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A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

THE HERALD wishes all its readers and friends a Happy New Year. May their circumstances during 1895 be of a pleasant character. May health, happiness, prosperity and usefulness mark the year upon which we are about to enter. Let us forget the errors of the past and wrestle manfully with problems of the present, looking for our reward only in the smile of Providence, who knows us best, and is ever ready to reward the vigilant. The old year has its sad memories, but let it go. "Let the dead past bury its dead." The present only is ours. We can have no knowledge of what the future life has for us, but we know what eternity promises, and after all, its rewards and all that are worth struggling for. Honor, riches and fame are fleeting shadows, and how painfully this was illustrated by the tragic death at Windsor Castle the other day. The manner in which we discharge our duties from day to day in the world moulds us for the great unknown, and man or woman who meets these heroically, honorably and faithfully, is making the best advance towards deserving the final great reward.

The late Robert Louis Stevenson in contemplating the course of life, its success and disappointments, made use of the following language, which, no doubt, expresses the feelings of the majority of men as they review past. He said:

"To look back upon the past year, and see how little we have striven, and to what small purpose, and how often we have been cowardly and hung back, or temerarious and rushed unwisely in; and how every day and all day long we have transgressed the law of kindness; it may seem a paradox, but in the bitterness of these discoveries a certain consolation resides. Life is not designed to minister to a man's vanity. He goes upon his long business, most of the time with a hanging head, and all the time like a blind child. Full of rewards and pleasures as it is; so that to see the day break, or the moon rise, or to meet a friend, or to hear the dinner call when he is hungry, fills him with surprising joys—this world is yet for him no abiding city. Friendships fall through, health fails, weariness assails him; year after year he must thumb the hardly varying record of his own weakness and folly. It is a friendly process of detachment. When the time comes that he should go, there need be few illusions left about himself. Here lies one who meant well, tried a little, failed much—surely that may be his epitaph, of which he need not be ashamed."

THE ST. JOHN APPOINTMENTS.

The local government have promptly filled the offices vacated by the death of Hon. David McLellan at St. John, and the new officials are men who command the respect and confidence of the people. Mr. McLellan held the position of registrar of deeds and registrar of probates, and his son, Verner McLellan, succeeds to the former and John McMillan to the latter. Young Mr. McLellan was his father's deputy, his services in that capacity proved most satisfactory to the people having business at the office, and no doubt he will prove an acceptable registrar. Mr. McMillan is the well known stationer, and is a gentleman held in high esteem.

There have been some other changes in St. John officials. I. Allen Jack, recorder, having become incapaciated by physical troubles from attending to his duties, resigned, is succeeded by C. N. Skinner, ex-M. P., and the judgeship of the Probate court held by Mr. Skinner has gone to Arthur I. Trueman, the latter being succeeded as reporter of the Supreme court by John L. Carleton. All these gentlemen are well qualified for their new positions, and the government are to be congratulated on filling these offices with such competent men. Some of the newspapers have been raising a dust because the government appointed Mr. Skinner recorder. They claim that the appointment should rest with the St. John city council, but that is an old story and one with which the legislature has not shown any sympathy. The law requires the appointment to be made by the government, and so long as it is on the statute book no doubt the government will not hesitate to exercise its functions in that respect. The same cry was raised when the present chief of police was appointed; probably the legislature was wise in deciding that such positions as the recorder, chief of police and police magistrate should be kept above the clamor and small politics of the common council, and so long as that is the law the people who are making the noise will have to submit. If they are in earnest let them apply to the legislature for a change, but we fancy that until they can show better reasons than they have yet brought forward in favor of an amendment of the statute, the appointments will be vested as they are at present in the government of the day.

BRIEF BUT BRILLIANT.

It is announced from London that Lord Randolph Churchill, the once famous Tory statesman, is dying of incurable diseases, and what will no doubt prove his last illness, directs attention to his brief and brilliant but erratic public career. He has just returned home from a tour around the world, taken in the hope of improving the condition of his health, which has been poor for some time. He had a stroke of paralysis coming through the Red Sea, on his way from India, and after that grew gradually worse. Churchill for many years has been the victim of an internal malady, causing him agonizing pain, to relieve which he resorted to drugs, and they undermined a naturally delicate constitution. A few years ago Lord Randolph Churchill was the most popular Tory leader in England, and the Premiership was almost within his grasp. At his retirement in pique from Lord Salisbury's cabinet in 1887, was a fatal error, from the result of which he never recovered. Consciousness of that fact is attributed to his physical collapse. His gold prospecting enterprise in Mashonaland was a failure, swallowing up the greatmant of his fortune. For the past three years he had given up his house and had resided with his mother. English public life has not presented a picture of so complete a wreck of a brilliant and promising career to the present generation.

A STATE FUNERAL.

The remains of the late Sir John Thompson, the late Premier of Canada are now on board the warship Blenheim, which sailed from Portsmouth, England, Sunday morning, and must now be nearing the coast of America. It is expected the ship will arrive at Halifax Monday evening or early New Year's morning. The remains of the Premier will be met at the wharf in Halifax by a guard of honor from the King's regiment, and the procession to the Parliament buildings will be in charge of the regular military. Here the body will lie in state until the day of the funeral, Thursday, January 3d, when it will be removed to St. Mary's cathedral, where the funeral services will be conducted. Bishop Camern, of Antigonish, Sir John's nearest friend, is to lead the services, and Archbishop O'Brien, of Halifax, is to deliver the sermon. The funeral procession will, no doubt, be the most imposing ever seen in Canada. A funeral car is being constructed, and on either side will walk the Ottawa Cabinet Ministers as pallbearers. The military will line the route all the way from the Parliament buildings to the cemetery. Representative men are coming from all over Canada to attend the obsequies. The more prominent public buildings, including the I. C. R. depot, Post office, Parliament house, the Academy of music, etc., are being extensively draped in mourning for the dead Premier, and every means is being put forth to make the last tribute of respect to the late Sir John Thompson a memorable one in the annals of Canada.

FED BY A TUBE.

The case of an old gentleman named Clarke, living at Brocton, Mass., is interesting the medical fraternity in that vicinity. Since last June he has been fed with a tube, yet he is in good general health, and has actually increased in weight recently. Some months ago the passage from Clark's throat to his stomach closed up, and he was unable to eat anything. Food would go a short distance down and would then be expelled. He went to a private hospital in Boston, where he underwent an operation by which it was made possible to place a tube in his body in such a way that eggs and milk might be poured into his stomach. This has been done for the last few months, the old gentleman being fed in this manner four times each day. No one who does not know of the facts would for a moment imagine that he did not eat heartily. He goes about very well for a man of 73, and, as before stated, has gained several pounds within a couple of months. His case is considered a most remarkable one.

The snow, sleet and rain storm which prevailed here Thursday seems to have been quite general all over the northern part of the continent. It was so severe as to almost suspend business in the chief cities of Canada, the northern and middle states and the railways were very badly handicapped. The snow is a welcome visitor, and will give an impetus to business; especially is it welcomed by the hardy toilers in the lumber woods.

Premier Fielding now counts 26 supporters of the 38 members composing the Nova Scotia House of Assembly. There was a bye-election in Richmond, C. B., Thursday, caused by the unseating of Morrison, opposition, and the government nominee, Matheson, was elected by a large majority, reducing the Conservative forces in the house to one dozen.

GLEANINGS FROM YORK.

Penniac.

DEC. 26.—Christmas passed off very pleasantly here. The Methodist Sunday school held a Christmas tree and entertainment in the church. The following program was carried out:

Opening, Christmas hymn; recitation, Annie Gilmore; recitation, Georgie Allen; solo, Bertha Gilmore: recitation, Ethel Moore; dialogue, Harry Christie, Willie Moore and Martha Johnson; recitation, Mabel Walker; recitation, Hattie Allen; solo, Sada Walker; recitation, Millie Moore; recitation, Pearl Moore; recitation, Marvin Minue; solo, Garfield Walker; dialogue, Joanna, Alberta and Bertha Gilmore; duet, Minnie and Arabella Allen; recitation, Nina Moore; recitation, Tressa Love; recitation, Lee Walker; solo, Gracie Minue; recitation, Florence Moore; recitation, Garnet Love; solo, Mary Minue; recitation, Fred Moore; recitation, Harry Christie; solo, Georgie Allen; recitation, Annie Gilmore; reading, Arabell Gilmore; solo, Mabel Walker.

Mrs. G. T. Allen, who has been ill, is convalescing.

Miss Mary Goodspeed has returned from a visit to Woodstock.

Miss Minnie Allen is spending her vacation at home. She has charge of a school in Wassis.

Mrs. William Donald is very poorly.

All the men were out of the woods for Christmas.

Miss McDonald, school teacher in this district, held her examination on Wednesday in order to attend the Teachers' Institute.

ROW AMONG FOOTBALLISTS.

St. John Players Charged with Wearing Spiked Shoes, but the Allegations were Disproved.

The executive committee of the New Brunswick football league met at Moncton Wednesday evening to consider the charge of the Mount Allison team that St. John players wore spiked shoes in the game played at Moncton on December 1st, to decide the tie for the championship trophy. The evidence offered in behalf of Mount Allison consisted of the opinions of eye-witnesses, who thought certain players wore spikes, and of the fact that there were marks on Mount Allison players, one of whom had his leg broken, which, it was thought, could only have been produced by spikes. Against this, the St. John players submitted a solemn declaration from all the players, from shoemakers and from persons who examined the boots of the players, flatly denying that anything but regulations leather strips had been used. The executive found the charge not sustained and Sackville withdrew the charge. A great deal of bad feelings exists between the teams, and Geo. W. Jones, of St. John, one of the players charged with using spikes and president of the executive, in a most impassionated speech withdrew from the executive, refusing to act with men who would force such charges.

The Sackville captain has since sent an ample apology to the St. John men.

Vice-Presidents Win.

The Curling match Christmas between four rinks a side, President vs. Vice-Presidents was won by the latter. The score stood:

President.		Vice-Presidents.	
Skip Loggie,	9	Skip Rutter,	15
" Allen,	12	" Campbell,	12
" Neill,	12	" Allen,	13
" Hawthorn,	16	" Hoegg,	15
	49		55

A return match will be played New Years.

T. L. Chappelle, a prominent Oddfellow of Charlottetown, and well known to Fredericton Oddfellows, died almost instantly in a restaurant Thursday night.

IRISH HOME RULERS

Fear That the Rosebery Government Will Shelve Their Favorite Measure.

The Signifieant Speech of a Scottish Liberal.

The leaders of the McCarthyite section of the Irish Parliamentary Party have thrown a bombshell into the Liberal camp by serving notice upon the Government, through John Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland, that no further dependence, in their opinion, can be placed upon the vote of the Irish Parliamentary Party, unless the principles of Home Rule for Ireland are strongly re-affirmed in the Queen's speech, on the occasion of the re assembling of Parliament, and in other ways officially announced as the first plank in the platform of the Liberal party. These demands, it is explained, by the Irish leaders, have been necessitated by

The Frofound Sensation

which has been created in the Irish ranks by the declaration made by William Mc Ewan, Liberal member for the Central Division of Edinburgh, in a recent speech in the Scotch capital, that the Home Rule Bill was dead, and that it would be impossible to carry the country with that measure as the first or even one of the principle issues contended for by the Liberal party. This declaration was received with great cheering by Mr. McEwan's hearers, implying that they were of the same opinion. The speaker went on to say that the Irish ought to be content with a merely local government and not haggle for an independent parliamentary government in the face of the inevitable. The fact that the country was once carried upon the issue of a parliamentary government for Ireland, was no reason why it should be assumed, in view of the changed conditions, that it could be carried again. A merely local government, he had no doubt, could be secured by Ireland under certain conditions. This declaration is understood to mean that the Conservatives for the sake of finally disposing of the Irish question and allowing a good part of the session to be devoted to other measures, would gladly agree to support such a bill. As a matter of fact, there is good reason to believe that the Tory leaders are eager to confer with some of the formost Liberal parliamentarians, with a view of arriving at an understanding as to the foregoing basis.

Robert Wallace, M. P., for the east division of Edinburgh, followed Mr. McEwan in the same vein, and the views he expressed as to the hopelessness of again committing the country to absolute Home Rule for Ireland with a parliamentary attachment

Were Loudly Applauded.

Mr. McEwan is not a prominent politician in the strict sense of his being a parliamentry leader in debate or in council, but he exerts a tremendous personal influence in the lobby, an influence, in most cases, vastly more potent than that possessed by members who are known to the country at large through their efforts on the floor of the House. He is a brewer, a member of the firm of McEwan and Co., of Edinburgh, and has hitherto been recognized as one of the strongest and most uncompromising advocates of Home Rule. He is immensely wealthy and scatters his money freely. He entertaines lavishly, and at his London house, No. 4 Chesterfield Gardens, he serves to his friends what is practically a free lunchen every day during the parliamentary session, He is a very intimate friend of Lord Rosebery, and the Premier is a shareholder in the McEwan brewery. These circumstances have given rise to the report that Lord Rosebery had read and approved Mr. McEwan's remarks before his Edinburgh speech was delivered.

Whether or not Mr. McEwan's address

Was Officially Inspired,

it certainly has had the effect to throw the ardent Home Rule Liberals into a state of consternation, to incense the McCarthyite wing of the Irish party and to plunge the Parnellites into delight. The latter faction have all along predicted that the Ministry would break their pledge to pursue the Home Rule policy of Mr. Gladstone to the end, and the declarations of Mr. McEwan are regarded as confirming their prediction.

In the meantime, communications on the subject are passing between Mr. Morley and Lord Rosebery, with a view of formulating some plan which will be satisfactory to the McCarthyites and at the same time will not commit the Government to a reintroduction of a Home Rule bill before Parliament is dissolved. This fact furnishes indubitable evidence that the ministry are alarmed at the turn affairs have taken and also induces the belief that the address of Mr. McEwan was officially inspired.

It is probable that the coming Congress of the National Liberal Federation will uphold this view in the passage of a resolution, setting forth that it is impossible to restore confidence in the ranks of the Irish party, as it is felt that Mr. McEwan gave voice to the opinion of a large section of the Liberal party.

THE LATE PREMIER'S ESTATE.

The usual papers for the administration of the estate of the late premier, Sir John Thompson, were filed at Ottawa, Thursday. Sir John left no will, and his estate is sworn to $9,727, of which $5,726 is from life insurance. It will thus be seen that he had but little of this world's goods. Of cash on hand, there is an amount of $258, being twelve days' salary of the present month, due to Sir John as minister of justice, and which has been paid to Lady Thompson since his death. An item of $2,493, "money in savings bank," is made up of sums which the late Premier managed from time to time to save while a resident of Nova Scotia. Out of these moneys, the debts of the estate will have to be paid. These amounts will aggregate about $1,200, composed chiefly of household accounts. Deducting this amount it will leave only $1,500 over and above life insurance available for the family.

Miss Helena Thompson, who was in England when her father, the late Sir John Thompson expired at Windsor Castle, has arrived home in company with Mrs. Sanford, of Hamilton. The latter when interviewed regarding the Queen's kindness to the orphaned girl, said: "We were received at Windsor castle by the Queen and Princess Beatrice alone, and there were no attendants to break in upon our grief. Her Majesty drew Miss Thompson to her and kissed and consoled her. Her majesty also pressed my hand to assure me of her heartfelt sympathy. I wish I could adequately express the extreme tenderness and and anxious solicitation of Her Majesty. In every way in her power she showed that she was deeply moved by the sad occurrence and desired to have us understand so."

One hundred and twenty lives were lost on the English coast during Saturday's gale.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The News of the World in Brief—The Cream of our Exchanges.

George Fraser, a widower, aged 83, was married on Thursday evening in Hamilton to Miss Bella Iredale, aged 70.

The Winnipeg Tribune says that after this year the Provincial Government will not vote funds for the maintenance of Government House.

All the members of the Dominion Government, except Mr. Angers, will leave for Halifax on Tuesday, to attend Sir John Thompson's funeral.

Seely, the book keeper of the New York Shoe and Leather bank, who robbed that institution of $354,000, has been sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary.

Two brothers named Keegan, aged 14 and 21, who live on Sandy Point Road, near St. John, were drowned in the Kennebeccasis river Saturday night while skating.

Mrs. Emily Robbins Talcott of West Hartford, Conn., the oldest resident in that state, has reached her one hundred and fourth birthday. She was nine years old when President Washington died.

The writ for the election in Cumberland, N. S., rendered necessary by the acceptance of office of Hon. Mr. Dickey, has been issued. Nomination takes place on January 15th and polling on January 22d.

The house of William Daley at Petersville, Queen's County, was destroyed by fire on Friday, Dec. 14th, the occupants barely escaping with their lives. The fire caught from the chimney. The loss will be a heavy one as the owner had no insurance.

The Countess of Aberdeen has received the permission of Cardinal Taschereau to present the pall for Sir John Thompson's funeral. It will be made of white Irish poplin and cloth of gold, and is to be made by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. Lady Aberdeen herself will sew on the cross.

At the local government session at St. John on Saturday the following appointments were agreed on: J. Verner McLellan to be Registrar of Deeds; John McMillan to be Registrar of Probates; C. N. Skinner, Q. C., to be Recorder of the City of St. John; A. I. Trueman to be Judge of Probates for St. John; John L. Carleton to be Reporter of the Supreme Court.

At Berkeley, California, on Monday, Mrs. Eleanor Leconte, was burned to death at her son's residence. She is sixty years of age, and was sitting before a grate fire. She fell asleep and a newspaper dropped from her lap, ignited and set fire to her clothing. She endeavored to extinguish the flames and failing to do so, reached her bed, where she covered herself with blankets. Members of the family found her dead in the bed with the coverings ablaze.

A few days since, one of the Quebec police, going into a house to arrest a man who had stolen a quarter of mutton from a farmer on the St. Roch's market, found the mutton lying on the floor and the children gnawing at the raw meat. Touched with this evidence of starvation, the kind-hearted policeman, instead of arresting the thief, went back to the market and paid the farmer out of his own pocket for the stolen property. It is estimated that there are at lest four thousand unemployed workingmen in Quebec city just now, who are little better off in point of provision for their families than the one referred to.

A Canadian Pacific Railway laborer named George Frederick Ashwood, while crazed with drink Sunday, at Vancouver, B. C., shot and killed his wife and two children while they were asleep in bed, The wife and one child are dead and the other child is dying. Ashwood's two young sons escaped and called on the neighbors for help. Ashwood then ran out of the house and attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself, but he only succeded in inflicting scalp wounds. He then threw himself in front of a tram car, but it was stopped in time to save him from being killed. The motorman of the car captured him and he is now in jail.

A Toronto Empire correspondent in England writes: "A Roman Catholic priest, who was staying at Windsor at the time of the late Sir John Thompson's death, says that all Catholics were very deeply touched by the earnest sympathy of Her Majesty the Queen, and the intense solicitude personally evidenced by Her Majesty that none of the several rites of the Roman church should be omitted. The Queen gave positive direction that whatever was wanted was to be supplied, and that if it was usual for sisters to watch by the body, they were to be freely admitted to the castle, and every convenience be afforded for the celebration of mass."

At the requiem service held last week in St. Patrick's church, Quebec, for the repose of the soul of the late Sir John Thompson, Father Rossback, the pastor of the church, in eulogizing the late Premier, remarked that if the Sir John Thompson was to come today before them, he would tell them that there was only one true religion, that of the Roman Catholic church, and that the others were all frauds. These words fell like a thunder bolt on his hearers, and as there were a large number of Protestants present on invitation, they felt the remark. In consequence of the priest's break, Mgr. Begin has given instruction to the superior of the Redemptorist order that Father Rossback must leave the arch-diocese of Quebec without delay.

FATAL RAILWAY SMASH-UP.

Thirteen Persons Killed Outright at Chelford, England.

The Manchester express for London on the London and Northwestern railway collided with a runaway car at Chelford, at five o'clock on Saturday afternoon. The express consisted of two engines and sixteen carriages, filled chiefly with people bound from Manchester for London to spend the holidays. A number of freight cars were being shunted near Chelford when the wind, which was blowing with great violence, started one of them back on the rails. The runaway car was driven slantwise across the main line just as the express approached. The drivers of the express, which was running at the rate of forty miles an hour, saw dimly ahead the huge obstruction approaching the line. The brakes were applied and the engines reversed, but the momentum of the heavy train was so great that its speed was not quickly checked. The engines and three carriages got clear of the points before the car struck the express. The express carriages which were struck were completely demolished. All the lights were extinguished, and fires had to be lighted alongside the wreck to enable the rescuers to work. Thirteen bodies were taken out of the wreck. Some of them were badly mutilated. A number of thoee on the train had narrow escapes. All the officials, except the firemen on the first engine, escaped death, but most of them were injured. The second engine was derailed and overturned. Its driver was thrown into a field, but was only slightly injured. Medical and other aid soon arrived from Crewe, and the injured, who numbered over fifty, were attended to. Several of those injured will die. A later despatch says the deaths reached twenty.

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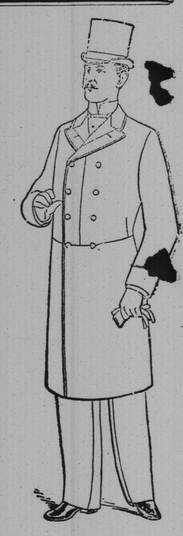

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