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CURLING CLUB meeting tomorrow, Friday, evening. No sign of the Chatham ferry steamer yet. Wake up, Messrs. directors!

NEWCASTLE FERRY steamer is to start today. Mr. Russell is ahead this time. MUD, MUD! Plenty of mud on the street crossings! Can't the worst of them be scraped off?

THE DEATH OF MR. WM. PORTER, for about 20 years keeper of the Marine Hospital, Douglastown, took place last Saturday. He was a good officer and much esteemed in the community.

IT IS THERE—Mr. Ekin is making rapid progress with his new building on Water Street and is to be congratulated on the removal of the old and unsightly structures which it is to replace.

THE MARINE HOSPITAL at Douglastown is without anyone in charge who can make it ready for the season's work. These conditions should be changed as soon as possible.

AFTER PROGRESS—A Quebec dispatch says that the department of mines, lands and fisheries of that Province is pressing charges against poachers from New Brunswick who have been killing moose and red deer on the Quebec side.

NEW GROCERY—The Robinson grocery, opposite Oldfield's Hall—a few doors west of the Advance office, on Duke Street—is one of the best stocked and neatest in town. As everything in it is new and the clerks prompt and obliging, it ought to be well patronized. Read its advertisement.

ADAMSON'S BOTANIC BALM has gained a reputation which places it in the front ranks of curative agents. It has been in the market about thirty years. It is recommended by the best physicians because it cures coughs and colds every time. 25c. at Druggists.

ST. JOHN RECEPTION—The Telegraph says that Lord, Governor and Mrs. Snowball will hold a large reception in St. John's in the near future, the object being to give citizens an opportunity of meeting the new governor. The assembly is one of the York Theatre will, it is said, be the scene of the function.

MORE ACCOMMODATION—Mr. Hildebrand is putting up a new two-story building on Cunard Street in place of the old and unsightly one-story structure which adjoined his office building. The new structure is 45 x 30 feet and its front finish will be carried over the office building so as to make the whole uniform in appearance.

THE FUNERAL OF Mrs. William Woods, which was very largely attended, took place last Sunday afternoon. The services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. Mr. Pinkerton, assistant minister of St. Luke's church, Chatham, of which deceased was a valued member. She leaves a husband and eight children—the youngest only five months old.

MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS—Now is the time to place your orders for cemetery work and avoid the spring rush. We have now on hand and coming one of the largest stocks of marble and granite monuments, headstones and tablets ever shown on the north shore, all from the latest designs and worked from the best material the market can produce. Call and get our prices. They are right.

MR. FRED M. SPROUL'S ELECTION FRIEND—The libel suit brought by Attorney General Pugsley against Samuel T. Miller, of Bathurst, was to have been heard at Hampton on Saturday last, but was adjourned until Monday. Magistrate Morrison, who was to hear the case, has received a letter from a brother of Miller's, at Bathurst, containing a medical certificate setting out that the defendant in the case is of unsound mind. It is understood that in view of this the attorney general has decided not to press the matter further.

EASTER SERVICES IN ST. PAUL'S AND S. MARY'S—The usual Good Friday and Easter Services were held in S. Mary's and St. Paul's churches. The churches were handsomely decorated for the Easter festival, the music was heartily sung, and the Rector delivered appropriate sermons. The very bad weather and roads hindered many from attending St. Paul's, at which there is usually a large attendance at the Easter Communion. There were good congregations at S. Mary's and the offerings at all services amounted to \$110.12, viz.: \$15.43 on Good Friday for Bishop Blyth's work among the Jews in Jerusalem and the East, on Easter Day, \$23.30 for sick and needy, \$59.55 for the Parochial Fund, and \$11.94 Children's Offerings for Diocesan Missions.

PERFECT CURE FOR BRONCHITIS—This disease can be treated only by a remedy carried to the affected parts along with the air breathed, for nature intended these organs for the passage of air alone, and sprays, atomizers and internal medicines utterly fail. Bat Catharhose doesn't fail, for it goes wherever the air breathed goes, and its healing antiseptic vapor is sure to reach every affected part. Catharhose is inhaled at the mouth and after passing through every air cell of the breathing organs is slowly exhaled through the nostrils. Catharhose protects and heals the inflamed surfaces, relieves congestion, allows inflammation, and perfectly cures all bronchial affections. Price \$1. Small size 25c. Druggists or Pulson & Co., Kingston, Ont. Sold by C. P. Hickey.

Major Snowball is home again from Great Britain and is warmly welcomed by citizens generally. Hon. Sam. Adam, formerly of Douglastown, Miramichi, and now head of the Adams Company, whose departmental stores are on Sixth Avenue, New York, is one of the

great institutions of that city, has been elected second vice president of the New York Canadian Society.

Among the passengers on last Thursday's Canada Eastern train from Fredericton were Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Hon. J. P. Burchill and Messrs. John O'Brien and C. E. Fish, all of the legislature, who were coming home for the Easter holidays. Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Snowball came to Chatham on Friday to spend the Easter holidays at their Chatham home.

Is It True? MR. EDITOR: Is it true that the Royal Trust Company, of Montreal, from whom the first town assessment of the Maritime Company's mill is due this year, are very desirous of having their Receiver elected Mayor of Chatham. If not, why has Mr. Winslow so suddenly determined to run for the office? CURIOS.

Governor's Ball. A Fredericton despatch says: "Some seven hundred invitations have been issued for the ball to be given at the legislative building on Thursday evening, April 10th. Those invited include only those who have called upon His Honor and Mrs. Snowball upon their reception days. "Dancing will take place in the assembly chamber and main hall. A waxed linen cover will be laid over the carpet in the assembly chamber. The galleries will be thrown open for sitting out, and the orchestra will be stationed in the gallery. The library will be used as a supper room."

A Bad Tongue. indicates a bad stomach, and is usually accompanied by Headache, Indigestion, Sour Stomach, Constipation and sometimes dull pain in the region of the Kidneys. A ready remedy will be found in Wheeler's Botanic Bitters. At all dealers, only 25 cents.

Death of Enoch Platt. Enoch Platt, Esq., one of the oldest, best known and most esteemed residents of Miramichi died at his home, Nelson, at an early hour on Tuesday morning, after a long illness. He was 78 years old and leaves three sons and three daughters. The former are Marshall, of Vancouver, B. C.; John A., of Campbellton and Ernest, of Nelson, and the latter: Mrs. J. H. Phinney, of Newcastle; Mrs. John Betts, Millerton and Mrs. R. C. Boyes, Blackville. The funeral will take place from his late residence this Thursday afternoon at half past two o'clock, "Miramichi" time, and the interment will be in the Nelson Presbyterian churchyard. Those who know Mr. Platt best will long bear him in kindly remembrance.

New Wheeled Vehicles. Spring activity in business is not, by any means, confined to the river-side, for every body seems to be on the qui vive for the earliest worms of the season. Mr. Hildebrand, who deals in almost everything in the way of farm machinery and road vehicles showed our reporter four very nice custom-made carriages turned out by him. One is a very neat two-wheel new platform spring cart for E. Hutchinson, Esq., Douglastown. The body is just made to suit him to do his driving on bad roads. Then, there is a Riverside backboard to be used as a business rig by our enterprising builder and contractor, John McDonald; also a very nice gentleman's driver, with rubber tires, for Joe. Tweedie, and a stylish turnout named the York, which is something new in rubber tires, for F. M. Tweedie. George seems to know just about what is needed when he talks over matters with any customer who wants a driving rig.

Cramps are Like Burglars. they come unexpected, and when they are least welcome. Be armed with one minute cure for cramps and keep Poison's Nerviline handy; it acts instantaneously. Nerviline's anodyne is unique, for its composition expresses the highest medical progress of the age. Poison's Nerviline is a true comfort in the family for in all dangers of the stomach and bowels it is an absolute specific. Nerviline has five times greater medicinal value than any other remedy and is sold in large 25 cent bottles. Try it. Sold by C. P. Hickey.

News and Notes. A despatch to the Gleaner from Montreal states that Captain Bernier announces that he has received a telegram from Premier Tweedie announcing that the New Brunswick government has decided to assist his North Pole expedition; and that an order in council to that effect has been passed. Capt. Bernier must be mistaken, Premier Tweedie announced in the legislature two or three days ago, in reply to an inquiry by Mr. Robertson, that it was not the intention of the government to ask the legislature to vote a grant to Capt. Bernier's project; as the government considered it was a matter for the Federal Parliament and not for the local legislature.—Gleaner.

The Dead and Dumb Institution at Fredericton has issued its nineteenth annual report. It shows a list of the officers and directors of the Institution. Mr. Woodbridge, the Principal, and Mrs. Woodbridge, matron, are ably assisted by three competent young men, and Miss Irene Woodbridge, teacher of Articulation. The Principal's report, covering several pages, shows the progress of the work for the past year, names of attendants, their native place and age, and a list of contributors with the amounts. The list includes contributions from nearly every town in the Province, also from many in Quebec province, and in Ontario and Nova Scotia. A balance sheet shows the finances to be in a healthy condition.

A Glass Ball. Easter Sunday's bull fight at Juaritz, Mexico, was accompanied by a somewhat unusual feature, the godded animal turning the tables on the matador. Several bulls had been brought into the arena, but the amusement they furnished was rather tame from a Mexican standpoint. There were many Americans among the spectators, who were somewhat disgusted with the brutal show, as horses after horse was poked and tormented bulls, while the picadors and matadors seeped seatless.

This was all changed, however, when Jaringo, the premier matador, was preparing to thrust his long double-edged sword into the heart of the fifth bull, which had faced down. It stood in the center of the arena, bleeding from many wounds. Suddenly the bull made a quick lunge forward. So unexpected was the attack that the fighter was unable to make the customary side-step. He was caught on the bull's horns in the middle of the body and tossed about like a toy balloon. Before he could be rescued Jaringo's clothing was literally stripped from his body and his right leg and hip were severely lacerated. It probably will prove his last bull fight, as it is not thought that he will be able to step into the arena again as a matador.

As the bull tossed the man high in the air receiving his body on its horns, only to again toss it up, the Americans among the spectators cheered the animal loudly, which

colled forth a storm of hisses from the Mexicans present, and for a time it looked as though there would be a collision between the two races.

South Africa. PRETORIA, March 30.—The efforts of acting President Schalk-Burger to open negotiations with Mr. Steyn, the former president of the Orange Free State, have thus far been unsuccessful. De Wet and Steyn have crossed the main line of the railroad, going west. They were escorted by Vaniekerk and Van Der Merwe, and have been traced to Terro (about thirty miles northwest of Heilbron) Orange River Colony, by Col. Garrett. LONDON, March 29.—A casualty list published this afternoon records a hitherto unreported fight in the Rheoswater valley, near Sutherland, Cape Colony, March 24, when the British expedition were severely handled. They lost eight men killed and ten men wounded and twenty-nine were captured. The latter have since been released.

LONDON, March 31.—Nothing definite has transpired concerning the peace negotiations in South Africa. Messrs. Wessels and Wolmarans, the Boer delegates who were recently in the United States, have been interviewed since they returned to France, and they expressed their hope that a satisfactory compromise would follow Mr. Schalk-Burger's mission. Mr. Wessels is credited with saying that Mr. Kruger would approve any terms of peace arrived at in South Africa.

The Hague correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says in a despatch that he believes Dr. Kayper, the Dutch premier, who started last Thursday on a visit to Belgium and Germany, goes to those countries in the interests of peace.

Pretoria, Monday, March 31.—President Steyn and General Delarey have been located, and a meeting between them and acting President Schalk-Burger is expected to be arranged without further delay. It is reported that Gen. Botha will also attend the conference. Commandant Mears has sent word that his command will abide by the decision of the Boer government. Commandant De Villiers, who has been operating in the Kimberley district has sent in a flag of truce, asking for terms.

The Care of The Feet is important. The annoyance of Chubbins, Tender Feet, Corns, Bunions, growing Nails, etc., may be quickly relieved and cured by bathing well with warm water, dry well and apply thoroughly Kendrick's White Liniment. Try it and see.

Easter Meetings. At the Easter meetings of St. Paul's church on Monday, the affairs of the congregations and corporation were shown to be in a very satisfactory condition. The congregation consisted of the following: Wardens: George Burchill and M. S. Hocken. Vestrymen: J. P. Burchill, F. E. Neale, D. G. Smith, Wm. Cherry, F. E. Danville, Jas. McLaughlin, Hon. Judge Wilkinson, P. P. Seale, A. S. Ullock, Dr. J. B. Benson, Chas. Sargent, V. A. Danville. The vestry elected D. G. Smith, Clerk, V. A. Danville, Treasurer, and Messrs. F. E. Neale and A. S. Ullock, Auditors.

At a parishioners' meeting held for the election of lay representatives to the Diocesan Synod, Messrs. Geo. Burchill and Hon. Judge Wilkinson were chosen, with Hon. John P. Burchill and Mr. F. E. Danville, substitutes.

The appointment of Miss Gillespie as organist for one year was confirmed by the vestry. The following resolution was unanimously passed: Resolved: That we, the members of the Corporation of St. Paul's church, Chatham, N. B., desire to express our deep regret that F. E. Winslow, Esq., for many years a member of this vestry and a churchwarden, having resigned his removal from Chatham, ceased to be a member of this Corporation. Bearing in mind Mr. Winslow's long association with us in the Diocesan Synod and the Church, his personal interest in all connected with her work, whether in St. Paul's parish, in the Diocese of Fredericton, or in the wider Domestic and Foreign Missions, his constant and exemplary attendance at public worship, and his unstinted liberality in contributing to the maintenance of the property of our parish, we feel that as the representatives of the parishioners now assembled at our annual Easter-Monday meeting, we should place on record our sense of the great loss we and the church in our parish have sustained by the removal of Mr. Winslow from our midst.

We desire also to say that we cherish the hope that Mr. Winslow's family may, in the near future, return to Chatham and there reside, where, during so many years, he has been so closely identified with the work of the Church and where he has so much contributed to its success.

Furthermore, we desire to convey to our late faithful and honored churchwarden and his household our united and hearty remembrance at the Easter Season and to wish them all happiness and prosperity wherever in the future their lot may be cast. Resolved: That a copy of this report be sent on behalf of the Corporation by the Rector and Vestry Clerk, be handsomely bound and forwarded to Mr. Winslow at the earliest possible date.

57-52 The Critical Age. Height of vigor past—nature's power slowing down, vitality less, recuperative power less, endurance less. Stop the progress of decay, tone up the weakened organs, impart vigor to the ailing brain, prepare for the crisis. A means of remarkable potency in the removal of decreasing vigor is found in Ferronine. It brightens up the whole being, imparts a sense of power and strength. By the use of Ferronine, old age is pushed back twenty years. Ferronine gives strength, vigor, endurance, vim. Your druggist has it. Get it today at C. P. Hickey's.

A Sample of Fredericton Financing. (Fredericton Gleaner.) In the hearing of the case of the Wesley VanWart estate now before Referees Coy, an instance was brought to light the other day, not perhaps singular, but one which demonstrates just how costly carelessness or too much coincidence in another man may prove to be. A hard-working man in town borrowed \$25 from Mr. VanWart, who, as a lawyer, he supposed, would have plenty of money to loan. A day or two before this note became due he called upon Mr. VanWart, asking the privilege to renew, and gave another note for \$25 and interest. Mr. VanWart said the note was in the bank and on maturity he himself would attend to the matter by taking the old note out and replacing it with the new. He did so, but failed to return the old note to the man. Some time later Mr. VanWart was financing for himself and among other things he put up as collateral with the person through whom he was doing his financing the old note for \$25 which had been retired by substituting the new one. The drawer of the note managed by hard work and saving to get the \$25 together some days before the second call upon Mr. VanWart. He then called upon Mr. VanWart to retire it, but Mr. VanWart said the note was not then due, and in any event it was

in the bank. The drawer thereupon left the \$25 with Mr. VanWart, who said he would attend to the matter when the paper was due. Mr. VanWart died before the date of maturity. The estate had the man's \$25, and when the note was due at the bank the man was required himself to retire it by paying in another \$25; and a short time afterwards the person who held the original, or the first \$25 note, and which Mr. VanWart put up as collateral, forced the man to pay it by putting up another \$25. Therefore, before this poor man got out of the scrape, which began with his borrowing \$25, he was obliged to pay \$50 more than he borrowed, with interest.

Open Navigation and Spring Business on the Miramichi. The open water records made on the Miramichi in the last few months, appear to strengthen the impression that climatic change is taking place on the North Shore, and, of course, over a large area of the surrounding country, although those of the last and previous decades hardly justify that view. The winter season just closed, however, is an exceptional one, and the opening of navigation this year breaks the record, having taken place on 27th March, five days earlier than ever before—since 1830, at least.

Another record was made in regard to the closing of navigation, which was on 18th Dec. last, so that from open water to open water only three months and nine days elapsed—an entirely unprecedented record. We were, last fall, indebted to Col. Call of Newcastle, who has kept these and other valuable local records for many years, for information on the subject, and as he makes a specialty of being about the last man to navigate the river in the fall and the first in the spring, our reporter applied to him for the notes of last fall and this spring. They show that on 17th December last, he left Newcastle in a boat rowed by James Ryan and Thomas Copp, and came to Chatham, returning to Newcastle the same day.

On 27th March this year Col. Call came from Newcastle to Chatham in a four-oared boat rowed by John Ryan, Wm. Ryan, Jas. Bernard and Charles McBride, calling on the way down for Ernest Hutchison, Esq. They made the distance, deducting the time spent in getting Mr. Hutchison, in 48 minutes.

Mr. Hutchison was, evidently, endeavoring to steal a march on his friend, the colonel, for as the latter came along Mr. Hutchison was having a row-boat made ready for a trip to Chatham. As it was, his own boat followed him and he went back home in it. Col. Call starting on the return trip first, and reached Newcastle after losing some time in dodging the tide.

The steamer, Nelson, made her best record this season. She made her last trip on 3rd December and was again steaming about the river on 27th March. She made her first trip of this season to Newcastle and return on Saturday last, 29th March and has since been running regularly. Premier Tweedie, R. A. Lewis, F. M. Tweedie, D. G. Smith, F. E. Neale, J. L. Stewart, Neville Whitney and others were among the passengers on the trip.

The first steamer on the river this season was the Snowball Company's St. Andrew, which went into regular service on 27th March—Thursday last. This is weeks ahead of any previous record.

The Hutchison mill, Douglastown, started sawing on Tuesday. This is also a record mill-opening.

Coughs that Irritate and inflame the throat, loss of voice, Bronchial and Asthmatic Coughs, promptly relieved with The Bird Company's Wine of Tar, Honey and Wild Cherry. This Preparation is highly recommended for Public Speakers and Singers. "It clears the throat."

The Late G. A. Lounsbury. The funeral of the late G. A. Lounsbury, whose lamented death at his home in Newcastle on Saturday morning, 23rd ult., was referred to in last week's ADVANCE, took place on Tuesday last. Amongst the floral tributes were:

Wreath, from wife of deceased. Pillow, from son and daughter. Wreath, from office staff. Wreath, Messrs. Hildebrand, Taylor and Shirley, business associates of deceased for 11 years. Wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan.

There was a service at the home soon after 6 o'clock a.m., which was conducted by Rev. Mr. Brown, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Harrison, Aitken and Pickles. The remains were preceded to the Intercolonial Railway station by the Orange band, Northumberland Masonic Lodge, the Foresters, Mayor Morrison and Alderman of Newcastle, and followed by a large procession of citizens.

They were accompanied on the railway by Mr. Lounsbury and son and daughter, Major Malby, Master of Northumberland Lodge, who had charge of the funeral arrangements, Stanley W. Miller, senior warden, Messrs. John Fleming, Samuel Matheson, Geo. Hildebrand, Chester Hayward, Mr. H. E. Warman, of Moncton, Joseph Burke, Moncton, Samuel Shirley, of Bathurst, and Howard J. Taylor, of Campbellton.

A transfer was made at Chatham Junction and the funeral party proceeded to Fredericton by the Canada Eastern Railway. At Fredericton station they were met by Premier Tweedie and Messrs. Burchill, Fish and O'Brien, the representatives of Northumberland in the legislature and a large number of other friends. The remains were conveyed from the station to the home of Mr. John T. Clarke, former partner, and brother-in-law of deceased.

The funeral in Fredericton took place at four o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, under the auspices of Northumberland Lodge F. & A. M., of Newcastle, whose representatives were joined by Hiram Lodge, of Fredericton. Rev. Wm. Robinson, formerly of Newcastle, and Rev. J. H. McDonald officiated at the church services at the house and at the grave in the Rural Cemetery. The beautiful and solemn Masonic burial service was read at the grave by Major Malby, Master of Northumberland Lodge, and past master, Hon. J. P. Burchill, assisted by Grand director of ceremonies, Ora P. King, M. P., the other brethren present taking the accustomed parts.

Messrs. Geo. Hildebrand, Samuel Matheson, H. H. Warman, Joseph Burke, Samuel Shirley, and Howard Taylor—all business associates of Mr. Lounsbury—who had walked behind the mourners, performed the last duty of lowering the body to its resting place, and all remained in reverent silence until the interment was completed and the mound over the grave made.

Mr. Lounsbury, wife and daughter, to whom the sincere, heartfelt sympathy of the community goes out, returned to Newcastle on Thursday evening.

Mr. Lounsbury will be much missed on the Miramichi. He was one of our most active business men and took a prominent part in all matters for the promotion of

public interests and the development of the country. He was generous in his contributions to the needy and helped our public institutions with his purse. Only a few weeks before his death, he sent to the Hotel Dieu Hospital, a gift of \$100 through Mr. Geo. Hildebrand. He made his gifts freely and had only to learn where aid was needed as an inducement to give it, and amongst those who sincerely mourn for him are many who loved to live him for the good he did in his quiet and unostentatious way.

Meeting of Miramichi Presbytery. The quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of Miramichi was held in St. Andrew's Church, Campbellton, on March 25th. There were present Messrs. J. F. McCurdy, Moderator, J. D. Murray, A. F. Carr, J. M. Sutherland, J. M. McLeod, D. Henderson, J. M. McLean, James Wheeler, A. M. McLeod, G. M. Ross and George Fisher, ministers, and John Mair and R. N. Weeks, elders.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to consider the remit of Assembly in reference to Term Service of Ruling Elders, reported, recommending its disapproval, which recommendation was adopted as the judgment of the Presbytery. Rev. W. Aitken, after an able and faithful pastorate of more than twenty years, submitted his resignation of the congregation of St. James' Church, Newcastle. Arrangements were made to urge the congregation to appear for their interests at a meeting of the Presbytery to be held at Newcastle, on Thursday, April 10th, at 7 p.m.

Rev. G. N. Mulligan tendered his resignation of the ordained missionary charge of Metepedia. This resignation was accepted, and Mr. Carr was appointed interim moderator of the session.

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the Presbytery to visit Ecumenic and Kempt Road, reported, and recommended that Kempt Road section be dejoined from Campbellton congregation and united with Ecumenic. It was agreed that the recommendation of the committee be carried out, the time when the proposed change will come into effect to be determined at the next quarterly meeting.

The following grants for the augmented charges of the Presbytery were applied for: Red Bank, \$100; New Carlisle, \$100; Tabernacle, 175; Loggieville, 50; Ecumenic, 250; Harcourt, 300.

The following arrangements were made for the supply of the ordained missionary charges for the next year: Mr. H. M. Clark reappointed to Upper Miramichi, and application made for a grant of \$225 for that field; Mr. A. M. McLeod reappointed to Millerton, and application made for a grant of \$200; Mr. R. G. Vans appointed to New Baden, and application made for a grant of \$300; Mr. D. H. McKinnon appointed to Flatlands and Metepedia, and application made for a grant of \$200.

Arrangements were made for the ordination of Mr. McKinnon at Flatlands, on May 27th, at 2 p.m. Application was also made for three catechists for the supply of Home Mission stations for the summer.

A committee, with Mr. Carr as convener, was appointed to visit Flatlands and Metepedia at an early date.

Mr. R. N. Weeks, on behalf of the session and managers of the ordained missionary charge of Millerton, submitted a request to be advanced to the status of an augmented congregation. The consideration of this request was deferred to the meeting at Newcastle on April 10th.

The following were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly: Messrs. D. Mackintosh, G. M. Ross, D. Henderson, Donald Fraser and J. F. McCurdy, ministers, and R. N. Weeks, John Mair, T. G. Scott and John McNichol, elders. Rev. Dr. Pihlblad, Winnipeg, was nominated as moderator of the assembly.

The report of the committee on S. Schools was submitted by Mr. McCurdy, convener. The report of the committee on Church Life and Work prepared by the convener, Mr. D. Fraser, was read by Mr. A. M. McLeod.

The report of the committee on Y. P. societies, prepared by Mr. Lewis, convener, was read by Mr. McLean.

The report of the committee on statistics was submitted by the clerk.

These reports were severally considered, approved and ordered to be transmitted. The next quarterly meeting will be held in St. Andrew's Hall, Chatham, on the last Tuesday in June.

GEORGE FISHER, Clerk.

The Ungallant Zola. A Paris despatch of 24th ult. says:—Emile Zola's debut as a lecturer is the sensation of the hour in Paris.

He was invited to deliver a series of three lectures before an exceedingly aristocratic women's literary and political club. At the very beginning he told his "smart," rustling hearers that they knew nothing about literature or politics, but were simply possessed of that surface knowledge which society women find useful in daily chat to create an impression of intellectual culture. Then he proceeded to demonstrate that a real understanding of literature or politics required hard work, of which such an audience as he saw before him manifestly were incapable.

"You pretend to be interested in these questions," M. Zola said, "but really are not."

"Your days are solely devoted to foolish amusement and useless notions, interminable toilet-making, sponges with dressmakers, luncheons, dinners, pink teas, so called literary lectures, receptions, balls and theatres. You spend your time in gossip which is stupid when it is not wicked."

"You shrink motherhood, and when you have children they are mostly entrusted to mercenary hands."

"You grovel with astonishing alacrity to gain admittance into social circles above your own, and cannot conceal your genuine contempt for people supposedly below your rank."

"You reduce your reluctant duty of charity to paltry offerings for a few famous institutions."

"This is the sort of life a society woman leads. What right have you to meddle in philosophy, literature and politics?"

"It is a mere accident of birth that you are not factory girls or dry goods saleswomen. And were you such, can you feel certain that you would have the courage to prefer honest, laborious misery to blame-worthy ease?"

The audience was stupefied. Several of the members moved today that the invitation be withdrawn from the two remaining lectures, but the majority refused to do so, arguing that such a sincere man as M. Zola should be allowed freedom of speech, however startling and severe his words might be.

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DIED. At Chatham, N. B., March 29, after a lingering illness, Margaret, wife of Wm. Wood, aged 64 years.

The Mayoralty. CHATHAM, N. B. 1st APRIL, 1902. To the Electors of the Town of Chatham. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a number of ratepayers I decided before leaving for England to again offer for the position of Mayor, and announced the fact at the last meeting of Council. My acquaintance with the water and sewerage systems, which have not yet been fully completed, and the knowledge I have of the unsettled accounts in connection with the above work, should be beneficial in closing up this most important business. If the course I have taken in the past in dealing with town matters has met with your approval, I would ask a continuance of your support, and if returned, I will keep the interests of the town protected to the best of my ability. I have the honor to be, Yours very truly, W. B. SNOWBALL.

CARD. TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF CHATHAM: Ladies and Gentlemen:—The time is approaching when the electors will be called on to say who shall be our Mayor and Alderman for our next Town Council. As everybody knows, our sewerage and water works are yet incomplete. It would be cowardly for any Alderman or Mayor who has been wholly, or in part, connected with the introduction of that work to quietly retire and leave the board to strangers. If for one will not do so and will see it through. If re-elected as one of the four aldermen at large I will do my part to have our roads and uncompleted works put into shape. Big work will be in order for a new Council. It behooves the ratepayers to be alert; economy and retrenchment must take the initiative. W. M. WYSE. Chatham, 29th March, 1902.

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Assessors' Notice. Parish of Chatham. The preliminary lists are now on view at the store of George Shober. Statements in writing will be received up to April 10th. The Assessors will meet at the office of George Shober, on Thursday afternoon, April 10th, and 11th from two to five o'clock, to hear objections to said valuation. GEORGE STOWARTH, SAMUEL WADLETON, W. M. DUMERY, Assessors. Chatham, April 1st, 1902.

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