charging six, but this was an error, which had been made right.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie introduced a bill relating to the office of speaker. He explained that it enabled the house to elect a speaker temporarily when the speaker and chairman of supply were both absent.

Mr. Burgess introduced a bill to amend the act for supplying Grand Falls with water.

Hon. Mr. Lablows in reply to Mr. Hazen said: The department of public works has received through the highway department to make full inquiry into the allegations made in the petition against the said John Ward.

Hon. Mr. Lablows, in reply to Mr. Morrison, said: 1.—There is only one superintendent for the parish of Acadaville, Kent county. His name is Joseph Bly.

2.—The amount expended on roads in the parish of Acadaville during the past year was \$150.

3.—The superintendent received ten per cent. commission and one dollar per day for twenty days as foreman of the work.

4.—There are no bridge built in the parish during the past year, known as the Memoire Rinaud bridge, at a cost of \$108.

The annual meeting of the Council of Physicians and Surgeons for New Brunswick was held at the Queen hotel this evening, with the following members in attendance: Drs. H. G. Addy, Thomas Walker, Stewart Skinner, P. R. Inches, Murray MacLaren, St. John; C. T. Purdy, Moncton; J. W. Deacon, Milltown; G. M. Duncan, Bathurst; E. Y. Gaudet, Memramouc.

The usual routine business was transacted, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. J. P. McInerney, president; Dr. Thomas Walker, treasurer; Dr. Stewart Skinner, registrar.

A large delegation of physicians will visit upon the local government tomorrow evening, with the following members in attendance: Drs. H. G. Addy, Thomas Walker, Stewart Skinner, P. R. Inches, Murray MacLaren, St. John; C. T. Purdy, Moncton; J. W. Deacon, Milltown; G. M. Duncan, Bathurst; E. Y. Gaudet, Memramouc.

CHAMBERLAIN LEADS BRITISH OPPOSITION

Takes Balfour's Place in Parliament and Fiercely Attacks Government

Warns Them About Giving Ireland Home Rule, and of the Danger That Confronts Them in Dealing With South Africa—John Redmond Demands an Irish Parliament—King Edward Opened House Monday—Liberals Select Candidate to Oppose Balfour.

London, Feb. 19.—The pointed reference to Ireland contained in King Edward's speech to the House of Parliament today, coupled with the announcement of the determination to grant constitutional government to the Transvaal, brought these two questions immediately to the forefront in the debates in the House of Lords and the House of Commons on the motions on the address in reply to the speech from the throne.

In the House of Lords the debate was almost perfunctory except where Lord Lansdowne, assuming his new role as leader of the opposition, pointed out certain dangers connected with the proposed changes and incidentally commented on the Algerias conference and the situation in Macedonia, warning the government of possible difficulties arising in the near future unless Great Britain maintained a firm attitude.

It was in the House of Commons that the debate on the address became interesting when Joseph Chamberlain, in the absence of former Premier Balfour, took the place of the leader of the opposition and in a brilliant and lengthy speech attacked the government on all points, and especially on the South African policy.

He threw down the gauntlet regarding Home Rule for Ireland. Regarding tariff reform, Mr. Chamberlain promised to give the government several bad quarter hours.

Chamberlain's Speech the Feature. Mr. Chamberlain's speech undoubtedly was the feature of the first day in the House of Commons. The small cotillion read by Speaker Lovett, W. H. Dickson (Liberal) moved the address in a brief speech, and E. D. Achard (Liberal) seconded it.

Joseph Chamberlain, rising from the front opposition benches, said he was speaking at the request of former Premier Balfour, who was temporarily absent. Mr. Chamberlain said that he felt sure the premier, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, on personal grounds, would welcome back 1906 men who for a longer period than any other during the last century had led the deliberations of the house.

Mr. Chamberlain then paid a tribute to Mr. Achard's speech, saying it was immediately to the fiscal question, he said the government should remember that its majority in the house of commons was given in proportion to the support of the party in the country. In fact, the opposition had nearly half the country behind them.

Continuing Mr. Chamberlain said he was pleased to learn that there would be a continuity of Great Britain's foreign policy, and asked if the government could give the house any information in regard to the Algerias conference. He hoped Great Britain would be able to promote the interests of France, basing it would be in accordance with the wishes of the whole country.

Proceeding, Mr. Chamberlain lengthily discussed the proposed changes in the government of the Transvaal colony.

A Fighting Speech. Mr. Chamberlain delivered a fighting speech. He demanded that the government give plain answers regarding the proposed legislation for South Africa and Ireland, and said that any measure looking to home rule would meet with strenuous opposition. He also warned the government that it had not heard the last of the tariff reform.

Premier Campbell-Bannerman, who replied, did not complain of the tone of Mr. Chamberlain's speech. He said the questions Mr. Chamberlain proposed to ask would not harass the government.

At the night session, Premier Campbell-Bannerman, continuing to defend the action of the government in South Africa, maintained that Chinese labor amounted practically to slavery, and resulted in great cruelty. He said the government was not ready to enter into details concerning the exact plan of government proposed for the Transvaal.

Regarding the Irish question, the premier said Ireland had not sufficient voice in her own affairs.

In the house of lords, the Marquis of Northampton (Liberal) moved the address in reply to the king's speech, and Lord Herschell (Liberal) seconded the motion.

Lord Lansdowne (Unionist), the former foreign secretary, replied. After the usual courteous personal reference, he said with regard to the Algerias conference that he looked with suspicion on any attempt to correct bad administration by international control. A single power was much more likely to succeed.

Continuing, Lord Lansdowne criticized the proposed legislation for South Africa, asking whether the Irish paragraph in the king's speech meant home rule by instalments, and predicted that a change in the present method of governing Ireland would cause serious alarm and uneasiness.

Lords Ripon, Salisbury and Crewe wound up the debate on the address. The king was greeted to, and the house of lords adjourned.

When the members of the house of commons arrived at the house this afternoon to continue the business of the session, they found a motley crowd of women waiting outside, who were eager to enlist the legislators in support of the woman's suffrage bill. The encouragement they received was mixed, but the attitude of the house is undoubtedly more friendly to the movement than heretofore.

Bowles to Oppose Balfour. London, Feb. 19.—The Liberals of the house of commons have changed ground since Saturday after several conferences with (Continued on page 8, seventh column.)

COAL MINERS WILL MAKE NO DEMANDS Only Grievances Will Be Presented to the Operators

No Mention of Complete Recognition of the Union Either—Not Anxious for a Strike—Statement Not Ready for Some Days Yet.

New York, Feb. 19.—President Mitchell announced today that it would be several days before the committee now drafting the demands to be made of the anthracite mine operators would complete its work and meet the committee of operators.

The demand for complete recognition of the mine workers' union, in other words the employment of only union men, will not be embodied in the document, as it was not discussed in the conference with the operators. It is now understood that the miners' committee will make no actual demands. The document to be presented to the operators' committee will take the form of a declaration of grievances, for which adjustment is desired.

The miners' committee hope by this means to avoid any abrupt breach, and to leave any differences open to arbitration. Both sides are apparently anxious to avoid a strike, though neither is willing to avoid such a nuisance at all costs.

GERMANY TRUCKLING TO THE UNITED STATES Will Give Americans Sixteen Months to Come to a Decision About Entering Into a Fair Commercial Treaty.

Berlin, Feb. 19.—Chancellor Von Buelow is confident that the government will have an easy majority over the opposition to giving the United States reciprocal tariff treaty rates for 16 months in order to see if the United States will not agree to a new commercial treaty. The counselor, Count Von Posadowski-Wehner, the imperial secretary of state for the interior, and Herr Von Delbrueck, the minister of commerce, have talked over the subject with the Conservative, Center, Moderate, Radical and National Liberal leaders, and although the views of such men as Count Von Kanitz, Count Von Schreiner-Lowitz and Herr Von Oldenburg, of the Conservative party, are by no means identical with those of the chancellor, it is understood that his policy will find ample support even among the mild Agrarians.

The deciding reasons are those of policy as this is not regarded as a time to engage in commercial hostilities which would be likely to lead to a political estrangement of trade relations with the United States.

The government's bill to extend to the United States the German commercial treaties dates until June 30, 1907, was not debated in the Reichstag today.

Chancellor Von Buelow, in a memorandum to the Reichstag accompanying the bill, mentioned the fact that the agreement with the United States expires March 1, the date on which the new commercial treaties go into effect, says:

"We declare ourselves ready November 29 to conclude with the United States a new agreement which should take into account the changed circumstances. The negotiations until now have led to no result, the American government not having found itself in a position to decide upon our proposition. It is, however, hoped that an understanding will be reached and for this object it appears proper to create a provisional period during which measures for the further development of trade between Germany and the United States may be arranged.

Count Posadowski-Wehner in a speech at the opening of the national trade convention today alluded to the subject as follows:

"Unfortunately we have not reached a new reciprocal trade and political agreement with the United States, between whom and Germany so many economic interests exist. If Germany under such circumstances shall decide upon its refusal to extend the previous trade conditions with the United States she will do so in expectation that the time being prepared for an early arrangement by treaty that will properly take care of Germany's interests."

Representatives of the Central Association of German Industry, and of the Association of German Manufacturers met today and adopted resolutions to the effect that it would be better to extend by treaty a mutual free trade period for the German commercial tariff rates than to light-heartedly enter upon a tariff war, the hope being at the same time expressed that in the interval a mutual free arrangement may be arrived at and that the Reichstag be asked to pass the government's bill on the subject.

The action of these powerful associations is regarded as being a hopeful indication that the government will secure a majority on the bill.

Bliss CARMAN A BANKRUPT Will Write for a Receiver Until Debt is Discharged.

(Toronto World.) New York, Feb. 16.—(Special)—Bliss Corman, the noted Canadian poet, whose writings are widely known, today filed a petition in bankruptcy, in a suit for part payment of a note given to his cousin, F. St. John Bliss, of Fredericton (N. B.). Corman testified that he did his writings in his apartments on Twelfth street, and that he lived on about \$800 a year. He was not a member of any club or literary organization. He had no uncompleted works on hand, and the contracts submitted to the court represented his sole possessions, aside from clothes, fifty volumes of books, and furnishings in his apartment, worth \$50.

J. O. Mullin Re-elected. Halifax, Feb. 19.—(Special)—J. O. Mullin was tonight re-elected president of the Charitable Fish Society. The annual dinner will be held on March 19, St. Patrick's day falling on Saturday.

Estimated Receipts 1906. Dominion subsidies... 4,912,299.96 Territorial revenues... 285,000.00 Fees, provincial secretary's office... 12,000.00 Private and local bills... 250.00 Taxes incorporated company... 23,000.00 Succession duties... 2,269.00 King's printer... 1,250.00 Long's printer... 22,925.00 Miscellaneous receipts... 2,000.00 Dominion government... 7,500.00 B.N.B. leases... 13,789.17 Total... 4,975,659.13 (Continued on page 7, third column.)

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

HAMPTON.

Hampton, Kings Co., Feb. 14.—Mrs. John Desmond, of Hampton Village, went to St. John last week, and on Monday entered the General Public Hospital to undergo an operation.

ST. GEORGE.

St. George, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Hazen McGee gave an evening of whist to a number of friends recently. The evening proved a most enjoyable one.

CHATHAM.

Chatham, Feb. 13.—Miss Sara Marehall, who has been spending the last month with relatives in St. John, has returned home.

SUSSEX.

Sussex, Feb. 15.—Miss Graham, of St. John, spent a few days of this week in Sussex, the guest of her brother, Dr. Graham.

WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Feb. 13.—W. E. Staver, of the Bank of Montreal, was in town officially last week.

MONCTON.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 14.—Mrs. Val, of St. John, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lindsay, returned home on Tuesday.

ST. ANDREWS.

St. Andrews, Feb. 14.—The Methodist paragon was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Thursday evening last.

is a talented elocutionist, entered into the spirit of the occasion and almost surprised several of the audience by the rendering of several well selected readings.

BATHURST.

Bathurst, N. B., Feb. 14.—Miss Josephine River left on Monday for Halifax, where she will be a guest of Mrs. J. F. Barry.

ST. MARTINS.

St. Martins, Feb. 13.—On Tuesday evening the regular meeting of the St. Martins Division No. 164, S. of T., was held.

HARPCOURT.

Harpcourt, Feb. 17.—David VanDusick, of Harpcourt, had spent the week here at the Harpcourt Hotel.

BORDER TOWNS.

St. Stephen's, N. B., Feb. 14.—Today being the day of the St. Stephen's office.

GRAND FALLS.

Grand Falls, Feb. 15.—William H. Watson, who was sentenced to the county jail at Andover for thirty-three months upon eleven separate warrants of commitment.

SHEDIC.

Shediac, N. B., Feb. 15.—Mrs. E. A. Smith is spending a few days with friends in Dorchester.

form, where he has accepted a position. Mrs. Jenkins, of Yarmouth (N. S.), is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. S. Magee, of St. John.

RELATIVES.

Relatives, N. Smith, H. Bull, McLachlan, W. S. Sutton is absent on a business trip to Boston.

WINDSOR.

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This portrait of Mrs. Alice Roosevelt-Longworth, painted by Miss Zoe Fleming Dunlop...

THE LONGWORTH-ROOSEVELT WEDDING A BRILLIANT SUCCESS

One Thousand Guests Resplendent in Finery and Gems Witnessed It--Ceremony Performed by Bishop of Episcopal Church--Bride and Groom Start on Honeymoon in an Automobile Showered by Rice and Old Shoes--A Graphic Pen Picture of the Scene--

Washington, Feb. 17.--With a plain circle of virgin gold, in the historic study Room of the White House at thirteen minutes after 12 o'clock today Alice Lee Roosevelt, eldest daughter of the president of the United States, and Nicholas Longworth, the representative in congress from the First District of Ohio, were united in marriage.

Twelfth White House Bride. A half of a hundred years of romantic White House history hung over the bride and groom...

Mrs. Roosevelt Superbly Gowned. As she entered the east room, Mrs. Roosevelt graciously acknowledged the greetings of friends...

Omen of Happiness. It was a beautiful concert, founded upon the pretty proverb, "Happy is the bride the sun shines on."

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HAVELOCK.

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SALMON CREEK.

Salmon Creek, N. B., Feb. 14--John Barton, of the North Forks, who was severely injured by a log falling on him, is slightly better today.

HARTLAND.

Hartland, N. B., Feb. 14--Rev. Mr. Marr left here last Monday for Kings county to re-visit his friends in Kings county.

HILLSBORO.

Hillsboro, Feb. 14--Mrs. J. T. Steeves returned this week from St. John where she has been spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Rowe.

PETITCODIC.

Petitcodic, Feb. 15--Miss Geographical Marks, of Moncton, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Mayme Triton.

remained there so long as the car was in sight. It soon became noted about the executive man, but not until that fact became known, definitely did the throng about the White House grounds disperse.

NO MORE SUBURBAN I. C. R. SEASON TICKETS

Hon. Mr. Emmerson Will Substitute Commutation Ones Instead--To Revise Passenger Rates, Too.

NINE VIOLENT DEATHS IN NEW YORK'S SUNDAY RECORD

New York, Feb. 19--Nine violent deaths with a long catalogue of minor accidents and shooting affrays, some of which may result fatally, constituted the unusual Sunday record submitted to the coroners today by the police of New York and Brooklyn.

Late E. B. Eddy's Will.

Ottawa, Feb. 17--E. B. Eddy, the millionaire match and paper manufacturer, left the bulk of his estate to his widow and grandchildren.

Service Lasted Ten Minutes.

At the conclusion of the service which lasted ten minutes, Mrs. Longworth held an informal reception of the guests attendant upon the ceremony.

Truro News.

Truro, N. S., Feb. 14--The many friends of Mrs. Cutcliffe, still in congratulating her today on having reached her 90th birthday.

Lumberman Had Close Call.

Ten Mile Creek, Feb. 15--On Wednesday morning William Long, who is building a dam to Ten Mile Creek for Mr. Bentley, was passing the water at Parker mill pond.

Sussex News.

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 15--The little six-year-old son of Richard Parise, of Waterford, died this morning.

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THE INSURANCE RECOMMENDATIONS. In our special despatches this morning the report of the New York legislative committee on life insurance is summarized...

A WEDDING. An American wedding that has been advertised in a fashion without precedent is to be followed today by a White House wedding...

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LEGISLATURE DISCUSSES EDUCATIONAL MATTERS

Premier Tweedie Explains the Compulsory School Law, Which is Not Drastic Enough for Mr. Hazen—Plea for Higher Salaries for Teachers—Premier Informs House That Credit Foncier Loans at Four Per Cent. and Not Five.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 16.—The house met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr. Sweeney presented the petition of the city council of Moncton in favor of their bill. Hon. Mr. Tweedie introduced a bill to provide for compulsory attendance at school. He said this bill is a compromise between the first part dealing with rural districts, and the second part dealing with cities and towns. Before the act shall become operative a vote shall be taken by the ratepayers at the school meeting in rural districts, and by the city or town council in cities and towns. As to rural districts the bill provides that where a majority of the qualified voters present have voted in favor of a resolution that the provisions of the act be made operative in the district, which vote may be taken at each annual meeting until adopted. It shall be the duty of the trustees to ascertain the names and ages of all children residing in the district between the ages of seven and twelve years, and the names of their parents or guardians, and to ascertain how many of the children have attended school for the number of days provided by the provisions of the act. As a means of enforcing the act in rural districts the act does not provide for the appointment of truancy officers, but the mode of enforcing the act is by the parents or guardians of children who have been away from school for a longer period than that limited by the act to pay the sum of \$2 for each child, who has attended school during no portion of the year, and pro rata in the case of each child who has attended school but has not reached the period of 120 full days required by the act. Provision is made for exempting parents and guardians from the liability if, by reason of delicate health or other sufficient cause, they can show satisfactory evidence for the non-attendance of the children. Towns and Cities. Part two of the act, relating to cities and towns, shall be brought into force by resolution of a majority of the city or town council, and when it has been brought into force the board of school trustees are to perform the duties assigned to them by the second part of the act until the adoption of the act has been decided, which can be done only by a two-thirds vote of the city or town council. If it is repeated it may be again submitted at any future meeting. It is provided that every child between the ages of six and sixteen in the city or town shall attend school for at least 120 days each school year, unless there is sufficient excuse for non-attendance. Provision is made that any child more than twelve years of age who passes a satisfactory examination in grade seven of common school work, and any other child more than thirteen years of age, and who shows that he or she is capable of attending a higher grade school, may, by permission of the secretary of such board, be exempt from the requirement as to such attendance. The act makes very full provisions for carrying into effect these requirements, and also makes provision for exemption from liability of the parents in case of satisfactory excuse, such as illness or inability of the parents to employ a child in suitable condition to enable them to attend school. Penalties are provided for neglect of parents or guardians to send their children to school. Provision is made that it may be an excuse if children attend a private school where they receive suitable and satisfactory instruction. Penalties Provided. The second part of the act provides penalties for enforcing attendance. Provision is also made for the arrest and punishment of habitual truants, in the discussion of the bill views of great value may be presented from gentlemen on both sides of the house and we will be quite willing to accept amendment. I think that as the first step in the direction of compulsory education this bill will meet the views of the house and of the country. Hon. Mr. Tweedie laid before the house details of the receipts and expenditures of the province from the close of the fiscal year to Feb. 7. International Railway Bonds. Hon. Mr. Pugsley, in reply to Mr. Hazen's inquiry with regard to the guarantee of bonds of the International Railway Company by the province, said the amount guaranteed was \$100,000, of which \$50,000 of bonds in respect of the third ten mile section have not been sold, but the company obtained a loan upon them of \$40,000, which is on deposit in the Bank of Montreal, under agreement between the bank and its majority that the same is only to be paid out on progress and estimates given by the provincial engineer. This agreement was made in pursuance of the legislation of 1904. Against this amount a progress estimate by the provincial engineer for \$20,000 had been issued. No. 2—No bonds were guaranteed during the past fiscal year. No. 3—The provincial engineer reports that on Nov. 22 last, when he inspected the road, about seven miles had been completed, including a splendid earth bridge across the Upsalquitch river. The company has not yet taken over the road from the contractors, and is not being operated, except by the contractors in connection with construction work. No. 4—No revenue has been derived by the province from the operation of the road. No. 5—The \$30,000 was paid the company upon subsidy account against bonds to be issued under 51 Victoria, Chapter 11. These bonds are still to be issued. The money was not an advance to the company, but was in payment of subsidies earned. Credit Foncier Loan. Hon. Mr. Tweedie, in reply to Mr. Hazen, said the loan of \$50,000 was obtained from the Credit Foncier on the authority of an order in council. As there have been many misstatements published in regard to the rate of interest, I may here state that the rate was not five per cent., as has been charged, but four. The loan was made after due consideration and, as it was not a favorable time for issuing debentures, we had several of-

ing of the general education of the province. The complaint made by the teachers that too many schools are being taught by people with only local licenses has much force, but against that was the fact that these temporary teachers eventually contribute to the raising of the standard that graduated from the Normal School. The teacher, Mr. Hart pointed out, may be somewhat mentally and physically, and that to get this proper state of instruction it would be necessary to advance their pay from the present low standard to at least an equality with the financial remuneration obtainable in business and professional circles generally. How best to raise the salaries is a problem, but everybody must admit its necessity. He was in favor of the adoption of the principle adopted by the town of St. Stephen, where length of service is a distinct factor in fixing the teacher's pay. With the favored position the county needs to be handed over directly to the superintendent of education, who is the board of education to retain in its hands some means of compelling unwilling districts to keep their schools up to the required standard. Hon. Mr. Hazen said that the teacher, Mr. Hart pointed out, may be somewhat mentally and physically, and that to get this proper state of instruction it would be necessary to advance their pay from the present low standard to at least an equality with the financial remuneration obtainable in business and professional circles generally. How best to raise the salaries is a problem, but everybody must admit its necessity. He was in favor of the adoption of the principle adopted by the town of St. Stephen, where length of service is a distinct factor in fixing the teacher's pay. With the favored position the county needs to be handed over directly to the superintendent of education, who is the board of education to retain in its hands some means of compelling unwilling districts to keep their schools up to the required standard.

Enormous Cost at Kingston School. On the question of consolidation of schools after they had been established, the conveying of children to the Kingston school last year alone cost \$80,000 for an extensive business in the days when wooden shipbuilding was in its prime. His father was the late Gilbert M. Drake and his mother, Mrs. Drake, was Mrs. Jane Harbell, both natives of St. John. Mr. Drake was one of a family of seven children. He is survived by three sisters, Miss Jane, Miss Ellen and Miss Helen, and three brothers, George, William and Walter Brunswick Drake, all of this city. His eldest brother, Cornelius, was drowned when a young man on a voyage from Liverpool. Mr. Drake married Miss Gilchrist, of St. John, who survives him, and he leaves three daughters—Miss Edith, Miss Florence and Miss Mabel, and an only son, Thomas, all residing at home. He had also a number of relatives in Fredericton, Eastport and Boston. Mr. Drake was a member of the Loyalist Society, and was named after his grandfather, who was the original settler at the time of the exodus from the States. He was the possessor of a fine bass voice and was well known as a singer in the choir of the church of St. Stephen's, and a prominent citizen who is highly respected in the community. He has the advantage of being a comparatively young man.

After alluding to the regrettable changes in school books in recent years, which cost a heavy expense on most parents, Mr. Maxwell put up an earnest plea for an optional course for children after the sixth grade, giving to all who desired a business rather than a classical course. Many people were now taking their children from the higher grades of the public schools and sending them to business college and commercial institutions to fit them up to enter the busy walks of life. Hon. Mr. Hill concurred generally with Mr. Hart, but objected to the statement there were thousands of boys and girls in New Brunswick who were illiterate. This was not true of Charlotte county, where illiteracy had greatly decreased in the thirty years since the school act was put on the statute books, giving to the children the opportunity to acquire a practical business education. Mr. Hazen said the census figures were that in 1891 there were 35,039 illiterate persons in this province. In 1901, of 240,453 persons of ten years of age and upwards there were 35,039 illiterate persons. This was a decrease of about fifteen per cent. The census of 1901, which contains the educational statistics, is not yet published, but the report of the provincial engineer is showing a decline in the number of illiterates in New Brunswick of a little over four per cent. That would leave about 32,500 illiterates in this province from ten years upwards. Nearly every inspector in his report to the chief superintendent has repeatedly dealt with the question of how to create the right kind of service, and Mr. Hazen read a number of extracts from these reports to show the importance the inspectors attached to this matter. It was only right and proper that the legislature should pay attention to the request of the teachers and of Dr. Hutchins, that compulsory education be adopted. He (Hazen) valued a compulsory law, but he felt that the compulsory law would be opened up for education under the law of the province, and he would make the law efficient and leave the power to adopt or enforce the compulsory clauses to the municipal councils and not to the small districts as proposed by the bill. So far as cities and incorporated towns were concerned the legislature might make education compulsory leaving it optional in the country districts, but such a time as public sentiment became more enlightened on this question. He believed the teachers held the remedy largely in their own hands, as they could and should refuse to accept lower salaries than a regularly established figure, a stand that would soon bring parsimonious districts up to the mark. The house adjourned at 5:20 p. m.

SUNDAY AMUSEMENTS PROHIBITED AT MONTREAL. Catholic Archbishop Issues Pastoral Letter Forbidding Them Following His Crusade Against Intemperance. Montreal, Feb. 18.—(Special)—The Roman Catholic archbishop of Montreal, in a pastoral letter today followed the opening of his crusade against intemperance by prohibiting Sunday amusements of the more pronounced kind, such as horse racing, baseball, and other similar games, political meetings, public excursions, theatrical performances, concerts and dances and balls organized for charitable purposes. All these amusements have been freely indulged in, particularly by residents of the east end, where the letter will be received with much regret. A bill has been prepared by Recorder Skinner and will be submitted to the legislature during its present session, dealing with the temporal affairs of the Presbyterian church.

YORK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH WANT THEIR BILL PASSED. Will Ask the Supreme Court for Another Order to Force Municipal Council to Settle. Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 18.—(Special)—The county board of health held a meeting yesterday afternoon with Chairman McNeil and George J. Green in attendance and decided to at once apply to a judge of the supreme court for an order to compel the municipality of York to pay the smallpox bills amounting to \$300, incurred by the board last year. Months ago they obtained an order from the chief justice in the matter and it was set aside by the supreme court on the ground that the chairman had instituted the proceedings without calling a meeting of the board. The disputed account which amounts to about three hundred dollars, was presented to the county council at the last July meeting, but that body considered the charges excessive and reduced the bill by \$45. The chairman of the board of health refused to accept the amount voted and carried the case to court. The thermometer registered sixteen degrees below zero here last night. Rev. Frank Baird, of Sussex, occupied the pulpit at St. Paul's church at both services here today. Mayor McNally announced this morning that he had decided to offer as a candidate for a second term.

TWO HOUSES AND TWO BARN BURNED AT SMITH'S COVE. Digo, Feb. 17.—A fire on the cross road between the two houses, which started at 7:30 last night, destroyed two houses and two barns belonging to Thomas Rice. The fire was caused by a lantern which fell from the bay window of the North Shore. His wife and five children were in the house at the time, but were all safely rescued. It is supposed a defective gas pipe was the cause of the fire. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The loss is estimated at \$10,000. The fire was caused by a lantern which fell from the bay window of the North Shore. His wife and five children were in the house at the time, but were all safely rescued. It is supposed a defective gas pipe was the cause of the fire. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The loss is estimated at \$10,000.

NO LIGHT YET ON CAPE BRETON HORROR. Sydney, N. S., Feb. 18.—(Special)—Although a number of witnesses were examined in the Stekla burning case this afternoon, nothing of great importance was elicited. The bodies of the children were exhumed and it is supposed that the fire was held but nothing definite could be learned. Martha Hicks, one of the witnesses examined today, corroborated Mrs. Snegrove's testimony regarding what the late Mrs. Stekla said about Brady's advice to the latter as to the possibility of getting \$800 from Snegrove to settle the criminal proceedings. The inquiry will continue tomorrow morning. Sunday School Work in Queens County. The executive of Queens (east) has planned for a series of meetings in the interests of Sunday schools, beginning on Feb. 23 at Camberland Bay, Feb. 27 at Cods, Feb. 28 at Narrows, March 1 at Upper James, March 2 at McDonald's Point, March 4 at Young's Cove, March 5 at Salmon Creek. The field secretary will be at Newcastle on Sunday, Feb. 25, and will speak on the work of the association. Rev. Messrs. Brown and Clarke, of Chipman, and other interested workers will assist the field secretary in the tour. A cordial invitation is given to all. There will be two services, at 2:30 and 7:30.

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NO LOCAL ELECTION DURING SESSION. F. F. Matheson of Campbellton Likely Government Candidate in Restigouche. The vacancy in Restigouche, due to the appointment of H. F. McLatchey as judge of the county court, will not, it is believed, be filled during the present session. Among those prominently mentioned as likely to be the government candidate is that of F. F. Matheson, of Campbellton, police magistrate of that town, and a prominent citizen who is highly respected in the community. He has the advantage of being a comparatively young man. There appears to be no doubt that the seat will be contested by the opposition, and ex-Sheriff James E. Stewart and W. S. Montgomery are both spoken of as possible candidates in the opposition interest.

TERRIBLE CAPE BRETON TRAGEDY. Man, Wife and Two Children Murdered? Dwelling Burned and Charred Corpses Found in the Ruins—No Clue to the Perpetrators—Victims Were Austrians—Officials Doubt Murder Theory. Sydney, N. S., Feb. 18.—(Special)—A terrible tragedy occurred at Dominion No. 1 early this morning. Four charred and blackened corpses, those of Anton Stokta, his wife and two children, were found among the ruins of his burned dwelling. Great mystery surrounds the occurrence, and so far the details are meagre, but the circumstances point to a crime of the most desperate character. The fire was discovered by Conductor Cathcart, who came through Dominion in charge of a train of empty cars. The engineer gave alarm and the trainmen rushed up to the burning building and rapped on the door. The house was burning fiercely inside and the flames were just beginning to break through. According to some neighbors, who hurried to the scene, the fire had apparently started down stairs. The people had been in the habit of keeping a fire in the kitchen only. The parents and children all slept in the same room. The fire made great headway and it was supposed that the inmates had made their escape. At three o'clock the walls of the house fell in, and after a search among the ruins the bodies were discovered. The children were locked in each other's arms and the skulls of the wife and children were found to be broken and that of the husband entirely removed. An axe was found between the two bedrooms. Stokta and his wife were Austrians and had been residing at Dominion for about three years. The children were a girl and boy, aged four and two respectively. About six months ago they purchased a house from Henry Mitchell and had been living there since. He had during the past few days expressed a desire to return to Austria. This is said to be due to something that occurred about three months ago. On a paynight, during the absence of her husband, Mrs. Stokta is alleged to have been the victim of an attempted criminal assault, made by a Newfoundland man named Snegrove, who was subsequently arrested and committed to the supreme court. He now lies in jail awaiting trial. His mother lives quite near the home of the Stoktas. The theory receiving most credence is that the whole family was murdered by enemies. Doubts Murder Theory. Crown Prosecutor Hearn stated to the correspondents in Sydney this evening.

SMALLPOX CASE IN ISOLATION HOSPITAL. Middle Type—Precautions Taken. The Milford suspected case is now declared to be smallpox. This was reported to the secretary of the board of health early last evening, and immediately steps were taken to have the patient removed to the isolation hospital on the Sandy Point road. His name is Frank Bredau, a French-Canadian, who on Saturday last was visited by Dr. W. L. Ellis. At that time, however, the disease had not advanced sufficiently to warrant the physician in pronouncing his complaint to be smallpox. He was instructed to remain at his home, and yesterday-forenoon the family doctor called. By this time it was apparent that the patient had become worse, and in the afternoon Dr. Ellis called again. He diagnosed the disease as smallpox, though of a mild type, and subsequently notified the board of health. Last night the Bredau house was quarantined and the patient, in the special smallpox ambulance, was conveyed to the isolation hospital. He is married and has one child, about a month ago, the board of health officials report, he was at Kennedy's lumber camp, near Westfield. He was on friendly terms with Thibodeau, the parent of a French-Canadian whose home is in Kingsville, and who, about a week ago, was thought to be suffering from smallpox, but whose trouble was finally declared to be chickenpox. Until Saturday Bredau and his family lived on mattresses placed on the floor of the Kingsville and Milford roads, but on that day they moved into a home of their own near Milford. Last night the board of health officials were taking every precaution in the matter of disinfecting and quarantining in the neighborhood. It is understood that Bredau has not been in the city several weeks. A Paris flat owner has hit upon an idea which is popular with his tenants. On the door of every apartment is a number, and on the first of each month the landlord draws a lottery, and the occupant of the flat the number of which proves to be the winning one pays no rent.

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DEATHS. HENNING-In this city, on Feb. 15, Douglas Kraft, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. ...

DEATHS. MORRISON-In Medford (Mass.), Feb. 14, Elizabeth Boyer Morrison.

DEATHS. WILSON-On Monday, 19th inst., at his late residence, No. 32 Erin street, Andrew Wilson, aged 83 years, leaving two daughters to mourn their loss.

DEATHS. HARRAH-In this city, 19th inst., Ada G. Harrah, aged four years and six months.

DEATHS. SILVAN INHUMED, died Feb. 14, 1906. (Globe please copy).

DEATHS. STR LAKESIDE, Murray, Liverpool, C. P. R. Str. Protection, Liverpool via Halifax.

DEATHS. BRITISH PORTS. London, Feb. 16-Ard, str Montserrat, St. John for New York.

DEATHS. FOREIGN PORTS. Boston, Feb. 16-Ard, str Louisville, Louisville for New York.

DEATHS. NOTICE. NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made by the Canadian Society of Engineers, Inc., for the passage of an Act of the Dominion Parliament.

DEATHS. A DIPLOMA. May be harder to get at the Fredericton Business College than at some business colleges, but it is EASIER to GET and HOLD a good position after you get it.

DEATHS. N. B. MEDICOS IN ANNUAL SESSION. (Continued from page 1.)

DEATHS. Scriptural Proof. (Lippincott's Magazine).

DEATHS. At a colored camp meeting in Carolina a testifying penitent, who had been converted by the preaching of the "amended" gospel, was deemed well pleasing to his Maker.

PREMIER DELIVERS HIS BUDGET SPEECH

(Continued from page 1.)

Estimated Expenditure 1906. Administration of Justice, 15,230,000; Agriculture, 1,200,000; Army, 1,200,000; Navy, 1,200,000; Public Works, 1,200,000; etc.

Mr. T. W. T. Tweedie then commenced his budget speech. He said: It is now ten years since I first had the honor of being appointed provincial secretary and finance minister of this government and this is the ninth budget speech I have made, on one occasion having been prevented from doing so by illness.

There is some difficulty in making an interesting budget speech because from year to year the receipts and expenditures are very much the same. We have no great tariff question to disturb us and no great internal changes to be made.

I have already stated that the year 1905 was not a time when bonds could be sold to any advantage because business was so good that money could find more profitable investments and investments were made for gilt-edged securities. Since 1898 when we effected a large sale of bonds on satisfactory terms the bidding for bonds has declined.

Record Bond Sale in 1906. The sale of bonds which I made in 1898 was the largest sale in this or any other province since that time. Two years ago I made a sale of 34 per cent bonds at 99 but this could not be done now.

Mr. Stewart's Letter. St. John (N. B.), Jan. 16, 1906. To Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Fredericton (N. B.).

Dear Sir-I have received your communication in reference to government securities and will reply to you at an early date after carefully considering the subject. I may say now that you would appear to have the right conception of the situation and that your views are likely to lead you to a continuation of your course in the past, notwithstanding that you have done better in many cases not only than I could have done for you, but also better than I could have done for myself.

great hue and cry over this as if we had been recanted to our duty in assisting the country in endeavoring to develop the industries of the country and if I do not live to see the full fruition of this work I am satisfied that the country will see it.

In June last I telegraphed to Mr. Gilmore Brown, a clever and most reliable engineer, asking him to meet me in reference to the railway. I was desired to carry out the pledges given in the house that with \$250,000 we would put the road in good condition so that it would become profitable and I asked him to give me a detailed report on the state of the line from Chipman to Minto and from Chipman to Norton.

Mr. Tweedie then proceeded to read Mr. Brown's report which dealt fully with every feature of the road. The railway from Norton to Chipman is 45 miles long. The main line is high, but the coal mine branches bring the total length of single track to about 70 miles. The grades between Norton and Chipman are not steep, but the grades on the line between Chipman to Minto are not steep.

When the G. T. P. is constructed, the lumber shipments along the coast of St. John will give the N. B. Coal & Railway Company a large freight traffic. Taking together the coal transportation, the passenger travel, which is bound to increase very materially immediately after construction of the G. T. P., the local freight business, and the freight traffic that must result from the moving of supplies and material as soon as the construction of the G. T. P. is commenced, and the enormous traffic both in passengers and freight that must assuredly result from the connection with the G. T. P. in less than five years from the present time.

Consider all these things, and the prospects for a very large and profitable business in the operation of the railway are of the brightest character. It is bound to become a mile for a mile as valuable a piece of property as there is in the province. This is the largest output for one month in the history of the railway. The average monthly output for the previous six months had been 1,367,145 gross tons. This is increasing because more miners are being obtained, more cars being obtained, and the improved conditions of the railway and its service have inspired the confidence of the miners and the output of at least 1,600 tons per month over the present amount is required to fill orders until June 30. A greater amount of coal is now being produced than the present operations, even if fully manned, will not long be able to meet the demand.

Mr. Brown estimated that when the road is completed it will earn upwards of \$20,000 a year over its operating expenses. This estimate is based on the carriage of 46,500 tons of coal, which would yield the operating a royalty of \$1,635 in addition to the net earnings.

Received from government on account of proceeds of loan 1st to repay loan to company by receiver-general, including interest, coupons due July 1, 1905, \$30,000. Received by commissioners to disburse, \$31,700. Disbursed through receiver-general for department, including interest coupons due Jan. 1, 1906, \$88,435.19. Total, \$222,330.67.

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to Chipman via the G. T. P. will be again the work of the N. B. Coal & Railway Co. In other words, a passenger leaving St. John via G. T. P. and going via this route will be in Chipman and more than fifty miles or two hours and another passenger who goes via Moncton. The same conditions apply to freight which will be the same advantages. It is idle to say that this railway will not carry nearly, if not quite all, of the St. John traffic going via the G. T. P. It is no argument to say that because this railway has sleep grades and is not like the G. T. P. in that respect that therefore it will not and cannot handle the traffic.

I have just shown that more than 70 per cent of the cost of handling the traffic on any railway is not affected in the slightest degree by grades and I assert that it can and will handle the traffic of the G. T. P. and for that reason one of the most valuable branches of railway in the province.

Construction on the G. T. P. will begin next summer and all the men, material, supplies, tools and in fact everything necessary to complete at least every five miles of that great work will be carried over the N. B. Coal & Railway Company and this business will commence within a year and continue for at least four or five years.

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month, it must be borne in mind that the condition of the road and the want of motive power seriously handicapped us in fighting the snow. I mention this so that in considering the more favorable results for January, 1906, due credit can be given to the actual results, viz., the improvement in the road and motive power, and increased coal output from Minto, which justifies the expenditure which has and is being made along these lines, and there is every reason to believe that the coal output will steadily gain with consequently favorable results in the operation of the railway. As I pointed out in my report for six months ended Dec. 31, 1905, there are still a few requirements necessary and conducive to any favorable results, and which will be certainly justified by the results.

Referring more particularly to the coal output from Minto in January, the total coal shipped was 2,772,322 gross tons, for fuel, \$28,236 gross tons, leaving 1,887,086 gross tons. Freight receipts for same, \$1,482,602; royalty, \$276,149; total, \$1,758,751. This is the largest output for one month in the history of the railway. The average monthly output for the previous six months had been 1,367,145 gross tons. This is increasing because more miners are being obtained, more cars being obtained, and the improved conditions of the railway and its service have inspired the confidence of the miners and the output of at least 1,600 tons per month over the present amount is required to fill orders until June 30. A greater amount of coal is now being produced than the present operations, even if fully manned, will not long be able to meet the demand.

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