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WHY THESE DELAYS?

"Unless a dredge working in co-operation with the Beaver was put to work within a month or six weeks it would be impossible to have the new (600 foot) berth available for next winter's business."

This statement, made by Ald. Baxter at the luncheon for the western members of parliament on the Empress of Britain on Saturday, should startle the business men of St. John into action.

On Feb. 20th, a St. John delegation was assured at Ottawa that the dredging referred to by Ald. Baxter would be completed in time. A few days later Hon. Mr. Emmerson asked the board of trade to strengthen his hands by the adoption of certain resolutions, which was promptly done.

More than a month has passed since these assurances, which then seemed conclusive, were given; and we are now confronted with the fact that unless action is speedily taken the new berth cannot be completed. The dredge fielding, which could do the channel dredging, is at Pictou, and if she is to do that work she should at once be put in readiness for the voyage around the coast as soon as the straits are clear. If another dredge is to work on the 600 foot berth, she should now be heading this way.

The gentlemen who formed the delegation to Ottawa should get together, invite the co-operation of the citizens generally, and insist that the action promised by members of the government be taken without further delay. The needs of the port demand prompt action. Delay means loss of business. Promises do not build wharves.

CHOOSE THE MEN

One citizen has one week in which to select candidates for the next city council. Upon the nature of their choice will depend the conduct of civic affairs for the next year. The responsibility is no light one, since the rate of taxation has been rapidly increasing during the last few years, and the need of wise administration is apparent to every citizen. As a matter of fact, there is less complaint about expenditure than about the unsatisfactory results. It is recognized that the facilities of the port must be increased; that the ferry service must be adequate; that the water-works extension was needed; that the fire department must be well-equipped; and that there must be a large annual expenditure on the streets. The ground for complaint has been that the most prudent course is not always adopted in connection with new works undertaken, nor in the routine work of the various departments. The demand is for the application of business methods to the conduct of civic affairs, and only a council composed of men of good business ability, who will do their duty without fear or favor, can hope to accomplish this result. It is, of course, easy to say all this, and not so easy to secure the right sort of men as candidates—or perhaps to elect them in opposition to men of less ability who are more in touch with "the boys." But the opportunity is presented and the time is short. Whatever is to be done must be done quickly. Many taxpayers have been able to find a good deal of time during the last year to complain and find fault. They should surely be willing to spend part of the present week in working for the nomination of the strongest field of good candidates the electors have been asked to support for some years past. If they fail to do their plain duty in this matter it will not be their right to complain when a weak council gives the city a weak or extravagant administration.

A CANDID CRITIC

In a review of recent books on Canada, Mr. F. P. Walton, in the University Magazine for April, says that incomparably the most interesting is the French work, "Le Canada: Les Deux Races," by Andre Siegfried of Paris. In dealing with the problem of the races, Mr. Siegfried dwells upon the jealous supervision by the church in the affairs of the French-Canadians. Their ancient beliefs, he says, have been, so to speak, preserved in ice in Canada, and in few countries can people be found so completely subject to clerical control. Dealing with this subject, as it relates to education, the following dialogue between M. Siegfried and a Jesuit professor at Winnipeg is quoted:—

Q.—Do you teach philosophy in Latin?

A.—Certainly it is the custom.

Q.—What philosophy do you teach?

A.—Aristotle and St. Thomas.

Q.—Do you also give a place to more modern philosophers, such as Descartes and Spinoza?

A.—Yes, we speak of them to refute them; they are contrary to the doctrine of the church.

Mr. Siegfried, on the general subject of education, speaks highly of McGill and Toronto University, and adds: "If French education does not revise its methods we shall see McGill become for Laval and for our whole race a more dangerous adversary than an army equipped with the most modern rifles."

ROOSEVELT AND RAILROADS

The anticipation that President Roosevelt will shortly make an announcement relative to the attitude of the government towards railroads in the United States has led to much discussion in the press. On this subject the Washington

correspondent of the New York Journal of Commerce says:—

"It is generally felt here that the present slump in values, if continued for any length of time, cannot help weakening the hands of the federal government in the development of its further railroad plans, if it has any. Just what the president had in mind before the closing of congress when he was expected to make a public announcement of his further plans was known only in a general way. As already stated in this column, it would appear that the statement which he is now expected to make at Jamestown or in some public way before the opening of the exposition, is not likely to be very different from what was then planned so far as the plan of that moment was made known. It seems impossible to make it plain to some classes of persons that what the president then thought of was quite as much opposed to unreasonable anti-railroad legislation as it was a demand for more measures of control. Had the statement appeared at that time it would have been better all around. This at least is the general opinion in administration circles just now. It would hardly do for the president to allow his hand to be forced by the current stock market excitement just at present, and conditions have changed somewhat. Hence no doubt the failure to take any measures just at present. It remains to be seen what will be the attitude adopted toward further railroad legislation as conditions shape themselves in future. This will naturally depend very largely upon the events of the coming spring."

The woman suffragists in England are determined to make the men sit up and think. Mrs. Cobden-Saunders hints that the ladies may do male attire. In an interview in London Miss Cristobel Pankhurst, one of the most active of the leaders of the movement, says recruits are being secured in the provinces in such numbers that the government will have to mobilize the army to deal with the women and find quarters for thousands of prisoners. When Mr. Balfour advised the women to kick up a fuss he perhaps did not realize the extent of their ability to carry out the suggestion.

There remains to be subscribed the sum of \$240 to complete the fund for the Champlain monument. There should be little difficulty in securing this amount. The Times and Telegraph will gladly acknowledge subscriptions. The amount should be raised promptly so that the work of preparation may be carried on at once. The result of the effort to secure this monument for St. John has met with a most gratifying response, and the action of the legislature and the city council meets with universal approval. Now let us have the small balance that remains to be raised.

Archbishop Bruchessi of Montreal is the most aggressive prelate known to recent history in Canada. He has inaugurated the most effective temperance campaign ever carried on in Quebec province. He insists that books tending to unsettle the faith of his people be excluded from public libraries. He has not hesitated to denounce newspapers that were deemed unfit publications to enter Christian homes. Now he has interdicted the theatre which is modelled too closely after those of Paris, and of "the tenderloin" of American cities.

If the sun did not shine, neither did the rain fall upon the Easter hat. For these mercies, etc.

MORNING LOCALS

S. Hartt Green, son of Louis Green, of this city, who was admitted as an attorney last December, is now associated with the firm of Campbell, Pitblado, Hoskin & Grundy, barristers, of Winnipeg.

Arthur G. Brown of the Victoria Hotel hairdressing rooms and Earle A. Kinney of the Royal Hotel hairdressing rooms today formed a partnership to conduct the business of the Victoria Hotel hairdressing rooms, formerly carried on by Mr. Brown.

Police Sergeant Ross has reported two Chinamen, Sam Wah and Lee Sue, of Campbell, for washing and doing business in their laundry on Sunday.

By unlatching a rear door, burglars entered D. J. Purdy's grocery store late Saturday night and rifled the cash drawer of \$3. The police have the case in hand.

A despatch in the Toronto Mail and Empire declares that Mrs. Mason, who with D. L. McKay, arrived in this city some time ago and who had such a fight with the U. S. immigration officers about McKay who she said was her private secretary, is none other than the notorious O'Delia Dis de Bar. Under that name she served six months in New York and in Geneva two years for larceny. She was known there as Vera P. Ava and later as Edith L. Murray. She served time in New Orleans, where she was known as Editha Jackson.

At the annual meeting of the 3rd regiment, Canadian Artillery, held Saturday evening, reports were received and a satisfactory balance reported in the funds. A concert will be held by the band in York Theatre April 25. The drill season will open about April 20, and is hoped to have inspection about July 6.

MR. ST. JOHN DYING

Toronto, March 31.—(Special.)—Speaker St. John, of the Ontario legislature, is very low tonight at the hospital and is not expected to last through the night.

Stores open till 8 tonight.

St. John, N. B., April 1st, 1907.

Anniversary Clothing Sale Continues This Week.

Our sixth anniversary sale and spring opening was such a pronounced success on Saturday that at times the crowds were so great that very many could not get served, and for this reason we have decided to continue sale, and will give a good clothes brush with each suit sale. Special values in clothing and furnishings. Come tonight. Store open till 8 o'clock.

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CHARGED WITH DISORDERLY CONDUCT

"Your honor, he said, when he had been brought out and charged with disorderly conduct. 'I want to explain how this thing came about.' 'Make your explanation.' 'Yesterday was April Fool's Day.' 'I believe it was.' 'I was going down the street having nothing to do, when I met up with Jimmy Covey, here, who says I blacked his eye. We had a drink together. It was not an April Fool's drink, but the regular stuff. When we had downed it Jimmy began to laugh, and purty soon he says: 'Tommy come up to the house with me.' 'For why?' 'To see me April fool the baby. I'll show ye a sight to make ye crack your ribs with laughter.' 'I went up wid him, your honor. He has a baby a year old. You have only to look into the eyes of the kid to know that he's as innocent as a bluebird sitting on the fence. The wife goes out and leaves Jimmy to mind the baby for a few minutes, and Jimmy sits the kid on the floor and touches its tongue to a lump of sugar and then places the lump in the kid's mouth. The baby reaches for it and it is snatched away and he is called an April Fool. He takes it good-naturedly for awhile, the kid does, but then he begins to snerl. Then he begins to holler. Then he drops over on his back and goes into some sort of fit, and Jimmy never lets up on his laughing.' 'And how about you?' was asked. 'I'm getting mad all the time, Your Honor. It isn't fair play with the kid. It's handicapping him. It's working the



I go down the stairs.

gungame on him. I was about to take his side when the wife comes back. She has heard the yelling, and she sweeps in like a cyclone. Somebody's foot hits me and I lit up. It hits me again and I go down stairs. I sees Jimmy go over two chairs and under the table, and then the circus closed. 'Twas the wife that gave Jimmy the black eye, and 'twas the wife that shattered me constitution, and I leave at to Your Honor.' 'Sentence suspended. Next.' JOE KERR.

DROWNED AT SEA

Two Maritime Province Men Were Lost When Their Dory Swamped.

Gloucester, Mass., March 31.—Two dorymen of the crew of the fishing schooner Preceptor, which arrived here today with a fare of 1400 lbs., were lost on March 6 in a storm off the western bank. The men were Edgar McLaren, aged 33, single, of Lower Argyle (N. S.), and Daniel McClean, 24, single, of Charlottetown (P. E. I.). The two were dory mates and were out in their boat when a storm came up and a heavy sea swamped their boat, which was partly loaded.

MR. FOWLER SAYS HE WILL SUE THE STAR

Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., passed through St. John on Saturday on his way to Montreal and Ottawa. He spoke of the political scandal with aggressive confidence, saying he was ready for anything that might come and could back up all of his assertions. Mr. Fowler said that when he reached Montreal he would begin suit against the Montreal Star for libel on account of an article concerning him which appeared in that journal a few days ago. He added that he had heard nothing yet of any suit against the Gleaner or its editor.

AMHERST CUSTOMS

Amherst, March 30.—The customs receipts for this port for the month of March were \$21,084.33, as compared with \$10,199.20 for the corresponding month last year. The total receipts for the nine months ending March 31, 1907, are \$86,539.14, as compared with the nine months last year of \$65,809.96, a difference in favor of this year of \$20,729.18.

Mrs. J. D. Seely and daughter, Bessie, who have been spending Easter with Mrs. L. R. Ross, returned to their home in Haystack today by the C. P. R.

Rockefeller

"How big is Rockefeller, pa, 'That people call him great; Is he some Tuffish statesman, pw. Or mental heavyweight?" —Kansas City Times.

"O, no, he's not so very broad, Nor yet so very tall; But man is measured by his wad; Thus John D. beats us all." —Chicago Record-Herald.

He used to be much bigger, son, But since we've had the spunk To ask him where he got his mon, Our Uncle John has shrunk. —St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

And may be he will shrink some more When Law in thunder tones, Demands he give up, of his store, Those sixty million bones. —Indianapolis News.

He owns near all the wealth in sight, His coin is badly tainted, But Chancellor Day says he's all right, And not so bad as paing Springfield Union.

I think it is extremely kind Indeed of Chancellor To throw this light upon John D.—This Day-light, as it were.

*Special license. —Milwaukee Sentinel.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

A SUFFRAGETTE.

Pastor—"I now pronounce you man and wife." (Blushing Bride firmly.)—"Pardon me; woman and husband, if you please!" —Puck.

HOW SHE CALLED.

Mrs. Casey—"Did yez call on Mrs. O'Toole yet?" Mrs. Hogan—"Shure! Oi went over there yesterday, an' called till Oi was hoarse." —Harper's Bazar.

SHE ALWAYS LIKED IT.

Patience—"Don't you admire her hair?" Patrice—"Indeed, I do! I always admired it. In fact, I came near buying it before she did!" —Yonkers Statesman.

A NEW DISTEMPER.

A free patient came into one of the New York hospitals the other morning. She had been there before.

"Well, how are you today?" inquired the physician who saw her. "I am suffering no pain, doctor," she replied; "but I have such a feeling of Nassau all the time." —Judge.

LOOKING FOR BARGAINS.

"No," he said; "my wife doesn't care for the magazines." "Any particular?" "Yes. When she reads a book she invariably begins with the last page. But when she reads a magazine that way it takes her too long to wade through the advertising." —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A SECOND HELPING.

Many had a little lamb— 'Twas all she cared for then; But if the pure food law's no sham She'll pass her plate again. —Indianapolis News.

NO PRAYERS FOR REPORTERS.

The Rev. W. A. Houck, chaplain of the house, either considers newspaper men beyond the pale of divine control or less needful of heavenly grace than any other class directly or indirectly connected with the legislature. In his prayer in opening the session he began with the speaker and in succession prayed fervently for the members, the clerks, "so laboriously and faithfully," the pages, "so alert and industrious," the absent families of the members and officers of the house, even the visitors, and then said "amen." A sad smile went along the line of reporters as they buckled down to another day's work, oppressed by the knowledge that nothing in the way of aid or comfort from realms beyond was to be expected. —Philadelphia Public Ledger.

MR. BRYCE APPLAUDED

(New York Evening Post.) No part of Mr. Bryce's speech at the Pilgrim's dinner was in finer spirit than that in which he rose above all the notions of competition and jealousies in international friendship. There has been something petty and almost sordid in the eager speculation as to which foreign country could send the most acceptable ambassador here, and so show itself a little more our friend than any other. The best heard talk that Mr. Bryce was chosen in order to put Baron Sternburg's nose out of joint, or to take the pas from M. Jusserand. But none of these narrow and silly pretensions found any tolerance in the large discourse of the British ambassador. He professed hearty friendship for the United States and desired our good will; nor did he fail to show that the two peoples have a civilizing mission in common; but he refused to make even the semblance of a bid for an exclusive place in our affection. The better England would be pleased, and the more hope she would have of strengthening her own bonds of amity with us. A truly humane and friendly spirit knows nothing of these limitations of kind feeling. It is as easy to have an amiable cordial with a dozen nations as with one. Of course, a country may be churlish and suspicious if it chooses, and keep foreigners as aloof as possible; but the genuine instinct of friendship is very much in a nation what it is in an individual. The best people will show itself friendly to all. Mr. Bryce put this truth with frankness and force in a way to leave us all in his debt.

MORGAN BUYS MORE ART TREASURES

Brussels, March 31.—It is currently reported that J. P. Morgan, of New York, has acquired for \$1,200,000, the unique collection of Jules Van Den Pothoven, which comprises furniture, pictures, arms, brasses, ancient engravings and chimney pieces. The collection is installed in a sixteenth century Dutch house at Anderlecht, a replica of which will be constructed in New York under the superintendency of Francis Maitland, the architect.

DUNCAN GETS FOUR YEARS

Berlin, Ont., March 31.—(Special.)—John F. Duncan, ex-manager Bank of Commerce at Ayr, was sentenced by Judge Chisholm to four years in Kingston penitentiary for having committed forgery, fraud and theft.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cameron, of London, arrived in St. John on the steamer Empress of Britain Saturday, to visit Mrs. Cameron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Macaulay.

WHITEWEAR SALE

Corset Covers 12c, 15c, 25c, to \$1.00 each. Drawers, 25c to \$1.00 each. Night Gowns, 50c, to \$2.50 each. Shirts, 60c, 75c, \$1.00 to \$2.50 each. White Lawn Waists, 40c, 50c, \$1.00 to \$1.50 each.

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THE WRECK OF JAMES HENRY

James Henry Worthington was in love. There was no doubt about his being in love, because he had lost his appetite and kicked around nights instead of going to sleep. During the day he was also figuring on how far a salary of \$14 a week would go toward supporting a three-story house and its train of servants and carriages. That is to say, how much he would have left over every week after the bills were all paid. He believed that Lucille loved him, in fact, she had told him so, but had asked him not to spread the news around town for awhile yet. On this particular evening, as he walked toward her father's house, he determined that there should be an engagement. He might even beard her father in his den. He might even coax her into naming the happy day.

He rang. He entered. He was soon in the presence of his beloved. There had been no great change in her in the last 24 hours. He had opened his mouth to say that he had been loving her for the last three months as woman was never loved before, when she stopped him with: "Wait a minute. I want to show you my new Easter hat."

She brought it forth to be admired. It was gorgeous. It was beautiful. It was a work of art. The making and trimming of it had driven two milliners to drink and two more to an insane asylum. James Henry praised the creation without stint, and after a moment carefully observed: "That thing must have cost at least \$10!" "Ten dollars?" shrieked Lucille, as she started back. "You mean \$10, sir, and next

year, when we're married, I shall have one costing at least \$50 more!"

A gasp—a gasp—a face as pale as the dead. Then James took a shako. The front door banged—he rushed down the steps—the clattering feet were heard for a moment, and then silence. He would come no more—never.

JOE KERR.