

MR. BLAIR'S UTTERANCE ON THE GREAT ISSUE

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(Montreal Star.)

The resignation of Hon. Mr. Blair at this crisis in our affairs cannot fail to create a profound impression. Mr. Blair has held, perhaps, the most important position within the gift of the government; and has been presented to the country by the liberal Premier, whose Ministry he felt it a duty to leave, as conspicuously the best authority on railway matters who could be chosen for this post. Yet he leaves his position and retires into private life.

If, as is intimated, he feels it further to his duty to advise his countrymen on the railway question of unparalleled importance, which is now before them for settlement, his utterances will be awaited with more real interest than any single public deliverance since Confederation. Mr. Blair is in a unique position. He was the first choice of the liberal party for Minister of Railways when they came into office. He was always a progressive railway minister. He notoriously planned the successful features of the government's railway policy, though he had some foolish projects forced upon him.

Then came the gigantic scheme of building another transcontinental railway. What Mr. Blair thought of that when finished, is recent history. In his great speech in the House of Commons he dissected the measure from preamble to conclusion, and exposed the extravagance of its favours to the company, and the impracticability of its "safeguards" for the country, with the pitiless skill of one thoroughly informed and hence proof against delusion. Respecting the proposed duplication of the Intercolonial, he said: "There is no necessity, there is no reason, there is no justification, there is no object good, bad or indifferent, to be attained. It is absolutely useless. It is a total and absolute waste of the public money. It is not only a destruction of the Intercolonial Railway, but it is a sheer, unjustifiable squandering of the public money."

Further, he pronounced it to be "without a redeeming feature from beginning to end," a "proposition impossible to defend or justify," a scheme plunged into because of the importunities of political friends. He ridiculed the alleged "running rights" given the Intercolonial over the new line, showing from a practical railway standpoint how absolutely unworkable they were; and he pointed out that there was no penalty attached to any failure of the Grand Trunk Pacific to live up to its promises to carry goods to the Can-

adian winter ports. From end to end, he riddled the project; and yet the bill which was then before him and which forced his resignation, was afterwards made far more favourable to the company.

In the face of these facts, the significance of Mr. Blair's resignation can hardly be in doubt. In his telegram to St. John, respecting his resignation sent to the Premier, he specifically reserves to himself the right to "reaffirm his opposition to the railway policy of the Government." This is no more than the country would expect of the man who resigned the first portfolio in the Dominion Cabinet because of his conviction that this very railway policy amounted to a betrayal of the interests of the nation into the hands of a group of capitalists. At that time, he saw disaster for Canada in the acceptance of this plan; and our people will be intensely concerned to learn what may be his present view of the affair after a year's calm consideration of its most intimate features.

CHATHAM NEWS

Valuable Curios From Australia--A Very Suc- cessful Dance.

Chatham, Oct. 20:—The Miramichi Natural History Association, received yesterday from the Australian Natural History Association, in exchange for a birch bark canoe, snow shoes, moccasins, head wear, etc. etc. fire boomerangs, ten spear heads, of different kinds, two nulla sticks, one pair fire sticks, one woman's fighting nulla stick, two nulla sticks, two womerangs, one hooked fighting stick, three shields, one club, one spear head, one glass armorhead, axes, grindstones, and many ornaments etc. etc.

Lou Owens, returned yesterday from Fredericton.

Mrs. George Fisher, and Miss Mame Nicol, returned today from Montreal, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Benson.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. are to be congratulated on the success of the dance, given by them, Wednesday evening, in their commodious and nicely furnished rooms, in the Elkin Block.

Cahill's orchestra, furnished excellent music, and dainty refreshments were served at 12 o'clock. About one hundred and fifty guests were present.

GRAND FALLS.

Farewell to Beloved Priest--Successful Hunters--A Recit- al--Diphtheria in Town.

Grand Falls, Oct. 21:—Rev. M. A. O'Keefe's regretted departure yesterday afternoon, was made the occasion of a farewell demonstration. Several hundred school-children, preceded by the members of Grand Falls council of the C. M. B. A., with badees, marched in a body from the C. M. B. A. hall to the depot, to bid adieu to Father O'Keefe. Besides, a large number of prominent citizens were at the station to say farewell. Seldom has the departure of a clergyman to a new field of labor, evoked such a general expression of regret.

John O'Regan, a wealthy mine owner in British Columbia, who is visiting his father, Con. O'Regan, here, accompanied by her brother John O'Regan, departed last week for the woods, on a hunting trip. They returned on Tuesday and brought with them the carcass of a large bull moose shot near Ryan Brook. The antler had a spread of 58 inches.

Carpenters are now engaged in placing the new school bell in a position in the tower of the town school building. The bell, which is a very large one, costing several hundred dollars, was obtained through the proceeds of a number of Amateur Dramatic entertainments.

Miss Helen Perley, of Andover, will give an elocutionary recital in Hertson's Opera House, this evening, under the auspices of Grand Falls Compton Court of Foresters. A grand ball will follow the recital.

Diphtheria is said to be prevalent in town, but the local board of health has not yet placarded any of the houses wherein the disease is said to exist.

A. R. Hallett, returned home yesterday, from his vacation trip to the west. During his absence, he visited San Francisco, Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Victoria, Montreal, and other Canadian cities.

FOUND FINE GRAPHITE.

The Canada Paint Company, of Montreal and Toronto, discovered a vein of excellent graphite yesterday on the Hazen property, between Prospect Point and the Cantilever bridge. The distance bored was sixty-four feet, eight inches. The work was done by a Davis calyx drill. F. S. Murdoch, the representative for the maritime provinces, has personally superintended the work. Before reaching the vein, the drill bored through ten feet of loam, eight feet of shale, thirty feet of whin, interspersed with iron pyrites and sixteen feet of limestone. Mr. Murdoch says that a shaft will be sunk at once. The company have a mine at Havelock, but the graphite at the bridge is said to be of a very high quality.

A WEAK HEART.

THE INTERESTING EXPER- IENCE OF A ST CATHARINES MAN.

Had Suffered for Twelve Years and was
Ultimately Cured Through the Advice
of a Friend.

"Twelve years ago," says Mr. Wm. Emery, of Welland Avenue, St. Catharines, "I was living in the town of Gananoque, and the physicians there told me I had heart disease. From that time and up to four years ago I often had severe spells of the trouble. The least exertion would bring on violent palpitation, and at other times I would become dizzy, nervous and frightened and my heart would almost cease to beat. I became reduced in flesh and insomnia followed. I was hopeless of finding a cure for I had been treated by an experienced doctor, and had taken many advertised remedies without getting any benefit. One day a neighbor strongly advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and acting on his advice I got a half dozen boxes. I soon found much relief through the use of the pills, and after continuing the treatment for a couple of months I was again enjoying perfect health. I have not since had any return of the trouble and I feel safe in saying that the cure is a permanent one, and I can strongly advise the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to all who suffer from similar trouble." The reporter can only add that Mr. Emery is well known in St. Catharines, is a prominent worker in Methodist circles, and has the highest respect of all who know him.

If you have any symptoms of heart trouble, neuralgia, indigestion, rheumatism, anaemia or any of the numerous troubles caused by poor or watery blood, you will find new health and strength in a fair use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Do not waste money or further endanger your health by the use of substitutes—get the genuine pills with the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for Pale People" on the wrapper around every box. Sold by all medicine dealers or sent by mail at \$2.50 a box or six boxes for \$15.00 by writing The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

KILLING ARMENIANS

London, Oct. 22. — According to the Constantinople correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, Kurds have burned twenty houses in the village of Narek, near Van, and killed over thirty Armenians.

Mechanics, Farmers, Sportsmen!

To heal and soften the skin and remove grease, oil and rust stains, paint and earth, etc. use The "Master Mechanic's" Tar Soap. Albert Toilet Soap Co., Mfrs.

"Pa, what is a repartee?"

"Oh, merely an insult with its dress suit on, my son."—Puck.

Morning News in Brief.

The steamer Champlain is now laid up at Marble Cove for the winter.

Bradstreet's report Charles S. Babbitt, grocer, St. John, has closed his business and removed to Gagetown, (N. B.)

Matters pertaining to the bonspiel will be discussed at a meeting of the Thistle Curling Club the latter part of next month.

Fire started at 2.30 o'clock this morning in a barn in Pond street owned by Mr. Sime, and used by Mr. Dibblee, grocer. It originated in some rubbish and was very quickly overcome.

Tomorrow, Mr. Riston will occupy the pulpit of St. Andrew's church at 11 a. m. and Queen square Methodist church at 7 p. m. At 4 o'clock, p. m. he will address a mass meeting in the Methodist church, Carleton.

A strong southwest wind and rain storm commenced in the city about noon yesterday. Heavy rain squalls prevailed until about 5 o'clock when the weather cleared and the evening was quite fine. Rain commenced again about midnight and fell in torrents. The storm was more severe to the westward of the city and the transmission of telegraphic news was delayed on the C. P. R. and the Western Union.

PROPOSED NEW WATER SUPPLY.

The Common Council and Mr. Barbour Come to an Agreement re. Loch Lomond Service.

A meeting of the common council was held yesterday to meet with Mr. Barbour of the engineering firm of Snow & Barbour, Boston, in connection with the extension of the water system to Loch Lomond and after the matter was discussed it was decided that the work should be extended to Mr. Barbour for two and a half percent of the cost of construction.

On motion one section of the contract was slightly amended. A portion of the section read: "That the said F. A. Barbour shall, during the performance of the preliminary work, visit the city of St. John twice each month for the purpose of inspection."

The amendment makes it so that during the time of the preliminary work Mr. Barbour shall come as many times as the work necessitates. The contract was received from Recorder Skinner and by next week surveying parties will be at work, the responsibility of procuring surveyors and men being assumed by Inspector Murdoch.

The questions of accommodation along the line of work and of establishing levels were discussed at some length.

W. E. Raymond, and Geo. Blake, were heard in regard to a better water supply for the Royal Hotel. The

Ernest Matthews was taken to the hospital about 10 o'clock last night with a broken nose, which injury he received while at work on a ship at Sand Point.

The Rev. John H. Riston, one of the London secretaries of the B. and F. Bible Society, accompanied by Mr. Lamplow of London arrived in the city this morning and will hold a conference with the local executive of the N. B. auxiliary in the Y. M. C. A. Hall at 8 o'clock this evening.

In Coburg street Christian church last evening, J. F. Lloyd preached to a good congregation on "The Prodigal Son." The meeting will be continued this evening at 8 o'clock. A sermon will be preached by the pastor after which the ordinance of baptism will be administered.

John Francis Gilder gave one of his piano and vocal recitals at Sussex on Thursday evening. The audience was very enthusiastic and nearly every number received a hearty encore. The selections consisted of piano solos by Mr. Gilder and his disc records of famous singers, and humorous songs by Mr. D. Arnold Fox. Mr. Gilder is to give a recital in Boston on Nov. 17th. He is already engaged for a number of recitals in St. John, one of which is to be at St. John's Presbyterian church in the near future.

champion promised to look into the matter at once.

WEST END NOTES.

J. E. Smith has bought the restaurant of James P. Wilson, Union street, and will open a first-class diningroom in a few weeks.

The many friends of Mr. Owens will be pleased to hear that he is recovering from his illness.

Quite a few head of cattle have arrived by the C. P. R. on the west side and will be put on the Donaldson boat which is lying at the No. 3. berth at standpoint.

The Man Who Works Hard

Perseverance and will-power he must have, but whether he has strength and vigor is another consideration. Hard working men usually have irritable nerves and should fortify their systems with a course of Ferrozone, a tonic that rebuilds and revitalizes beyond all telling. It's just wonderful the strength that Ferrozone imparts to broken-down men. It forms new blood, supplies the system with abundant nourishment, and where formerly there was tiredness and lassitude Ferrozone established a reserve of energy and vim. Try Ferrozone.—price 50c. per box.

Soft coal landing ex cars, Acadia Pictou lump, Springfield round, Broad Cove and Port Hood, Acadia Nut \$3.25 per load delivered. Ex. yard Scotch Anthracite coal. Dry Rock Maple and Kindling wood. All at lowest cash prices. Tel. 1116. George Dick, foot of Germain street.

What Sulphur Does For the Human Body in Health and Disease.

The mention of sulphur will recall to many of us the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and fall.

It was the universal spring and fall "blood purifier," tonic and cure-all, and mind you, this old-fashioned remedy was not without merit.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable and a large quantity had to be taken to get any effect.

Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects of sulphur in a palatable, concentrated form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoonful of the crude sulphur.

In recent years, research and experiment have proven that the best sulphur for medicinal use is that obtained from Calcium (Calcium Sulphide) and sold in drug stores under the name of Stuart's Calcium wafers. They are small chocolate coated pellets and contain the active medicinal principle of sulphur in a highly concentrated, effective form.

Few people are aware of the value of this form of sulphur in restoring and maintaining bodily vigor and health; sulphur acts directly on the liver, and excretory organs and purifies and enriches the blood by the prompt elimination of waste material.

Our grandmothers knew this when they dosed us with sulphur and molasses every spring, and fall, but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flowers of sulphur were often worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur, of which Stuart's Calcium Wafers is undoubtedly the best and most widely used.

They are the natural antidote for liver and kidney troubles and cure constipation and purify the blood in a way that often surprises patient and physician alike.

Dr. R. M. Wilkins while experimenting with sulphur remedies soon found that the sulphur from Calcium was superior to any other form. He says:

"For liver, kidney and blood troubles, especially when resulting from constipation or malaria, I have been surprised at the results obtained from Stuart's Calcium Wafers. In patients suffering from boils and pimples and even deep-seated carbuncles, I have repeatedly seen them dry up and disappear in four or five days, leaving the skin clear and smooth. Although Stuart's Calcium Wafers is a proprietary article, and sold by druggists, and for that reason tabooed by many physicians, yet I know of nothing so safe and reliable for constipation, liver and kidney troubles, and especially in all forms of skin disease as this remedy."

At any rate people who are troubled with pimples, catarrhs and so-called "purifiers," will find in Stuart's Calcium Wafers, a far safer, more palatable and effective preparation.

Clara-Harry says she loves medicine that she could die for.

Aunt Jane-Harry would do anything to escape work.—Boston Transcript.

THE HALF-WAY MARK IS PASSED

And the Great Bargain Sale of Up-to-date Furniture will only Last Another Week.

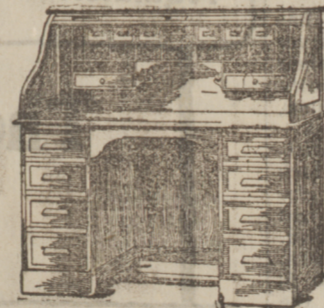
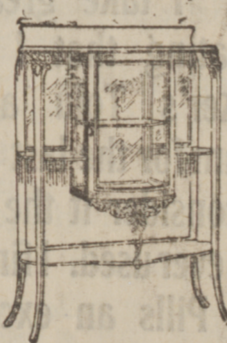
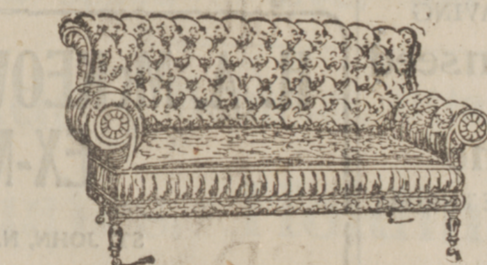
IN A NUTSHELL!



There will be but six days more of the Great Furniture Sale in our Market Square building, making in all a run of Bargains

in Useful and Ornamental Furniture of a fortnight. The week just ended has been a revelation; it has shown beyond doubt the keenness of St. John shoppers, not only the men and women who have to economize, but citizens and their wives who seldom hesitate at prices if they really want the goods. Monday morning last the sale started with a rush. Every clerk, and extra hands, were kept on the jump until closing time, and the teams were kept busy until a late hour delivering. The same order kept up until today, new lines being added to the Bargain Department every night. Commencing this Monday coming the special disposal will be renewed to continue the remainder of the week only.

Most Notable Bargains Ever Offered in
St. John.



SOME OF THE BARGAINS.

To mention all the Goods on the reduction list would tax more space

than we have here available, but the following brief reference to some of the lines will convey an idea of the quality, variety and usefulness of the Furniture at cut rates;

TWO LARGE TURKISH SOFAS, the limit of comfort. Upholstered in Dark Denim; the other in Silk.

HANDSOME DINING TABLES, in Oak. Heavy legs, carved etc.

MASSIVE HALL RACKS, two of them in carved oak. Large mirrors and seats.

PARLOR SUITES in Mahogany Veneer, with rope-style moulding. Two colors of silk upholstery.

BIRD'S EYE MAPLE FURNITURE, for the bedroom. A Cheffonier, a Bureau and a ladies' dresser. Beautiful goods.

HANDSOME MAHOGANY VENEER BUREAU, a massive piece of furniture, with solid brass trimmings, and large wide mirror. Commodious, several of them, to match.

GOLDEN OAK CHINA CLOSET, with five moveable shelves, and rounded glass front. Very rich and attractive.

FOREST GREEN OAK BEDROOM SETS, with eggshell gloss finish. A very beautiful line in a soft green. Would be appropriate for a "Green Room."

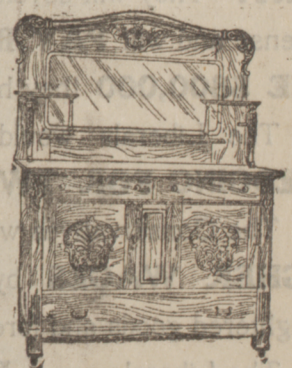
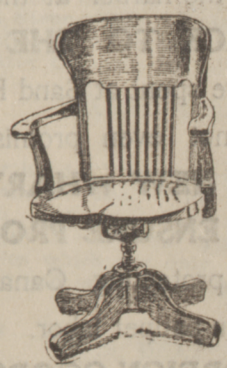
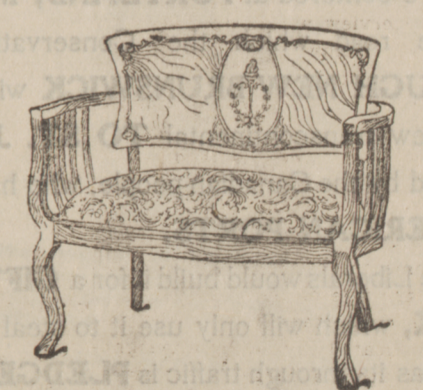
CEDAR-LINED OAK FUR CHEST, or could be utilized as a bed-ding chest. Quartered oak and very massive.

SEVERAL OAKEN SIDEBOARDS of the most popular patterns. Large bevelled mirrors, lots of drawers and closets. Great bargains.

UP-TO-DATE BUFFETS, those pretty little sideboards with mirrors bent glass fronts etc. In solid oak.

LADIES' DRESSING TABLES in Mahogany Veneer and solid Mahogany.

PARLOR TABLES, a great variety in all shapes, woods and finishes.



Few Baby Carriages left, will sell for \$6.00 each.

No Approval. No Reserve. No Exchange. Equal chances for all.

MANCHESTER, ROBERTSON, ALLISON, Ltd., Market Square.