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CURRENT COMMENT.

His Holiness the Pope has contributed \$200,000 for the relief of the stricken people of Italy.

A. S. Cheney, American consul at Messina, Italy, his wife and family were among those who lost their lives in the recent earthquake.

The Quebec local government carried all its bye-elections, while the Hazen government lost in both constituencies opened since the general election.

The Bank of British North America shows its faith in the future of Canada by opening new branches in various parts of the country, has started an agency at St. Stephen.

It appears from the provincial accounts that the defalcation of the late Deputy Surveyor General amounted to \$18,593.35, but against that the government received from the guarantee company \$5,205.33, leaving a deficit of \$13,388.02.

According to the provincial accounts the Hazen government has expended \$11,587.87 for school books, and have received only \$1,691.71. It will probably require an army of collectors to induce the school book vendors to keep square with the department.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier on behalf of Canada has accepted President Roosevelt's invitation to send representatives to the White House conference for the discussion of the best plan for conserving the natural resources of North America.

Among applicants at Donegal for old age pensions are three peasants, who return their ages at 111, 108 and 106 years. One of them does not understand a word of English, and still affects the knee-breeches, swallow-tail and caubeen of two generations ago.

While Canada, "Our Lady of the Snows," is enjoying exceptionally fine winter weather with just enough frost in the atmosphere to make it bracing, and just enough snow on the ground to make the "going good," the British Isles are in the grip of a raging blizzard.

The disaster in Italy, by which two provinces were laid waste, whole towns were destroyed and 100,000 lives lost, is one of the greatest in the history of the world, and the old year closes amid gloom and sorrow at the enormous havoc wrought by the forces of nature. The greatest possible sympathy will be extended to the little kingdom of Italy in the catastrophe that has overtaken it.

The provincial accounts for the fiscal year, closing Oct. 31st, do not exhibit the much vaunted professions of economy with which the Hazen government came into power last March. Indeed the accounts read much the same as before, only that Mr. Hazen has added to the expenditure large amounts for useless commissions. The government's estimates were \$100,000 excess of all former records, and they have spent all the money they could get their hands on.

Numerous Tory lawyers throughout the province are getting "a look in" at the provincial treasury through the means of criminal prosecutions. The latest benefactor in this respect is our old esteemed friend, Mr. Titus J. Carter of Andover, who in the absence of the attorney general, and the solicitor general is representing the crown in the preliminary examination of the Italians charged with the murder of a pedlar near Plaster Rock.

Mr. Hazen's numerous commissions are proving an expensive luxury to this province. They had only really commenced to draw from the public funds when the provincial accounts closed for the past fiscal year on Oct. 31st, but up to that time the agricultural commission, which is searching for an agricultural policy for the government, had absorbed the sum of \$1,868.21, and the Central Railway commission had been paid \$1,515.99.

These amounts are a mere beginning in each case. Wait till you see the accounts for the present fiscal year.

The Solicitor General takes one of the most important steps of his life this evening, when he leads a bride to the altar. Both the young people are prominent in social circles. Mr.

McLeod is a public man who has achieved distinction in the political arena as well as in his profession, while his bride has occupied responsible positions in the educational service of the province and is a very sweet and winsome lady. The numerous friends of both the principals both here and elsewhere throughout the province will join with the Herald in wishing them all possible happiness and prosperity. The Solicitor General's settling down to matrimony is one of the most practical and businesslike acts of the government members since they came into power, and Mr. McLeod has won a bride who will be a real help meet to him not only in his home, but in his public career.

NEW YEAR'S RINKS.

Return Match. President vs. Vice-Presidents for Coleman Cup.

The following rinks will play in the New Years match for the Coleman Cup President vs. Vice-Presidents. The match on Christmas between the same sides gave the president a lead of two points and the aggregate of the two games will decide who is to hold the cup this year.

MORNING

Kerner	Kitchen
Hughes	McPeake
Limerick	Ferguson
Randolph, C.F. skip	Campbell, skip
Parker	Caldar
Benson	Shea
Peters	Hall
Hatt, skip	Wilson, skip
Fitzpatrick	Everett
VanWart, F.	Fowler
Atherton	Weddall
Dridges, Dr. skip	Randolph, A. skip

AFTERNOON

Irvine	Ryan
Neill, J. S.	Thomas, F.
Dibblee	Hopkirk
Loggie, skip	Barker, skip
Massey, Geo.	VanWart, W. A.
McKay	Thomas, C. H.
Crowe	McGrath
Massey, skip	Rutter, skip
Jardine	McCunn
Reid	Vandine
McFarlane	Shute
Macnutt, skip	Simmons, S.D. skip

EVENING

Neill, John	McLeod
Babbitt, S. W.	Farnsworth
Dunbar	McLellan, W.
Randolph, R. F. skip	Hawthorn, skip

GOVERNMENT MEETING.

Pensions for Teachers, Immigration and other Matters Considered.

All the members of the local government were present at the meeting here this morning, and several matters of importance engaged their attention.

The question of granting pensions to school teachers was considered, and will be referred to the Board of Education at its next meeting.

A grant of \$100 was made to the poultry shows to be held during the winter at St. John, Moncton and Hartland, conditionally, with the prize list being in excess of that amount.

Applications for letters patent from the Miramichi Cemetery company, Rigby Hardware company, Eastern Amusement company, and the Standard Publishing company, were referred to the Attorney General.

A list of the immigrants placed in the province during the past year by the Salvation Army was laid before the executive.

Allan A. Davidsen, K. C., of Newcastle, was appointed judge of probate, pro hac vice in estate of William Milan.

The question of immigration was under consideration, and it is understood that in the near future steps will be taken to place the attractions of the province for settlers before the people of the British Isles in a more thorough manner than ever before attempted.

This afternoon a delegation from the Senate of the University, composed of Senator Ellis and Chancellor Jones, will interview the government on matters pertaining to that institution.

It is likely that the legislature will be summoned early in February for the despatch of business.

SIGNIFICANT QUERY.

How Mr. Hazen and his Friends Observe the Independence of Parliament Act.

To the Editor of the Daily Herald: Sir—A recent issue of the Gleaner contained the following news paragraph:

"In the police court yesterday afternoon, Judson Johnson was fined \$10. This is not the first occasion on which the government legal work has

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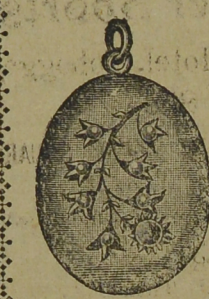
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\$100 and costs for violation of the game law of the province. The case against Allen Johnson was postponed until Thursday.

Mr. R. B. Hanson of Slipp & Hanson is conducting the prosecution for the Crown Lands Department.

It is Mr. Slipp's connection with these prosecutions affected by the independence of Parliament, for the strict observance of which Premier Hazen clamoured so loudly when leading the Opposition?

VOTER

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