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MR. ROBERTSON ON THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

The Montreal Star publishes an interview had in that city with Mr. George Robertson president of the St. John Board of Trade, and a staunch conservative, in which the latter makes some plain and unvarnished statements regarding the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Robertson gives it as his belief that unless some greater attention is paid to the Eastern provinces of Canada in the future than has been given them in the past, they will secede from the confederation. He claims that the government has heretofore directed their efforts and spent the public money in the direction of building up Ontario, Quebec and the Western parts of the Dominion. They have spent millions in making and improving Railways and canals, in subsidizing ocean and lake steamers, in opening up the land of the west, and in encouraging and attracting trade to the great ports of upper and lower Canada. On the other hand they have not only passively neglected the Maritime Provinces, but have pursued a policy actively opposed to their interest. They have spent all their energies in developing Western Canada, leaving out of sight entirely the magnificent and valuable territory comprised in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. This is especially true of the policy they have heretofore pursued towards the port of St. John, notably regarding the establishment of the winter port. Mr. Robertson very truthfully points out that no harbour in the North Eastern part of America is so well adapted as St. John to become the winter port of Canada, but the policy of the government has been to extend their patronage to a port in the neighbouring republic, whose capabilities and advantages cannot begin to rank with those of St. John. The latter has a landlocked harbour which never freezes in winter, and is secure from the wildest storm that blows. It has an unequalled natural situation, and abundant railway facilities to admit of the rapid and satisfactory transportation of freight. The C. P. R. has lately built a new elevator there, and has provided terminal facilities for an amount of traffic. Mr. Robertson can see no reason why St. John could not be made the winter port, but on the contrary thinks that every argument is in its favour. The people of New Brunswick, he says, have endured the neglect and partiality of the government long enough, and unless a change of policy soon takes place, their discontent cannot be kept within control much longer. These are significant statements, coming from a man of Mr. Robertson's undoubted ability and good judgement, and one who has long been identified with the government whose policy he is now condemning. Surely the powers that be cannot afford to turn a deaf ear to such a warning. Let them make St. John a winter port, subsidize a line of fast steamers between there and European and British ports, give the Maritime Provinces a chance. These provinces are now taxed for the benefit of the western manufacturers, but let the government extend a helping hand to them, and they will soon see a progress which will be a source of national pride and gratification.

THE TOBACCO HABIT.

Regarding the tobacco habit the St. John Gazette has the following very humorous remarks, published under the heading "A pernicious habit."

Tobacco is slaughtering its millions all over the world, and it is a wonder that men and women everywhere do not rise up in their might and crush the demon or perish in the attempt. Sarah Gibson colored, who has been an inveterate smoker since her girlhood, has just died in New York at the age of 106 years—cut off, as one might say in the blossom of youth, by a pernicious appetite, and James Magnar of Fairfax, Virginia, aged

one hundred and eleven, who has chewed and smoked and snuffed and drank whiskey for more than a century is growing asthmatic and feeble, and is not likely to survive the inroads of those dreadful habits upon his constitution many years longer. Forty years ago, when Mr. Magnar was a youth of 71, he exhibited symptoms of failing mental and bodily health, but he was not too weak to have active brushes with the armies on both sides of the conflict; in which his ready tongue and active wits made him remembered by many of the soldiers who chanced in the region of his little Fairfax farm. On one occasion when Gen Van Dorn was driving off all of the cattle of the region, ostensible to prevent their furnishing food for the enemy, a couple of fine steers belonging to Magnar, and one of his neighbors were drifted off with the rest. There was serious danger of conscription for any one venturing into the reach of the soldiery, but Magnar said that he was too feeble to be of any good to the army, and accordingly marched boldly up to the headquarters, where, by his picturesque gift of the tongue he managed to blarney the quartermaster into good humor, and drove back the two missing steers, much to his neighbor's satisfaction. At another time he lost a pair of mules of fond but rather ancient memory through the sweep of a Yankee raiding party, but the next week he recouped his loss through the same source, and docked the tails and roached the manes and otherwise doctored his two prizes till the shrewdest farrier's sergeant would have failed to recognise them and so came out even with the enemy on that deal as we l

York County Court.

The October sitting of the York County court, which was concluded yesterday, was one of the longest and most important held here for some years past. The court opened a week ago last Tuesday, and the balance of last week was taken up with the hearing of the criminal cases against James Haney and Ira and Katherine Frederick, and the bastardy case against Norman Hilderbrand. On Monday the civil suit of Mr. H. Boyce vs. John Lipsett, of Lincoln, was taken up. This was an action commenced by Mr. Boyce for commission. Mr. Boyce is the well known real estate agent of this city, and he sold Mr. Lipsett's farm below town for \$4,300. He claimed that Lipsett agreed to allow him 5% commission, which would amount to \$215, and Lipsett claimed that the agreement was for 2 1/2%, or \$107.50. Boyce sued Lipsett for the \$215. Daniel Jordan, Q. C., for Lipsett. The case occupied the attention of the court all Monday afternoon and part of Tuesday morning. When it was submitted to the jury, who returned a verdict for Boyce for the full amount claimed. Immediately upon the conclusion of Boyce vs. Lipsett, the bastardy case of the Queen at the instance of the Alms-house Commissioner of the city of Fredericton vs. Sherman Scott was resumed. This case originally came up at the June term of the court, but was adjourned till the present sitting. C. W. Beckwith, city clerk, appeared for the alms-house commissioner, and Wesley Vanwart for Scott. The taking of evidence continued Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning, when the jury found for the commissioner. The criminal case of Queen vs. Morgan came up for hearing Wednesday. This was a prosecution commenced by the Crown against Joseph Morgan for assaulting Frank Curran of Moncton, with intent to do grievous bodily harm. The case was to have been heard among the first batch of criminal cases last week, but owing to the absence of Frank Curran, who was the most important witness, the indictment had not been considered by the grand jury, and no bill was found. Curran arrived in the city Monday night from Moncton, where he had been ill since the assault was committed. The grand jury examined him and the other witnesses Tuesday morning, and found a true bill against Morgan.

The trial commenced Wednesday, after Queen vs. Scott, and was concluded Wednesday evening. The evidence of all the witnesses examined only tended to prove Morgan's guilt more clearly, and the petit jury found him guilty. He was remanded till Thursday for sentence, along with James Haney, convicted of highway robbery. Wednesday afternoon another civil suit engaged the attention of the court. This time it was a newspaper man who was in trouble. The title of the case was Wm. G. McFarlane vs. Jas. H. Crockett, W. C. Crockett and John Moore, and it was an action on a limit bond. Wm. G. McFarlane of St. John was a reporter on the Gleaner at the time Jas. H. Crockett, the proprietor failed; and he had sued Crockett for \$27 reporter's wages, for which he recovered judgment and executed execution. As a result Crockett found himself in jail, and had recourse to the provision made by the law for needy debtors, and went upon the limits with W. C. Crockett and John Moore as his bondsmen. But the jail limits extend only three miles in every direction from the jail; so when McFarlane heard that Jimmy Crockett had taken a trip to Quebec for the benefit of his health, and had been seen at Newburgh junction and other points along the line, he very naturally had recourse to the law, and sued his debtor and the bondsmen. The case was heard Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning, J. H. Barry appearing for McFarlane, and Jas. A. Vanwart Q. C. for the defendants. The evidence led to a conflict of opinions on the part of the two lawyers engaged. Mr. Vanwart contended that the correspondence between Jas. H. Crockett and his creditor McFarlane amounted to what is known as accord and satisfaction in law. Barry claimed that it did not, and this point of law has to be argued to a conclusion before the judge; so that for the present the case remains in statu quo.

When it became known around town that James Haney and Joseph Morgan were to be sentenced on Thursday at 2.30 p. m., the court house was very shortly crowded with visitors, all very much interested in the event. The two criminals were very well known around town, and one of them at least,—Mor-

gan—was very well thought of. When asked he was, as everyone saw, civil and well behaved, and the fact that he had committed the assault upon Curran when both were drunk gave rise to considerable sympathy for him. Consequently everyone present was anxious to hear his fate. Judge Steadman appeared visibly effected when pronouncing the sentence. He spoke in the kindest and most feeling manner to the prisoners, reminding them of the sorrow they had brought upon their families by their conduct, and sentenced Haney to three and Morgan to two years in the penitentiary. The prisoners were taken back to jail, and will probably be taken to Dorchester on Monday.

A TERRIFIC STORM.

The Louisiana Coast Strawn With Victims.

Fully 2000 lives were lost on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico by the storm on the first of October, and the financial loss is millions of dollars. A Louisiana subscriber sends detailed accounts of its ravages.

The situation is appalling but New Orleans is doing all it can to relieve the thousands in want. Dr. Storey coroner of Plaquemine parish, has made the following report: A good many carloads of provisions and clothing have been sent, but not near enough. Men women and children are without food and clothing. They have become so desperate that they have threatened to attack the stores and steal food. It is a frequent thing to see little sufferers crying and begging piteously for something to eat. Single graves for the dead were impossible. Great trenches were dug and bodies piled in one on the other. The number of lives lost will never be known. The territory covered was a distance of two hundred miles. Newly made graves are everywhere. Hundreds of oysterboats and luggers were lost with most of their crews and the few survivors tell terrible stories of suffering.

Captain Julian Lefort, the leading spirit of the survivors of Cheniere, places the number saved at 300. The population of the island and bayous immediately connected with it was slightly more than 1,500. He says the island will be abandoned.

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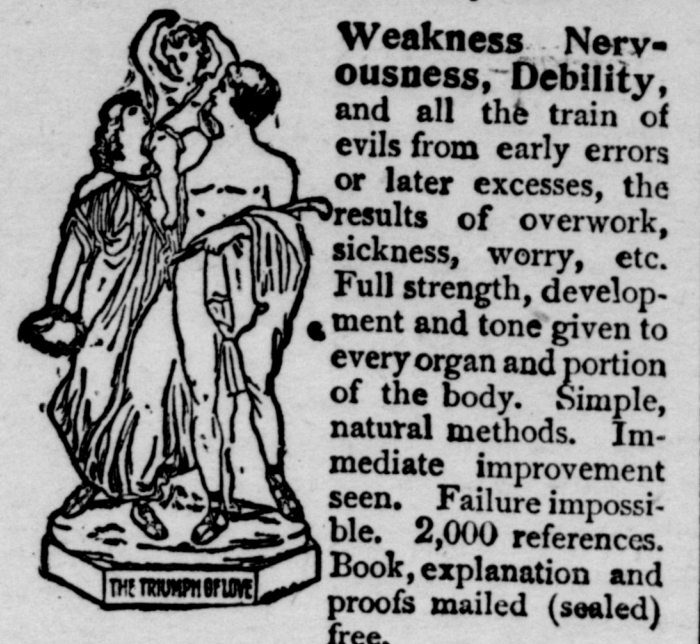
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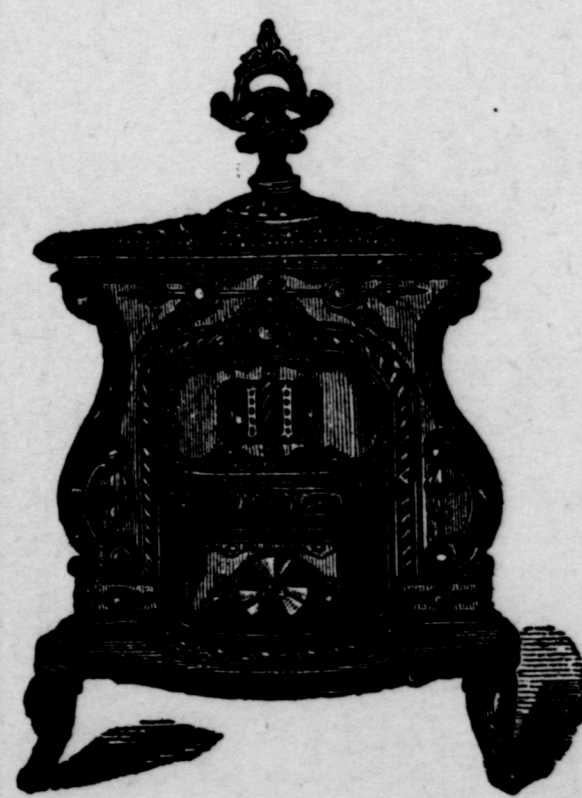
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