

HIS SUCCESSOR WILL BE APPOINTED AT ONCE

Provincial Legislature Has No Power to
Appoint Administrator for Office of
Late Lieut. Governor Snowball---
Funeral at Chatham on Thursday.

(See also page 5.)
FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 25.—(Special)—Flags are flying at half mast here today out of respect to the memory of the late Governor Snowball. W. B. Snowball, son of the deceased, Premier Tweedie, Col. McKenzie, R. A. Lawlor and Undertaker John McDonald arrived from Chatham at six o'clock this morning by a special train and will return this afternoon with his honor's remains. R. G. Murray, M. P., John B. Goggin, M. P., P. R. S. Barker, the governor's private secretary, and several others will accompany the party. The funeral will likely take place at Chatham on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Snowball, Miss Lillian Snowball and Senator Thompson left Toronto this morning by the C. P. R. and will reach Chatham tomorrow night. It seems to be the general impression here that a successor to the lieutenant governor will be appointed at once, as the government has no power to appoint

an administrator in a case of this kind. Governor Chandler died while the legislature was in session and a successor was immediately appointed. The legislature will meet this afternoon and immediately adjourn until Tuesday of next week. This was agreed upon at a caucus of government supporters this morning.

North Shore members speak in eulogistic terms of the late Governor Snowball, and regard his death as a great loss to the province.

A special train has been engaged to take his honor's remains to Chatham and will leave here at 3.30 o'clock.

At this morning's service at St. Dunstan's church, Rev. Father Carney spoke out strongly in denunciation of those who violated the rules of the Roman Catholic church by dancing at the recent reception at the government building.

Nearly a foot of snow fell here last night and this morning.

FREEZE OUT IN POLICE COURT

Justice Shivered This Morning,
And the Police Clerk Wore
His Overcoat.

A spirit of discontent seemed to pervade the atmosphere at the police court this morning. Once again Police Clerk Henderson took his place clad in a heavy overcoat and his honor lost no time in disposing of the prisoners.

The case against W. L. Hogan for selling liquor to one B. Blizard, a minor, came up for hearing but, was set aside till tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock.

Police Clerk Henderson announced that the sheet bearing the information against the defendant had been locked up in the small desk by Sergeant Haywell, who was absent on account of illness. Blizard had been notified to be in court this morning but failed to appear.

His honor said that if the court room was warm enough he would proceed with the case this afternoon.

"I certainly will not hold court in a place that is not warm enough," he remarked. "The private office is not fit to sit in."

It was finally decided—as stated above—that the matter be taken up tomorrow afternoon.

His honor also observed that the date set on the large court room calendar had not been changed since Saturday.

Edward Mulcahey, who was arrested on Saturday evening by Policeman Silas Perry, for wandering about and being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself, denied having been arrested and claimed he had given himself up, for protection, and was told to go. As stated in another column of this issue of the Times, it was Mulcahey who, several weeks ago, told the police he was chased by devils.

Hugh Lyden was fined \$8 or thirty days in jail for drunkenness.

Bernard Henney, also charged with drunkenness, forfeited an \$8 deposit.

A colored man who claimed he was relieved of a sum of money by a light-fingered gentleman, called at the police court this morning to accuse the arrest of the offender, who he intimated had gone to Nova Scotia.

The military case which was to have come up today was set aside for another week.

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DRIVEN FROM HOME INTO SNOWY STREETS

Five Thousand People Driven Out of
Their Homes by Fire in New York's
Tenement District This Morning---
Sandusky, Ohio, Also Has Bad Fire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Five thousand persons were driven into the snow-covered streets by a fire which destroyed the new Irving Music Hall in Brooklyn street and spread to several big tenement houses at the rear and either side. No lives were lost. The response of the firemen and their apparatus to the four alarms was delayed as the streets were piled high with ice and rubbish which had not been cleared away after the last storm and to which was added the six inches of snow which fell yesterday.

Tenements in the neighborhood were quickly cleared, but 200 police had the greatest difficulty in holding the excited people in check and in preventing some of them from rushing back into the burning building for forgotten possessions.

The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

SANDUSKY, Ohio, Feb. 25.—Accumulated gas in the basement of the Bittner Building, a three story brick structure on Market street, exploded with terrific force today. The building and the big stock of furniture of Dilgart and Bittner, retail dealers, is a total loss.

The flames, which the firemen are unable to combat on account of low water pressure, are being swept toward other buildings at the side and rear. The whole city square opposite the Federal building scene looked.

Thirty girls employed in a laundry next door, were thrown into panic. Several of them fainted and had to be carried out. No lives were lost.

JEROME STILL PROBING DEEP INTO SECRETS OF

MRS. THAW'S PAST LIFE
Prisoner's Wife Again On the Rack at Today's Session of
Famous Murder Trial---Some Sidelights On the Life of a
Chorus Girl.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—District Attorney Jerome will continue his cross-examination of Evelyn Thaw today, according to a late announcement, unless something shall arise at the last minute to make him change his mind. The reports that he will eventually ask for the appointment of a commission in lunacy are believed to be well founded but Mr. Jerome, it is said, will not make this application until what he deems the proper time arrives.

In preparation for any move in this direction Thaw's lawyers have been busy looking up cases in which lunacy commissions have been sought.

On the whole they are satisfied with their investigation as there have been one or two cases of this kind which seem to show that it is not as simple a matter to get the court to break into a murder trial to order an inquiry into the mental condition of the defendant, as might at first appear.

Meantime it is certain that when young Mrs. Thaw takes the stand again she will have to face a still fiercer ordeal than that experienced by her last week. Mr. Jerome has mentioned many things to her which she has not yet followed up but it is probable that before he allows her to stand aside he will press her closely on these points.

A story is published today to the effect that George Pollock, formerly hall-boy at the San Jacinto apartments, has supplied the support this contention, in an affidavit in which he says that White on four occasions followed Mrs. Thaw to the home of Hattie Forsyth, who had apartments in the Jacinto house. Mrs. Thaw, however, on each occasion is said to have avoided him.

When the trial was resumed this morning District Attorney Jerome continued with his cross-examination of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw.

She was immediately called to the stand and without any preliminary statement, the prosecutor plunged into his work. Mrs. Thaw looked refreshed after her three days' respite, and answered the first questions put to her confidently. Thaw brought with him from the Toms several packages of letters and papers. Mr. Jerome, as on the previous days of his cross-examination, continued to jump about from place to place in the witness's story. He asked her first of all today if she had not had trouble with her mother in Allegheny, Pa., before going to Philadelphia to live, if she had not run away with a girl. This Mrs. Thaw denied.

"How long after the drugging in the 24th street house was it that an account was opened for you in the Amsterdam

Bank by Stanford White?"

"I can't tell how long—it might have been a month."

"When did you first meet Frances Belmont?"

"When I was in Florida."

"Before you met Stanford White?"

"I think so."

"Had you gone to supper with Frances Belmont before you met White?"

Mr. Jerome continued to hold the witness, basing all his questions evidently upon affidavits made by the girl's mother and brother.

"No."

She had gone to several suppers with Frances Belmont afterwards but White was present at all of them except one.

Mr. Jerome asked the witness if she had not often gone to suppers with two men whose names he whispered to her.

"I never went with them, but they were present."

"Did they not on one occasion take you home?"

"One took me home once and the other twice but there was always another girl with me."

"Miss Belmont?"

"No."

"These suppers were after the theatre?"

"Yes."

MINISTERS' MEETINGS

Baptist and Methodist Clergy-
men Held Their Regular
Meetings This Morning.

The United Baptist ministers met this morning. Those present were Revs. Dr. Manning, E. C. Jenkins, W. W. McMaster, E. Bishop, G. Swin, P. J. Stackhouse.

Rev. E. C. Jenkins reported baptizing one at Ludlow street last evening. Rev. Dr. Manning reported preaching Feb. 17th at St. George. Rev. J. H. Hughes preached yesterday morning at Victoria street. Rev. P. J. Stackhouse reported delivering a series of four addresses before the Y. M. C. A. of the University of New Brunswick. Last evening he preached in the Brunswick street church of Fredericton. The Tabernacle pulpit was supplied very acceptably yesterday by Clifford Clark of U. N. B.

The following exchanges were agreed upon:

Germain street, Rev. A. B. Cohoe. Brussels street, Rev. E. C. Jenkins. Tabernacle, Rev. M. E. Fletcher. Victoria street, Rev. W. W. McMaster. Main street, Rev. G. Swin. Fairville, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse. Charlotte street, Rev. P. E. Bishop. Ludlow street, Rev. D. Hutchinson.

The Methodist ministers met this morning. Rev. J. Deinstadt presiding. After the regular routine business had been transacted, Rev. G. Ross, of Hampton, gave an interesting talk on the work in the Hampton circuit. The attendance this morning was small.

ANOTHER HORROR

MADRID, Feb. 25.—A telegram from Manila announces that the Southern Philippines have been ravaged by a cyclone, that 200 persons were killed and thousands of others rendered homeless.

POMERANIAN IN PORT

Allan Liner Reached Port This Morning.

The Allan liner steamship Pomeranian, Captain Rennie, arrived in port this morning from London and Havre, France via Halifax, with a large general cargo.

This steamer arrived at Halifax last Thursday and was detained in quarantine there on account of one of the steerage passengers having smallpox. The second cabin passengers, of whom there were 28, were landed last Friday in a tug with their baggage and were sent forward to their destination, but the 100 steerage of which the patient is one, will be required to spend ten or twelve days on Lavalor Island in the detention building. The patient is now in the hospital and that place in charge of Doctor Doyle. The steamer was thoroughly fumigated before she left Halifax on Saturday. All the passengers landed at Halifax.

AN AWFUL ACCIDENT

Electrical Worker Electrocuted
in Toronto Sub-Station Yesterday.

TORONTO, Feb. 25 (Special)—William Powell, 24 years old, employed by the Toronto Electric Light Co., was electrocuted yesterday afternoon at one of the Niagara Power switches in the sub-station at Ter-auley street. Powell was on a ladder, engaged in repairing a wire on the upper part of the lower switchboard when he lost his balance and fell backwards across the terminals of a switch below him.

Mrs. John Potter

REXTON, N. B., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Potter, widow of the late John Potter of Kouchibougué, passed away at her home there Thursday, after a week's illness. Deceased was Miss Matilda Sutherland, daughter of the late James Sutherland, of Richibucto. She was a sister of Mrs. R. A. DeLoqui, of this town. She is survived by three sons and four daughters. The sons are, Joseph, of Greenville, Me., William, of Vancouver, B. C., and David, of Sunny Brae (near Moncton). The daughters are, Miss William Tweedie, Mrs. John Tweedie, Mrs. James Green, and Mrs. Wm. Battie, all of Kouchibougué.

In the probate court today accounts were passed in the estate of the late F. W. Simmons.

TODAY'S STORM DELAYED TRAINS AND TIED UP THE STREET CARS

The heavy snowstorm which commenced about midnight has resulted in a total fall up to the present time of about six inches of the "beautiful."

All incoming trains are away behind time, and the street railway company has had a very difficult time in maintaining a satisfactory service.

Quite a thrilling experience broke the usually uneventful work of the motorman and conductor on one of the cars about six o'clock this morning. As the car was coming down King street, cutting its way through the ice, which had formed on the rails, it suddenly decided to seek a new line, and instead of going around toward Dock street, on reaching the foot of the hill, it ploughed its way through the snow and giving the drinking fountain a very

narrow squeak, it proceeded almost to the laborers' bell at the head of the market slip. Beyond the unusual excitement of a ride of this kind, no damage was done, and the car was hauled on to the rails again with the aid of a sweeper and another car, and was able to resume its interrupted journey.

The street railway officials account for the incident by explaining that the snow had fallen into ice on the frosty rails, thus causing the car to leave its accustomed route. There was some difficulty in keeping the tracks cleared of the rapidly falling snow, and as a result the service was somewhat demoralized for a time.

The company had a large number of men and the sweepers at work in an endeavor to keep the rails clear.

The incoming trains are all reported be-

hind time, the Boston and Montreal express being 2 1/2 hours late, and the maritime, of the I. C. R., 3 hours late.

According to D. L. Hutchinson, director of the meteorological bureau, the low temperature yesterday morning was 11 below zero, and the highest during the day was 10 above the cipher, rising to 22 above this morning. A northeast snowstorm set in about midnight, and still continued up to this afternoon. The total fall up to noon was about 5 inches, with a wind velocity of 16 inches an hour.

At Point Lepreau this morning the wind was from the northeast, blowing 26 miles an hour and between 5 and 6 inches of snow had fallen.

Reports from outside the city indicate that the storm is general, at least as far east as Amherst.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.
In order to allay the anxiety of those who have friends in Central America the Times new reporter yesterday called President Bonilla of Honduras and President Zelaya of Nicaragua, asking each to give the readers of this journal of the people the truth about the war between those two countries. The following replies were received this morning:—

HONDURAS, Feb. 25.—We went to war because we could no longer tolerate the affronts of Nicaraguans, who sat on our doorstep smoking cigarettes and drinking aguardiente, without even asking if we had a mouth. Zelaya is a pusillanimous puppy with a tatterdemalion army of fourteen niggers and nine half-breeds. My army has just won a glorious victory, and six of the enemy are in full retreat, having left their camp equipment of two police

and a salt sack on the field.
(Signed) BONILLA.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Feb. 25, 10 a. m.—My army has just defeated the enemy with great slaughter. They left four mules dead on the field. Nicaragua is entirely to blame for this dreadful war, the seven men have already fainted and seventeen taken to their heels. Bonilla wants to steal more of our tobacco, but the cowardly thief will get all that's coming to him—if you ask me. His "army" consists of himself and a few half-naked niggers who ought to be digging on the Panama canal. Assure my St. John friends that there is positively no danger to my person, as I have a snug craft under steam off shore, ready for emergencies.
(Signed) ZELAYA.

GOT WHAT HE ASKED FOR.
When the Times editor this morning asked the new reporter to write a story

UNCLE SAM'S TREASURY LOOTED FOR \$200,000

Vast Amount of Money Disappears From
U. S. Sub-treasury---Evidently Taken
by an Employee---Investigation Going
on But Thief Not Yet Discovered.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The Tribune today says: "Somewhere between \$120,000 and \$200,000 was stolen from the local sub-treasury last week. Chief Wilkes, of the secret service, has been keeping informed by telephone and telegraph of every development in the case, and left Washington today to take personal charge of the investigation made by the authorities. Secretary Shaw, of the treasury department, was told of the theft when here last week, and conferred with Sub-Treasurer William Bolden-Weicke and secret service officials. The money was stolen either a week ago Saturday, the next day, or last Monday. The chances are it was abstracted on Monday. The loss was discovered on Tuesday."

"All the money taken was in bills of the denomination of \$1,000, \$5,000, and \$10,000. At first it was believed that there must be some error in the book-keeping. It was thought to be impossible that such a large sum of money could have been abstracted in face of all the safeguards thrown around Uncle Sam's strongbox."

"The ledgersmen strenuously denied any error and an investigation showed there was no possible clerical mistake to account for the disappearance of the cash."

"This brought the inevitable conclusion that robbery was the only explanation. Just as certain was the deduction that the thieves were employees of the sub-treasury and were at that moment pursuing their daily tasks. Every man who could have had anything to do with the case was called into Treasurer Bolden-Weicke's office and put through an exhaustive examination and a more rigid cross-examination by Capt. Porter of the secret service."

"They stood the ordeal. They knew nothing of the theft and protested their innocence. But it was obvious that someone was lying."

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SENIORS AT HOME

Pleasant Function at Mt.
Allison on Friday Evening
Last.

SACKVILLE, Feb. 25.—The act home given by the senior class of Mt. Allison University, Friday evening, was an unqualified success. President Howard W. O'Neil, and Vice President Kate G. Lawrence presided at the tables, assisted by President and Mrs. Allison. The spacious hall presented an attractive and cheery appearance, with their pretty decorations of red and white (the class colors). Appropriate mottoes were much in evidence throughout the hall. A striking and artistic motto, "Ye Seniors, Class At Home" in old English, greeted you in the entrance hall. In the Eucharistic Hall a pleasing programme was rendered, consisting of vocal and instrumental music. Beautiful vocal solos were artistically rendered by Miss Kate Henning and Miss Mildred Smith; violin numbers were rendered by Miss Hallett, and Wood. A much appreciated reading from Drummond was given by Arthur Robinson. In another hall the Sackville cornet band furnished a pleasing programme. At the close of the evening tea and wafers were served in the dining hall, which was taken guests, assisted by hunting, and potted plants. The graduating class are as follows:—Edgar Stanley Atkinson, Herbert Clarence Atkinson, Percy Simpson Bailey, Ralph Pickard Bell, Harold Garnet Black, John Mitchell Chidmunn, William Huestis Davidson, Mabel Gertrude Dixon, Rupert Carlyle Hollis Hallett, Joseph Roy Harper, Anne Kate Lawrence, Wm. Wallace McDonald, Alice Anne McLean, John Roderick Oulton, Howard Wilkinson Outerbridge, George Sutton Patterson, John Stanley Simley, Mary Lindsay Pritchard Smith, and Ralph deForest Wheeler.

Among the strangers in town for the seniors' at home are Rev. Dr. Gatz, Emerson; Rev. Chas. and Mrs. Fleming; Point de Bute; Mr. and Mrs. Woodford Allen, Upper Cape; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Black, Pugwash; Mr. and Mrs. A. Tait, Shubenacadie; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hewson, Amherst; Mrs. George Hewson; Miss Hewson, and Mrs. W. F. Donkin, Amherst; Mrs. Lawrence, Southampton; Mrs. B. C. Atkinson, Port Elgin; Misses Davis and Carter, Mrs. Avard, Moncton; N. T. Avard, Sydney; Mrs. (Dr.) Smith, Amherst; Mrs. Johnson, Parrsboro; Miss Grant and Miss Reid, Port Elgin.

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WILL APPOINT A TRUANT OFFICER

School Board Will Deal With
This Matter at Tonight's
Meeting---Many Applicants.

The regular monthly meeting of the school board, which was to have been held last Monday night, will be held this evening, when several important matters will be considered. The estimates will be taken up and a truant officer appointed. A large number of applications have been received for this position, but the choice will be made from three who will be recommended by a sub-committee which has been considering the qualifications of the different applicants. Mr. Coll will preside in the absence of Judge Trueman.

THE NEW LORD'S DAY ACT

St. John Will Have More Rigid
Sunday Laws After March 1st

Chief of Police Clark has received a copy of the new Lord's Day Act which goes into force, March 1st, and has read it over to the men and given them instructions on the various sections contained therein.

The act forbids, among other things, the sale of foreign newspapers on Sundays. It also has reference to the sale of liquors as does the Dominion law.

FUNERALS

The funeral of James O'Neill, who died yesterday at the hospital, will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from the residence of his nephew, Mark Shannon, Duke street, west end.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Alice Hatch was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from 75 Dorchester street, to Fernhill Cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Stuart conducted the burial service.

The funeral of Mrs. Matilda M. Case, who met such a tragic death Saturday night will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from her husband's residence, John Howe Case, 124 Waterloo street. The burial service will be conducted by Rev. A. B. Cohoe, and interment will be made in Fernhill Cemetery.

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