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MONTEAL, April 2.—The degree of doctor of divinity is to be conferred by the Presbyterian college on Rev. A. J. Mowatt, formerly of St. John, N. B., now of Montreal, and Rev. Wm. Tait of Nova Scotia.

QUEBEC, April 2.—The late Senator Paquet left an estate valued at a million and a half.

HOUSE PROROGUED.

Clause Abolishing Beer Licenses Was Withdrawn from License Bill.

FREDRICKTON, N. B., April 2.—The house met this morning at 10.30. The amendment to the liquor license act was committed and agreed to. The first section of the bill makes the term of the license commissioners three years, another section abolishes the bottlers license. The clause abolishing the beer license was withdrawn.

GERMANY AND ITALY.

BERLIN, April 2.—The Lokai Anzeiger understands that the conference between the imperial chancellor, Count Von Buelow, and Signor Zanardelli, the Italian premier, at Verona, was intended to remove the false impression created by insinuations in the French press regarding the relations between Italy and Germany. The paper interprets the meeting as proving the continuance of thoroughly friendly relations between the two countries, and says that the leave taking of the two statesmen was cordial.

COLOSSAL SWINDLING.

LONDON, March 3.—Two men were charged in a London police court yesterday with defrauding Barclay & Co., Ltd., of some £2,000 by means of forged documents purporting to represent large shipments of gold ore which never existed. According to the Daily Chronicle seven bankers were similarly defrauded of large amounts, the total sum involved being nearly £50,000.

A BIG COMBINE.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 2.—A new combine was practically launched yesterday. It embraces all the leading manufacturers of the glass lamps, glass lamp shades and glass electrical fixtures. Ten plants are to be absorbed by the combine, which will be established at something like \$4,000,000. Nearly all these large industries are located in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia.

RUSSIA'S TROUBLE.

LONDON, April 2.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times takes a serious view of the Russian political situation, believing that the first symptom of far-reaching revolutionary movements are confined by the reports of sanguinary disturbances in Riazan, where there is no university. The disorders there, in his opinion, show that the rioting is no longer confined to students. The correspondent, however, does not believe that the domestic situation will immediately hamper Russia's foreign policy.

A MILLION FOR POWDER.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Work has been resumed at the naval station at Iona Island, where the government is building an important powder magazine. Seventy-five new men have been put to work, making the number of men employed there 255. Work was suspended at the island about three months ago on account of the cold weather. The powder magazine, powder house, pumping station and residences are now to be hurried to completion. The government expects to spend, it is said, \$1,000,000 on the work.

BUENOS AYREAN ALL RIGHT.

GLASGOW, April 2.—The Allan line steamer Buenos Ayrean, which passed Torry Island, on the north coast of Ireland, this morning, signalled that she was short of coal, but that the ship was all right.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

LONDON, April 2.—Andrew Carnegie has endowed a post graduate scholarship for original metallurgical research, which is placed at the disposal of the Iron and Steel Institute of Great Britain, without restriction as to nationality or sex. The endowment fund is \$22,000.

TEN THOUSAND FOR MISSIONS.

NEW YORK, April 2.—At the offices of the Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society the following statement has been given out: The Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, D. D., general secretary of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, has been informed by Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thomas that they will each contribute the sum of \$10,000 toward work in the Philippines in such manner as may be decided by them in conference with him, after they receive the recommendations of Bishop Graves, who has been cabled in Shanghai respecting the matter.

SOUTH AFRICA.

NEWCASTLE, Natal, April 2.—The Boers derailed and wrecked a train near Mount Prospect.

HON. MR. TARTE

Says He Hopes St. John Will Get the Winter Mail Service.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 2.—Clergue's Canadian Loyalty bill was up before the committee of banking and commerce this morning. The insurance companies protested without avail against the bill to incorporate the company so as to allow them to do a wrecking business.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

The British house of commons adjourned yesterday to April 12. According to a Constantinople correspondent the Ottoman government, owing to fears arising from Italy's attitude toward Tripoli, has despatched 2000 troops thither.

A terrible riot has occurred at Blaine, in the Valley of Chamounix, owing to the municipal council selling land which the people had enjoyed grazing rights. The inhabitants tried to set fire to the town hall, and a fierce conflict ensued between the rioters and the gendarmes. Ten persons were killed and fifteen injured.

A quarrel over an election argument occurred among the horsemen at Overland park, Denver, last night. Pistols were drawn, and in a row that followed one man was killed and another fatally injured.

A London cable says that Luke Fildes has been commended to paint a full length state portrait of King Edward in his royal robes. It will be the official portrait.

The Spanish minister of war, General Weyler, has ordered the exclusion of nuns from military hospitals until the budget shall have provided funds permitting them to return.

Dobby Carte, the theatrical manager and composer, died in London today. He had been an invalid a long time, but he nevertheless closely attended to the business of the theatre.

At Niagara Falls, N. Y., today the body of David Holden, a former employe of the Niagara Falls Power Co., was found in the penstock of the wheel pit. He was a brother of the Rev. John Holden of Hamilton, Ont.

WILL HAVE A BULL FIGHT.

NEW YORK, April 2.—H. F. McGarvey, president of the Pan-American Association, who has just returned from Mexico, said last night that he will be fighting at the Pan-American Exposition, with the blood and cruelty left out. He explained: "The Mexican government is sending up an exhibit of the streets of Mexico to be one of the features of the exhibition. There will be given realistic exhibitions of bull fighting, with the cruelty left out. The bulls will have full swing, and the toreros will give exhibitions of horsemanship and dodging in keeping clear of their horns. Instead of running a blade into the bull at the point of the horn, when the animal usually is killed, the fighter will place a rosette on his hide on the spot where he would naturally strike the bull. The Mexicans will reach Buffalo on April 22nd."

BOSTON'S DOG SHOW.

BOSTON, April 2.—Today at Mechanics' building the annual Boston dog show began. The benches are fully as well occupied as at any prior assemblage of canines, and in addition there are an unusual number of prize winners from Philadelphia and New York shows. The judging today was chiefly in classes that are not particularly popular just at present, but even in these the competition for the most part was keen. Dr. Lougest of Boston, however, as usual, taking everything offered for bloodhounds, 13 prizes in all. Fox terriers and cocker spaniels had the biggest list of entries in the types judged, and the total number of classes passed upon was nearly one hundred.

LIABILITIES \$70,654; ASSETS \$250.

BOSTON, April 2.—Frank W. Parker of Boston, who says he has no occupation, today filed a petition in bankruptcy. His liabilities are \$70,654, and of this amount \$64,590 is in notes which he endorsed on account of the Lewiston Mills Co. of Lewiston, Me., which corporation is insolvent. The notes were made in 1893 and 1894; hence the claims are outlawed. The secured claims against Mr. Parker personally amount to \$4,215, and the unsecured to \$1,839.42. He has \$250 assets. The Biddeford National bank holds a note of \$10,000, and the National Shoe and Leather bank of Auburn, Me., holds one for \$12,500.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, April 2.—Winds increasing to strong breezes and gales from the eastward, turning unsettled with rain this evening and tonight; Thursday, stormy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Eastern states and northern New York—Rain or snow tonight, followed by clearing in south portion Wednesday; Thursday fair, east gales, shifting to northwest. Western New York—Snow tonight; Thursday fair, except snow near the lakes; brisk to high east or north winds.

SACKVILLE.

SACKVILLE, April 2.—Word has been received that Fred W. Sprague, son of Rev. Dr. Sprague, died in Calgary early this morning. Dr. Sprague reached Calgary on Saturday and will return with the remains. The deceased was in his thirtieth year. He took his B. A. degree at Mt. Allison in 1893 and spent his last year at Harvard.

BUT HE TOOK THE OATH.

Aguinaldo Professed to be in Great Trouble of Mind but Took His Medicine.

MANILA, April 2.—Constancia Probele, daughter of the former chief of the Katipunan Society, and who is president of the Women's Peace League, has been permitted a long interview with Aguinaldo. She reports having found him in a quandary, professedly desirous of peace, yet reluctant to abandon the idea of Filipino independence.

"He seemed unable to make up his mind regarding the oath of allegiance to the United States," she says. "because he had sworn eternal fidelity to the Filipino flag and had been elected leader of the revolution. He showed a disinclination to assist in ending the insurrection, though he bowed somewhat to public sentiment. He wanted a conference in order to ascertain the wishes of the Filipino people, and suggested that a convention, consisting half of insurgents and half of pacifists should decide the matter." I told him that ninety per cent of the population were in favor of peace, and he responded:

"Even so, my lot is yet with those upholding the cause of the insurgents. With their consent I would quit, but otherwise, how can I? By the trickery of the Americans I was captured. Now that I am a prisoner I must consider what is best. Liberty is sweet, but those who I deserted would hate me. If paroled I would respect my word, but sometimes I think exile and imprisonment would be preferable." When Aguinaldo arrived here," he asked to see Mabini. On being told that Mabini was in Guam, he wished to consult with Chief Justice Arellano, General Trias and Salas, the secretary of the interior in the so called Filipino government, who surrendered with General Trias. They urged him to reflect upon the ruin already wrought and the wee and destruction which a continuance of the war would entail, and they advised him to accept American clemency. Others did the same. Aguinaldo stubbornly held out, but allowed himself to be persuaded. Senorita Probele says that Aguinaldo shows a distrust of the educated Filipinos, and is largely guided by the prejudices of the lower classes. His wife, mother and sister visit him daily.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

LONDON, April 2.—Dr. Morrison, writing to the Times from Peking, March 29, describes an interview with Li Hung Chang, in which the famous statesman admitted that his policy was based upon a conviction that Russia was the only power which China need fear.

"He acknowledged the existence of various secret Russo-Chinese agreements," says Dr. Morrison, "and declared himself convinced that China must and would ultimately sign the Manchurian convention. He asserted the opinion that he is almost inclined to resent the possibility of intervention by other powers. The ministers of all the powers except Russia have been instructed to present forthwith to the Chinese plenipotentiaries the punishment list which was agreed upon before Russia secured on this point. The list is so moderate that there is little doubt the Chinese will comply."

BERLIN, April 2.—Discussing the refusal of China to sign the Manchurian convention the Lokai Anzeiger says: "China cannot expect more than the moral support of the European powers."

LONDON, April 2.—"The Chinese expect that all that the Manchurian convention will be ratified in the course of the next five days," says the Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard, writing Monday. "The southern viceroys and governors are incensed and threaten rebellion if the court yields. The northern Chinese are more ignorant and indifferent. The Tartar general at Feng Tien, Manchuria, has issued a proclamation assuring the people that the Russian occupation is only temporary. The Chinese troops at Feng Tien are wearing Russian badges, and the town is occupied by a strong Russian force."

BERLIN, April 2.—The Cologne Gazette today publishes a despatch from Peking announcing that a French force was entrained April 1, bound for Ching Tsin Fu, 75 miles southwest of Pao Ting Fu, 75 miles southwest of Pao of Christians.

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Trains leave on Shore Road at.....	1.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m.
Trains leave on Shore Road at.....	5.30 p.m.	5.30 p.m.
Trains arrive on I. C. R. at.....	1.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m.
Trains arrive on C. P. R. at.....	11.55 a.m.	11.55 a.m.
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**ST. JOHN STAR.**  
ST. JOHN, N. B., APRIL 3, 1901.

**MR. McKEOWN'S BILL.**  
Mr. McKeown has withdrawn his bill relating to votes and taxes. He appears to have discovered that there is no pressing demand for the enactment of such a law. If Mr. McKeown had made some enquiry he might have discovered before the house met that the people were willing to carry along a little longer without such a law. Considerable of the valuable time of the house and its committee, and of the St. John aldermen and members of the board of trade has been taken up by the bill, and in the end it is withdrawn. Mr. McKeown says he will introduce it again next session. The conditions will not have changed a year hence, unless Mr. McKeown intends in the meantime to carry on a campaign of education and has concealed about his person a stock of arguments more effective than those he has brought forth during the recent discussion. Of course there are always possibilities of change, and if Mr. McKeown and Mr. James Brennan take the stump together during the recess they may be able to convert everybody. They would at least be able to provide the citizens with a little diversion during the summer season.

**CHAIN LIGHTNING LEGISLATION.**  
The legislature was prorogued at noon today. Late yesterday the attorney general introduced a bill making important changes in the liquor law. This measure was introduced and given two readings straightway. This morning it was read a third time and passed, the ministers dropping one section. Within two days of the end of the session the bill increasing the salary of one of the ministers was introduced and put through. The legislative machinery of first, second and third readings, with a committee stage intervening, is intended to give the house and the country some time for consideration. After a bill is introduced a sufficient time is supposed to pass before the last stage to enable the persons interested and the public generally to learn what is going on. Dr. Pugsley's liquor bill may be all right or all wrong. But it should not have been introduced at the last moment and rushed through the house before the people of the province could know what it meant.

**THE TELEGRAPH'S SCOOPS.**  
The Telegraph is jubilant over its exclusive announcement that the majority of the St. John aldermen were in favor of a \$250,000 civic guarantee of cotton bonds. This is the greatest scoop for the Telegraph since its exclusive announcement of the exhumation and murder sensation at Sussex. It may be remarked, however, that the Telegraph's latest announcement on the Sussex poisoning case was no scoop. It was prepared by a lawyer who does not belong to the staff. He got the scoop.

**AGUINALDO.**  
The haste with which the late leader of the Philippines has transferred his allegiance to the United States suggests either that Aguinaldo has been fooling his own people or that he is now trying to fool the American government. The fact that he has become a full fledged American citizen will probably not deter the United States authorities from keeping a very sharp eye on his movements. He has the reputation of being an artful man, and his latest action will not tend to increase confidence in his good faith. A man whose patriotism undergoes a change with such startling speed, would not be likely to hesitate to make another change, if it seemed to be to his advantage. There can be no question, however, that his capture and what he has done will have a strong influence upon the minds of the people here lately led. Prof. Schurmann, who is in the Philippines, and studied the conditions on the spot, is reported to have said that Aguinaldo should be made governor of Cavite. If that were done it would probably be necessary to provide him with a body guard, not so much to protect him as to keep an eye on his movements.

Had Mr. McKeown's plebiscite bill gone through the house, the people would have been called on to answer the question—  
"Are you in favor of abolishing the necessity of payment of civic taxes as a prerequisite to voting at civic elections?"  
The bill should have contained a clause offering prizes for correct answers to this question. The gentleman who framed it should be employed to prepare questions to be asked by the census enumerators.  
Some members of the legislature have been pressing the claims of New

Brunswickers who went to South Africa, but whose names were not on the official list and who therefore did not share in the distribution of the contingent fund. No reference was made to the St. John man who is in exactly the same position, though St. John people were very large contributors to the fund. Doubtless his case will not be overlooked by the committee.

**PRESENTED WITH A JEWEL.**  
Members of Dominion L. O. L. No. 141, Honor John Kenny, Jr.

For some thirty-eight years John Kenny, Jr., has been a member of Dominion L. O. L. No. 141, and several times filled the chair of master of the lodge. He has decided recently that he would signalize the appreciation of his seal for the good of the lodge and the Grand Order, and the plan was carried out last evening. A large number of ladies, including members of the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association, and the ladies of the lodge, were gathered together for the purpose of presenting to Mr. Kenny a handsome gold mounted watch. The watch was presented by Mrs. Logan, Miss Logan, Mrs. Parlee, Mr. Addison, Mr. Tongue and Mr. Saunders, and Miss Parlee presided at the organ.

The request of the chairman, C. M. Scott, E. Morrell read the address to Mr. Kenny, Jr., and made the presentation of a handsome gold mounted watch, declared by one of the members to be the finest jewel in your lodge and valuable service in the order to which we are all proud to belong, and the principles and welfare of which are the best of all. It is a most fitting that the members of the lodge with which you have been for so many years identified, and for the upholding and prosperity of which you have done so much, should take this present opportunity to express in this form their personal regard for you and the recognition of your services to the lodge and to the order. Much might be said of the growth of the order and its influence, but this is a personal tribute, and we will not say more of the active and consistent part you have taken in the work.

In presenting you with this past master's jewel, we extend to you the warmest assurance of our regard and brotherly regard, and we express the hope that you will long be spared to the order and to the lodge of whose work Mrs. Hamilton had spoken, and he commended that branch of the order to the sympathy and support of all Orangemen. Speaking again of the jewel, Mr. Kenny said he would cherish it as long as he lived, and hoped to be survived by his son, who was also entitled to wear such a jewel, and who he was sure would prize this one all the more because of associations. Mr. Kenny believed there never was a greater cause than now for the existence of the Orange organization.

**TO MANUFACTURE COAL.**  
To a combination of the state of Maine and the city of Lowell was due the financial success of the brief but brilliant career of the Rev. Mr. Jerriegan and his gold-from-salt-water company. From a similar combination we are now promised an achievement which is to do more than win the salt water, but is to inaugurate an industrial revolution. According to recent press despatches from Augusta, Maine, a gentleman from Lowell is in that city organizing a company to manufacture coal. It is to be made from "mineral products" which are so abundantly distributed, and is to be turned out at a cost much less than that of coal in the states where it is mined. Whether the new company will utilize the next water which Jerriegan's works left is not stated. The first plant is to be a modest one, making only 10 tons of coal an hour, but who can doubt that this will soon be multiplied by 1,000 at least? In view of the fact that the food of the poor is the discussion of miners' wages and strikes some idle. When every man can buy from the new company license under its patents to make his own coal, there will be no use for mining, with its hardships in the United States. It will be nowhere beside the new corporation. It is just possible, however, that the purpose of the company will be fulfilled when its promoter goes to enjoy life-like Jerriegan—in Paris or some other foreign city.

**BOSTON LETTER.**

**Portland Perturbed Over Agitation as to Preferential.**

The Spring Exodus—The Case of Best the Sackville Murderer.

BOSTON, April 1.—L. Shannon Davis of this city, acting for W. and J. A. McDonald of Halifax, is endeavoring to get the "Ardmale," the estate of Sir Charles Tupper at the Arm, near the Nova Scotia capital, to Americans. The property includes a 13 room house and a 16 acre lawn, and is well recommended to Americans desiring a summer residence. Portland people are still excited on account of the attempt to have British goods imported through Canadian seaports. Portland charges St. John with launching a war on her steamship trade, and the newspapers in the former city appear to think that the Canadian house of commons enacts the necessary legislation, Portland and the Grand Trunk railroad will receive a staggering sum of \$1,000,000 through that port every year. The Maine city is seeking to find consolation in the belief that if the scheme works Boston will be out some \$10,000,000 yearly. The Portland Advertiser says the whole thing is a "direct blow at Portland, prompted by jealousy," and looks to the Canadian government to save the city. Incidentally the movement is worrying the Grand Trunk officials, as it is said there is some likelihood of shuffling in progress at Montreal and Ottawa to avert the threatened disaster. The Portland papers place much of the blame on the St. John board of trade, which was backed up by an expression of opinion by the New Brunswick legislature. The Boston and Maine railroad, which handles a large amount of Canadian freight in and out of Boston, is watching developments in Canada closely, especially since that road has an agent in Europe endeavoring to induce steamship companies to send more boats to this port.

The annual spring exodus from the maritime provinces is beginning to become apparent. This is the season when many men employ and men with a trade, after spending the winter at home, flock to the city and besiege the employment for work. In the manufacturing industries three or four men are held largely responsible for the shut down of some of the mills on account of over-production of goods. The conviction of John C. Best of Sackville, for murder in the first degree, at St. John, N. B., is being expected by nearly every one who has been watching the case closely. The penalty for the crime is electrocution. W. H. Stiles, brother-in-law of Best, a resident of Lynn, but formerly of New Brunswick, is held largely responsible for Best's conviction, and whether justly or unjustly, he is accused of betraying the confidence reposed in him by Best. The school children of Lynn made it so uncomfortable for Best's young son in school that the principal was obliged to interfere. The boy of course had nothing to do with the Best case, but the incident went to show what the Lynn public thought of his father's action. Some of the lawyers hold that Stiles could not very well have helped himself from giving the evidence which blasted whatever chances his brother-in-law had. Regarding the guilt of Best there never has been much doubt, but for a time evidence to support the charges brought against him was lacking. The last important murder trial in Salem also concerned a provincialist, Albert Williams, a youth hardly more than 20 years old, who was formerly a jockey in Summerside, P. E. I. He murdered an Italian for his money at Lynfield, and then buried the body in the house of the foreigner.

**PARLIAMENT.**

OTTAWA, April 2.—In the house today Premier Laurier's bill to restrict the importation and employment of alien labor was taken up and discussed for a considerable length, and the debate was adjourned till some future day. Northwest matters were discussed for a time, and the house went into supply.

**WAGES INCREASED.**

OSWEGO, N. Y., April 2.—The strike of the painters and paper hangers ended tonight, the master painters agreeing to the union schedule for 23 1/2 cents an hour and nine hours to constitute a day.

YORK, Pa., April 2.—Notice of an increase of 25 per cent. in puddlers' wages has been posted in the York rolls by mill. Wages in other departments will be increased proportionately. The increase will go into effect April 15.

**Want This Lamp?**  
Ask your druggist to show it to you. This is the way you can get a Vapo-Cresoleum. You put some Cresoleum in the vaporizer, light the lamp beneath, and breathe in the vapor. It is the most healing, most soothing and most penetrating vapor that is known. Not a single disease germ can live in it. For whooping-cough and croup it is a positive and quick cure, while for all throat and bronchial troubles it is the best remedy you can use.

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**About This Time of Year,**

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**W. C. T. U.**

**Regular Meeting Held Yesterday**  
Afternoon—Beer License Considered.  
The regular meeting of the St. John W. C. T. U. was held yesterday afternoon. It was reported that the petition of the union against the proposed legislation respecting beer licenses had been forwarded to Frederickton. The petition reads:  
To the Honorable the Legislature of New Brunswick:  
The petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of St. John humbly sheweth:  
That whereas, the W. C. T. U. has learned that efforts are being made to do away with the licenses for the selling of beer.  
And whereas, the W. C. T. U. has seen the benefit of the past wise supervision;  
Therefore, your petitioners humbly pray your honorable body to continue said license system subject to the same regulation and control as heretofore.  
In their communication to the St. John representatives the ladies point out that some of these beer saloons are undesirable places, and that the license commissioners have frequently refused the privilege to persons who would be likely to abuse it, and had not allowed the sale of beer in some localities, particularly in the neighborhood of schools. The commissioners are also in a position to keep beer sellers on their good behavior by their power to withhold licenses in the future. The ladies have therefore petitioned the legislature not to relax the existing restraints and safeguards.  
The union has purchased copies of all the books written by Miss Frances Willard, seven in all, for presentation to the public library.

**LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.**

At a meeting of the Local Council of Women, held yesterday afternoon, the following delegates were appointed to the National Council to be held in London, Ont., May 16 next: Mrs. D. McLeish, Mrs. J. H. Thomson, Mrs. R. C. Skinner, Mrs. S. D. Scott, Mrs. A. Calhoun, Mrs. W. H. Fock, and Mrs. J. Bullock were appointed substitutes.  
The following list of nominations for National Council officers was endorsed: President, Lady Taylor of Toronto; vice-presidents, Lady Laurier and Lady Thompson; treasurer, Mrs. Hoodless; recording secretary, Mrs. Willoughby Cummings; corresponding secretary, Miss T. S. Wilson.  
A vote of thanks was passed to Miss Peters for her paper on play grounds, and the sympathy of the council was extended to her in her bereavement.  
The resolutions to come before the annual meeting were then considered, and the delegates instructed how to vote.

**LOCAL LEGISLATURE.**

FREDERICTON, April 2.—The bill authorizing the St. John council to grant aid to Wm. Parks & Sons, to exempt the company from taxation was agreed to.  
The election bill providing that a voter must be domiciled in the electoral district in which he votes was agreed to. The bill makes the exception in the case of St. John, where city people having property in the county and allowed to vote there. The amendment moved by Mr. Shaw and supported by Mr. Hagen that the paragraph referring to St. John be struck out was voted down. Mr. Dunn opposed it.  
The bill reviving the subsidy for several short lines of railway in the province was agreed to.  
A bill to enable any town, city or municipality to aid the Victorian Order of Nurses was agreed to, also a bill to amend the General Mining Act.  
It was resolved that the seasonal indemnity be paid to John McLeod, M. P., who is ill, and to George Robertson, M. P., who is in England.

**NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.**

The Natural History Society held their regular monthly meeting last evening. A. Gordon Leavitt in the chair.  
The following interesting relics were presented to the museum by D. Ferguson of Chatham: Two jawbones and one shoe buckle from the site of the Redoubt, six miles above Campbellton, and two knife or spear blades from old camping ground near Indian town, S. W. Miramichi.  
Stanley W. Thompson presented a specimen of rock crystal from Sheet Harbor, N. S., and an anonymous donor presented \$28.32.  
On motion the thanks of the society were ordered to be conveyed to the several donors.  
Dr. Matthew read a letter from Mr. Ferguson, describing the articles presented and also read three papers by Prof. W. F. Ganong on the physiography of New Brunswick.  
Mr. McIntosh read a paper on the local life of the people Valley, which was discussed by Dr. Matthew, A. Gordon Leavitt and C. F. B. Rowe. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered those who contributed papers.

**BOARD OF TRADE.**

The Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon and passed a resolution opposing the McKeown plebiscite bill, which was last night withdrawn in the legislature.  
President Merritt reported for the Ottawa delegation that the dredging at the mouth of the harbor will probably begin this summer.  
W. M. Jarvis, discussing the question of fire underwriters' rates, gave an account of what was done at the meeting of the underwriters, when it was decided to increase the rate on wood-enclosed buildings in the north end until proper building restrictions should be established.  
A number of communications were read and after some further discussion the board adjourned.

**HE DESERVED A MEDAL.**

Towne—Did you ever hear Bonem tellin' a story? Isn't he tire some?  
Brownie—Yes, but he has one good point that is really remarkable.  
Towne—What's that?  
Brownie—He's the only poor story teller I ever knew who, in telling an Irish story, would admit that he couldn't imitate the brogue.—Philadelphia Press.

**PATHEPIC CASE.**

"Dahney staid away from Miss Jipp's wedding from grief, didn't he? You know she fitted him."  
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Read the Ads. in the Star.

LOCAL NEWS.

The C. P. R. express from Montreal is five hours late today.

The city market will be closed all day Friday.

John de Angola, the enterprising shiner of shoes, has an advertisement in today's Star.

The Fortnightly Club will meet this evening at the residence of G. A. Henderson, Elliott row.

There could be no complaint about the manner in which the fire department turned out yesterday.

The police appeared out today wearing their helmets in place of the heavy winter caps.

The party who lost the No. 1 Health Reader on Charlotte street yesterday can get the same by calling at the central police station.

Mayor Daniel telegraphed Hon. A. G. Blair this morning to find what time would be most suitable to hear the St. John Delegation in regard to the proposed drill hall.

J. V. Russell's building, on Main street, is receiving a fresh coat of paint. The work is being done by Joseph Stenford, painter, of Mill street.

The alarm rung in yesterday was for a slight blaze in the house of Dr. Christie on Wellington Row. The fire was caused by escaping gas in the basement taking fire from a lighted lamp carried by a member of the family. Very little damage was done.

Richard Isaacs, of 82 Winter street, who was severely injured on the steamer Piermont, at Baltimore, arrived here yesterday on the St. Croix, and was taken to his home. He is reported slightly better today.

Denise Dee, a guide well known to sportsmen who frequent the region around Havelock and that section of Kings county, was in the city yesterday and left for Brunswick, Me., with a fine moose head, a trophy of his skill last season.

A memorial service was held last evening at the residence of the late Carey A. Purdy, 80 Adelaide street, by the Rev. R. P. McKim, and this morning the body was taken for burial to Jemseg on the 6.30 train.

The committee on boys' work in connection with the Y. M. C. A. will meet here on Saturday. Among those present will be G. Fraser Marshall, of Truro; Andrew Robb, of Charlottetown; Dr. Barber, of Fredericton, and J. A. Irvine, of Halifax.

C. Ward, secretary of the New Brunswick Historical Society, forwarded this morning to His Excellency the Governor-General, the resolution of the society against the death of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. The resolution is handsomely engrossed.

Supt. Bustin, of the Boys' Industrial home, left on Monday evening to visit his son in Chatham. He is expected to return today. John E. Irvine, one of the board of directors, will go out to pay a visit to the school this afternoon.

Charles Williams, agent in St. John for the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pa., has placed on exhibition in Samuel H. Hawker's drug store, corner of Mill and Main streets, a large metal stand bearing advertising cards of that institution.

The want of a number of couches in the ladies' waiting room of the Union Depot is much felt. Scarcely a day passes without enquiries being made for them and often ladies who are unwell are compelled either to go to an hotel or sit on the hard benches provided.

THIS EVENING. Union Lodge K. of P. Court Union Jack C. O. F. Allison Division, E. of T. Court Elsworths C. O. F. Fortnightly Club at the residence of G. A. Henderson. Special service St. Mary's church. Harmony Club rehearsal. Frost Dramatic Club.

THE CENSUS MAN. The census man has no easy time of it. One of them went to a house yesterday and asked the long list of questions of the lady in charge, as to the number in the family, their wages and numerous other things. Finally the exasperated lady said: "Perhaps you would like to go through the pantry and see what is there?"

WANTS TO KNOW. To the editor of the Star: Sir,—Will you kindly tell me what time the Police Court is supposed to sit? I always understood that it was ten o'clock, but I went up this morning and had to wait until nearly eleven.

NOON-DAY SERVICES.

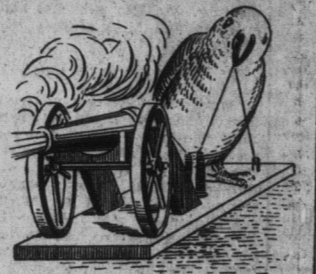
The noon-day meetings for men was well attended today. The Rev. Mr. Cowley's sermon was eagerly listened to. The speaker said: Man may be said to love for love in his successes and failures, by assuming a true attitude toward his fellow-men. "Who is he that shall harm you if ye are followers after the good?" Here the apostle seems to assert that, if man exercises the quality of goodness toward his fellow-man in all things, his seeming failures will be successful, and this love of his brother will be an expression of his love to God. Many an inventor who has struggled amid difficulties and over obstacles, and at last placed his invention at the service of his fellows, was successful, even though he got nothing out of it for himself. Columbus and Walter Hunt and Elias How were successful in that they have eased the burdens of many a mother by their sewing machines, not because of their genius, but because they were successful in their love to God. Many an inventor who has struggled amid difficulties and over obstacles, and at last placed his invention at the service of his fellows, was successful, even though he got nothing out of it for himself. Columbus and Walter Hunt and Elias How were successful in that they have eased the burdens of many a mother by their sewing machines, not because of their genius, but because they were successful in their love to God.

POLICE COURT.

At the police court this morning John Turts was fined \$8 or twenty days for being drunk on Brussels street. Charles Wise and James McLeod, for the same offense, were fined \$4 or ten days. Charles O'Neill pleaded guilty to the charge of assaulting and striking a man in view of the police on the north side of King Square. O'Neill, to judge from the tone in which he said "Guilty," belongs to some union and thinks himself perfectly justified in "striking." He was fined \$20 or thirty days. James Barr and William Roach had a fight last evening between half past eight and nine o'clock on Prince William street. Roach hit Barr and knocked him down; then the two clinched and rolled about in the mud but decided they were in too public a place to finish the matter and retired to an alley off Nelson street. Here they were arrested, but this morning could not remember anything about the affair. They were fined \$20 or thirty days and philosophically accepted the days. Barr was taken to the house on the Lake Superior, but will probably spend the next month as a guest on Chifford's yacht.

AT THE INSTITUTE.

The Frost Stock Co. were greeted by an immense large house at the Mechanics' Institute last evening. The performance went more smoothly than on their first appearance. The specialties were much enjoyed by the audience. The continued performance does find great favor with St. John.



audiences. The company have a large list of specialties, and are constantly introducing new ones. This afternoon the company are playing Jonathan Whitcomb, and this evening will put on The Cigar Girl of Cuba, with new and amusing specialties, including a musical farce. The company are well pleased with their reception in this city.

HIGHER FIRE INSURANCE RATES.

The board of fire underwriters have decided to increase the rates in some parts of the city. While the north end districts will be principally subject to the increased tariff, it is understood that an advance was determined upon for Brussels street and west of it. Other portions of the city will also be subject to a higher rate of premium, but this will apply only where special conditions exist. The north end sections are affected because of their opposition to the underwriters' bill to amend the regulations respecting new wooden buildings. The increase will be a half per cent, and will apply only to the congested wooden districts. For example, a building like St. Luke's church, which is isolated, will not come under the new schedule. West side portions which are included in the new fire district law, will not be subjected to the increase tariff. The new tariff, it is expected, will go into effect July 1.

AN ELECTION PETITION.

The St. John city and county election petition came before Judge McLeod in preliminary objections this morning. The points taken on behalf of the respondent are (1) that the order extending time for service was made on sufficient grounds; (2) that the petitioner was not a voter and did not vote at the election; (3) that the petitioner was guilty of corrupt practices; and (4) that he was guilty of bribery.

His honor decided that the order for the extension of time was made on sufficient grounds. An adjournment was made until 3 p. m., to allow counsel for respondent to decide whether he would adduce evidence on the second point, and whether in view of Alexander v. McAllister, 24 N. B. R. 183, the third and fourth grounds were sustainable. Dr. A. O. Earle, K. C. for respondent; J. B. M. Baxter for petitioner.

THE OUBLIERS' GOOD TIME.

Last evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner by the members of St. Andrew's Curling Club and their friends at the club rooms in St. Andrew's rink. The concert was held in a fitting wind-up to the winter work, and for the presentation of the trophies compiled for during the season. The president, W. C. Whitaker, presided, being supported by other officers of the club. As a starter the president made a short address of welcome which was followed by a selection by Harrison's Orchestra; song, Percy Clarke; summary of winter's play read by the secretary, C. H. Ferguson; orchestra selection; presentation of trophies by president, and short addresses in reply by winners; a song by St. Andrew's quartette and orchestra selection.

The most popular chorus of the evening appeared to be the one commencing Hi-loo-ra-li, and ending the same way. In place of the haggis, oatmeal and the happy hooligans, the orchestra refreshments in all Scotch societies, sandwiches and coffee were served, and the club showed that their appetites were not in any way injured by "sopping" her oop.

After refreshments the following toasts were drunk:—The King, Our Guests, responded to by Mayor Daniel, W. M. Rivers, F. O. Allison and L. B. Wilson; managing committee, responded to by John White, G. P. Fisher, F. A. Clarke and W. S. Barker. Between the toasts songs were given by Guy Robertson, Frank White, C. T. Nevins and W. S. Barker.

The Jones cup was won by the rink composed of T. B. Blair, T. B. Pursey, C. McL. Troop and J. U. Thomas, skip; the Magee-Ferguson medals by Guy Robinson, J. A. Seeds, W. J. Draper and F. S. White, skip.

In the married and single competition the happy hooligans proved themselves better players than their more unfortunate friends and secured the trophy. The rink was composed of A. S. Bowman, Duncan Robertson, S. A. Jones and P. Clarke. The trophy was won at points by Mr. Jones.

Dr. J. A. Magee this year won the Milligan points medal, and R. T. Leavitt, Thos. Christian, H. G. Beresford and W. J. Draper, skip, were successful in the Newcomer's match.

MACLACHLAN IN TORONTO.

Jessie MacLachlan's tour in this country has been a succession of triumphs. In Toronto recently she appeared before an audience of 6,000, which she created a real sensation. The Toronto World, commenting on the event, says, "The great Scotch soprano is not only a singer but an actress as well. One instance may be given. In A Hundred Pipers the amount of path, meaning and expression thrown with voice and face at the word dumfrieser took the audience off their feet, and the staid man of business felt himself for the moment an enthusiastic Jacobite. To hear the great singer, whose success in this country has been unsurpassed by any artist this season, in conjunction with the coming English basso, Tom Daniel, forms an irresistible attraction. Crowded houses will greet them at the opening of the Opera house April 15th and 16th. The plan opens Wednesday, April 10th.

SURVEYORS' STRIKE.

No Work Done by Union Men for Shippers Refusing the Advance.

Some months ago the lumber surveyors organized a union and decided to advance the scale of wages from five to seven cents a thousand on spruce and from eight to ten cents a thousand on birch, the new schedule of wages to go into effect some time about the first of April. The different lumber shippers were notified of the action taken by the union. The specified time for the advance has now passed, and some of the shippers refused to comply with the new schedule. Last night the union met in the Magee building and decided not to work for those who refused the advance. George McKean has consented to the new rate, and today work at the steamer Pydna was continued. No work was done for other shippers who did not comply with the advance by the union. As a consequence the work of loading the Leuctra was at a standstill today.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Furness line steamer Dahome arrived here from Halifax at 11 o'clock last night, and her inward cargo is at present being discharged at the Pettinglell wharf. After that work is completed the steamer will then be moved over to No. 1 berth, west St. John, in order to load a quantity of western cargo for the return voyage to London. The steamer will also load about 250 tons of Misepac pulp, besides some spruce and birch deals from Mr. Mackay. She will probably leave here about noon tomorrow for Halifax.

Manchester line S. S. Importer left here at 10 o'clock last evening for Manchester via Halifax, with a full cargo on board. The Manchester Corporation left Halifax at noon today and will be due here at noon tomorrow, when she will be docked at the No. 3 berth, west St. John.

PERSONAL.

His Lordship Bishop Casey came to the city from Fredericton this forenoon. William Shew, M. P., was a passenger to the city from Fredericton today.

L. P. D. Tilley, of the 8th Hussars, has been granted a certificate of competency as captain. Miss Berenice Currie of Bath, Caroline Co., and Miss Gerlie Roscoe of Wolfville, N. S., who have been spending a few days in the city, the guests of Geo. W. Currie, Waterloo street, left this morning for Bath.

Lady Tilley accompanied by Miss Howland, leaves today for St. Stephen. Tomorrow they will be joined at McAdam Junction by Mrs. H. C. Tilley, when she and Lady Tilley will proceed to Chilton Springs and Miss Howland will go on to Ottawa.

The boys who warmed up a Salvation Army meeting at Hampton by putting cayenne pepper on the stove will be tried for the offence tomorrow. Fred. M. Sproul and Philip Palmer will appear for the prosecution.



It's a Pleasure

To extend to you a cordial invitation to come and see our fine display of Men's, Boys and Children's Clothing for Spring.

Easter has become the accepted occasion for the change from the heavy garments of Winter to the lighter and brighter apparel of Spring.

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A HARBOR SCENE.

Graphic Picture of Appearance of the Water Front Last Evening.

The harbor last evening presented a magnificent spectacle. The temperature was so low that one could imagine the air to be almost balmy. That it was an excellent conductor of sound was evidenced by the distinctness with which the voice of the Manchester Shipper's pilot could be heard as he gave his orders and by the hearty response of the men as they hastened to obey. Slowly and majestically the steamship retired from the dock until she reached mid-harbor, when the sonorous sound of her signal of departure further enabled the ear to join the eye in appreciating the condition of circumstances that lent such a charm to the occasion. As she proceeded toward the island sky-rockets were sent up which vied with the shore and harbor lights in enhancing the beauty of the scene.

The C. P. R. elevator, which she had just left, was surrounded by representatives of England, Ireland and Scotland in the presence of the royal mail steamship Lake Superior, the Mailin Head, from Belfast, and the Donaldson line Salsola, which came up the harbor and entered the dock the Manchester boat had just left.

On the eastern side of the harbor the steamship Norden was loading pulp from the Cushing mill, and the Furness liner Dahome came up and was moored below her. Two Battle liners, the Pydna and the Leuctra, by their presence, bore evidence that enterprise on the part of St. John's own shipowners is not lacking, while the Prince Rupert and St. Croix, noble specimens of marine architecture suitable for their respective ranks, served to complete the harbor fleet.

If the southern portion of the harbor presented a busy scene as winter still lingered in the lap of spring, a distinct feeling of chilliness crept over one as the northern portion was observed. As if the vicinity were plague stricken, the steamships seemed to keep as far as possible from the new government wharves. The great warehouse doors were closed, and all was in darkness, while the silence of the Intercolonial elevator was only equalled by that of the cemetery.

It is earnestly to be hoped that the ensuing season will see in our steamship traffic, for which the harbor is now so well prepared, and the ev-

ery effort will be made during the summer to the end, so that both elevators will then be run to their full capacity.

McEWEN, THE HYPNOTIST.

(Ottawa Citizen.)

There is no cessation of interest in the great hypnotist, McEwen, and his fair assistant, Miss Lanekin. Orms's hall was crowded last night and the audience included many prominent citizens. A representative of the Citizen stood at the door, as the audience fled out to listen to the criticisms, and heard but few who were not highly pleased and delighted. There were a few skeptical ones, and one man is going to take a pair of opera glasses tonight. An interesting feature last night was the awakening of the young man who was put into a cataleptic sleep in Campbell's clothing store window yesterday morning. He was carried into the hall on the bed and awakened quite naturally after his long rest.

By request, Mr. McEwen repeated the cataleptic experiments of the night previous and again won the admiration of the audience. There were nine Ottawa subjects on the platform. The negro subject continues to furnish a lot of sport.

A CLEVER BOY.

A good story is told of a small boy who went into a bake-shop, and picking up a doughnut enquired the price. The lady answered that it was one cent, so the boy decided to take it. However, his eye happened to light on some ginger cakes, and thinking that he would like one of them better than the doughnut, asked if they, too, were a cent. On being told that they were, he wanted to know if the lady would give him a ginger cake for the doughnut. Yes, she would. So the exchange was made, and the boy started to leave the shop. "But hold on," called the lady, "you have not paid me for the ginger cake." "Didn't I give you the doughnut for it?" "Yes, but you did not pay for the doughnut." "Well, I didn't take it," was the child's answer as he closed the door behind him, leaving the lady too amazed to know exactly what had been done.

Red Rose tea is sold in six grades at 25, 30, 35, 40, 50 and 60c. per lb. It is put up in 1 lb. and 1-2 lb. lead packets.