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MR. BLAIR AND THE DEFICIT.

When the public accounts revealed the fact that the expenditures of the province had exceeded the receipts during the past fiscal year, Mr. Blair promptly took the country into his confidence, and from the public platform and through the press he has told the people the plain truth. This course on the part of Mr. Blair, which is the only one that a straightforward and honest leader could pursue, has caused much pain and annoyance to some of our contemporaries, who probably cannot understand anything so utterly foreign to their ideas of public policy, as a leader manfully acknowledging a deficit. They could have understood and perhaps sympathized with Mr. Blair in the situation had he tried to conceal the true state of affairs from the people, or resorted to illegal or questionable methods of putting off the truth till to-morrow; but when he has the audacity to actually tell those to whom he is responsible that the receipts have been less than the necessary public expenditures, and states plainly the reasons that have made it impossible to avoid a deficit, the vials of wrath are broken, the flood gates of abuse are opened, and every "prophetic nepos" in the land insinuates that there is some mysterious hidden meaning to all this which only time and Mr. Blair's pleasure can reveal.

Some predict a dissolution of the house immediately after the present session. Others forsee direct taxation, or the imposition of burdens upon corporations and institutions which have not hitherto contributed to the provincial revenue, and still another sees in the dregs of his bitter cup, a huge land deal in which some of Mr. Blair's friends are to grow rich, and from which a big bank full of election funds is to be established in St. John. In short every absurd and vain idea is entertained by those who fail to see anything reasonable and honest in the leader of a government discussing the deficit with his people, and endeavoring to devise some statesmanlike means whereby the expenditure can be kept within the revenue without lessening the grants to the public services and institutions of the province.

THE LIBERAL PARTY.

The opening of the present session of parliament finds the government led by Mr. Abbott, apparently stronger in the confidence of the people of Canada than even in the palmy days of Sir John A. Macdonald. We say *apparently* stronger, because we firmly believe, in spite of the procession of successes which have crowned the conservatives of late, that as a government or a party they are not strongly entrenched or firmly established in the hearts and affections of the people. That their success in the recent series of by elections, has been almost unique, cannot be denied; but the phenomenal nature of these suming great victories, is sufficient in itself to raise a strong suspicion that the reason for them must be an extraordinary one. To attribute it to the popularity of the personnel of the present administration, or to the policy which they represent, would not be such a solution of the question as would satisfy a shrewd and close reasoning man. To do so would be admitting, without question, that Mr. Abbott is more beloved throughout Canada than was the late leader of the conservative party, and that the policy of the present administration is more popular to-day, than during the recent general elections when the last supreme effort of Sir John himself could not carry Quebec and Ontario.

Such a solution of the matter would not satisfy any reasoning man, and some other cause for the recent success of the conservative party must be looked for. With the facts and circumstances of the past year's political history staring us in the face, the cause is not far to seek. In fact the apparent strength of the conservative party in Canada consists in nothing more nor less than the weakness of their opponents. This is the frozen truth, and the sooner the liberal party realizes it the better for themselves and for the country. The weakness of the liberal party is due to several causes, but for the most part they are the victims of circumstances, and to a certain extent, of circumstances over which they have no responsible control. There can be no doubt but that the recent events in Quebec have had much to do with the reverses which have overtaken the party in the by elections. As a counter irritant, applied by the tory leaders to draw attention away from their own defects, the Quebec *coup* has been a success. Whatever may be the result of the political war in Quebec, whether Mercier be guilty or not guilty, the liberal party has had to suffer severely for alleged misdeeds for which they were in no wise responsible, while the gross malpractice at Ottawa, for which the ministers are directly responsible, goes on unrebuked and apparently condoned.

Nor is there any use in attempting to conceal the fact that in its leader the liberal party is unfortunate. Not one word can be said against the integrity, the honesty, the ability, and the patriotism of Wilfred Laurier, but he is a Quebec Frenchman, and as such he can never successfully lead any great political party in Canada. This is not Mr. Laurier's fault. It is the natural result of the political situation. Mr. Laurier realizes this, and is willing to give way to a new leader when a suitable one is selected. These are the two main causes of the weakness of the liberal party to-day. When this, and the fact that the by elections have been brought on in the order and at the times calculated to favor the government candidates, with all the advantages that a corrupt and unscrupulous government can control, are taken into consideration, the results of the elections are not very surprising. Nor should they be discouraging. For while they show that the liberal party is weak, they show also that their opponents are not strong, but are liable to mistake our weakness for their strength. Nor have the results altered the fact that while the liberal party may be at a disadvantage now, its principles are strong and true, and its cause just and right. By taking advantage of the lessons which late events have taught them, the liberal party, enjoying as it does the confidence and sympathy of the majority of the Canadian people should, before the next general election, develop sufficient strength to carry the liberal standard to victory.

Judge Palmer and King, at Gagetown Thursday, gave judgment in the Queens case, unanimously awarding the seat to Baird — each party to pay his own costs.

THE local legislature will meet for despatch of business on Thursday next.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

The governor general's speech on the opening of parliament on Thursday is a very modest effort. If the representatives of the people are not called on, by the government, to deal with any thing more important than what is foreshadowed in the speech from the throne, their duties during the present session will be very light, and the fourteen or fifteen seats which are at present unrepresented in parliament, might as well be left unfilled. The death of the lamented Duke of Clarence and Avondale is feelingly referred to and the people are congratulated on the general prosperity of the dominion. The old chestnuts about "informal discussions on the extension of trade" between Canada and the United States, for the better understanding of which "Three of my ministers proceeded to Washington and conferred with the representatives of the admistration of the United States on these subjects," are revived, and the usual exhaustive information as to what the three ministers did when they got to Washington, is given by the discreet placing of a period after the word "subjects."

The only matter of real importance which the representatives will be called on to deal with is the redistribution of seats which the new census returns has made imperative. What course the government intend to take in this important matter is for the present concealed, and it is very doubtful if the people's representatives will be called on to do much more than vote on the question when the government have arranged it to their own satisfaction. There is no reference to the Prohibition commission promised last session, but it is possible that Mr. Foster is waiting until Mr. Carling, the big brewer, is elected in London before proceeding in the matter, or it may be that Mr. Foster intends to inform the house that he promised the commission in a "moment of weakness."

BATHURST SCHOOLS.

The attorney general's address at Chatham on the evening of the 25th, was a success. Space forbids any lengthy notice. In respect to the Bathurst schools difficulty, Mr. Blair showed that the things charged as violations of the school law against the board of education and government, in connection with the agitation, were all legally done under the authority of regulations which were sanctioned by the King government seventeen years ago — regulations which he would not today consent to rescind, because they had healed the divisions and allayed the discords and bitter feeling and opposition that had been created by the passing of the school act. The excess of teachers in Bathurst was a question purely within the competence of the trustees of the district to deal with, and he confessed he, himself, believed they might concede the point of getting along with one teacher less, although he could only suggest in that matter, the government or board of education having no power beyond that.

The attorney general showed that much of the newspaper writing and manifestos issued by the parties complaining were conceived in a discourteous and uncharitable spirit, and without a knowledge of existing regulations, and hoped for a better understanding hereafter, declaring the government's readiness to stand by the law against any who might attempt to violate its guarantees of equal rights to all, but deprecating the course of any who, without first exhausting the legitimate avenues of appeal against real or other grievances, should seek to inflame religious prejudices so long and happily allayed.

Ignorance is Bliss, etc.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In the issue of a local paper of the 16th inst., Mr. Black states that when I said he was responsible for the money charged by the overseers of the poor on their returns for their services and expenses, I did one of two things; admitted my ignorance of municipal affairs or wrote deliberate falsehood; and further, he says, that the returns of the overseers of the poor are filed in the auditor's office, and do not come under the notice of the secretary-treasurer.

I will direct Mr. Black's attention to section 91 of chapter 99 of the Consolidated Statutes, which reads as follows:

The overseers of the poor for the several parishes, unless otherwise directed, shall, on or before the first Tuesday in December in each and every year, make returns in writing under oath to the secretary-treasurer, containing a detailed account of all moneys placed in their hands, or in the hands of any of them, for the support of the poor, or otherwise, in their capacity of overseers of the poor, and of the expenditure or other disposition of the same, accompanied by vouchers for the sums expended or disposed of, under a penalty against such overseers of the poor as may neglect the duty hereby imposed, of a sum not exceeding forty dollars for every breach of duty, to be recovered before any justice of the peace of the county, with costs, in the name of the secretary-treasurer, and such penalty, when recovered, shall be paid over to the secretary-treasurer for the use of the county.

In the face of this section Mr. Black says that the returns do not come under his notice; and he further says that the overseers are required to make return of their expenditure to the auditor. Comment is needless. Yours, &c.,

WM. WILSON.

KINGSCLEAR.

KINGSCLEAR, Feb. 19. — A good number from Vesuvias lodge, mouth of Keswick, visited Kingsclear division on the 6th inst. The visitors being called upon responded with good speeches from Rev. A. G. Downey, T. H. Colter, M. P. P., and Jesse Merrithew. The ladies of the division furnished refreshments, during the partaking of which a good time generally was enjoyed. An invitation to return the visit was accepted for the 20th inst. We hope that this may be but the beginning of a far broader union of the temperance people of our land. If we are to accomplish what we so much desire, namely — the prohibition of the liquor traffic, there must be united action of the friends of temperance of the different orders.

We are sorry to hear that so many of our neighbors purpose leaving these parts. Three families, Messrs. Chase, Sutherland and Everett, talk of leaving here soon. Two of these will leave the province.

DURHAM.

DURHAM, Feb. 17. — Archie Henderson was brought home last week with la grippe from Wesley Clowater's camp. He had quite a severe attack, but is getting well again.

Charles Gallen has brought home from John R. McBean's camp, another horse with epizootic.

Wesley Johnston sprained his arm on one of Ludlow R. Young's log landings and had to come home.

Silas Hanson was home on a visit this week.

Where is that young man, formerly a resident of Durham, that came out here last week with an elegant two horse sleigh, looking for lost sheep, he said, when he was met going back. They did not look like sheep; perhaps he would say it was one little lamb he was looking for.

STANLEY.

Sanson Bros. have a crew of men at work preparing the foundation for another new steam saw mill on the site of the one that was burned down on Cross Creek a few days ago. They expect to have the new mill up and running about the middle of April next. As soon as they get the frame up they will put in a rotary saw to saw all their own boards, as they have plenty of logs on the ground ready to saw any dimensions they want to use. Sanson Bros. deserve great credit from the people here for their enterprising work in rebuilding so soon again, not being discouraged by the burning of one fine mill all completed, one car load of shingles ready to ship to Boston market, besides hay and grain for their horses, and no insurance. The estimated loss including mill, shingles, hay and grain is $4,000.

This is fine weather for the lumbermen who have yarded logs. Many of them have put on extra teams so as to get done early.

Oswald King, of Petitcodiac, is here on a visit to his father-in-law, Henry Turnbull, for a few days. Mr. King has one-quarter share in Charles Patchell's apple nursery here, and also shares in some young orchards set out two years ago.

Our village school is running in full blast again under a first class male teacher from Kent county, by the name of William Dixon. He has been sick for a week and was attended by Dr. Moore, but is able to resume his duties again. He has a large school with seventy-two on the register and no assistant.

Some three years ago Mr. Brown, C. E., and contractor Hogan came to Cross Creek station, and were met by James Malone, land surveyor, to take a preliminary survey to Stanley and up the Nashwaak to Hartland, a distance of forty miles. Mr. Brown reported to the N. W. railway company very favorably and said that the line was easy to build. A company was formed that winter, stiled the York and Carleton railway company. Last winter our local government granted a subsidy of $2,500 a mile for six miles to Stanley. Mr. Temple promised if he was elected to the house of commons as member for York county, that they could rest assured of the Dominion subsidy. He has failed to do so, but it is hoped he will this winter. The York and Carleton railway company is willing to build after the grant is given. No railway for the same distance would pay better than the branch of Stanley. Northern Douglas and Stanley have a resident population of 5,000, five hills, five stores, and four blacksmith's shops and all the lumbering traffic in bark, shingles, logs and short lumber, cord wood and birch as well as the coal mines on the Tay stream, Taxes river and Young's brook, and also the gold mines on Nashwaak and its tributaries.

Some of our young men who went to Washington territory last fall, are on their way home well satisfied to work in New Brunswick hereafter, where they can rest on Sunday. All days seem alike in that country and wages not any better than they are here.

This has been a very healthy winter here for old and young, and not many accidents in the lumber woods compared with other winters.

Robert Bigg's mother is here on a short visit from Fredericton.

Mrs. Isabella Taylor and child are here from St. Marys visiting her brother, Dr. Moore.

Our two village blacksmiths have been kept busy all winter.

There is a good opening here for a wheelwright.

Peter Gabe, the Indian from St. Marys, pays us a visit once every three weeks with snow-shoes, moccasins and baskets for the stores here.

There is a good opening here for a starch factory, with good water power and plenty of potatoes every fall. The farmers here would give a guarantee to any company organizing to build a factory. Plenty of work and good profits to the company.

MOUTH KESWICK.

MOUTH KESWICK, Feb 26. — The lumbermen are having fine roads at present for hauling their lumber to the several sidings along the Gibson branch of the C. P. R., if we are to judge from the heavy trains transported to Gibson during the last week.

The farmer's supper held on Thursday evening last under the auspices of Vesuvius lodge, was largely attended, there being a number from Fredericton and Kingsclear lodges. The tables were spread with the luxuries of the season, to which each and every one did justice to the inner man, one young man in particular seemed greatly attached to the bean jar. After the repast the young people partook themselves to a few innocent games. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all. One young man when returning home with his best girl met with what might have been a serious accident, but for the timely assistance of his companion in helping him over the splashboard of the sleigh. The result turned out to be nothing more than a sprained wrist. The cause of the accident was some poles lying across the road, which frightened the horse.

Mrs. John Grey, who has been on a visit to her daughter in Houlton, Me., returned home by Thursday evening's train.

Much enthusiasm is prevailing at present over the contention for a quilt, on which two young ladies are getting votes. The proceeds are to go for the benefit of the Baptist sewing circle. The pattern of the quilt is not mentioned in the catalogue of colors.

It is with deepest regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Jas. Wright, who died very suddenly at her home on Friday morning at six o'clock. Deceased leaves a husband and a large family to mourn her loss. The bereaved have the sympathy of their many friends in this community in their hour of grief.

PRINCE WILLIAM.

PRINCE WILLIAM, Feb. 25. — T. L. Fraser left yesterday on a business trip to St. John.

James Kirk has returned home from Orono, Me. He intends to stay on his farm, so a wedding is supposed to be near.

Miss Fannie Moody, of Lake George, is visiting friends in this place.

A number of people on this and the other side of the river are engaged in hauling lumber to the mills.

Mrs. Philip Hoyt, who was very sick last week, is much better at present.

The warm spring-like weather of the past week has taken the snow off very fast. The hills are getting bare and the roads are very soft, and those who have logs to get out are beginning to hurry, as the prophets say spring has come.

Dr. Mott left here the 21st for his former home in Queens county, on account of word received that his mother was dangerously ill.

Rev. Mr. Sykes, of Keswick, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church here in the evening, March 20th.

The farmers are all seen going to town now with their teamt loaded with meat and butter. They report the prices good.

Three new members were initiated by Centre Division, Saturday night, and a fine programme carried out, consisting of music, dialogues and recitations.

FOREST CITY.

FOREST CITY, Feb. 24. — The warm weather of the last four days has caused the bark-haulers and lumbermen great anxiety, as their roads are becoming quite bare in places. About two thousand cords are being delivered at their tannery this winter, whilst nearly six thousand cords are being hauled to the different landings, which will be brought to this village in scows during the summer months.

The tannery is doing a fair amount of business and all the employes seem happy and contented.

Like other places this one has its share of sickness, but the mortality has been very small during the last year. Mrs. McKinney, of Pemberton Ridge, is passing through a serious illness, yet we are glad to hear that she it now improving slowly.

Frank Foster, who has been confined to his bed for over two months, is not gaining as rapidly as his friends wish for, yet we hope that e'er long Frank will be himself again.

An action of debt was tried before justice Inch a few days ago, which caused a great amount of mirth to some and some anxiety to others. Chas. Dunphy and the old veteran, Hezekiah Buckingham, were the contestants. The verdict being not satisfactory, further proceedings will take place.

Mrs. McMinn, of Weston, who was anxious to see her mother, Mrs. McKinney, who was not expected to live, travelled across Grand Lake on snow-shoes, a distance of nearly nine miles inside of three hours. She could not reach her mother by the customary way as the road was impassable. Not being accustomed to this mode of travelling, we are of the opinion that few of her sex can excell such a feat.

Earnest Blanchard, always having an eye to business, has opened to the public a store, where he keeps a finely assorted line of groceries, confectioneries, etc. Mr. Blanchard is receiving a large share of the trade, and hopes by honest dealings and close attention to business to retain and enlarge the same.

Joseph Blanchard received an injury whilst employed in the woods a few days ago, but we are pleased to learn is improving rapidly.

John Veysey, formerly of this town but now of Austin, Penn., is visiting his friends here.

We were all grieved to hear of the death of Rev. E. W. Harrington, which occurred in Milltown a few days since. Prior to his going to Milltown he had charge of the Baptist church in this village. He was beloved by all who knew him, and was ever ready to further the best interests of this town. He leaves a wife and daughter, who have our deep sympathies in thistheir hour of trouble.

MILLVILLE.

MILLVILLE, Feb. 25.— Business at present is very dull, one of the hardest months of the year. There is quite a quantity of bark being hauled to the station and to points on the line, above and below Millville, but as yet this has not brought in any cash. April is the cash month for the woodsmen.

What with illness in the village and cases of accident and sickness brought here from the woods Dr. Owens has plenty of work to do.

Our veteran station agent, Thomas Earle, is just as lively as ever. He runs his business as carefully as any man on the line and is deservedly popular.

With a new teacher the school here is making marked progress. The late teacher did good work also. Several of the pupils are preparing for Normal school.

Thomas Purvis is finishing his new store. It will be an addition to the village when done.

One of the best kept stores in the vicinity is kept by John Lounsbury, late of Fredericton. He, with his amiable wife, have made many friends here since their coming. Their store is well stocked with the best goods, sold at reasonable profits; and those who trade with them, call again.

Several new buildings are in process of construction, so that Millville can by no means be called a finished town.

Coun. Pat. Lockhard has gone into the woods and expects to hold his own in the capacity of a woodsman as well as he does in that of a county father.

E. H. Estey and S. J. Jones are doing quite a business in the general store line. The former is doing a heavy trade in bark.

CANTERBURY STATION.

CANTERBURY STATION, Feb. 26.— News has just been received from Minneapolis of the death of the wife of Charles G. Hartin, son of the late Rev. T. Hartin. She had been sick about three months. His friends here tender him their heart felt sympathy.

Messrs. John Jarvis, R. H. Scott, James Hamilton and David McKay, with our councillors, made a survey of the bridge over Dead creek and decided that the most advisable and cheaper course would be to replace the old bridge with a new one.

T. Falconer who has been laid up a few days by la grippe, is able to be around again.

Rev. A. Lucas, field secretary of the Sunday school association, gave an interesting lecture on Sabbath school work on Thursday evening. On the following evening he visited John N. Grant's camp on Deer Lake and spent a very pleasant and agreeable time.

Rev. Charles Orser is spending this week among his many friends here, and is holding a series of meetings which are being well attended.

Mrs. John Wright, of Hartin settlement, died on Saturday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. C. Orser.

Mrs. T. Saunders was buried at North Lake on Wednesday. Deceased had been ill for some time. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. C. A. S. Warneford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jamieson have arrived home after spending the winter in the west with their children. They have fourteen children grown up enjoying good health. While in Minneapolis Mrs. Jamieson fell down stairs and was unconscious for some time after. She has not yet recovered from the effects of the fall. Mr. Jamieson's trip did not agree with him as he returned in very poor health.

NASHWAAK VILLAGE.

NASHWAAK VILLAGE, Feb. 24.— Ward Grant, second son of Charles Grant, died at his father's residence last Sunday. The funeral was attended on Monday afternoon by Rev. T. L. Williams.

Mrs. Samuel Gunter, from St. Marys, is visiting friends in this place.

Miss Bessie Dunphy has gone to Gibson to spend a few days with friends there.

Mrs. Judson Goodspeed's daughter has been quite ill, but is some better now. She was attended by Dr. Frank Brown.

We are having very fine weather of late; looks as if spring is coming.

SCOTCH LAKE.

SCOTCH LAKE, Feb. 23.— Mrs. Robert Flemming passed away on the 17th, aged 61 years. Congestion of the lungs was the cause of her death. She leaves two sons and three daughters to mourn their loss.

Mrs. James Palmer has returned from Smyrna, Me., where she has been visiting at her son's.

John M. Jackson has returned home from the lumber woods laid up with the la grippe. Laughlin Cremin is also home on a visit.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The Week's Events in Brief—The Cream of our Exchanges.

The plant of the Burpee granite works, in Carleton, St John, is to be removed to Eastport, Me., where work will be carried on in the future.

C. B. Bullock, son of the late Dean Bullock, and one of the best known barristers of Halifax, died on the 25th of rheumatism after a few days' illness.

J. W. Collins, president of the California National bank, which suspended on Nov. 16, was arrested on the 25th, charged with the embezzlement of $200,000.

Friends of Mercier say that the expremier is so poor that in order to save him from having to sell his horses to pay election expenses, his friends are taking up a subscription.

One hundred and thirteen men were discharged from the I. C. R. work shops at Moncton on the 18th. This is the first of a series of dicharges, it is anticipated, in connection with that railway.

The contract to build the remaining fourteen miles of the Tobique Valley railway has been awarded to Messrs. John Connors and Lawlor, who will start work, as early in the spring as the ground will permit.

Dr. Vulcovitch, Bulgarian agent at Constantinople, was stabbed by an unknown man while walking in the street. The wounds are not dangerous. The would-be assassin escaped. The motive for the deed is unknown.

A meeting of the workman of Messrs. J. Harris & Co., St. John, was held Thursday evening in the ship laborer's hall. There was a large attendance and much enthusiasm. The men all signed a pledge to support the nine-hour movement.

Both Mr. Goschen, chancellor of exchequer, and the Earl of Cadogan, Lord Privy Seal, in speeches delivered Thursday declared the government would adhere to the safeguards provided for in the Irish local government bill.

On Monday last Mr. John Harrington, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Chatham, died in the 80th year of his age. He was a native of Bantry, Ireland, and went to Miramichi with his parents when he was in his tenth year.

It is gratifying to learn that Dr. Smith in charge of the lazaretto at Tracadie, reports that he thinks leprosy has been finally stamped out in the Tracadie district There are in the institution now twenty-two lepers, viz., eleven males and eleven females.

The executors of the late Sir John Macdonaldask for $500 extra indemnity, voted members for extra services last session. Speaker White takes the ground that the estate has no legal claim, as the late premier was dead before the extra indemnity was voted.

Patrick Kennedy said to be from New Brunswick has caused the arrest in Bangor of two men named McPhee and Laird also from New Brunswick on the charge of robbing him of $45. Both have been committed for trial. All interested are lumbermen.

It has transpired that William Turnbull, a member of the crew of the U. S. warship Baltimore, murdered by a Chilian mob at Valpraiso was a Canadian. His father Capt. Turnbull, resides in Prince Edward Island and has made a claim on the American government for compensation.

The following are the dates of the federal bye elections so far announced:

Vaudreuil, Que., Lib. Feb. 29.
Montcalm, Que. Mar. 3.
South Perth, Ont., Mar. 10.
Montgomery, Que., Mar. 11.
West Northumberland, Ont., Mar. 25.

The Fisheries department is now shipping a large quantity of salmon trout and whitefish eggs from the Newcastle and Sandwich hatcheries to those at Magog, Que., Bedford, N. S., and St. John river, N. B. When hatched the fry will be deposited in lakes suitable to their growth.

Charles A. Peakes, who was extradicted from Halifax, N. S., pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzlement from the Boston & Albany railroad company in the supreme criminal court, Boston, on Thursday afternoon, and was sentenced to eighteen months in the house of correction.

John and William Ayler, brothers, were murdered at their home near Kingsville, Mo., on Tuesday night. Their bodies were chopped to pieces, a bloody axe being near by. The men lived alone, both being unmarried. They were well off, and robbery doubtless was the motive for the murder.

A Cairo special to the Herald says it is reported a body of English troops returned from India will be disembarked at Cairo and also that there will be other changes in the army of occupation, increasing the strength of the British forces. Everything points to continuance of English occupation.

Mrs. Annie Margaret Montague, who is held by the coroner's jury as being responsible for the death of her three year old daughter, at Belfast, was re-arraigned for further hearing. She was found guilty of manslaughter. The trial of Mrs. Montague on a second count of cruelty to her children is being proceeded with.

Rev. John S. Allan, Methodist minister at Bathurst, has been invited to the Richibucto circuit to succeed Rev. J. Sellar, whose term expires in July. He has accepted the call, subject to the approval of the conference. Rev. R. S. Crisp has accepted an invitation to Woodstock circuit at the close of the year, subject also to the approval of the conference.

The Liberals lost both elections last Saturday. South Ontario was won by Mr. Smith who had a majority of 157, defeating Mr. Davison, whose majority at the general election was 33. East Hastings, the seat vacated by the death of Mr. Burdett, in which the election has been brought on in advance of other places much longer vacant, has turned a Liberal majority of 54 into a Tory majority of 441.

Edward M. Field, head of the firm of Field, Weichers & Landlay, New York, was brought before judge Van Brunt, in the court of oyer and terminer for trial on on one of the six indictments charging him with grand larceny. The counsel for Field objected to his being placed on trial, stating that he was insane. District Attorney Nicoll suggested that a jury be selected to try the question of Field's sanity. Judge Van Brunt decided in favor of a jury and one was selected, after which the court adjourned.

A serious accident occured on the Intercolonial railway on Sunday afternoon. As the English mail train from Halifax was running along the foot of the cliff skirting the Metapedia river between Kennedy platform and Assametquagan, an avalanche of snow and ice fell from a height of several hundred feet, striking the locomotive and smashing it to pieces, besides hurling it into the river, derailing the tender and mail car and giving a severe shaking up to the passengers in other cars. The engineer and firemen on the locomotive had a frightfully narrow escape from a terrible death.

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Fredericton Feb. 17th, 1892.

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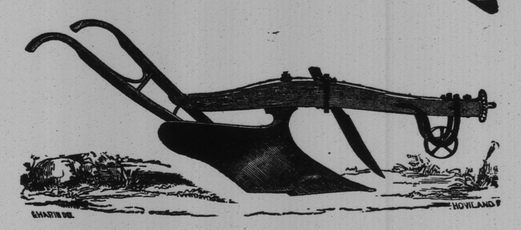

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