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THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

Fielding, Paterson and Brodeur Prosecuting Enquiry at Sydney.

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 12.—(Special)—The Tariff Commission began a session here this morning.

Harvey Graham, of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Co., and Alex. Dick of the Dominion Coal Co., appeared before the commission on behalf of the coal industry.

They drew attention to the importance of the coal industry in Nova Scotia.

For the year ending September 30th, 1904, there was a total output of 5,247,135 tons, the mining of which gave employment to 11,650 persons. The royalty paid the government was \$517,643. The total coal production in Cape Breton Island was 5,951,524 tons.

The coal companies of Cape Breton had a long rail haul to position from the seaboard and was vitally dependent on the St. Lawrence market, which

includes the city of Montreal points west.

Competition at these points with American and English coal had been keen, therefore it was absolutely necessary that the present duty of sixty cents per gross per ton on bituminous coal be maintained, in order to hold the market for Nova Scotia coal.

John Moffat, grand secretary of the P. W. A., speaking on behalf of the miners, said that during the past seven years the miners were better off than formerly, but any interference with coal duties would result disastrously to the coal industry.

Stephen B. McNeill, grand master, corroborated Mr. Moffat's statement.

Mr. Cameron, on behalf of the Dominion Steel Company, submitted a letter, asking for a continuance of the bounty system and also asked for a duty on barbed galvanized wire

MRS. CROSSKILL DEAD.

Wife of Former Halifax Publisher Passed Away at Moncton.

Moncton, Jan. 12.—(Special)—The death occurred here last night of Mrs. J. C. Crosskill, widow of the late J. C. Crosskill, a former well known Halifax publisher, who came here from Halifax twenty years ago to take a position on the Moncton Times.

Mrs. Crosskill, who was sixty years old, lived with her son, Athol Crosskill, of the L. C. R. Freight Claims Department. With the exception of her children, nearly all relatives reside in Halifax.

Her only daughter is Mrs. Givan, wife of ex-Mayor F. W. Givan of this city.

Her eldest son, Wm. H. Crosskill, resides at Charlottetown, where he holds a position in the local government service.

The remains will be taken to Halifax tomorrow afternoon for interment in the family lot.

PHILIPPINE WEDDING.

Native of P. E. Island Married to Widow of Spanish Lieutenant.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Jan. 12.—(Special)—Married at Bogo, Cebu, Philippine Islands, Nov. 23rd, in the house of El Padre Juane Descamparade, Charles Cannon, supervising teacher of Cebu, a native of P. E. I., to Anna Rodriguez, widow of the late Filomeno Rodriguez, Spanish Lieutenant, killed during the war in Manila in 1898.

They were married by a Spanish priest at eight, receiving permission by dispensation from Bishop Hendry of Cebu City, formerly of Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Cannon was educated in Barcelona, Spain.

MONCTON ROBBERY.

McGarr Before the Police Court on a Serious Charge.

Moncton, Jan. 12.—(Special)—Wm. McGarr was arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer Chappell, on a charge of robbing Flewelling Wilbur of a gold watch and chain, a twenty dollar gold piece and a gold headed pencil.

It is alleged that McGarr grabbed Wilbur's chain while the two were in a down town hotel and succeeded in getting away with the chain and other articles attached to it.

McGarr denies all knowledge of the crime. The accused was arraigned in the police court this morning and his case was continued this afternoon.

VERY SUDDEN DEATH.

Passenger on Atlantic Express Expired Shortly After Leaving Train at St. John.

St. John, Jan. 12.—(Special)—Maurice Dartin, a young man who arrived here on the Atlantic express today, suffering from heart trouble, died a few minutes after his removal from the car to an ambulance, which conveyed him to the hospital.

He was accompanied by Dr. Stockpole of Winnipeg, and was on his way from there to his home in Ireland.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

U. N. B. Selection will be Made Within Two Weeks—The Applicants.

The University, Jan. 12.—The successful applicant of the University of New Brunswick for the Rhodes scholarship at Oxford University will be known in about ten days. The faculty with the assistance of three students from the senior class, who will represent the student body, are to make the selection. An applicant for the scholarship must meet some of the following requirements, scholarship, powers of leadership, athletic ability, and general character. There are at present eight applicants, two able men of the class of 1902, Messrs E. C. Wayman, and G. P. O'Farrell. Both are natives of Apohaqui, Kings County, and fill the requirements for strong and possible Rhodes' scholar men.

Ralph D. Freeze, of Sussex, is the only applicant of 1903 class, and was a good student, taking his B. A. degree with double honors.

Robert Colwell, of this city, and William G. Pugsley, Jr. of St. John, both B. A. graduates of 1901, seem to be strong applicants, and undoubtedly it will be a pleasant surprise to us to know that one of the naughty four men, captured the scholarship.

Fred C. Squires, of the senior class is a recent applicant, and without doubt a very strong one.

He is a son of Robert Squires of Bath, Carleton County. He entered the U. N. B. as a sophomore, and completed his junior year with first class distinction papers in three subjects, while as an athlete, he had the pleasure of breaking two state records, last May. He also has the honor of having held the champion athletic belt, of the University of N. B.

Mr. William A. Woods, a 1901 man, is also an applicant for the Rhodes' Scholarship. He had the honor of leading the province in the University matriculation examination for 1903, and won the Wilmot Scholarship in 1901.

Mr. Ralph Sherman, another of the junior applicants, is a clever student and is held in high esteem by his "fellow friends." Ralph has taken first class distinction papers in his Freshman and Sophomore years.

The regular weekly debate will be held in the University library as usual, tomorrow evening. Messrs. A. Anderson, and W. H. Lunney will lead the respective sides of the much discussed subject whether Prohibition is preferable to High License, as a method of dealing with intemperance. Mr. M. C. Clark, president of the debating society extends a cordial welcome to all the students, and any outsiders who may care to attend.

STRATHCONA OPTIMISTIC

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Lord Strathcona, prior to leaving for New York, whence he will sail by steamer Carmania for England, delivered an address yesterday afternoon at the opening of the St. Lawrence Curling Rink Club's new rink.

He took occasion to speak with great optimism of the future of Canada, predicting that by the end of the present century there would be a population in the dominion twice as large as the combined populations of Great Britain and Ireland. Every thing was favorable towards that end, and the natural conditions of the country could scarcely be improved upon.

It was also satisfactory to know that the prosperity here, past and present, was due, not to a boom but to natural conditions.

He wished to be remembered by his friends not as Lord Strathcona, but as Donald Smith, his name of bygone days, when first he knew them.

FREDERICTON TRIMMED MARYSVILLE.

Home Team Won the Curling Match with 21 Points to Spare.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS PLAYED HIDE AND SEEK WHILE THE BATTLE RAGED

The Fredericton and Marysville curlers, three rinks a side, played the noble game at the Cotton town last night for four consecutive hours, intermittently. The game was a fourteen end one and should have been disposed of in two hours, but the electric light system of the Marysville rink willed it otherwise, and all the coaxing the resident electrician assisted by Dr. McGinn of Fredericton could do would not induce the thing to work full time.

The system is an excellent one when it has its working clothes on but last night it was out for a holiday and fun, and it had both. The sixty incandescent lights when they are on, make the rink as bright as day, but when they are only twinkling or off altogether—well it is not then a good thing for keen curling.

First the electricians said it was the governor's fault. It got giddy and flew off at a tangent and finally shut down business altogether. The Fredericton boys offered the governor's secretary as a substitute, but his honor got into working order after a while and the dynamo began to kick up and made itself

HATEFUL AND DISLIKED
for an hour or so. These trials and tribulations were very wearing on the curlers and the nervous men among them noticeably fell off in their play. The waiting time might have been more tiresome but for the kindly attentions of the Marysville men, who were quite embarrassed by the cussedness of the electricies, which they declared always worked peaceably and industriously when there were no strangers in town.

Incidentally too, it was discovered that Contractor Simmons of the Fredericton team was celebrating the anniversary of his birthday, and in honor of the event, there were several rounds of spring water and "Nits." Allen charmed all the company his touching rendition of that latest grand musical triumph "Everybody works but father," splendidly supported in the chorus by such eminent vocalists as Court Stenographer Simmons "Jappie" the "Murderer" and "Ikey." The Contractor, it appears was born somewhere on the shores of the Magapit lake during the first half of the last century but he insisted that he was "just seventeen."

DOWN TO BUSINESS.
However, this chronicle started out to tell about the curling match, and the record is brief.

FREDERICTON WON.

Our Hockey Team in a Sharp Contest Downed St. Stephen 5 to 4.

THE LEAGUE STANDING.

	won	lost	p.ct.	won
Fredericton	2	0	100	
Moncton	1	0	100	
Marysville	2	1	66	
Sackville	1	1	50	
Sussex	0	2	00	
St. Stephen	0	2	00	

St. Stephen, N. B., Jan. 12.—An old time crowd was on hand last night in the rink to see the first hockey game of the season.

The contestants were Fredericton and the Thistles. Owing to an injury received by Moore at Marysville, McGarrity took his old position as rover.

The following was the line up of the teams.

	Fredericton	Martin
Thistles.		
Reid	Goal.	F. Staples
Shaughnessy	Point.	S. Staples
Manzer	Cover.	Malloy
McGarrity	Rover.	Winslow
Carson	Centre	Morrison
Lindsay	Right Wing.	Rowan
Love	Left Wing.	

Referee—Percy Howard, St. John. After a sharp contest Fredericton at the end of five minutes, captured the first goal. S. Staples being the lucky one. In less than one minute the visitors got a second one, eight minutes later Fredericton got their third and the fourth shortly after. Six minutes later the Thistles got their first by Carson, two minutes later the home team got another one by Carson.

The first half showed some rough playing. Manzer being put off five minutes. While there was good playing on both sides the visitors put up the better defence. Five minutes after commencing the second half, Carson took another goal and one minute later Love scored. S. Staples

The Marysville men are showing themselves good stuff, they have a lot of new stones, they had a good sheet of ice, and the visitors deserved considerable credit for winning the game.

On No. 1 rink, Walker was pitted against the entire police force of Marysville in the bulky and distinguished person of Mr. Al. Barker, who with his men put up a good game. On No. 2 "Paul" Ferguson ran up against the doughty Dr. Fisher, the smallpox expert and general secretary of the public health, and on No. 3 "Ikey," the man of matrimonial destiny, battled with Master George Tapley, who is a gamey little curler and it never beaten till the last end is played.

When all was over at midnight, the score stood 21 in Fredericton's favor, all the visiting rinks winning, although "Ikey" had a narrow escape.

EVIDENCES OF THE BATTLE.
The troops engaged and the casualties were as follows:

	Fredericton.	Marysville.
Simmons, C. J. B.	Pickard	
Settle	Walker	
Simmons, S. D.	Merritt	
Shute, sk	12 Tapley, Geo sk	10
Winslow, J. A.	Ward	
Allen, C. H.	Downing, C	
Macnutt	Cochrane	
Walker, sk	19 Barker, sk,	10
Edgecombe, A. W.	Lowrie	
Peters	Downing	
Barker	Inch	
Ferguson, sk	21 Fisher, sk	11
Totals	52	31

Majority for Fredericton, 21.

After the game the Fredericton men were hospitably entertained to a tasty luncheon by the Marysville curlers and there was a round of toasts, speeches and songs, the classic eloquence of the Private Secretary, the ragtime solos of "Paul" the elocutionary effort of the "man with the ancestors" and Master Willie Walker's whistling solo bringing down the house.

The Fredericton team went up in Jim Higgins' barouche with his papa's high stepping Clydesdales attached and apart from running down an innocent and unsuspecting wayfarer on the trip up, the journey passed off without startling incidents.

The next engagement between the two clubs is set down for Friday evening next at the Fredericton rink.

was put off the ice for rough playing but came on the ice in a few minutes. Ten minutes later Fredericton took a goal. No other goal was made.

This finished a hot contest, 5 to 4 in favor of Fredericton.

Local hockey fans were much elated at the new which flashed over the wires last evening that the Fredericton hockey team had won in the N. B. H. L. game at St. Stephen. The boys knew that the Fredericton team would win if possible, but in the light of past experience they scarcely thought it possible for a visiting team to come out ahead in the St. Stephen rink. The news was all the more welcome on this account and put the fans in the best of humor.

The victorious team returned from St. Stephen by the noon train today and were given a very cordial welcome. The Fredericton Brass Band turned out for the occasion, and gave the boys a rousing serenade as the train pulled into the depot. The party, including the band, then piled on a four horse led and drove to the Arctic rink by way of York and Queen streets. The band discoursing lively music while en route.

The boys are naturally much elated over their victory, and have no complaints to make regarding their treatment at St. Stephen. They ran in four goals at the start and although they knew from that time that the game was in their hands, they worked hard and cautiously until the end. The score should have stood 5 to 3, in favor of Fredericton. St. Stephen's fourth goal being obtained as the result of an error on the part of Sandy Staples.

THE STOCK MARKET.

Montreal, Jan. 12.—(Special)—The stock market quotations today were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 77, 76½, 78½,
Dominion Iron and Steel, 26½, 28½,
Dominion Iron & Steel pfd., 77, 77
Nova Scotia Steel, 68½, 68, 68½,
C. P. R., 175, 175, 175½,
Twin City, 119½, 119½, 119½,
Montreal Power, 88, 87½, 88,
Rich. & Ont., Navigation, 74, 74½,

Mrs. Albert W. Edgecombe has returned from a pleasant visit among friends in St. John.