

## PREMIER HAZEN HAVING TROUBLE

**Mr. J. E. Wilson Wants  
Maxwell's Place  
in the Provin-  
cial Cabi-  
net**

**The Hon. Robert May Become Director  
of Public Safety in St. John—A  
Row in the Camp.**

St. John, Dec. 28.—(Special).—It is persistently rumored in this city, that Mr. John E. Wilson, M. P., will shortly be taken into the Hazen government to succeed Hon. Robert Maxwell, who is said to be slated for the job of Director of Public Safety. Those in the inner circle of the party declare that unless Mr. Wilson is made a member of the government, he will not be a candidate for the party at the next provincial election.

Premier Hazen is said to be much worked up over the situation, as he realizes the fact that his administration is steadily losing ground in this city.

Friends of Mr. Wilson are advising him to take time by the forelock and insist upon the recognition of his claims at once.

## THE COTTON SITUATION CAUSING DISQUIETUDE

Bombay, Dec. 28.—The cotton situation is causing some disquietude. The receipts to date are 300,000 bales behind last season. A total crop of only 2,500,000 bales is expected against 3,200,000.

Local rates are relatively higher than the prices in the United States but even at that the dealers are afraid to sell.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Experts of the 1910 cotton crop of Peru will amount to 55,000,000 pounds according to an estimate of Gerardo Klinge director of the Lima Experimental station for cotton. The growing conditions were exceptionally favorable. Exports of 1909 cotton amounted to 47,641,776 pounds, valued at \$6,117,095. Allowing for the amount consumed in Peru the total value for the cotton crop did not run far short of \$7,000,000. The area under cultivation was 125,000 acres. The cost of producing is placed at 2½ cents per pound. Of the total production 65 percent is American upland.

## AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT RESULTED FATALLY

Philadelphia, Pa. Dec. 28.—Surrounded by members of his family, R. Winder Johnson, head of the banking firm of Lawrence Johnson and Co. of this city who was knocked down and injured by an automobile ambulance of the Woman's Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals last night died in a hospital today. Mr. Johnson was crossing Chestnut Street when a big ambulance with a sick horse in it came dashing down the street and ran him down. His skull was fractured and one of his legs was broken. The driver of the ambulance was placed under arrest. Mr. Johnson was sixty-five years old.

## ITALIAN WILL CLAIM CHAMPIONSHIP

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Hugo Kelly, the Italian prize fighter, said last night that he would claim the middle-weight championship of the world because of the defeat of Billy Papke at the hands of Dave Smith in the antipodes. Since Stanley Ketchell was killed, the title has been claimed by all the middle-weights. Kelly has fought two draws with Papke while the latter has one victory over the Californian.

## MARYSVILLE TOPICS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown, Mr. Hayward Brown, Miss Brown and Miss Nancy Arnold spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blair of Gibson.

## THE FOOLISH VIRGIN



MRS. PATRICK CAMPBELL  
WHO APPEARED IN "THE  
FOOLISH VIRGIN"

New York, Dec. 28.—New York has its first view of "The Foolish Virgin," when Mrs. Patrick Campbell appeared in the stellar role as Fanny Armaury. The play, originally a French production, was given at the Knickerbocker Theatre, and the audience seemed to like this unusual and unconventional drama which turns topsy turvy such ideas of morality as are harbored in this placid city.

## WOOD ALCOHOL RESPONSIBLE FOR TWO DEATHS

New York, Dec. 28.—A man and woman are dead and two other men are seriously ill in hospital today as result of drinking liquor said to have contained wood alcohol at a west side Christmas celebration on last Monday night. The dead are: Mrs. Maria Del Giudica, 22 years old and Rocio Demarco. The condition of the other two men is said to be serious. All attended a Christmas feast for which the host had laid a large stock of wine of which the party drank freely. Soon afterward four members of the company were taken violently ill. Mrs. Del Giudica died last night and Demarco early today.

## YARMOUTH MAN FOUND DEAD IN BOSTON

Boston, Dec. 28.—(Special).—Harry C. Crosby, a native of Nova Scotia, was found dead on the street this morning with his skull fractured. He had been travelling at a pretty fast pace of late. In his pocket was found a letter from his father and mother beseeching him to come home.

## MONTREAL MYSTERY MAY BE CLEARED UP

Montreal, Dec. 28.—(Special).—Stephen Hansen disappeared from his home in this city in 1904. During the recent Farmers' Convention at Ottawa a group portrait was taken and relatives here who afterwards saw it, think they recognized him in the party. They are now making an investigation.

## GIBSON NEWS

Dec. 27.—Miss Jennie Densmore, who has been visiting her mother, will leave this evening for Bangor. A baby girl has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown. A large party of young people will attend the Arctic rink tonight. The Methodist church will hold its Christmas concert on Thursday evening.

## Criminal Extravagance of the Hazen Government

**Financial Statement Published in the Royal Gazette Shows a  
Deficit of Over One Hundred Thousand Dollars on the  
Operations of the Last Fiscal Year—Extravagance and  
Incompetency Manifested in all Departments—Interest  
Charges Ran Past the Quarter Million Mark—Revenue a  
Record Breaker.**

The Royal Gazette today contains the following statement of receipts and expenditures of the province for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1910.

### EXPENDITURE, 1910

Adm. of Justice	\$ 21,090.32
Agriculture	41,478.30
Aud. Gen. Office	2,700.00
Boys' Industrial	
Home	1,500.00
Contingencies	38,908.67
Depts. & Leg.	17,626.98
Campbellton	
Fire Relief	2,000.00
Exhibitions	9,379.48
Education	265,892.83
Executive Gov.	38,908.67
Factory Ins.	1,001.81
Free Grants	1,007.00
Fish, Forest & Game	38,468.63
Guarantee Bonds	
Govt. Officials	915.30
Honorary—J R. Inch	2,500.00
History of N. B. (Hannay's)	1,500.00
Immigration	9,540.05
Interest	251,816.61
Judicature Act	2,467.50
Leg. Assembly	28,343.40
Leg. Library	850.00
Liquor Licenses	26,638.36
Mining	1,581.61
Monument, Cham- plain	1,500.00
Monument, Sir S. L. Tilley	2,500.00
Nat. His. Soci- eties	650.00
N. B. Rifle As- sociation	300.00
N. B. Historical Society	125.00
N. B. Railway Investigation	2,965.45
Public Works	328,443.26

Public Health	
Small Pox	5,085.11
Public Health	
Hospitals	9,700.00
Public Health	
Sal. & Exp.	2,091.11
Probate Fee	
Fund	12,965.74
Printing	14,348.27
Prov. Hospital	
Maintenance	684,307.79
Refunds Crown	
Land Dept	2,265.63
Revisors	1,820.64
Roads & Surveys	
Sett. Lands	
Victoria Cof	3,171.87
Sur. & Inspe.	4,754.19
Sinking Funds	13,560.00
Stumpage Col.	27,909.62
School Books	23,157.40
Superannuation	2,850.00
Succession Du- ties, Collec.	1,500.95
Tourist Asso.	2,500.00
Tuberculosis Com	177.95
Utilities Com. (sec. sal.)	300.00
Unforeseen Ex.	1,619.53

Charg. to ordin- ary revenue	\$1,317,876.42
Sharves & Grain Elevator, St. John	2,500.00
International Ry Subsidy	43,700.00
Per. Bridges	148,652.83
N. B. Coal & way Repairs	3,297.45
St. John Riv. Valley Sur.	19,290.46
U. S. Fidelity Co., Depos- it withdrawn	10,000.00
Con. deposits refunded	6,610.32
Com. Pensions withdrawn	11,456.30
Sup. Court Chan. Division withdrawals	5,371.76
Deb. 4 p c, and 6 p c, re- deemed	167,000.00

Spec. Loan 1909 Bank B. N. A. repaid	15,679.75
Balance	96,652.71
	\$1,847,985.00

### RECEIPTS.

Lance from 1909	\$ 114,971.75
Dominion Subsidies	621,360.96
Territorial Revenue	494,491.64
Territorial Revenue, N. B. Ry. Sett. Lands	425.00
Fees, Prov. Secretary's Of- fice	17,893.55
Private and Local bills	2,473.32
Taxes Incorporated Com- panies	36,948.90
Succession Duties	32,432.90
King's Printer	2,262.30
Liquor Licenses	44,316.41
Probate Fee Fund	15,856.86
Supreme Court Fee Fund	2,310.01
Provincial Hospital	26,511.91
School Books	17,162.92
Wharves, one-half cent. Do- minion Government	1,623.20
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,572.24
Judicature Act (Sales)	446.10
Sales of Horses	1,055.98
Potato Warehouses	2,195.85

Total Ordinary Revenue, \$1,324,440.05

Special Loan from Bank of New Brunswick for St. John River Valley Sur- vey	19,290.46
Loan from Bank of N. N. A., on Bond Account	268,314.26
Bonds sold to Sinking Funds	86,800.00
Contractors Deposits	5,842.25
Commuted Pensions De- posited	16,619.30
Supreme Court Chancery Division, deposits	6,422.22
L'Union St. Joseph De- posit	5,000.00
W. P. Flewelling Est.	1,087.71
	\$1,847,988.00

## STOCKS ARE STRONGER ON WALL STREET TODAY

New York, Dec. 28.—Wall Street, 10.00 a. m.—Price changes at the opening of the stock exchange were mostly fractional and in almost every instance lower than at yesterday's close. Southern Railway, pfd., and St. Paul were off a point. The substantial fractional losses were in United States Steel, Reading, American Tobacco, pfd., Chesapeake & Ohio and Chicago Great Western. Reading subsequently recovered its initial loss and there were slight advances in Consolidated Gas and Pacific Mail.

(Quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers, of St. John, N. B., Members of Montreal Stock Exchange.)

Amalgamated	61½	68½
Atchafalca	99½	100½
Smelters	72½	73
Brooklyn	74½	74½
Canadian Pacific	193½	193½
Pennsylvania	128½	128½
Reading	148	149
Soo	127½	128
Southern Pacific	114	114½

## Union Pacific... 168½ 169½ U. S. Steel Com... 71½ 71½ MONTREAL MORNING SALES.

Quebec Railway, 50 @ 59, 10 @ 59½	
Dominion Iron, 50 @ 60½	
Cement, com., 75 @ 23½	
Cement, pfd., 30 @ 87½	
Detroit, 90 @ 69½, 145 @ 69½, 10 @ 69½	
N. S. Steel, 5 @ 85½, 100 @ 85½, 100 @ 86	
Crown Reserve, 730 @ 270, 600 @ 269½	
Montreal Street—50 @ 219, Illinois, 5 @ 90½, 2 @ 90	
Royal Bank, 20 @ 242	
Rio, 25 @ 102, 200 @ 102½	
Power, 27 @ 139	
Bank of Montreal, 10 @ 244½, 1 @ 244	
Ottawa Bank, 50 @ 129	
Bank of N. S., 25 @ 282	
B. C. Packers, 25 @ 33	
Penman's, 9 @ 60	
Woods, 16 @ 137	
R. & O., 5 @ 91	
Ogilvey's, pfd., 10 @ 133	

## SEVERE STORM SWEEPS OVER MIDDLE WEST

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Telegraph and Telephone companies report early today that weather conditions threaten a serious crippling of service in the middle west with a possibility that Chicago may be cut off from direct communication both east and west. A wet heavy snow storm originating in the west travelled eastward all night and interfered with the transmission of messages on nearly all trunk lines. Rain gradually turning to snow in Indiana, caused serious wire trouble there. This necessitated the re-routing of much telegraphic matter. If the weather turns colder soon it is feared that a general prostration of wire service may result.

## CHAIRMAN MABEE VISITING WASHINGTON

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—(Special).—Chairman Mabee, of the board of railway company, is at present in Washington consulting with the American Commission on railway matters affecting the two countries. It is probable that as a result of the conference, the price of lower berths on pullmans may be reduced.

Dec. 29 the King's Daughters are giving theatre goes an opportunity of hearing a splendid program, consisting of vocal, instrumental, solos and readings. The Opera House Orchestra will furnish special music.

Mr. W. B. Dickson, M. P., of Hillsboro, is at the Barker House.

## FRENCH AVIATOR AND PASSENGER INSTANTLY KILLED

Issy-les-Moulineaux, France Dec. 28.—M. Laffort, the French aviator and M. Pola, a passenger were instantly killed when the former's machine fell from a height of fifty feet today. Laffort was preparing to start for Brussels in competition for the Auto Club's prize for a flight with a passenger from Paris to Brussels and return.

A big crowd was present to witness the ascension and both to entertain spectators and to test his machine Laffort circled above the aviation field several times. Suddenly the steering gear jammed and the aeroplane dropped to the ground. The occupants were caught in the wreckage and were dead before aid reached them.

## BROOKLYN CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

New York, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Julia Ameson returned to her home in Brooklyn late last night to find that during her absence her three children had been suffocated by smoke. The children were John and James, twins, three years old and their sister Francis four years old. The mother had left the little ones to their own resources while she went for a call on relatives nearby. The fire was caused by an overheated stove and had burned itself out in the chimney corner, with a loss of only a dollars worth of property.

School Inspector F. B. Meagher, of Woodstock, is registered at the Barker House. Miss Ada Wiley spent Christmas at her home in Jacksonville.

## MAY TIE UP ITALIAN RYS

**Ninety Thousand  
Employees to En-  
force Demands  
For Increased  
Wages**

**Government is Doing Its Best to  
Check the Movement—Secrecy  
Being Maintained.**

Rome, Dec. 28.—The agitation among the railway men in favor of a strike to enforce their demands for increased wages continues but with great secrecy as the employees consider that their chance of success depends largely upon surprising the authorities. The government is doing its utmost to check the movement as it is realized that a serious situation would result if more than 90,000 men who have voted for a strike should go out. The railways of Italy generally are owned by the government and a movement by the men to tie up the whole system and cripple industries dependent on the lines of communication would place the strikers in direct conflict with the state. The public are anxious over the situation. The railroads of Italy total 10,445 miles, of which approximately 8,000 miles are owned by the government.

## INTERESTING BUDGET OF ST. JOHN GOSSIP

St. John, Dec. 28.—(Special).—J. D. Clancy a member of the Northwest Mounted Police of Saskatoon is in the city today and will take back with him Duncan K. Turner who is under arrest here under the charge of obtaining money under false pretences.

The schooner Virginian arrived here this morning after an eight day passage from Bermuda with a cargo of molasses.

Dennis Morris a resident of Lorneville died here this morning. He is survived by a widow a sister-in-law of Senator Dever. The family are two sons and three daughters.

## McGAFFIGAN CASE IN CHANCERY COURT

St. John, Dec. 28.—(Special).—The case of J. J. McGaffigan vs Willett & Company, was taken up in the Chancery Court this morning before Chief Justice Barker. It is a suit to decide the ownership of a wall separating the properties of the plaintiff and the defendant. Hon. Wm. Pugsley gave evidence this morning, but was unable to say who owned the wall.

## PERSONALS

Mr. Charles D. Hebert of Shediac, is in the city.  
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Biggs, of Amherst, arrived here this morning, to spend a holiday with Mr. Biggs' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Biggs.  
Mr. Chas. E. Oak, of Bangor, is at the Queen.  
Mr. W. A. Gibson, of St. John, is in the city.  
Mr. David McDonald, of Halifax, is at the Queen.  
School Inspector W. M. McLean, of St. John, is in the city.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Risteen returned from Woodstock last evening.  
Miss Jean Hallett spent Christmas with her parents at Millville.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Maxon, Mr. and Mrs. T. U. Maxon and Mr. Percy Maxon spent Christmas in Woodstock returning home last evening.  
Mr. Jack Duffy left last evening for St. John, where he will spend a vacation with relatives.

Mr. Thomas Wyndam, of Vancouver who spent Christmas with his father-in-law, Mr. D. C. Burpee of Gibson, left for the west last evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller of Westville, N. S., are visiting Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ross, York street.  
Dt. Moore of Stanley is in the city today.  
Miss Tillotson of England is the first Suffragette to visit this part of the province.

## CONGRESS MAY INVESTIGATE

**Alleged That There  
is a Conspiracy to  
Destroy Wire-  
less Telegraph  
Company**

**Officers Refused to Surrender Five  
Million Dollars Worth of  
Stock.**

Washington, Dec. 28.—Demands will be made upon Congress, it is said, for an investigation of the wireless telegraph situation throughout the United States. Letters are being sent to members asking that the matter be taken up. These letters charge that a conspiracy was set on foot to destroy the United Wireless Telegraph Company because its present officers would not surrender \$5,000,000 worth of stock. When Congress reassembles next week, formal request will be made for the appointment of a committee in each branch with authority to summon witnesses and inspect the books of all wireless companies. The petitions that will be filed with congress will set forth the evidence already on file with the postmaster general and the attorney general. In some of the documents already filed, the specific charge is made that companies have been allowed to do business while others have been denied the privilege, although operating in precisely the same manner.

## FARMER'S BANK AFFAIRS IN VERY BAD SHAPE

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Brampton is having exciting times over the local option contest. Rev. Canon Walsh and Proprietor Hossack, of the Queen's Hotel, had a dispute Sunday evening in front of the hotel and Hossack called the minister a liar. The minister's son and others interfered and stopped the dispute and Walsh proceeded on his way to church. When he was close to the building he was struck in the back of the head with an egg thrown by an unknown person.

Albert Jardine and Robina Anderson were married secretly at Goderich yesterday. The bride's sister was recently found murdered in a lonely house in Goderich, and the groom's brother, Thomas, is held on the charge of being the murderer.

Startling reports are being circulated as to the affairs of the Farmers Bank. The statement is made by people who claim to be well informed, that not only will the double liability have to be collected, but even with that the assets will only be sufficient to pay about twenty-five cents on the dollar.

Albert Baker, aged 53, of East Mississippi, was yesterday evening found hanging from a beam in his barn, while his wife and children were celebrating Christmas in the house. Baker was a well-to-do farmer. After dinner the gifts from the family Christmas tree were handed around, and when Baker received his, the children called for a speech. He remarked that he would not say anything just then but would go out to the barn and do the chores. Some time afterwards his wife sent one of the children to the barn to ask Baker for some money she wanted. Then the suicide was found, hanging from a beam, his feet barely four inches from the floor. He had been dead some time.

## LAST TRIBUTE OF RESPECT TO THE LATE W. C. WINSLOW

Chatham, Dec. 28.—(Special).—The funeral of the late Warren C. Winslow, K. C., was held here this morning and was very largely attended. Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated at the Cathedral. The pall bearers were Governor Tweedie, Messrs. R. A. Lawlor, K. C.; F. E. Neale, William Dick, Howard McKenzie, W. S. Loggie, W. B. Snowball and Colonel McKenzie.  
The list of mourners included Messrs. Bruce, J. J. F. and D. B. Winslow, of Fredericton.