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Contracts Awarded for the Construction of Valley **Bailway**

the contracts for the construction of the four sections of the St. John Valley Railway were awarded last evening and crews of men will be actively engaged ton the construction of the line by the middle of next week.

The contracts include for the construction of the line from Rothesay to Centreville. Messrs. James H. Corbett & Sonshave secured the construction of the sections from this city to Gagetown and from Gagetown to Rothesay. The distance is sixty-six miles.

The contract for the building of the railway from this city to Woodstock, a distance of sixty-two and one-half miles, was awarded to the Quebec Construction Company, and the contract for the line from Woodstock to Centreville, a distance of about twenty-five miles, has been awarded to Messrs. Kennedy & MacDonald.

Mr. Ross Thompson, chief engineer of the railway, stated this morning that the work on the railway from this city to Centreville will be started mext week.

Messrs Kennedy & MacDonald will make Woodstock their headquarters for the present, and the Quebec Construction Company will have their headquarters in this city.

The contracts awarded these two companies for the construction of the Valley Railway from this city to Centreville calls for the completion of the line between these two points by September 1st., 1913.

The contract for building the line from this city to Gagetown calls for the completion of the line by the 1st., of September, 1913, and the line from Gagetown to Rothesay is to be completed by October 1st., 1914. The location survey between this city and Woodstock has been finished and the plans of location will be fyled within a week. Rapid work is now being made on the location north from Woodstock to Centreville, and the work will be completed in about two weeks. The line between this city and Gagetown has been located for a distance of twenty-five miles south of here, and the work is now delayed on account of the flooded condition of the country at that point. As yet there has been nothing definite announced as to when and where the first sod of the Valley Railway will be officially turned, but it is thought that this important event will take place about the middle of this week Definite announcement as to the date and the place will be made later.



trance of which is a notice requesting visitors not to call on the patients unless they can refrain, while in the wards, from all gloominess of word and demeanor. The reason for this is plain. People with long-drawn faces and who are given to nothing so much as talking of the dark side of life are positively injurious to the sick. Hospital authorities are beginning to recognize this, but is it not a fact that the vender of sicktalk is injurious to the well also? Listen to the conversation of the average afternoon caller and note how much disease and malady their is in it. The visitor has, perhaps, some ill of her own to be described in minute detail, and after this will come disquisition on the diseases of a dozen or more others, until it would seem that the complaints and

ailments of humanity were aloue worthy of thought. The dinner table-which should be so pleasant a place-is also seized upon by these lovers of sickly intercourse, and whether one will or not he must often listen to their morbid conversation, until the very viands seem to have the odor of a hospital ward. In time some person of originality and courage may place a neat little sign on his front door which will read something like this: "Please do not talk of gloomy things in here: there are so many cheerful things to talk about." Such a person would be reganded as eccentric, but all benefactors of the race have been so thought of.



I thought a few lines from this part of the Country might be of interest. It has been a very cold wet spring out here, the frost is not all out of the ground which hinders building to a great extent the farmers are busy putting in their crops, the ground is very wet and cold Winnipeg is a growing city the amount

of building permits taken out for the month of April was over twelve million dollars, this is a very good city for a good Carpenter or mason as wages are from 45 to 50cts., per. hour but as for a man coming here to settle down to spend his life I would not endorse the

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women decided against this course and the officer took their advice. Under the existing weather conditions their boat would have held five or six more per-

Thomas Dillon, of the engineer's staff, gave rather surprising evidence of the working of the watertight bulkheads. He said that after the watertight com partments had been closed from the bridge the chief engineer ordered his men to go through four boiler rooms in order to reach the pumps in boiler room No 5. To carry out this order the men were obliged to open the doors of four watertight bulkheads and having done

Replying to a question from Lord Mersey, the president of the commission, witness said that the men did not go into boiler room No 5 because there was too much water there. In fact the water was leaking through into boiler room No 4.

At this point the attorney for the White Star Line, Sir Robert Findlay, explained that the doors mentioned by the witness could not be opened without being released from the bridge.

Dillon went down with the ship. After the last boat had left he went to the poop deck where there were many men but no women. When the Titanic foundered, the witness said, he was sucked down about two fashions and was later picked up in an unconscious condition. He remembered having swam about for some twenty minutes before being rescued and saw, he said, at least 100 other men swimming or floating on the surface buoyed up by life preservers. He saw no women in the water.

which were deprived of their bread winners.

Fifteen bodies brought from Halifax have been buried and in all about 350 applications have been taken under investigation.

Every mail brings applications, while from foreign consulates, come still more, indicating calls upon the fund not only from this country, but from Syria, Sweden, Austria, Germany, France and the United Kingdom.

Only two bogus claims have thus far been discovered and both of these were made by persons of unsound mind.

UNION CORNER

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Green received a dispatch some two or three weeks ago from Vancouver B. C. that their only son Gordon, who went out there nearly a year ago, was stricken with paralysis. His only sister Inez went out there at once. The dispatches and letters received since are not very encouraging. He is in the hospital cannot move his left arm and leg, has not at last report moved his head on the pillow himself. Mrs. M. Carpenter has arrived home from the Woodstock hospital and is im-

proving nicely. Burns Yerxa who had a long siege



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It was pointed out that the Council had nothing to do with the matter, which was a question to be decided by Building Inspector Green in conformity with the town by-laws.

Several councillors pointed out the danger to life and limb in allowing the old stable back of the Graham building to remain as at present.

The town solicitor, Mr. Hartley, said that if the building inspector decided that there was danger to the public by the roof falling in and forcing the sides on the street he could force the proprietor to remove it and if the latter did not within a reasonable time the inspector had power to tear it down and charge the cost to the proprietor; if the charge was made that the building was strong enough but owing to the want of a tenant there was danger to neighboring buildings by fire, the inspector could do nothing; if the claim was made that the building was a menace to public health, the building inspector could not act. but the board of health must step in and if the claim was proven, then it was the duty of the board of health to order the building torn down and charge the cost of same to the proprietor.

The solicitor also informed the Council that he had heard nothing further from the Railway Commission in the matter of the complaint that the elec-

sons, Johnson testified.

so they left the doors open.



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preparation on any Consideration. Any man that has a good home in New Brunswick is making the greatest mistake of his life to leave it and come to the west. There is many a disadvantage to contend with that the most of people dont think of.

TITANIC ENQUIRY IN GREAT BRITAIN (Continued from first page)

shut, could not again be opened except by being released from the bridge. The conduct of J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the International Mercantile Marine, after the casualty was mentioned for the first time during the British investigation and was described by James Johnson, a steward, as having been exemplary.

Johnson, who left the ship in No. 2 emergency boat, a small dingy, was asked why there were not more women in the boat. He replied that they would not get into it. Mr. Ismay, the witness said, tried to induce the women to enter the dingy, but they refused, whereupon he escorted them to larger boats. 'He did everything an Englishman could do," Johnson added. The witness said that the stewards also tried to get the women to abandon the ship and take to the boats, but they were disinclined to do so. Stores for the lifeboats were brought up from below, but nobody took the trouble to put them into the boats. Johnson was closely examined on the point of why his boat had not returned to the scene of the disaster when its occupants heard cries for help. He replied that the officer in charge had asked the women if they should return, but the

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or nerve trouble begin to cure yourself to-day with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Yon can get these pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.



New York, May 9-A preliminary report of the work done thus far in administering Mayor Gaynor's Titanic relief Planters fund, shows that the Red Cross committee has distributed \$18,500 to survivors W. B. HOWARD, D. P. A., C. P. R., and has set aside \$35,000 more as a fund ST. JOHN, N. R. for the temporary support of families

with Typhoid fever is improving slowly. Mrs. Greely Hillman and son Arnold have returned from a visit at her old home in Northampton. Her mether Mrs. Marston has been, and is very sick yet.

Mrs. E. Le Roy Dakin with her three children Barton, Elinor and Russell from Chicago came last week to make a visit at her parents Mr. and Mrs. J R. Barton.

Mrs. A. J. Varney who had her collarbone broken is able to be around again.

Town Council

Town Council met at 8 p. m., on Friday evening. Present, Couns Balmain, Gallagher, Gibson, Dibblee and Mair.

In the absence of the mayor, Coun Dibblee presided.

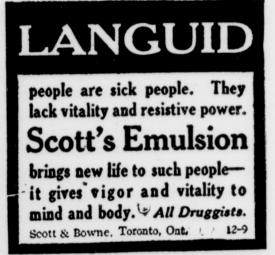
All the bills read and salaries falling die were ordered paid.

Coun Gallagher stated that Engineer Feeney of Fredericton would give final report on the question of permanent streets in a few days, when the tarvia work would be commenced about the latter part of May.

Moved by Couns Mair and Balmain and passed that the clerk be requested to write to the committee at Ottawa arranging for the Cartier celebration to to the celebration and would donate \$25 to the erection of a monument for the late George Etienne Cartier.

Coun Gallagher on request of Miss Stephenson brought up the question of repairs to the Stephenson building recently destroyed by fire.

tric bells at the C. P. R. railway crossing, at King street, were annoying to the citizens. He would at once write again to the railway commission. The charge is made that the bells need lookover. They will ring sometimes for half an hour, keeping teams from crossing the bridge, when there was no train in sight. At other times while the yard engine remained on the siding the bell rings for long spaces of time. The bells at that crossing should be repaired or abolished and a watchman placed at the crossing.



When President Theodore N. Vail, of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, announced that he intended to spend \$250,000 in advertising, some of his directors objected and said, "Why, everybody knows about the telephone." To which Mr. Vail replied: "Everybody knows about it, yes; but everybody doesn't think about it." He spent the \$250,000, and the company's gross business increased \$750,000 that year.

