

WINTER PORT IS BOOMING

Empress Tomorrow Will Carry 1000 Passengers

MANY HERE NOW

And Special Train Will Leave Montreal Tonight With the Ba ance--China Mails Leave Montreal Tonight--Business Booming at Sand Point.

When the Royal Mail Steamer Empress of Ireland of the C. P. R. line sails tomorrow for Liverpool she will take away from this port a passenger list of nearly a thousand. During the past few days the train from the west have been bringing a large number of people who are en route to their homes in the old country to spend the Christmas holidays.

In addition to the large number of passengers the steamer will take the mails which will leave Montreal tonight for this port.

The special train besides bringing the mails will have a large number of passengers. The train will be run alongside of the steamer and the passengers go directly on board the boat. A special train will likewise take the passengers already in the city, from the Union depot, and land them at the steamer's side with their baggage.

On the arrival of the steamer Montezuma this afternoon, there will be a large number of passengers. The steamer will arrive at 2.30 p.m. and will be met by a large number of people. The steamer will be met by a large number of people. The steamer will be met by a large number of people.

AN ELDER IS IN DISGRACE

CALGARY, Nov. 29.—Principal Bryan of the Normal School here, an elder of the Presbyterian church, has been arrested on a charge of rape, preferred by a young Scotch girl, recently arrived from Kilmarlock, Scotland. The girl says she answered an advertisement in a newspaper and found Mrs. Bryan away, but expected home in a day or so. Next day she went to work. After she went to bed Mr. Bryan asked her to go into his room as it was warmer. She went, and Bryan followed, and after entering he locked the door. She struggled with him and called out, but he told her it would not help matters. During the night the girl made attempts to leave when she thought he was asleep, but found he was awake. In the morning she said she would light the fire and managed to escape. Bryan is out on bail fixed by Judge Harvey at \$12,000. The preliminary hearing takes place tomorrow.

BUDGET SPEECH THIS AFTERNOON

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 29 (Special).—At four o'clock today the present Canadian tariff will be wiped out of existence and a complete new tariff will be put in its place.

The budget speech will be delivered by the minister of finance this afternoon, and the results of the tariff revision will be made known at the same time. Instead of a one column tariff there are to be three columns, a maximum, a minimum, and a preferential.

There will be therefore a complete new set of figures and an entirely new tariff.

The difficulty of making comparisons with the old tariff will be somewhat difficult, and the new tariff will be a very full compilation. The trend of the revision, it is said, will be to reduce rather than increase the present rate of duties. The preferential will be changed from a fixed rate, as at present. Some items will have more preference, some less.

NOTHING IN THE CHARGES

Engineer Barbour, of the water extension, was in the city this morning, and left on the noon train for Amherst. He expects to return here tomorrow. While in the city he called on the mayor, and with Engineer Hunter and Alderman Baxter a quiet little meeting was held, in which the charges made by Alderman Christie and a few other little matters were talked of.

The mayor said that Engineer Barbour had told him there was nothing in the charges made by Alderman Christie that could be answered. It was ridiculous to expect that at the present time when the pipes were being examined and the work not yet complete, a report could be submitted. When the work was found to be satisfactory to the engineers a full report would be given to the council.

Mr. Barbour was seen, but declined to discuss the matter.

A meeting of the St. John Law School students will be held this afternoon at 7. G. V. McNeer's lecture, for the purpose of electing officers for the present scholastic year.

It is possible that arrangements may be made by the city with the government to obtain the services of one of the government river dredges to remove the Navy Island bar.

Mrs. Herbert D. Everett will hold her annual art sale at her home, 37 Brussels street, opening Monday, Dec. 3rd, and continuing until Xmas.

IS A PUBLIC INSTITUTION

School for Blind is Not a Private Venture

RUN ON A GRANT

A. O. Skinner Repudiates Statements Made by an Alderman at the Water Board Meeting--Directors Receive No Revenue From School.

During the meeting of the water and sewerage board last evening and while the matter of a reduction in rates for the School for the Deaf was being discussed, Alderman Baxter moved that the assessment stand as at present. He said: "I foresee a long train of private institutions coming in for rebates and there will be no end of trouble. Mr. Brown has no vested interest. His head cast upon the waters will doubtless return after not many days, and will no doubt be held for a better price in the future."

The recommendation of the director was that the assessment should be reduced 30 per cent, but after some discussion Alderman Baxter's motion carried.

Mr. Skinner said he thought the aldermen should not make statements as to institutions of this kind unless they possessed a knowledge of the facts. He said the school property was bought by Mr. Brown from the Jewett estate for the purpose of the school and was then deeded by Mr. Brown to the directors of the institution. It had passed out of Mr. Brown's hands, and he had no more to do with it than anyone else.

"As far as being private property is concerned, it is run under a government grant, the government paying \$105 a head for every scholar, and any shortage has to be paid by private subscriptions from outside," said Mr. Skinner.

"The school is run by a board of directors none of whom receive a cent of remuneration for their time or work in connection with the institution, and I fail to see," said Mr. Skinner, "where it is a private speculation in any shape or form."

ECHOES OF THE FIGHT

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Nov. 29.—After the fight last night Burns said: "I won fairly and think the decision was bad. I chased O'Brien miles all over the ring. Just compare our faces and draw your own conclusions."

"I am very well satisfied with the decision. Jeffries did the right thing. I outpointed Burns I think, but I was a little light for him. Hereafter I shall fight in the middleweight class."

Referee Jeffries, defending his decision, said: "There was nothing to warrant a different decision in favor of either. Both were strong at the finish. There was not enough leading done to justify a selection of the better man."

HE WAS ONLY IN A TRANCE

MOOSE JAW, Alb., Nov. 29.—(Special).—On Sunday night John Dechman was reported to have been found dead in bed. No inquest was deemed necessary and all the preparations were made for his funeral, when yesterday morning he suddenly awakened from a trance in time to prevent being buried alive. His condition, however, is so precarious that little hope is entertained for his recovery.

FOUGHT TO SAVE HONOR AND CASH

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Nov. 28.—Mrs. John Simms, wife of a prominent merchant, and Miss Florence McKeehan, tonight fought a negro for 20 minutes to prevent him accomplishing both burglary and criminal assault. Mrs. Simms was choked almost to death and beaten until her clothing was covered with blood. When the women were totally exhausted Mrs. Simms' husband arrived and the negro fled. Posses are searching for the negro and if he is caught lynching will follow. The excitement here is great.

CIRCUIT COURT

The case of Alex. Wilson and James O'Donnell against A. R. C. Clark and John Adams, came up in the circuit court this morning, before Mr. Justice Hamilton. Daniel Mullin, K. C., appeared for the plaintiffs and Hon. H. A. McKeehan, K. C., for the defendants.

The suit is to recover a balance on a contract made by the plaintiffs with the defendants for punching and drilling holes in the structural work on the extension of the car shed of the Union depot. Will erect; also, for extras and delay caused by the non-arrival of material, thus holding back the work. The total sum involved aggregates \$700.

Alex. Wilson one of the plaintiffs was placed on the stand and his direct examination was not finished at one o'clock, when adjournment was made till this afternoon.

A SURPRISE PARTY

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick White, of the firm of White & Taylor, gave them a surprise party at their residence, 16 Durban street, last evening. John Irvine Fairlie, on behalf of the guests, presented to Mrs. White a handsome set of dishes and to Mr. White a safety razor. Mr. White appropriately acknowledged the gifts. During the evening games were played. Miss Taylor rendered a number of piano selections and J. D. Taylor sang a Scotch song. Supper was served at midnight.

CASE SETTLED OUT OF COURT

McDade-Finn Case Did Not Come Up in the Circuit Court Today.

A private settlement was effected this morning in the McDade-Finn case, set for hearing in the circuit court today, in which the plaintiff claimed \$2,800 for services rendered the defendant, Mrs. Rose Finn, in connection with the estate of the late A. A. Finn.

Inquiry with reference to the terms of settlement was made among those interested in the case, but at the time of writing the only information obtainable was that the parties agreed upon an amount less than that offered by the plaintiff—viz., \$1,400—some weeks ago, and both sides pay their own costs.

MURDERED FOR THE INSURANCE

Philadelphia Woman Took Several Lives to Get \$1000 Insurance Money.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 28.—Mrs. Mary Carey, of this city, who was arrested last night on suspicion of having caused the death of two of her children, her husband, and two other persons by poison, was today given a hearing before a police magistrate and committed to prison to await the action of the coroner's jury. The police officials claim Mrs. Carey held insurance policies on the lives of all those whom she is suspected of killing and for the purpose of securing this money, which aggregated about \$1,000, the crimes were committed.

Captain of Detectives Donaghy said tonight that a witness had been found who would declare that Mrs. Carey, one of Mrs. Carey's alleged victims, protested just before she died that she had been poisoned. He also says that a druggist has been found from whom a woman who gave the name of Mrs. Carey, purchased rat poison containing arsenic, just before the woman's two children were stricken ill.

BOTH ARE AFTER IT

Norway and Sweden Each Claim Ownership of Spitzbergen.

ST. PETERBURG, Nov. 28.—Norway and Sweden have applied to the foreign office here for recognition of their claim to the ownership of the Island of Spitzbergen, in the Arctic Ocean, between Franz Josef Land and Greenland. The possession is keenly desired by both countries.

SCHOOL BUILDING WAS SET ON FIRE

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Nov. 28.—A large brick building on Missouri Avenue, which was leased last week by the board of education for a negro school, was destroyed by fire today and there is evidence that the prejudice against the establishment of a school for negroes caused the building to be set on fire. Late last night the building was discovered to be on fire, but prompt action was taken and the flames were quickly extinguished. The building was soaked with oil on the second floor hallway. The destruction of the building today marks the second building leased for a negro school that has been burned within the last two weeks. The board of education two weeks ago leased a building for a negro school and immediately it was destroyed by fire.

SCHOONERS PURCHASED.

H. G. Smith, grocer, Winslow street, W. E., has purchased two schooners, the May Bell and the Lottie. Last week Mr. Smith bought the May Bell from Capt. Kearny for, it is said, about \$1,000. The schooner is 90 tons and Mr. Smith will send her up the bay next spring.

The Lottie W. belonged to Capt. W. A. Watters, and was built at Westfield, N. B., in 1898. She is 63 ft. 3 in. long, and 23 ft. 3 in. beam. Mr. Smith said to have paid between \$700 and \$800 for her. The schooner will winter at Wigwag's wharf and in the spring will also engage in the bay trade.

CORNELL WON RACE

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 28.—Cornell won the Intercollegiate cross-country run today, defeating Pennsylvania, Yale, Harvard, Columbia, Princeton and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

SESSIONS OVER

MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 29.—(Special).—The grievance committee of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen concluded its session this morning. The interview with General Manager Pottinger respecting car, was found to be quite satisfactory to the committee.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A GREAT POEM.

The lovely Miss Birdie McWhat has sent to Mr. Newton Newkirk of the Boston Post a request for his photo and autograph, and his book of poems, if he has ever had any published in book form. Purely by accident Birdie came across a poem written by Mr. Newkirk, and it thrilled her so much that she could not sleep for several nights. The poem is as follows:

The Pulse of Fate.

Alas, that thus it is not so;
Yet never since before has been
Still wildly throbbing should I thou
Thy love, alas, it cannot was!

Whither and why? Thine eye I see;
Stupendous error, swift and rare;
The phantom's dying, sighs and wail—
Reflected on a brighter love!

So therefore, now, and still, ah me!
The way is steep, the night is cold;
The doleful sighing of the rocks;
Swift agony already yet.

Birdie said with enthusiasm to the Times new reporter this morning that there is here an electric beauty, a haunting melody, a persuasive suggestion of profound and soulful emotion and passionate sensibility, of contemplative and æsthetic approval.

STARTLING STATEMENTS

Investigation Into the Management of Blind School

IN BRANTFORD

Laxity in Administration and Immorality are Charges Made Against Principal Gardener--Former Employee Makes Startling Statements.

BRANTFORD, Ont., Nov. 29.—(Special).—The inquiry into the alleged laxity in the administration of Principal Herbert P. Gardener, of the Brantford Institute for the Blind, was formally opened at the institute yesterday and early developed startling features. The inquiry is being conducted by J. Russell Snow, of Toronto, for the Ontario government, and W. S. Brewster, K. C., of Brantford, is the government counsel.

The only witness yesterday was Thomas Truss, for thirty-two years, trained instructor at the institute, who retired about a year ago. He and Principal Gardener had a disagreement as to the management of the department and this culminated in Mr. Truss' resignation and the subsequent filing of charges which led to the present inquiry.

Mr. Truss described the strict discipline that formerly prevailed in the institute and contrasted it with Mr. Gardener's discipline, which he called a "go as you please" system, under which the pupils were permitted to visit barrooms and questionable houses. Alleged instances of immorality were stated involving a blind pupil named Saunders, whose home is in this city, and who, he asserted, induced other pupils to go there for immoral purposes.

"Drunkness," said the witness, "has been so frequent for the last two years that I have repeatedly spoken to Mr. Gardener, saying 'eternal vigilance is the price of moral excellence and to this he replied that boys would be boys and he would not put a girl in a glass case to preserve her from evil.'"

Formerly no pupil was allowed outside after nine o'clock and Mr. Gardener changed this time and many times the pupils came in at 9.35. One evening as the witness was out walking in the grounds rather late he recognized the voice of one of the pupils and heard a female voice. This was in a place where no female was allowed and the proceeding was witnessed by Mr. Gardener, when spoken to about it looked angry, but said nothing. There were at that time no lights in that part of the grounds, and, as doors were not locked there was an opportunity for pupils of both sexes to go out and the witness knew they did go out.

Formerly smoking had been forbidden but this rule had been relaxed and one day the witness counted twenty boys using tobacco at one time.

He spoke to them and one of them swore at him and said: "Mr. Gardener has no use for you. Your days are numbered."

The witness frequently spoke to Mr. Gardener, who also said the older boys should have the use of tobacco, and they would use it anyway on the sly. With reference to political influence, Mr. Truss told of how eight or nine pupils had been allowed to go out driving with liberal workers, who treated them and took them to the polls, although, he contended, they had no right to vote. Mr. Gardener, who is looking after his own case, cross-examined Mr. Truss on several of his statements. He will present his case later on. Several pupils and employees will be called today and following days.

Mr. Gardener's defence, it is said, will be a complete denial of the charges and the contention that these are the outcome of illfeeling on the part of Mr. Truss because of the loss of his position.

AN AWFUL DISASTER

Roburit Factory Near Annen, Germany Blows up --- 300 People Killed or Wounded.

DORTMUND, Germany, Nov. 29.—A roburit factory, situated close to the town of Annen, seven miles southwest of here, blew up yesterday evening and was wiped from the face of the earth. It is estimated that 300 persons were killed or wounded, but the exact number has not been ascertained. The accident occurred at about half past eight o'clock. There were two tremendous detonations, heard throughout the entire surrounding industrial region, which is thickly settled. The inhabitants of the neighborhood fled in panic, fearing further explosions. The town of Annen is nothing more than a heap of ruins. Houses were shattered right and left, and no house escaped injury.

Roburit is an explosive of high power composed of salt petre, ammonia, sulphur and other ingredients. It is not easily exploded by a blow, and it can be burned with safety in the open air. Its power is second to that of dynamite.

JURY RETURNED VERDICT OF GUILTY

Alexander Herman Found Guilty of Murder at Bridgeport Conn.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 28.—"Guilty of murder in the first degree," was the verdict announced by the jury this afternoon in the case of Alexander Herman, charged with the shooting and killing of Martin Korzinsky, on July 4, last. Judge Alberto T. Roraback, who presided at the long trial, announced that he would defer sentence until Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Herman did not betray the slightest emotion at the verdict and he was as stolid and indifferent as at any time during the trial when Jailer Seefeldt put the handcuffs on him for the return to the county jail.

During the first hour of deliberation the jury had two ballots were taken. The first ballot resulted in 11 for conviction and then a long time was required in going over the evidence before the twelfth member of the jury was finally "persuaded."

Judge Roraback's charge to the jury was finished at 11 o'clock and the jury promptly retired. At 3 o'clock the jury came into the courtroom for further instructions. It was evident then to a number of court attendants that one man was holding out. It required another hour to win him over, for it was 4.15 p. m. when the foreman announced that they had agreed upon a verdict.

OUTLOOK HOPEFUL

Speaker at American Colony Dinner in Paris is Hopeful That Arbitration Will Supercede War.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—The Thanksgiving dinner of the American colony in Paris took place this evening, Ambassador McCormick presiding.

A notable speech was made by Baron D'Estournelles De Constant, who made reference to the present growing demand for the limitation of the enormous armaments now weighing down the countries of Europe and the timidity of the powers to take the initiative in this direction. The speaker declared that this initiative naturally fell to America. After a warm appeal to President Roosevelt, which brought his hearers to their feet, the baron declared what if President Roosevelt had the courage to submit a clear proposition along these lines to The Hague Tribunal, France, Great Britain and Italy would support him and thus even Germany contrary to the popular belief, would welcome the proposal. While the next Hague conference might not bear this fruit, the speaker predicted that five years would see a limitation of armaments and the end of the high road to realization of the dream of arbitration as a substitute for the horrors of war. Baron D'Estournelles De Constant is president of the group in the French parliament which favors international arbitration.

Professor Aristide Briand, of Harvard University, who begins his lectures at Sorbonne next week, was among the other speakers. The health of the presidents of the two republics was proposed by Ambassador McCormick and drunk standing.

WILL START TOMORROW

Dredge Galveston Arrived Today and Will be Put to Work at I. C. R. Terminal.

The suction dredge Galveston arrived off Partridge Island last night about 11 o'clock, and came up into the harbor this morning. She docked at the Government Pier, south end. The dredge left Quebec on the 17th inst for this port, and called in at a number of ports on the Nova Scotia coast on her way here. She is owned by the Dominion government. Superintendent of Dredging Cowie has been in the city for some time awaiting the arrival of the dredge. The dredge is of the suction type, and takes up the mud into her bunkers and dumps them as they are filled. The Galveston will commence work tomorrow morning on the west side of the Intercolonial Railway wharf. After that is finished it is not known where she will go to work in the harbor. It will then be up to the city fathers to have her put to work on the Navy Island bar near the approach to the ferry slip, west end. The dredge will be here all winter, and it is expected she will do great work along the harbor front. It is also probable she will do some work at the entrance of the harbor, near Partridge Island, in deepening the channel.

CENSURED THE COMPANY

HAMILTON, Ont., Nov. 29.—(Special).—The adjourned inquest in the case of T. B. Fairchild, who died of injuries received in trying to get on a car on the Hamilton and Dundas line on November 13, after the strike was on, took place last night. Sixteen witnesses were examined. The jury returned a verdict that the accident was due to the negligence and incompetency of the car crew, and strongly censured the company for employing such men in responsible positions.

The congestion and temporary suspension of traffic on Canterbury street this morning was due to the wild eagerness of the rest of "the first half dozen of the prominent citizens of St. John," followed by a respectful but equally emphatic baneful second citizens, hurrying to an upstairs newspaper office to render as divine reformers and hand in their credentials. It was not necessary to call the police.

KILLED IN A TRAIN WRECK

Well Known Railway President Meets an Awful Death.

FIVE OTHERS KILLED

One Train Stopped for Repairs and Another Train Smashed it in the Rear--Fire Ensued and Horrible Deaths.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Nov. 29.—President Samuel Spencer, of the Southern Railway, was killed and his body burned beyond recognition at Lawyer, 11 miles below here, at 6.30 o'clock this morning. Philip Schuyler, of New York, of Mr. Spencer's party, also was killed, as was Mr. Spencer's special train's dispatcher, E. W. Davis, of Alexandria, Va., and Engineer Terry. One man not yet identified as he was killed. Eight persons were injured, one probably fatally. The accident resulted from a collision between train No. 37, the Washington and Southern vestibuled limited, which ran into the rear of train No. 33, known as the Jacksonville Limited, President Spencer's private coach was entirely buried.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern Railway Company, who was killed in a wreck on the Southern Railroad, near Lynchburg, today, was one of the prominent railroad men of the United States, and for nearly 20 years had been at the head of one of the more great railroad enterprises. At the time of his death, in addition to the Southern he was president and a director on the Alabama Great Southern Railway Company, the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Pacific Railway Company, the Georgia Southern and Florida Railway Company, the Mobile and Ohio Railway, the Central Railway of Georgia, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, the Erie Railway Company, the Northern Pacific Railway and other corporations. Mr. Spencer was born at Columbus, Georgia, in 1847, and was educated in the University of Georgia and the University of Virginia.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—President Samuel Spencer was at the rear of the train and he received injuries, which shortly afterward proved fatal. A number of others received injuries of a more or less serious nature. The wreck occurred about 20 miles south of Lynchburg. Mr. Spencer was a director also of the Central Railway of Georgia, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company, the Erie Railway Company, the Northern Pacific Railway and other corporations. Mr. Spencer was born at Columbus, Georgia, in 1847, and was educated in the University of Georgia and the University of Virginia.

THE STANDING TODAY

Court La Tour, I. O. F. ... 18,146
St. Stephen's Scotch B. B. ... 15,837
St. Mary's Band ... 15,126
St. Rose's L. A. Ch. ... 13,515
St. Vincent's A. C. ... 12,498
High School A. C. ... 10,575
Neptune Hoving Club ... 10,720
La Tour Section T. of H. and T. ... 3,726
Portland Methodist Y. M. A. ... 2,310
Junior Beavers ... 1,478
Marathon A. C. ... 1,513
Mission Church Gymnasium ... 1,137
Concord Y. M. C. O. F. ... 804
Salvation Army ... 697
Marlborough Lodge S. O. E. ... 618
N. B. Lodge K. of P. ... 568
St. Andrew's Cadets ... 511
Y. M. S. of St. Joseph ... 457
Y. P. S. of Centenary Church ... 541
St. George's B. B. Club ... 370
Ladies' O. B. A. C. ... 326
Alex. Section T. of H. and T. ... 320
St. Peter's Y. M. A. ... 245
St. Mark's Cadets ... 235
Father Mathew Association ... 213
Firemen's Relief Association ... 272
King's Daughters and Sons ... 175
Hibernian Cadets ... 240
Military Veterans ... 240
Ladies' Aux. to Seamen's Mission ... 214
Prot. orphan Asylum ... 129
Ladies of the Macabees ... 101
Maple Leaf Club ... 120
I. O. G. T. ... 80
Y. M. C. A. ... 80
Loyalist S. O. T. ... 70
Loyal O. S. York No. 3 ... 39

VOTE EARLY AND OFTEN

Heavy Balloting in Times Contest Today

NO CHANGE IN LEAD

A Correspondent Makes Strong Plea for the Protestant Orphan Asylum and Sends 86 Votes for That Institution ---The Standing Today.

The balloting in the Times contest today was particularly heavy. Nearly all the principal organizations in the race swelled their totals to a considerable extent, while many of the less prominent contestants made their presence felt by an unusual increase in their vote.

Court La Tour still leads the race by a considerable majority, although the Kilties and St. Mary's Band have not ceased their attacks upon the coveted place.

An interesting light is now in progress and one which will be watching. None of the contestants is disposed to concede victory to the other, each being evidently animated with the same spirit which actuated Wellington, when during a critical phase of the battle of Waterloo, he said to his soldiers: "Hard pounding boys, we'll see who'll pound the longest."

Several letters were received today, among them being the following, which appear to deserve some consideration at the hands of the voters:—

November, 28, 1906.

Contest Editor "Evening Times"

Sir.—The Protestant Orphan Asylum, at the end of the list as it has been recently indicated, that the orphans generally have a poor show all round. In order to encourage others to take an interest in the orphans, please find enclosed eighty-six votes for this worthy institution. Hoping that this may turn out according to scripture: "that the last may be first and the first may be last." The Band of Young Men.

STANLEY GUNN TELLS NORTH END POLICE OF SOME SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS.

A young man giving his name as Stanley Gunn, Union street, was a visitor at the north end police station this morning, and as he himself said the object of his visit was to put the police wise.

Gunn shot into the depot yesterday on the Boston express and this morning he stated that before reaching Bangor he met five men who were eating sandwiches. He had a little grape juice himself and thought that the two would go well together. He soon discovered that he was becoming "dopey" and could hear the men saying: "He is going now." He could also by means of the glass in the cars see them laughing at him. Gunn finally made up his mind to take his dress suit case to the conductor as he very believed that his companions wished to rid him of some of his valuables. Three of the men got off at Bangor and the other two came to St. John. "I just dropped in to put you wise," said he to Officer Corbett, as he left the north end station.

TARIFF REDUCED TO BOOM BUSINESS

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 28.—(Special).—The French government, alarmed by the rapid decrease in the population of St. Pierre, Miquelon, has revised the customs tariff for the island in order to stimulate business interests. For schooners entering the port for shelter or supplies, the tax has been placed at nine cents per ton instead of 25 cents, as heretofore. For vessels entering for the purpose of securing bait twenty-five cents instead of fifty cents, and previously, for the trading craft, the old rate of 50 cents per ton remains. This reduction in the tariff will have the tendency to induce vessels seeking shelter, bait or supplies to run into St. Pierre instead of St. Johns, as under the old schedule.

WANTED TO PUT POLICE WISE

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