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RUSSIA'S TROUBLES

Along with terrorist activity in Russia goes an increasing tendency on the part of the government toward autocracy. The attempt to introduce constitutional government on a broad basis did not succeed last year, and the present outlook is not favorable. On the one hand a system of terrorism has led to the assassination of many persons, including several notable men, and on the other the Czar has abolished the ministries of war and marine and taken to himself control of imperial defence. This removes the whole military system from the authority of the douma. On this point a cable from St. Petersburg says:—

"It is evident that the direct effect of removing the army and navy from the competence of the douma's interpellations by ending the existence of the ministers of war and marine, who should, under the fundamental laws, furnish explanations in the douma when invited, will be to cause an acute crisis immediately upon the assemblage of the next douma. The Czar's decision illustrates his continued reliance on the armed forces of the crown, and not on the political reformers. Concurrent with this decision there will be approved further measures promising the removal of local restrictions on the peasants, but it is the exclusion of the douma from all access to the question of the army that arouses the acute forebodings of the active political world."

The reactionary course of the government will undoubtedly increase the friction between the Czar's ministers and the douma, and will at the same time inflame the passions of the revolutionists. Another political storm is certainly brewing in Russia.

NEW RULER IN PERSIA

The death of the Shah of Persia arouses less interest than would have been the case were Russia as aggressive as before the Russo-Japanese war; or than would even now be the case were not his son and successor regarded as a strong and capable ruler. On this point the London Mail's Teheran correspondent writes:—"The new Shah has shown strong force of character, and the general view is that a strong ruler at Teheran will be the best corrective to European intrigues."

It will be remembered that the late Shah surprised the western world last year by declaring for a constitutional and representative government for Persia. Just before the close of the year 1906 he and the crown prince signed the newly adopted constitution. The constitution was submitted to a national assembly, and some opposition developed in regard to the senate, which it was proposed to make partly elective, while the lower house would control the finances. Owing to the opposition to the constitution of the senate, that feature is still regarded as unsettled; but in addition to signing the constitution itself, the crown prince, now the Shah, signed a separate document in which he promised not to dissolve the present parliament for two years.

The late Shah will be remembered as a progressive ruler, who in the last moments of his life devoted himself to the enlargement of the liberties of his people.

CALMLY, BROTHER, CALMLY

The Woodstock Press oracularly observes:—

"The editorial comments by the 'independent' St. John dailies on the recent Liberal convention in that city and the by-election in Restigouche prove that there is not one newspaper in the winter port, save the New Freeman, willing at the present time to give the opposition parties even a square deal."

The Times was not aware that "the opposition parties" were represented at the recent Liberal convention. As to those parties in Restigouche—they were defeated. At least that is the general impression hereabouts, although the Press seems to have learned from some source that "Restigouche has delivered the death blow to the present misfit government."

Possibly what the Press would regard as a "square deal" would not commend itself to papers or persons who are not intensely partisan. For example, in a remark addressed to Premier Tweedie, the Press says:—"Nonsense, man; talk sense once in a while." It is to be feared the Press is laboring under some excitement.

GOOD ROADS

The following extract from the Montreal Gazette's report of the meeting of the District of Bedford (Quebec) Good Roads Association is of interest to New Brunswick people, who hear much concerning good and bad roads:

"Mr. J. Bruce Payne, vice-president for the Granby district, brought up the subject of commuting the statute labor into a money tax, and the convention discussed this for some time. Mr. Payne was of the opinion that public opinion had changed in regard to the old statute labor on the roads and he thought that better results could be obtained by the introduction of a money tax. Of the members present who supported the proposition of Mr. Payne, Mayor Russell, of East Stanbridge, stated that six years ago that municipality had commuted the tax, and this had resulted in a reduction of half a mill in the taxes and also better roads. When asked to state his reasons for the latter, Mayor Russell declared that men were employed under the cash tax at the time they were most needed."

The formal opening of the Natural History Society's new building last evening was an event of notable interest. It may be hoped that a larger number than ever before of the citizens of St. John will avail themselves of the educational advantages afforded to them and their children in these rooms, which are open in the afternoon to visitors. The society has a fine collection, well displayed in the various rooms, and of great educational value. Those comparatively few members on whom has fallen the greater burden of the task of securing and fitting up these rooms, and looking after the various collections, have conferred a lasting benefit upon the city.

The Halifax papers are making much of a statement by Lord Strathcona regarding Halifax as a mail port. Lord Strathcona is an amiable and distinguished gentleman, but his views on this question are not worth a picayune unless fortified by the result of an actual test of St. John as a mail port. Who is afraid to have the test made?

The board of trade has endorsed the request of Charlotte county people that the government take over the N. B. Southern Railway. Such a course is perhaps more desirable than probable at the present time.

The Exhibition Association report a snug balance on the right side in the accounts of last fall's exhibition. The directors are to be congratulated on their success.

The board of works has wisely decided to lose no more time in regard to the tenders for the new steamship berth. Tenders will close on Jan. 24th.

The new club for men, which will be opened this evening, should be made by its members a helpful institution on the broadest lines.

A boom at Minto, another at Beersville, and a general complaint of the scarcity of men are good indications in this province at the beginning of the year.

It may be assumed that hereafter ice-cutting operations on Lily Lake will be attended by protective measures, to prevent accidents to skaters.

CHIPMAN NEWS

CHIPMAN, Jan. 5—Ample subscriptions having been received for the purpose of forming a Farmers' Institute, a public meeting will be held in King's hall next Saturday evening, the 12th inst., with a view to organization. Hon. L. P. Farris, Isaac W. Carpenter, M. P. P., and others are expected to address the meeting on the occasion.

Rev. G. M. Campbell, of St. John, will speak in one of the churches here Wednesday evening in the interest of the Bible society.

The Superior school in the village will reopen on Tuesday next with the same staff of teachers as the previous term. Now that the manual training system has been introduced into the school, we ardently hope that a goodly number of amateur artisans will eventually graduate therefrom and become skillful workmen in after life.

The school at Briggs' Corner, recently taught by Miss Darrah, will reopen next term with Miss Lewilda Smith, of Salmon River, in charge. Miss Nellie Harper, who taught the school at Salmon Creek last term, has left for Dalhousie College, N. S., and her place will be filled by Miss Mary Fowler.

The trustees of Red Bank have been fortunate in again securing the services of Miss Gertrude Morrell, who had so successfully conducted the school during the summer term.

The school at the Forks will again be in charge of Kenneth Fiske, son of Rev. Daniel Fiske of Carleton county.

The schools at Stevenson Road and Upper Gaspereaux have not yet secured teachers for the ensuing term.

Eastern Canada has been favored with a mild thaw in the early part of this month, but who ever lives until the latter end will see or hear of Uncle Sam having a wild Thaw accompanied by a regular Harry Cain, which will have its storm centre in New York.

A dusky fakir from the boreal regions, for aught anybody knows, recently visited the back districts of this parish armed with a cheap gramaphone as the sole source of entertaining his rural auditors. The word being circulated that the nickel and dime collections were for the benefit of a certain widow and her family of small children, a number of kind-hearted neighbors were induced to go to the fake concert, but when they found the proceeds were not bestowed upon the widow and orphans the bold game was suddenly blocked and the doors of the little red school house henceforth are closed against the bow-legged adventurer from beyond the Castaway Post.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary J. Perry

HAVELOCK, Kings county, Jan 8.—The death of Mrs. Mary J. Perry occurred at the home of her son, Thos. G., on Thursday morning, Jan. 3rd, 1907. The deceased moved to Lower Ridge from Thornetown, Queens county, in 1871, and had lived there ever since. Her husband, Gilbert Perry, died in January, 1890. She leaves five sons and two daughters, all of whom were present at the funeral. The sons are: Rev. W. Henry Perry, now on Campobello Island; Rev. Samuel J., stationed at Parkindale, A. Co.; Rev. Henry, shepherding the Baptist fold at Norton, and George A. and Thomas G. at Lower Ridge. The daughters are: Mrs. Solomon Law, of Mt. Middleton, and Mrs. James E. Thorne, of Canaan Road. Her only brother, James A. Thorne, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Hetherington and Mrs. Effie Thorne, were also present at the funeral.

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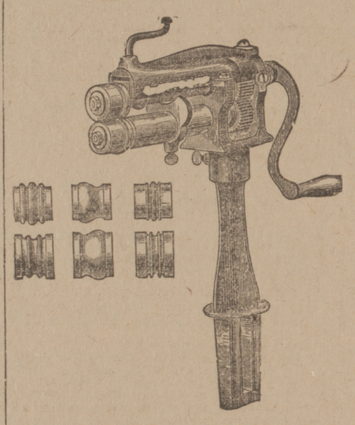
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List to her voice—her loud strong roar of Power!
Behold the ships that fly to bear her gold!
She was poor-born, but lo! she now hath dower
Of priceless wealth, for she is from a mould
From which but great things come—a noble cast—
And shall grow greater as the years go past.

—Elwyn Irving Hoffman.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

FORTUNATE.

Gyer—I played in great luck at the races yesterday.

Myer—Indeed.

Gyer.—Yes. Met a friend at the track who loaned me carfare and I didn't have to walk home.

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JUST POSSIBLE.

Little Willie (looking up from his book)—Say, pa, what is a sea cow?

Pa—A sea cow, my son, must be the kind that gives the milk our dairyman peddles, judging from the quality thereof.

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INEXCUSABLE.

"Ah, me!" sighed the timid man. "Just think, I have loved you for years in silence."

"My goodness!" exclaimed Miss Elderly, "Why in the world didn't you open your face and say something?"

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IN THE MARKET.

"Did you ever buy a gold brick?"

"No," answered Farmer Corntossel, "but I'd like to. If I could get one middlin' reasonable. I'm sure I could go down to New York an' sell it at a good profit."

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SAME THING.

"If I lose you it will wreck my life," sighed the impecunious lover to the heiress.

"Pap said something of the sort last night."

"Ah! he realizes that my life hangs upon your answer?"

"No, not your life exactly, but your credit."

THE BOARD OF TRADE

Proposal for the Government to Take Over the N. B. Southern Railway Was Considered.

As the result of the petition by the merchants of St. George, the Board of Trade here yesterday adopted a resolution to memorialize the government to acquire control of the New Brunswick Southern Railway in view of the wretched condition of the road.

Mr. Hatheway stated that he understood that the road was held for $1,000,000, but after it was looked over it might be ascertained that it was not worth half that amount.

The dry goods merchants of Toronto wrote that at the present session of parliament a bill will be introduced authorizing the post office to introduce a cheaper parcels post, also a system which would enable the department to collect on the parcels. The matter was laid over until further information could be gleaned.

The secretary read a communication from Edmund Storie, of the Central Emigration Board, London. The letter asked that lists of available farms in this province be prepared by the local government, and the president and secretary were authorized to look into the matter. The other request in the letter was referred to the council of the board.

In regard to the new wharf in Carleton, Mr. Hatheway submitted a resolution in effect that the board heartily approve of the efforts of the common council to provide further wharf accommodations in Carleton, and urged them to call immediately for tenders.

The report of the board's council stated that G. F. Fisher, J. H. White, James Pender, E. C. Elkin, H. C. Schofield and J. Fraser Gregory were elected members of the council.

The question of buying the N. B. S. railway was talked over with the minister. He was willing, but he did not think that the government would consider it favorably at the present time.

The council has under consideration a petition from the Grand Falls Power Co. asking its support in an endeavor to obtain an exclusive franchise for the transmission of power to and within the city of St. John for a period of ten years. The council is opposed to giving exclusive franchises.

The Sackville Board of Trade has asked for the support of the board in having a better mail service operated on the I. C. R. line between St. John and Halifax.

The committee appointed to interview Hon. Mr. Emmerson in connection with the matter of the necessary dredging for the completion of the berths now under construction, reported that there is every reason to believe that the matter will receive immediate attention.

Collin's Trial

Moncton, Jan. 8.—James Sherran, counsel for Thomas Collins, who lies in jail at Hopewell Cape awaiting trial for the murder of Mary Ann McAulay, left today to hold conference with his client previous to the opening of the case on Tuesday next. "I am confident that Collins will be acquitted," was all Mr. Sherran would say about the case. In the meantime reports from the Cape say that Collins is unconcerned in jail, spending his time reading, singing and drawing. He has grown remarkably fleshy and is enjoying the best of health.

The annual meeting of the St. John District Lodge L. O. A., which was held in the Orange Hall, Germain street, last night, was very largely attended. The reports showed the lodge to be in a good position both numerically and financially. The election of officers resulted as follows: Francis Kerr, D. M.; W. P. Munford, D. D. M.; S. Fisher, D. C. D.; R. H. Rubins, D. S.; Neil J. Morrison, D. F. S.; C. White, D. T.; James Sullivan, D. D. C.; John Amos, D. L.

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The cargo will be sold en bloc. The purchaser whose tender is accepted must take charge of cargo and pay amount of his tender in cash within one week after receipt of notice that his tender has been accepted. The cargo can remain where it is free of wharfage and storage up to May 1st, 1907.

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Port Hawkesbury, Jan. 2nd., 1907.

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