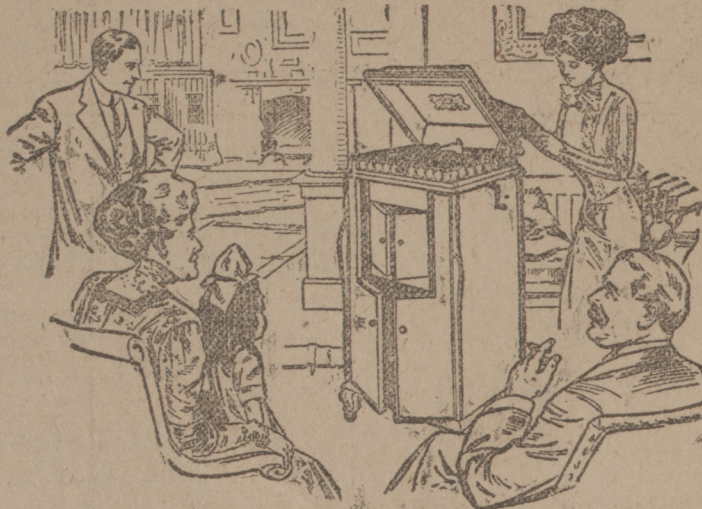


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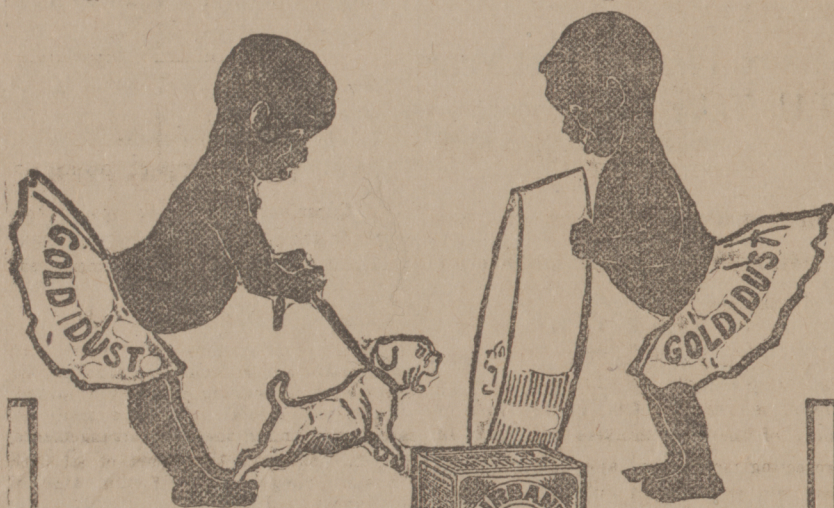
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BAPTISTS PLAN AN EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

At a meeting of the home mission board of the Baptist church held yesterday, it was decided to start an evangelistic campaign for the province of New Brunswick. A committee consisting of Revs. F. E. Bishop, David Hutchinson, Wellington Camp and B. H. Nobles, was appointed to make the necessary arrangements. They will map out the work for the board's two evangelists, Rev. Dr. Phillips and Rev. Mr. Beattie, and possibly some others.

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DIPLOMAS PRESENTED TO GRADUATE NURSES

Seven young ladies who have completed the three years' course of training at the training school of the St. John Hospital, graduated last evening and received their diplomas.

The graduates are Misses Blanche Gregory, George Collins, Margaret Murdoch, Blanche McDonald, Grace Trueman, Estelle Fowler and Mary Burns, and the diplomas were conferred with appropriate ceremonies. There was a very large attendance at the exercises. Dr. Thomas Walker, president of the training school, occupied the chair, and presented the diplomas, while Dr. W. W. White delivered an address to the graduating class. Henry Hilyard submitted the annual report of the directors of the training school which showed the year had been a successful one, and Rev. G. M. Campbell also spoke to the graduates in congratulatory terms. During the evening solos were sung by Mrs. Carter, D. B. Pidgeon and Fred. McKean, and refreshments were served.

You cannot tell what a woman aims at by what she eats.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



WHITE ALWAYS CHARMING ON THE LITTLE GIRL

After all there is nothing so attractive as pure white on the small girl, and mothers who can afford it love to have at least the "Sunday Coat" and hat of white. This smart coat is of heavy white serge and the low shawl collar, cuffs and buttons of black velvet add a smart, if startling touch. The hat is one of the big roll brim white heaves which abound this winter, the trimming being a broad band of black velvet.

I. C. R. BRANCH LINES BILL ADVANCED TO THIRD READING

Government Will Keep the Railway — Crocket is Made Back Down By Hon. Mr. Pugsley When He Attempts to Raise a Dredging Scandal

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Two Intercolonial bills were advanced in the house today to the final stage and stand for a third reading. One gives the government authority to lease branch lines and the other reduces the time in which government employees require to qualify for retirement under the benefit fund from fifteen to ten years. Most of the remainder of the session was devoted to Nova Scotia estimates, Hon. Mr. Pugsley being before the house all the evening.

There was a good deal of criticism of the branch line bill by the opposition but they were not unanimous in condemning it and did not push their dissatisfaction to the length of demanding a vote. The criticism was varied. Some of the members insisted that the bill was unnecessary and that the bill was a useless sop to the feelings of Hon. H. R. Emmerson and would hardly be acted upon. It was also intimated that the bill contained possibilities for graft.

All of these points were met by Hon. Mr. Graham, who pointed out that the lease of any branch would have to be approved by parliament to become effective and that the legislation was needed to put the government in a position to take action for the expansion of the Intercolonial by the leasing of feeders.

Sir Wilfrid stated the naval bill would come down and be dealt with as soon as the budget debate was finished. As the budget will not be delivered until before Christmas holidays are very slight.

In moving the second reading of his bill to authorize the acquisition by lease of lines of railway connected with the government railways, Hon. Mr. Graham explained that there were provisions that no line could be taken over unless the chief engineer of the department reported that it was in good order and in safe condition for operation and that no lease should be binding until it had been approved by parliament.

Dr. Sproule asked if the government proposed to continue the principle of government ownership and operation of the Intercolonial and of any branches that might be acquired.

Will Operate I. C. R.
Hon. Mr. Graham replied that the policy of the government was one of government ownership and operation. If this or any other government deemed it wise in the future to lease or sell the Intercolonial the fact that any branch lines had been leased under this bill would not interfere with that action. He was confident that if the Intercolonial had been owned by a private corporation many branch lines would have been acquired before this. The only authority in this bill was one empowering the government to negotiate.

In the opinion of Mr. Crocket, of York, there was no new authority for the government contained in this bill. He regarded it as a meaningless sop to the ex-minister of railways, Mr. Emmerson.

Mr. Borden did not agree with this. On general principles the bill was all right, but he wanted more light on the proposals of the government under this bill.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, Hon. Mr. Fisher, E. M. McDonald, Hon. John Haggart, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Rhodes, Dr. Black, E. B. Oles, Dr. Daniel and Mr. Lemieux discussed the matter.

Mr. Nesbitt (North Oxford) thought the minister of railways, if he already had authority to acquire branch lines, was to be commended rather than criticized for coming to parliament and asking its approval before entering upon any programme.

Mr. Graham said there was nothing in the bill to prevent the Dominion Atlantic being taken in.

Dr. Daniel, of St. John, supported the bill. The policy of absorbing branch lines has been followed with profit by other railways. It might be possible that the Intercolonial would be better run by a private company. However, it was a pledge of confederation. The people were determined to have it continued under government ownership. The branch lines were needed to make it efficient and he approved of the bill.

The bill was put through committee and stands for third reading.

A bill to amend the government railway roads provident fund act, Mr. Graham explained was to meet a hardship which had been imposed upon some hundred men who had been dropped by the management on the ground that their services were not at present required. They were within a short time of qualifying for the benefit of the provident fund which required fifteen years service. They were the older men. The bill provided that any man retired after March 31, 1909, could obtain the benefit of the provident fund after ten years service instead of fifteen. That date had been fixed upon as men dropped prior had been let go for cause which would exclude them from the benefit of the act in any case.

Mr. Lennox wanted to know if the men whom this bill was designed to benefit were those whose dispute with the management had been the subject of inquiry by a board of conciliation.

Mr. Graham said no, that the bill was to have a general application while the men referred to were a special group. After the adjournment for dinner at 6 o'clock the bill was put through committee and stands for a third reading.

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at the hands of their constituents. A. & R. Loggie were not intimate friends of his, they seldom took an active part in politics. They were men who stood in the front rank of Canadian merchants and manufacturers, and he had never heard until tonight any insinuation thrown at their integrity. Messrs. Loggie had never secured a contract except as the lowest tenderers and neither had the other man. He had yet to learn that it was any crime for a man to tender for a public work, or that it was a crime for a minister to award a contract to the lowest tenderer, who happened to belong to the same political party as the minister.

The contract for dredging in the St. John harbor had been let to the Maritime Dredging Company after public competition and after tenders had been advertised. As for the Gaspereau river and Maguapit Lake contracts, tenders had also been called for and the work let to the lowest. He invited the fullest investigation of these transactions in the public accounts committee.

Dr. Pugsley said that if Mr. Crocket had the evidence to support his charges of fraud it was his duty as a citizen to submit it to the officials of the New Brunswick government, who had charge of criminal prosecutions. If he did not have the evidence, he had no business to take refuge behind his privilege as a member of the house to blacken the character of honest men by insinuations.

Until he had better evidence than the naked word of Mr. Crocket, Dr. Pugsley declined to believe that there had been a conspiracy between the inspectors and the contractors. The department tried to get honest inspectors, and believed they were honest. The contractors were men of high standing.

Mr. Crocket said that he had not made insinuations, but had stated his belief that in many cases the public treasury had been defrauded through dredging operations in New Brunswick. From information which had been given to him, he still held that belief.

The Nova Scotia estimates were passed and the house adjourned at midnight.

LEON MCADAM PLEADS

GUILTY; REMANDED

Sussex, N. B., Dec. 7.—Leon McAdam, aged fifteen years, who was arrested yesterday charged with criminal assault on a six year old girl, was brought before Police Magistrate Hornbrook this afternoon and pleaded guilty. He was remanded to Hampton jail until Tuesday, Dec. 14, when he will be brought back before Magistrate Hornbrook for sentence. The charge was amended to common assault, which comes under the summary conviction act, and gives the police magistrate of incorporated towns power to deal with such cases.

The funeral of Chesley, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Armour McFarland, of Upper Corner, who died yesterday, took place this afternoon, interment at Upper Corner.

Rev. W. B. Allen officiated. The Rev. Malcolm Mason, a well known and respected resident of Millstream, died yesterday at her home, aged fifty-two years. Dropsy was the cause of death. The funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, interment at Head of Millstream. Rev. Mr. Allen will conduct the services. A husband and three children, Charles, Elizabeth and Ann, at home, survive.

The death occurred this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wallace, Shepody Road, of their oldest daughter, aged twenty years, who had been suffering from the bowels. The young lady was conscious to the end, and apparently did not suffer much. The funeral takes place Thursday from her residence. The body will be taken to Waterford, where service will be conducted in the Church of England church, thence to Upper Corner, where interment will be made. Rev. Mr. Leroy will officiate. Her parents, five brothers and one sister survive.

RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN

OF POLICE COMMISSION

Fredericton, Dec. 7.—The monthly meeting of the city council this evening, the resignation of Ald. J. E. Winslow, as chairman of the police commission, was read, and created considerable surprise. The council decided not to accept it at present, but City Clerk McCready was directed to call a meeting of the commission for Thursday next, when it is hoped Mr. Winslow will give his reasons for resigning. It is said that he was influenced to tender his resignation by some gossip reflecting on the commission, which lately reached his ears.

Three Albert county cases were reviewed before Judge Wedderburn of the Kings county court yesterday, in chambers here, and judgment was reserved in all three. The cases were: Wm. J. Caruath vs. Alexander Brewster, Albert S. Mitton vs. Charles W. Garland, and Isaac Prescott vs. Thomas Howard.

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Wm. Edleston was struck by a team driven by Peter Dolan, in Charlotte street yesterday and knocked down. He was taken into A. C. Smith's drug store, where his injuries were attended to.

The police in this city have been asked to be on the lookout for the safe robbers who burglarized the postoffice in Maine a few night ago and stole \$15,000 in bonds and registered letters.

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"KNOCKOUT" LIQUOR SOLD IN ONTARIO

Dives in Northern Section Have a "Morgue" for Victims where They are Robbed After Being Doped.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Charges are being made that in the hotels of northern Ontario, including Fort William and Port Arthur, doped liquor is sold. Lumber jacks, railway men and laborers generally are said to be victimized regularly in the bar-rooms.

Allegations are made in Fort William that drugging of liquor is going on continuously. W. A. Matheson, a well known barrister there, has called the attention to representations of the police that more drunken men are being found in the streets and lanes. The victims are paralyzed and remain in a stupor for hours. Invariably they awake to find themselves robbed. In many cases their loss is the earnings of the whole season.

It is an open secret that in the lumbering towns of the north liquor is drugged by hydrochloric acid. A few drops of the syrup of chloral in the third or fourth drink causes the victim's collapse and he is carried to the "morgue." This is a dark room, and it is reported such rooms exist in many places. It is alleged that in one hotel in one week eight men were robbed this way. The drugging remains in vogue for twelve hours or more.

PRIZES PRESENTED AT

EVERY DAY CLUB

The smoker and entertainment at the Every Day Club last evening was a most successful affair. The hall was filled with men, and the affair lasted till nearly 11 o'clock. There was music by the orchestra, readings by A. W. Baird, solos by Frank McAfferty, George Currie, S. H. Mayes, Mr. Williams and E. Ramsey; sketches by Messrs. McCann and Duplisse, piccolo solos by Fred. C. Robinson; clarinet solo by Mr. Williams, banjo selections by Mr. Williams, of London; dancing by Messrs. McFadden, Duplisse and Harley, and songs with choruses by the whole house. The president welcomed the audience, reminded them that the club is open every night free to every man, told of new games to be introduced, and referred to the club's efforts to promote amateur sport.

Postmaster Sears made a short address, congratulating the club and declaring his sympathy with its work, and in a very graceful manner presented the prizes won at the indoor sports.

The members of the club were present in force and served coffee and sandwiches and smokers' requisites. The whole affair was a great success, and fittingly opens up the club's work for the winter season.

CLARENCE WARD AGAIN PRESIDENT

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Historical Society was held last evening in the society rooms. President Clarence Ward was in the chair and the reports showed the year to have been a satisfactory one. The cash balance in the hands of the treasurer is \$83.50. Officers were elected as follows: President, Clarence Ward; vice-presidents, T. O'Brien and Geo. A. Henderson; secretary, Rev. W. O. Raymond; corresponding secretary, D. R. Jack; librarian, Jonas Howe; treasurer, J. R. Armstrong; council, Dr. P. R. Inches, Dr. G. U. Hay, Dr. W. P. Dole, S. D. Scott and Edward Sears.

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