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THE WEATHER.
Moderate to fresh southwest a few local showers but mostly fair. Thursday northwest winds fair and cooler.

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SAILORS LOSE THEIR MONEY IN THE LOCAL TENDERLOIN

Two Men Who, With More Money Than Brains Visited Sheffield Street Last Night and Were Robbed--The Case in The Police Court.

Two Sheffield street cases embracing bawdy house and theft charges against the proprietress of one and an inmate of another, were aired in the police court this morning.

About $127, is involved and the losers are seafaring men. One of the victims was touched for $57, which was recovered by the police, and the other for about $70.

It is understood that one or more of the prisoners will be charged with violation of the law governing beer licenses.

The parties under arrest are Annie Taylor, charged with keeping a bawdy house on Sheffield street; Agnes Cunningham, arrested for being an inmate of the Taylor woman's house, also with stealing $70 from Alexander Beaudreau, and Geo. and Mattie Lee, held on suspicion of acting together in the theft of a pocket book containing $57, the property of Percy Barnett, in their house on Sheffield street. Alexander Beaudreau, Martin Ward and Percy Barnett were held as witnesses.

The arrests were made by Police Sergeant Campbell and Patrolmen Thomas Sullivan and Fred Lucas.

At this morning's hearing, the prisoners pleaded not guilty and after the examination of witnesses were remanded for the present.

Percy Barnett swore he arrived here by steamer Prince Rupert from Nova Scotia, about five o'clock yesterday evening, when he went aboard the schooner Talmouth and with the steward Martin Ward started out to see the town, landing at Annie Taylor's house, where they had something to drink. After remaining there a while they went out, and on returning, witness, complaining of feeling ill, was told by the Taylor woman that he could not stay there and was directed by her to Mattie Lee's house where he ordered drinks, but took nothing himself and after sleeping for a while got up and started to go. The Lee woman asked him for 40 cents to pay for the drinks and he replied that he had no small change, but handed her his pocket book containing $57, saying she could keep it till he came back. He then went out to telephone and on his return asked for the pocket book but was told by Mattie Lee that she had no pocket book for him.

He then called in the police and she finally went to the woodshed and dug the pocket book from underneath a pile of coal. It contained $52 and he (Barnett) said that that was not the right money as it contained $57 when he left it there. The Lee woman replied that the missing five dollars was with her husband's money. The arrest of Lee and his wife followed.

Barnett identified the pocket book and contents as his property.

Martin Ward was next examined and the case was adjourned.

The charge against Agnes Cunningham accused of stealing $70 from Alexander Beaudreau in Annie Taylor's house, Sheffield street, was next taken up.

Beaudreau swore he was a sailor and that on leaving his vessel yesterday had $110.22. He purchased two cases of liquor a bottle of wine and a bottle of ale, for which he paid $16. He had visited several houses and finally brought up at Annie Taylor's, where he declares he lost his money while in company with Agnes Cunningham. He had $3 in his pocket this morning, but for the remainder of the money—outside the amount lost and that spent for the two cases of liquor—he could not account.

The case stands for further hearing.

GEORGE CONNOLLY JUMPS TO DEATH IN THE RIVER

Tragic Death on S.S. E. Ross This Morning---A Despondent Man Jumped from the Ferry Steamer Into the River and Sank Almost at Once.

What is undoubtedly a case of suicide occurred on the ferry steamer E. Ross, plying between Indiantown and Pleasant Point about 11:30 o'clock this morning, when George Connolly of Newcastle found a watery grave.

The boat was on her way to Pleasant Point and had covered about two-thirds of the distance from Indiantown. Connolly, accompanied by his little niece, a daughter of Thomas Cosgrove, of Adelaide street, was standing near the rail, when, with no one near him but the little girl, he plunged into the water.

One report was that he had taken a weak spell, but it is understood that he told his niece just a few minutes previous that he intended to commit the dreadful act.

She cried bitterly and endeavored to persuade him otherwise, but to no purpose, and without a moment's warning he was over the side of the boat.

As soon as the alarm was given the steamer was put about and was soon beside the unfortunate man. A rope was thrown him, but he made no effort to grasp it. Neither would he avail himself of the aid of a pike pole reached to him and soon sank.

Connolly, who was a barber, has been in ill health for some time and has been staying with Mr. Cosgrove, who is his brother-in-law. It is told that he had been in low spirits for the past few days. Those at the Cosgrove household are naturally feeling terribly over the sad affair, the little girl especially, being heartbroken.

Boats are grappling for the body this afternoon. Connolly was about 30 years old.

The dead man is well known here. He worked in the Victoria, Royal and Dufferin Hotel barber shops. He afterwards conducted a barber shop in Sackville in partnership with C. Myles Gibbs, and came from the latter place here.

SECURED GOODS ON A FAKE ORDER

D. J. Purdy Victimized by William Rogers who got Groceries Under False Pretences.

A rather cool game was worked in D. J. Purdy's grocery, North End, about 8.30 this morning, when as the result of a telephone message a stranger was enabled to procure some $10 or $12 worth of goods.

Between 10 and 11 o'clock a young man by the name of William Rogers was taken to the North End Police Station by Patrolman Merrick with a large ham in his possession.

Merrick's suspicions were aroused as Rogers had been noticed going into one or two places with the ham. Asked where he got it, the man said he had purchased it at Purdy's. Inquiry by the police elicited the information that before 8 o'clock a man who said he was Pilot Rogers and that he was speaking from Splane Bros., ship chandlers, telephoned to the Purdy store that he was sending some one over for some stores for the pilot boat Howard D. Troop and to give him what he asked for. Shortly after, young Rogers arrived and ordered the following: One ham, 21 lbs.; tub of butter, 15 pounds; 10 pound caddy of tea and two bottles of vanilla flavoring extract, amounting in all to something more than $10.

Asked if he wanted them sent over he said that the boat was going out at once and he would take them with him. Consequently a boy was sent to assist him on a car with the stuff. After he left a clerk telephoned to Splane's as to whom the goods were to be charged to, when it was found that no one knew anything about such an order nor had any person telephoned from the store to Purdy's. When arrested, besides the ham, the bottles of vanilla were found on Rogers and more than two dollars in silver were taken off of him.

Lilley & Sons, and at Jones' grocery Lillley & Sons, and at Jones' grocery store. The tea was found, it is said, at a North street house and it is supposed that Rogers met the other person and the goods were divided between them.

POLICE COURT

John Smith, who appeared before Judge Ritchie this morning on a charge of profanity, informed the court that he had walked to St. John from Sydney, N. S. Beyond this he was unable to give a very clear account of himself and was told by his honor to get out of court and out of the city without a moment's delay.

John Bartlett was taxed $4 or ten days for drunkenness.

William Evans, a fisherman, was this morning before the court at the instance of Peter C. Sharkey, of the I. C. R., on a charge of abusive language. Mr. Sharkey also complained that Evans took a number of stakes used for holding lumber on flat cars, from the government wharf and refused to desist when told to do so.

Mr. Sharkey gave evidence and finally withdrew the case on condition that the defendant keep off the wharf referred to. J. M. Price conducted the defence.

HE ADMITS HIS GUILT AND IS PREPARED TO SUFFER

Paris, June 10.—The enquiry into the attempt made by Louis Gregori, June 4, on the life of Major Alfred Dreyfus at the Pantheon during the ceremonies attending the canonization of Emile Zola, is being continued. Gregori has retained M. Menard as his counsel.

Gregori was confronted yesterday with several persons who witnessed the attempt on the life of Major Dreyfus. He did not contest their testimony. He said during his examination: "I committed this act voluntarily and am prepared to assume all responsibility."

FIRE IN NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, June 9.—Fire last night consumed about a score of buildings and the residence quarter at Berlin and Magazine streets, and started anew in several neighboring places simultaneously.

The civic delegation appointed to proceed to Ottawa to urge the government to take steps to develop the shipping facilities in the harbor, leave for the capital this evening. A conference of the delegates was held in the mayor's office at noon to-day to discuss the plan of attack.

ST. JOHN RAILWAY CO SHOWS GOOD PROFIT FOR THE YEAR

Reports Submitted at the Annual Meeting This Afternoon Show Net Profit of Over $51,000 on the Year's Operations.

Board of Works 31dec08

The thirteenth annual meeting of the St. John Railway Company is being held this afternoon in the company's office, corner Union and Dock streets. Reports for the year ending April 30th will be submitted and directors elected for the ensuing year.

The present board of directors is as follows: James Ross, president; Hugh H. McLean, vice-president; R. B. Emerson, James Manchester, J. J. Tucker, W. Downie, H. B. Robinson, and F. E. Sayre.

The report of Col. H. H. McLean, vice-president of the company is as follows:

"Your directors have the honor to submit herewith a statement of the past year's business, showing a net profit, after providing for the interest on the bonds and all other charges, of $51,879.58, out of which your directors have declared two half-yearly dividends of three per cent, amounting to $48,000, leaving a balance of $3,879.58 which has been transferred to profit and loss account.

"The gross earnings of the company from all departments show a satisfactory increase. The net earnings are about the same as last year.

"The company has incurred a large additional expenditure in operating the service in Saint John West. This part of the service is not a paying one, but hope that when the new bridge is constructed over the Falls and we are relieved from maintaining a double service, that this branch of the company's business will prove remunerative. It has been the policy of your board to maintain a service of the highest possible efficiency, and the road-bed, rolling stock, power station and equipment have been kept up to the standard.

"Your board has planned extensive improvements in the gas works, to be conducted under the direction of Mr. S. Skinner, superintendent Montreal Gas Works. These improvements will include a new bench of retorts, purifying apparatus, gas holders, etc., contracts for part of which have been let. The greater part of the work will be completed in August, and within a year we hope to have the gas works put in first class condition.

"During the past year we have carried through the following works:

"Finished all the street railway lines in Saint John West, including the building of a trestle down Rodney wharf to the ferry, also a trestle on Union street and the filling in of the embankment near the pond.

"Built additional power feeders from the power house to Union street, West Saint John.

"Finished new car barn on Union street, West Saint John.

"Completed the renewal of all outside wires, poles, etc., in West Saint John.

"Purchased six new open, and four closed cars with equipments.

"Double-tracked Paradise Row, Haymarket Square, Union street, and built a single track around King Square to connect with the head of King street.

"The contract customers of ... on a meter basis, which included providing new meters.

Installed enclosed arc lamps in place of open lamps.

"Your board was authorized at the last annual meeting of the shareholders to issue bonds to the amount of $300,000, in denominations of one hundred, five hundred and one thousand dollars, payable in twenty years from the first day of May last. Our legislature authorized the issue of these bonds and provided that they should be a charge on the real and personal property of the company after the bonds now outstanding. We refused to sell these bonds at less than par, and owing to the financial depression only about fifty thousand dollars have been disposed of. We call the attention of our shareholders to this investment as being a first-class security. We will continue to offer these bonds at par for the present, but as soon as the financial conditions improve shall increase the price.

"The directors are now negotiating with the city for a renewal of the contract which expired on the 1st April last for the removal of snow and repairs of streets. We hope to bring the negotiations to a satisfactory termination within the present month.

Respectfully submitted,
HUGH H. McLEAN,
Vice-President.

ASSETS.

Cost of Property	$1,866,891 43
Accounts Receivable	33,007 00
Store	29,529 78
Cash on Hand	1,000 00
Cash in Bank	14,196 03
	$1,944,624 26

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	$800,000 00
Bonds	750,600 00
Accounts Payable	34,858 16
Notes Payable	180,000 00
Dividend Payable June 10th	24,000 00
Outstanding Tickets	1,544 54
Contingent and Depreciation	52,221 67
Profit and Loss	101,399 89
	$1,944,624 26

INCOME ACCOUNT.

Dividends—	
Paid 16th Dec., '07	$24,000 00
Payable 10th June, '08	24,000 00
Transferred to Profit and Loss	3,879 58
	$51,879 58
Profits—	
For the year after providing for Interest on Bonds and all other charges	$51,879 58
	$51,879 58

H. M. HOPPER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Certified correct.
P. F. BLANCHET,
Auditor.

METHODIST DISTRICT MEETING HEARD CHURCH REPORTS TODAY

Various Churches in the District Raised Substantial Sums during the Year--Membership Shows an Increase.

The annual session of the district meeting of the N. B. and P. E. Island Methodist Conference was continued in Portland street church this morning, when reports of the churches were submitted as follows:

Queen square; membership, 224; amount raised during the year, $5,323.94.

Centenary membership, 398; amount raised during the year, $11,986 16.

Exmouth street membership, 372; amount raised during the year, $3,912.99.

Portland street membership, 386; amount raised during the year, $5,053.06.

Carleton membership, 188; amount raised during the year, $7,520.30.

Carmarthen street membership, 108; amount raised during the year, $2,192.32.

Zion membership, 52; amount raised during the year, $1,354.08.

Fairville membership, 132; amount raised during the year, $1,544.09.

Courtenay Bay membership, 105; amount raised during the year, $1,220.70.

Sussex membership, 74; amount raised during the year, $1,557.90.

Norton membership, 64; amount raised during the year, $554.25.

Apohaqui—membership 283, amount raised during the year $1,281.70.

Springfield—membership 120, amount raised during the year, $716.30.

Hampton—membership 101, amount raised during the year, $1,243.15.

St. Martins—membership 79, amount raised during the year, $272.10.

Jerusalem—membership, 194, amount raised during the year, $608.85.

Welsford—membership 139, amount raised during the year, $808.50.

Kingston—membership 105, amount raised during the year, $626.50.

The district elected twenty-six delegates in all to attend the N. B. and P. E. I. conference to be held in Moncton on Thursday next.

FAST ONES AT MOOSEPATH.

Fred Duncanson has his string of horses at Moosepath now where he is working them out on the track, in preparation for the season's racing.

Included in the string are: Etta Mac, 2:21; Laura Merrill, 2:17 1-4; and the new green one, Idle Moments, which Mr. Duncanson recently secured from A. H. Merrill of Danvers, Mass.

This afternoon another fast one will be added to the stables when Terrace Queen, 2:06, owned by Charles DeWitt of Bridgetown (N.S.), will arrive on the steamer Prince Rupert.

This fast mare will be trained this season by Duncanson and P. Collins will drive her.

The track will be put in first class shape for the races July 22 and 23.

UNFEELING.

A certain drill sergeant, whose severity had made him unpopular with his company was putting a squad of recruits through the funeral exercise. Opening the ranks so as to admit the passage of the supposed cortege between them, the instructor by way of practical explanation, walked slowly down the lane formed by the two ranks, saying as he did so:

"Now, I am the corpse. Pay attention."

Having reached the end of the party, he turned round, regarded them with a scrutinizing eye for a moment or two, then remarked:

"Your 'ands is right, and your 'eads is right, but you 'aven't got that look of regret you ought to 'ave."

THE WINTER FAIR DEFICIT IS $1,500

But Government Grants Will Meet This and Make the Association Self Sustaining--Annual Meeting at Amherst.

Moncton, N. B., June 10. (Special).—The annual meeting of the Maritime Stock Breeders Association and Winter Fair was held at Amherst yesterday and today. J. B. Spencer of Ottawa acting stock commissioner was in attendance.

The business organization was thoroughly gone into and a statement of finances showed a deficit of about $1500 to date. This is met by a $200 grant from Nova Scotia government, and a $1,300 grant from the federal department. Grants of $2,400 from the federal department, $1,200 from Nova Scotia, $800 from New Brunswick and $400 from P. E. Island and other sources of revenue will make the association self-sustaining in future.

The annual meeting approved of the work of the association and appointed a new directorate as follows:

New Brunswick—Col. H. M. Campbell, M. H. Parlee Apohaqui, Bliss M. Fawcett, Sackville; George E. Fisher, Chatham.

Prince Edward Island—Rev. Dr. Barker Alberton, Hon. F. L. Haszard, James Roper, Charlottetown, John Annand, Lower Montague.

Nova Scotia—W. W. Black, Amherst; C. A. Archibald, R. S. Starr, P. T. Williams and S. A. Logan, Truro.

The date of the annual fair was fixed for November thirtieth, a little earlier than usual to make it convenient for Prince Edward Islanders to attend.

WOODSTOCK NEWS

St. John Surveyor to Make Survey of the the Town---A Fire Yesterday.

Woodstock, N. B., June 10. (Special).—The funeral of Thomas H. Gray, was held yesterday afternoon. After services in the Episcopal Church the burial was made in Christ Church cemetery. The pall bearers were Robert Gabel, Charles Jones, Allie Rimes and Vere Hamilton.

There will be three funerals this afternoon, those of Mrs. John McAfee, Robert Caldwell and Mrs. Gunn.

Gilbert Murdock of St. John, arrived in town yesterday and this morning has commenced a survey of the town. This promises to be quite an undertaking as the town has never had an official survey.

The house on St. John street owned by Rev. Thomas Todd and occupied by Preston Wheeler was considerably damaged by fire yesterday.

The Pirates, a junior team, played two games of baseball with a junior team from Houlton yesterday. The locals won both by a score of 9 to 3 and 3 to 1. The crack Houlton team which produced Bobby Vail and other fast ones will play two games this afternoon and evening.

TO IMPROVE MAURETANIA.

London, June 10.—The Daily Express states that the Cunard steamer Mauretania from this time on will be a three-propeller vessel, her last voyages having proved that the turbine engines run better with three than with four propellers.

Despite the fact that she was using but three propellers on her last voyage to New York, the Mauretania broke two ocean records over the long course from Daunts Rock. It was reported at the time that one of the propellers of the steamer was disabled. On this trip the Mauretania maintained an average speed of 24.85 knots and made a new westward record for one day of 635 knots.

UNITED BAPTIST DISTRICT MEETING OPENS TOMORROW

Sessions Will be Held at Gondola Point Tomorrow and Friday and a Number of Interesting Matters Will be Discussed.

The annual meeting of the sixth district of the United Baptist Church in New Brunswick, will be held at Gondola Point, tomorrow and Friday, June 11 and 12. The sessions tomorrow will open at 2 o'clock with devotional services led by John Swan.

At 2.30 the business of the session will be taken up and officers elected.

Rev. A. B. Cohoe will deliver the annual sermon at 3 o'clock and following that there will be a conference and prayer meeting.

The evening session will be in charge of the U. B. W. V. and addresses will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Archibald, Rev. W. Camp and Rev. E. W. Kelly.

On Friday morning the session will be resumed at 9 o'clock with devotional exercises led by Rev. G. Swim.. Reports will then be received from the churches and an address delivered by Rev. George Howard on, Our Fatherless Churches, and also by Rev. J. W. Kierstead on Our Depleted Ministry.

There will then be a discussion of the addresses and reports of the Sabbath schools.

In the afternoon at 2.30 there will be a devotional meeting led by A. Williams, and a discussion of the Sunday school report, led by Rev. W. W. McMaster and others. The temperance report will be discussed by C. W. Weyman and others and at 4.15 addresses on B. Y. P. U. work will be delivered by A. J. Dearness and Charles Wasson.

The evening session will open with a song service led by Rev. Mr. Allaby and the laymen's Missionary Movement will be dealt with by James Patterson and others.

CANADIAN FORESTERS

High Court of Canada Opens Its Annual Session at Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 10.—(Special.) The twenty-ninth annual session of the high court of the Canadian order of Foresters opened here yesterday afternoon with a large number in attendance, including High Court Officers and delegates representing subordinate courts of every province of the Dominion.

The High Court officers submitted their reports, which showed the order to be in a most flourishing condition.

ENTRIES FOR SPORTS.

An entry for two leading events in the Every Day Club sports on June 27th was received today from Fredericton, and one for one of the boys' races was received from Nauwigewauk.

HOLMER TELLS OF BIG RACE

Nova Scotia Champion Suffered From Sore Feet in The Toronto Marathon.

Moncton, N. B., June 10 (Special).—To a pair of new shoes which blistered his feet, Hans Holmer, champion long distance runner of the maritime provinces, attributes his defeat in the Marathon Olympic trials in Toronto on Saturday. Holmer and Wolfe of Halifax, who finished eleventh in the big race passed through this morning en route home. Holmer's feet were so badly blistered that he is yet unable to wear boots. He felt very badly over being obliged to drop out of the race and said he was feeling in fine shape except for his feet and confident he would have finished with the leaders.

WANT TAFT'S INFLUENCE IN FAVOR OF CREDIT CURRENCY

Merchants' Association of New York and Trades Leagues of Philadelphia Appeal to Presidential Candidates for Assistance.

Washington, June 9.—Secretary Taft was appealed to today by the Merchants Association of New York and the Trades League of Philadelphia to use his influence in behalf of credit currency. He was told that the currency commission as constituted was not unprejudiced; that the bond-secured currency, or Aldrich plans as it is generally known, was favored by a majority of the members of the commission, and that in this respect the progressive business interests of the country had not been given a square deal. Failing to get men on the currency committee who were regarded as experts, the associations had come to the secretary in the hope that the question might in some manner be taken up at the Chicago convention and made part of the platform.

Secretary Taft, after expressing his appreciation of the compliment shown in the visit, gave it as his opinion that any currency plank which the Republican platform might contain should state the object to be attained rather than specific method of reaching the desired result. He disclaimed any right to dictate to the convention on the subject, but at the same time admitted the strength of the argument which had been made. In a resolution which has been agreed upon by both organizations and presented to the secretary it is set forth that the great shock to American industries by the currency panic of last fall, caused all banking and business interests throughout the country to investigate carefully the financial and currency problem and, subsequently to condemn almost unanimously the bondsecured provisions of the Aldrich currency bill, and to endorse the principle of true credit currency.

The resolution adopted by the associations follows:

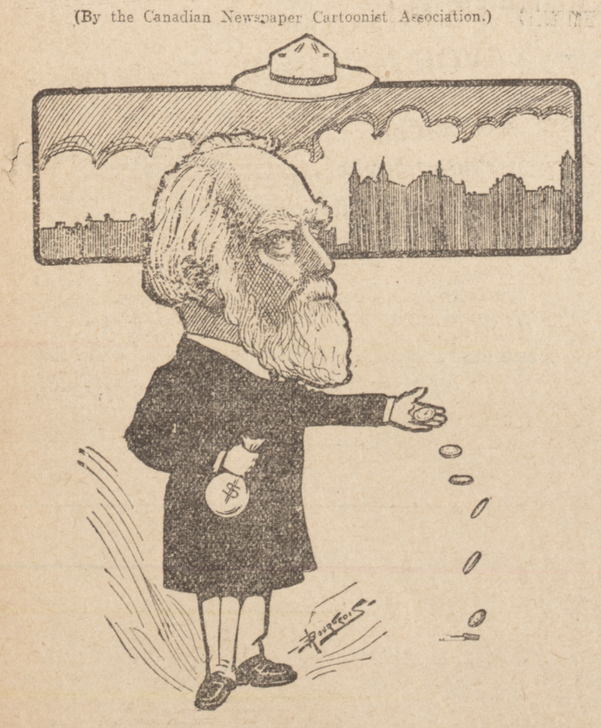
"The Merchants Association of New York respectfully urges upon the prospective presidential candidates, and upon both national political conventions the importance of adopting the following planks which guarantee to the people of the country a sound financial and true credit currency system.

"First,—We pledge ourselves to establish such a financial system as will protect the United States treasury against the danger of assault and the peril of repudiation the government being limited to its constitutional functions concerning money and regulating the value thereof, and of the collecting and disbursing of its revenues.

"Second,—We pledge ourselves to establish a true credit currency system which will enable the farmer, the producer, the manufacturer and the merchant to convert, through the agency of the banks, their commodities into currency, redeemable by the banks in their vicinity.

PROMINENT CANADIANS PICTURED IN CARTOONS

(By the Canadian Newspaper Cartoonist Association.)



Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Canadian High Commissioner in England.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A SOURCE OF PRIDE.

Thus far licenses have been taken out for 1,076 dogs, and the authorities have decided that 450 more are entitled to this distinction. The other eleven thousand will, as already announced, perform statute labor on the flower beds in the squares, in lieu of a cash contribution to the revenue of the city. The city is to be congratulated on the regular and substantial growth of the canine population. There is now one dog to every four citizens, with excellent prospects that the proportion will be one in three before the end of the summer. It is suggested that if the bearded ladies could be induced to lean against the trees, and thus make way for the dogs, there might be a "bench show" on the squares every day in the week, as well as an illustration dog-farm in every flower bed. St. John has great reason to be proud of its dogs.

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A PREMIER'S JOY.

Montreal, June 10.—(Special.)—Premier Gouin, when seen by the Times new reporter's special correspondent this morning was still delighted with his defeat by Mr. Bourassa. He has long wanted to get at Mr. Bourassa on the floors of the legislature, and is immensely pleased with the prospect. The absurd statement in the opposition press to the effect that Mr. Gouin was not pleased by his defeat in St. James has amused him greatly. The defeat is really a great victory, as any reasonable man can see for himself.

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PROGRESS OF REFORM.

There is a movement afoot, and a conference may be held with a view to having certain denizens of Sheffield street transported either to Central Africa, or China, where they would be within the radius of missionary influence and might be saved. It is felt that something should be done for them, as they are all said to be possessed of souls.