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OUR WATER POWERS.

The bill to provide for the development of the water powers of New Brunswick, introduced in the House by Premier Foster on Saturday, is undoubtedly one of the best pieces of constructive legislation that this province has seen since Confederation. The bill is the result of careful study and thought on the part of members of the government, and the committee of practical men who have acted with them, and it is pretty certain to meet with the hearty approval of the people of the province. It is the first real step which any government has taken with a view of securing the development of our water powers, and there is every reason to believe that satisfactory results will accrue from it.

New Brunswick possesses some magnificent water powers, but, as Premier Foster pointed out in introducing the bill, we cannot close our eyes to the fact that up to the present moment there has been no great inrush of capital with the object of bringing about their development. Some years ago a syndicate of which the late Sir Wm. C. VanHorne was a member, was given certain rights in regard to the great cataract at Grand Falls, but apart from putting up a cash deposit of \$50,000 as a guarantee of good faith, they took no steps towards the development of the property. There has been much talk in the past of harnessing the mighty tides of the Bay of Fundy, but so far this talk has not taken the form of a concrete proposition.

The bill brought down in the House by the Premier on Saturday provides for the development and operation of water powers by private companies with government assistance and under government control. Upon being satisfied that the proposition is a feasible one and that there will be a market for the power to be developed, the Governor-in-Council, under the terms of the bill, may guarantee the bonds of a company to the extent of three-fourths of the cost of development. The company must provide the remaining one-fourth of the capital, but this must take a secondary position to the bonds guaranteed by the government.

Forty-nine per cent. of the capital stock is to be turned over to the province; a like amount will be retained by the company and two per cent is to be turned over to the Public Utilities Commission, which really means that the government will control a majority of the stock.

Under this arrangement the water will all be utilized for power purposes and there will be no chance of any of it finding its way into the stock, as has too often been the case with power companies in the past. In the matter of profits to be earned by the company, the interests of the province will be amply safeguarded.

The bill gives further proof of the fact that New Brunswick at the present time has a government, the sole desire of which is to legislate in the interests of the people and promote the welfare of the province. It is the first government to grapple seriously with the problem of cheaper power, and there is every reason to believe that its efforts will be crowned with success. Cheaper power is the great need of New Brunswick today, and with this assured the development of the province will go forward by leaps and bounds.

The Mail takes pleasure in congratulating Premier Foster and his government on the progressive legislation brought down in the House on Saturday afternoon.

Our old and esteemed friend, Mr. Pinder, thinks that the province has no need of a deputy Attorney General, and that his salary of \$1,800 should be saved. Let us see how it works out. When Mr. Pinder's friends were in power the Attorney General was paid a commission of five per cent. for collecting succession duties. Last year the sum of \$94,813.93 was obtained from that source. Had the old system prevailed, the Attorney

General's commission would have amounted to \$4,740, but the work was performed by the Deputy Attorney General at a cost of \$1,800. In other words, the official to whom Mr. Pinder objects, saved the province the sum of \$2,940.

The Standard, in looking over the provincial political field, states that the people of Madawaska are comparing their present representatives, Hon. L. A. Dugal and J. E. Michaud, M. P. P., with Charles L. Cyr and James Clair, and predicts that the latter will be returned at the next election. The people of Madawaska made the comparison two years ago, and by a three to one shot decided that Messrs. Cyr and Clair should remain at home. It is scarcely likely that the Standard's little joke at the expense of Messrs. Cyr and Clair will cause any marked revulsion of public opinion in Madawaska.

Mr. Tilley is said to be a great stickler for a change in the leadership of the opposition party. He is said to be firmly of the opinion that the mantle should fall upon the shoulders of a gentleman about his size, whose chief claim for distinction is that he is the son of his father.

Not long ago Mr. Baxter rose in his place in the Legislature and solemnly denied that he was a contributor to the editorial columns of the Standard. Can it be that the ex-Attorney General has turned the job over to Mr. George B. Jones, M. P. P.?

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Smaller the brass band the more essential the base drum.

If you can listen to both sides of a question you don't care much.

After one or two experiences you don't get so deeply in love but what you can flounder out.

Why do people often like a man who scolds a good deal if he doesn't scold them?

Stick candy is almost out of fashion and yet the dentists have more work to do.

Did a reformer of others ever stop to consider the question "Am I perfect myself?"

It all depends on the temperament whether a man would rather be famous than happy.

Things you "can't possibly do," you do if you have to. That is how Robinson Crusoe learned.

When two men of opposite political views are warm friends they discuss something else.

When a farmer thinks he would like to go to the city to live he feels certain he would never pay five cents apiece for apples.

After your fern comes back from doing duty at your friends' reception it looks as if it had been on a Sunday school picnic.

A bachelor is a man who is never certain his hosiery is worn out until the laundry finally sends it back undarned.

When as many as three women get together it is decided unanimously that men are kinder if their wives treat them like dogs.

LOOKED LIKE INTENDED SUICIDE
The citizen who was brandishing a fierce looking razor says it wasn't suicide but corns he was thinking about. Needless to say his wife bought him Putnam's Corn Extractor and hid the razor—very wise, because Putnam's cures in 24 hours; try it, 25c. at all dealers.

HAWKER HAS BEEN HELD UP BY RAINSTORM

St. John's Nfld. April 14—Unfavorable weather conditions continuing today will in all likelihood cause the further postponement of Harry Hawker's start across the Atlantic in a Sopwith machine. A heavy rain fell throughout the night and this morning the hangars are enveloped in a dense fog.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, April 14—Much of the strength shown by stocks at the opening of today's stock session was attributed to the publication of the terms of the victory loan. Gains of one to three points were scored by investment rails United States Steel, American International, leading oils, United States rubber, keystone tire, associated dry goods, corn products, united food products and wilson packing. Some of these advances were reduced before the end of the first half hour on the day's transactions.

G. E. COLWELL, FORMERLY OF CITY, KILLED

Was Working as a Carpenter at St. John Winter Port—Connected with Queen Hotel Once.

George E. Colwell formerly of this city lost his life while working as a carpenter on board the S. S. Scandinavian at St. John on Saturday. At the time of the accident the deceased with another man was trying to put in place an iron batten which had broken loose. Everything seemed to be going alright when the iron upright slipped and struck Mr. Colwell on the head and arm. He was rushed to the General Public Hospital but nothing could be done for him and he passed away at 6.45 o'clock Saturday evening. Besides a fractured skull one leg was broken and other injuries were received.

The late Mr. Colwell for a time lived at Nashwaaksis and was for some time steward at the Queen Hotel in this city. After moving to this city he took up his residence at the lower end of Charlotte Street where he conducted a grocery store. He also conducted the Grand Hotel for some time. He was well known in the city.

The deceased is survived by a widow who was Miss Harriet Lister of this city, a daughter Gertrude at home, and two sons, Roy and Donald.

Mr. Frank Lister brother-in-law is leaving this evening for St. John to attend the funeral which will take place tomorrow.

LOCAL NEWS

Three Drunks Up

Three drunks came before the Police Magistrate this morning and were given the usual \$8 fines. One of them also was fined \$50 for having liquor in his possession.

Met With Accident

Mr. Harold Lindsay son of Mr. W. A. Lindsay met with a painful accident yesterday when he cut himself below the left eye with a pair of scissors. The cut although very painful did not affect the sight of his eye.

Dislocated His Shoulder

Mr. George Rainsford while cutting wood for Mr. William A. Lindsay on Friday met with a painful accident. He slipped on some ice which was concealed by rubbish and dislocated his shoulder. Dr. Holden was called and the shoulder was set in place.

Married on Saturday

At the Brunswick Street Baptist Parsonage Saturday afternoon Rev. G. C. Warren united in marriage Artie May Stuart of Stanley and Albert George Erickson, a returned soldier, of Galveston, Texas. The couple left this morning for Galveston, Texas, where they will make their residence.

In the City Today

Mrs. Ada D. Costigan and daughter Miss Marie of Calgary are at the Queen Hotel today. Mrs. Costigan who is a daughter of the late Major Dowling of this city is a former Fredericton lady with many friends here. She went west in the eighties and her father was appointed Commissioner of the Royal North West Mounted Police. Her husband is a son of the late Senator John Costigan.

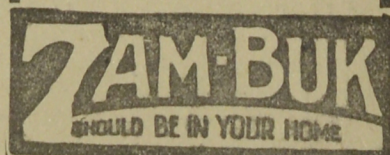
Slash Burning Season

The close season on the burning of slash begins tomorrow and will continue until October 15th. In that period permits must be secured for the burning of slash within a half-mile of any forest. Last year neglected slash-fires caused loss of \$10,000 to settlers. May 24th and June 3rd saw the start of many serious fires which originated in the neglected fires of picnic and fishing parties. Damage to the extent of \$60,000 was done by these. The public is asked to take special precautions this year.

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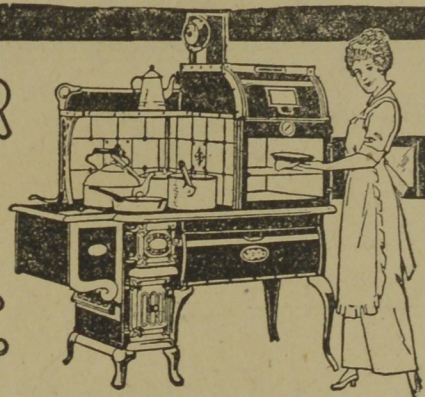
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Are You Moving May 1st?

Telephone subscribers who intend moving on or about May 1st, are requested to advise the New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd., of the change at once, using the move order form on the last leaf of the Telephone Directory. The New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd., Carleton street.

Starting Garage at Minto

James B. Adams, son of Mr. and R. B. Adams of this city and John Fenety, son of the late W. T. H. Fenety left this morning for Minto where they will conduct the Minto Garage. The building has already been constructed but much work is to be completed yet. Both enterprising young men are well known in this city and their many friends unite in wishing them success in their business.

Arrested for Forgery

In the police court on Saturday, Gregory Morris appeared before Magistrate Limerick on the charge of forgery, it having been charged that he forged the names of Albert Kitchen, of Kitchen Brothers, wholesale grocers, and Arthur J. Ryan, druggist, on a promissory note which he converted into cash by having it discounted at a local bank. He was arrested on Saturday morning by Police Sergeant Jones being taken out of bed at four o'clock. He pleaded guilty, made good the amount and a sentence of two years imprisonment was imposed but suspended because of previous good record. The accused recently returned to Fredericton after an absence of fifteen years.

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