

NEWS OF FREDERICTON TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO

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PRESENTATION—Mr. M. McDade on Christmas Eve received an elegant ebony, gold-headed cane, the gift of his friend, E. S. Carter, the enterprising proprietor of "Progress."

MAKING THEM HAPPY—The Alms House folks were made happy on Friday, a beautiful Christmas dinner being prepared by Ald. Beckwith. The poor are generally well looked after in this city.

FOR NEW YEAR'S—Lower Gagetown will have a horse-race on New Year's Day if the weather is suitable. F. Smith, Chas. White, J. S. White and Dr. Bridges will try their flairs. Three are expected from Coles Island and two from Gagetown. There will be an Orange supper and dance in connection.

A BAD SPOT—Some of those who have occasion to drive across the river don't swear but look very angry when they try to wade their horses through the slough at the Temple Landing.

AT HOME—A social will be held in the Auld Kirk on the 31st under the auspices of the congregation as a reception to the Rev. Willard McDonald. The city clergy will be in attendance and the services of the F.O.M. W. orchestra will be called into requisition.

ACCIDENT—On Wednesday morning Robert Belyea, who was filling the new wharf with stone, got one of his horses into a sad predicament. Driving along the wharf with a load the horse slipped and fell on his side into one of the cribs, which was filled with large stone within two feet of the top. After half an hour of desperate struggle the animal was hauled out by a team pretty badly scratched but able to work.

L. O. TEMPERANCE—Officers of Prohibition Lodge, L.O.L., Temperance Society, for the ensuing year are as follows:—James McConaghy, president; Miss Lucy Anderson, vice-president; Miss Henry, chaplain; F. J. Todd, secretary; F. Bradbury, fin-sec.; A. S. Thompson, treas.; Jas. Fraser, marshal; Miss Phoebe Niles, dep. marshal; Miss Julia Wheeler, asst. sec.; John Cochrane, inside sentinel.

FOR ALDERMANIC HONORS—It is rumored that J. F. VanBuskirk will contest Carleton Ward. B. Everett is also spoken of as a probable candidate. Ald. Estey will be in the field if health permits, his nomination papers being ready should he not return in time. In King's Ward the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ald. Beckwith, who will contest the mayoralty will bring on a fight. J. Bebbington and George Davis are being urged by their friends to come out. In St. Ann's H. H. Pitts is in the hands of the constituency.

C. OF E. OFFICERS—At their meeting, the Church of England Temperance Society Monday night elected the following officers:—Rev. G. G. Roberts, president; Sir Leonard Tilley, Rev. Mr. Alexander, Rev. Mr. Parkinson, Sir John C. Allen, Major Gordon, vice-presidents; J. D. Perkins, secretary; A. A. Stirling, treasurer; E. Mullin, J. Bebbington, T. Wandless, A. Joutet, J. S. Beck, A. D. Thomas, T. Rainford, E. L. Dunn and Wm. Tippet, committee.

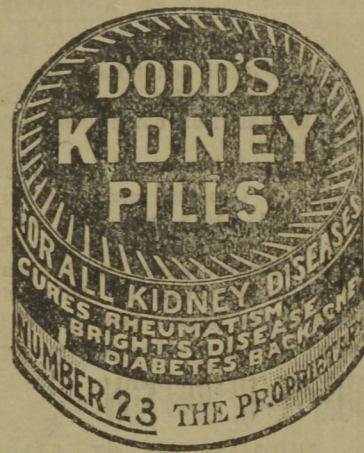
CHRISTMAS DAY—As has been the usual custom, the stores were all closed on Friday and the bustle and noise of the rest of the week gave way to Sunday peace and quietness. Many of the citizens had taken advantage of the excursion rates and had gone to spend the day with their friends in St. John, Woodstock, St. Stephen or Chatham, while each of these cities sent its quota to Fredericton to supply the places made vacant. Some went out to the country to meet their friends, perhaps parents, around the old familiar board.

PERSONAL—Major Gordon of Halifax, is here for the holidays. R. A. Estey was in Woodstock the first of the week. Levite Theriault, M. P. P., was in town for Tuesday. Lieut. Forster and wife are visiting at Mr. Temple's. Hon. P. G. Ryan and wife visited this city on Monday. Hon. Messrs. Pugsley, Tweedie and Labllois are in the city. Mr. F. B. Coleman has been appointed manager of the House of Commons restaurant at Ottawa. Mr. Henry Chestnut leaves for Southern California on Monday to be gone all winter. Fred Gunter and Harry McNally have returned from McGill College for the holidays.

BIG GAME—In all sections of this country as well as in Charlotte and Sunbury, deer are becoming very plentiful and though the animals are not often shot, yet along all water courses and where the country is suitable their tracks are frequently seen. Game wardens may do all possible.

THE MAYORALTY—Ald. Beckwith is quietly canvassing his friends and it would appear as though he will roll up a fine majority on election day. But the friends of Mr. John Richards feel confident of the ability of their champion to head the poll.

MARKET PRICES—Pork per lb., 5 to 5½ cents; beef, 3 to 5; lamb, 7 to 8; hams, 9 cents; sausages, 9 to 11; butter, 15 to 17; turkeys, 12 to 15; chickens per pair, 40 to 60 cents; ducks per pair, 60 to 80 cents; eggs per dozen, 20 to 22 cts.; potatoes per bbl., \$1; turnips per bbl., 50 cents; hay per ton, \$7 to \$10.



The Tramways Company of Edinburgh, Scotland, has provided a rifle range at Shrubhill for its employees. The United States has eighty-eight establishments producing gold and silver leaf, which give employment to 1,553 workers.

Manager Clark Griffith has picked out first place for his Senators in the American League pennant race for 1913, and Hugh Jennings says that his Detroit Tigers will be lucky to finish in the first division.

PLAYING POLITICS WITH THE NAVY

It is politics, not principle and not patriotism, that is destroying what is called "the moral effect" of whatever action Canada will take on the naval question. Mr. Borden has been crowded into playing party politics with the supreme problem before the country. And he played very badly. Like a man afraid of his own shadow, he refuses to consult the people as he promised Mr. Monk and the other French-Canadian Nationalists he would do. He is afraid and perhaps ashamed, to return to the non-party position to which he committed himself with the utmost unreserve in 1909. The victim of his own vacillation and of the pressure of his irreconcilable political supporters, and compelled to do something, he now makes a proposal that has neither the justifiable merit of an "emergency" contribution to the British navy nor the sanction of the Naval Service Act which authorized the "speedy" construction of a Canadian naval service. "Speedy" is the word Mr. Borden himself had inserted in the resolution of 1909. Now he talks of twenty-five years or a half century.

That is playing a party politics its very worst. It trails in the dust the loyalty of Canada as well as its self-respect and the promises of Parliament. And all because of Mr. Borden's alliance with the anti-British, French-Canadian Nationalists at the time of the Drummond-Arthurs by-election. He still has these allies in his "Cabinet" and in his party caucus. To them and for their sakes he betrayed the honor of Canada and denied the declarations made in the Parliament of Canada and in the capital of the Empire. Those allies agreed to support an "emergency" contribution if an "emergency" were proved, but under no circumstances a "permanent policy." No emergency, no sign of an emergency has been proved. He is now compelled to postpone indefinitely any "permanent policy." Hence this nondescript proposal. It is anti-British politics at its very worst.

And this proposal repudiates and contradicts Mr. Borden's own declarations, not in Canada alone, but in Britain. Three years ago at the Dominion Day dinner in London, shortly after the resolution of 1909, which was amended to suit the views, has been passed by the Canadian Parliament, Mr. Borden is reported as defending that non-party resolution in these express terms:

"Some feeling was created in the British Isles owing to the fact that Canada did not by resolution or by speech from the Prime Minister, vouchsafe the offer of one, two or three Dreadnoughts. The resolution, in the form in which it was passed, while its terms might not upon the surface seem as significant at the moment as the offer of one or two Dreadnoughts would have been laid down a permanent policy for the Dominion of Canada which would serve a more practical purpose than any such offer of Dreadnoughts."

Is it any wonder Canadians of intelligence and sobriety are shocked by such self-stultification on the part of the Prime Minister? Worse than that, however, is the weakness and the danger involved in the policy which he proposes. It is dangerous alike for Canada and for the Empire.—Toronto Globe.

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TRAIN BANDITS CREATED OF BOOTY

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—A posse started early today to renew the hunt for the four bandits who held up the "Alton Hummer" last passenger train on the Chicago and Alton Railway shortly after midnight, near Iles Junction, four miles south of here.

After uncoupling the engine and express car from the train and compelling the engineer to take them more than two miles down the track the robbers made five unsuccessful attempts to blow open the express safe with nitro-glycerine and dynamite.

According to the railway and express officials the bandits secured only a few packages which were of small value. While the highwaymen were working with the engineer and fireman, Flagman Horace Smith slipped away to Iles Junction, where there is a telegraph office, and notified the railway officials here and at Bloomington.

The robbers worked for forty-five minutes in the express car thus giving a switch engine, carrying officers time to reach the scene before the highwaymen could get away. When the robbers heard the engine approaching they fled, firing a few shots at the officers as they disappeared in the darkness. The express car safe, it is said, contained a large sum of money and valuable jewellery shipped by Chicago jewellers to Christmas purchasers. The money safe was badly shattered but was not opened.

The passenger coaches and sleeping cars stood on the track more than two hours until the engine and express cars were brought back and the train started for Kansas City.

It is believed the highwaymen boarded the train at Iles Junction which is an outer part of Springfield and an order point. They rode on the hind baggage until the train was a short distance out from the junction, when they covered the engineer and fireman compelling them to stop and uncouple the express car and engine. After firing a number of shots at passengers who ventured out to learn the cause of the delay, the robbers compelled the engineer to run down the road some distance, where they ordered the express messenger out of his car and proceeded in their attempt to blow open the safe. The safe withstood the dynamite charge and they were compelled to flee before securing any booty of value.

Will Fleming, who drove Joe Patchen II., 2,034, in his remarkable campaign, has signed to train for Maples Farm, Cannington, Ont.

W. H. Gocher, secretary of the National Trotting Association, has been elected president of the Road Drivers Club of Hartford.

Ed. Avery second trainer for Lon. McDonald is back in harness at the Indianapolis track after a month's vacation in Massachusetts.

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