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TRIUMPH OF SCIENCE

The world is talking today about a wonderful event which occurred off the New England coast on Saturday. Two steamships collided in a fog and one of them was rendered absolutely helpless, being so greatly damaged that she foundered when being towed into port. The wonderful thing about the affair is that, within a short time after the collision, other steamships, from various directions, some inward and some outward bound were speeding through the fog to the rescue. Over the waters, by that mysterious agency which we call wireless telegraphy, had come to each of them this message:—

"The steamer Republic in distress and sinking, latitude 40.17, longitude 70, 26 miles southwest of Nantucket."

Three great ocean liners which received this message responded at once and headed for the place indicated. Revenue cutters, warned by the wireless stations on shore, also steamed towards that point. Had the weather been perfectly clear, the Republic would have been taken in tow in a very short time after the collision occurred. Fortunately, she was able to remain afloat until assistance arrived.

The story thus briefly told records a marvellous achievement and marks a great triumph of human genius. The ocean has been robbed of some of its terrors. Any steamship provided with a wireless equipment is no longer solitary. If in distress, she may summon to her aid other vessels, even though at the time of the accident there may be no other craft on the horizon in any direction. If she can keep afloat long enough, rescue is practically assured. Someone has said that science has transformed the world into a whispering gallery. In a sense the statment is true. The telegraph, the telephone and the wireless have revolutionized the art of communication and annihilated distance.

There is, however, another problem to be solved and another triumph to be accomplished by human genius. The fact was emphasized by Saturday's incident off Nantucket. The wireless message speedily brought steamers to the immediate vicinity of the Republic, but, owing to a dense fog, they were unable to locate the disabled vessel for many hours. They could hear her signals and could hear each other's signals, and groped about in the fog, seeking to find her. Had she been in imminent need of assistance, she must have foundered before it came. The scientist who can discover a means by which a fog may be dispersed will confer upon the mariner a benefit second only to that of wireless telegraphy.

On another page of today's Times is given a full account of the thrilling experience of the steamships Republic and Florida.

THE INTERCOLONIAL

A morning paper takes the ground that the Intercolonial Railway does not need to raise its rates or to make any material increase in its operating expenses, and that what it does require is more traffic. It states that in order to increase its traffic, the railway must create and encourage and stimulate contributing industries, by building up the territory which it serves. That, it says, is what any live company would do, "particularly if it were a local concern with ample capital and with interests centered in eastern territory, which the Intercolonial serves." Theoretically, it says, the government itself should be able to do this, but government institutions "have never yet been able to provide in their management that impulse and initiative and expansive power which in the present state of social evolution seems to be confined to individual enterprise."

Clearly this is intended as an argument in favor of the lease or sale of the Intercolonial to a private company, interested in the maritime provinces. The weakness of the argument is the assumption that a government owned railway cannot be progressive and develop traffic. The exact opposite has been proved by a government railway in the province of Ontario, and one does not need to confine oneself to railways to show that government ownership may be as progressive as private enterprise. Only the other day, we read of the great success of government ownership of telephones in the province of Manitoba, and throughout the west there is almost daily evidence that the people are thoroughly convinced of the desirability of public ownership of great public utilities. It is perhaps too much to say that arguments against the government ownership and management of the Intercolonial are prompted by a desire to advance the interests of a company, but there is a suspicion that much of the recent agitation in favor of a radical change in the control of the road has been inspired by capitalists who had a well-defined motive and who have personal ends to serve. The people of the maritime provinces are not in favor of the sale or lease of the government railway We believe the same is true of the people of Canada gnerally. We do not believe the government will entertain for a moment any proposition for lease or sale.

Reference was made on Saturday to an interesting development in connection with license reduction and local option in Ontario. There is another. During the campaign in Toronto, the advocates of the liquor party asserted that as much liquor would be sold if only 110 licenses were granted as if there were 150. There will only be 110. It is now argued by the temperance party that if these 110 dealers are to sell as much liquor as 150, they ought to turn in as much revenue to the city If we assume that the premise is correct, as the liquor dealers would have us believe, then the conclusion of the temperance people would seem to be well founded. Nobody believes that 110 places will sell as much liquor as 150, but the liquor dealers are probably sorry they spoke.

The death of Captain John Stevens, at the age of ninety-one years, recalls a time when St. John was the home of great oarsmen. When Captain Stevens was in his prime, and the foar-oared crew of which he was a member was a source of pride to the people of Indiantown, there were great boat races in these waters. At a later period, St. John won the world's championship. There are still good oarsmen in St. John, and doubtless the material of championship crews, but public interest has became passive and there is no encouragement for this class of sport. Some day doubtless, there will be a revival.

It is rather unfortunate for the Conservatives, at the beginning of a parliamentary session during which they had doubtless intended to make fierce assaults upon the government, to have their chief organ in British Columbia apologizing for having printed an alleged statement by Mr. Borden, which he now says he did not make. The Victoria Colonist explains that in printing the despatch it acted in good faith. Now who cooked the telegram?

The death of Archbishop Sweatman causes universal regret. He had attained an advanced age, and had filled a large place in the religious life of the province of Ontario. A ripe scholar, a man of clear judgment and of great industry, he served his church and his adopted country well. He was Bishop of Toronto for nearly thirty years.

The interesting announcement is made that a supplementary convention to the French treaty has been signed. It is stated that the Canadian government, rather thon sacrifice the treaty, have agreed to some concessions to the French protectionists. The changes will not be made known until placed before the French senate.

The increase in telephone rates in this province has led to the beginning of an agitation for government ownership. The time is not far distant when the rates of public service corporations cannot be revised without some reference to authorities constituted for the protection of the patrons of those utilities.

The City Cornet Band, which has given many evidences that it is a live musical organization, is considering a scheme of mutual life insurance for its members. The plan appears to be a good one and the principle might well be adopted in larger organizations.

The municipal council of Restigouche, all but two of whose members are Conservatives, decline to make any suggestions for the amendment of the Highway Act. Evidently, they regard it as quite beyond repair.

Carrie Nation has been ejected from a London Music Hall. When Carrie arrives anywhere, she loses no time in letting the people know it. She is the best advertised show on the road.

"Hoot! Mon." The Canadian curlers have been beaten by the Scotchmen in the first two days' match. Well, they were beaten by Scotchmen—and that's some comfort.

The announcemnt that a man received a million and a half for his claim in Cobalt, a few days ago, indicates that the mining boom has not yet subsided.

Today's storm appears to be widespread. The general telegraphic service has been somewhat interrupted.

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Alonzo is a likely boy; he's full of mental grace.
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An' strives with me an' mother in a manner most polite,
To get us to take notice when our grammar isn't right.
He shaves at least three times a week; Alonzo's mighty neat,
An' he's expert in his judgment about things good to eat.
His brother's kind o' different. He ain't built so much fur show,
Bill saws and' splits the firewood an' he shovels off the snow.

The sewin' circle compliments the family now an' then
About Alonzo; sayin' he's the nicest of young men.
But as fer me an mother, we jes' do as parents will,
Defyin' neighbors' comment. We are mighty strong fur Bill.
We like to hear the stompin' of his feet out in the shed,
We like to hear his laughin' way of hollerin' to be fed,
It ain't right to be partial, but our hearts is all aglow
Fur that boy who splits the firewood an' who shovels off the snow?

—Washington Star.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

BAD FOR BUSINESS.

Dentist—"I'll have to charge you ten shillings for pulling that tooth."

Patient—"I thought you only charged half-a-crown?"

Dentist—"Yes, but you yelled so loudly you scared three other patients out of the place."

ONLY THE GAELIC.

Bella—"But whit wey are ye no' alloo't tae speak tae the man at the wheel on a steamer?"

Andie—"Oh, they're maist o' them Heilanmen that disna ken bit the Gaelic, an' canna talk tae a buddy. So they jist use them for steerin' the boat."

WAS RIGHT.

"Tommy," said a teacher to a pupil, "what is the half of six?"

Tommy—"I don't know, sir."

Teacher—"Now, attend to me. If two men stole six shillings and agreed to divide it equally between them, how much would they get each?"

Tommy—"Three months, sir."

A PREFERENCE FOR MOTHER.

Grandfather—"Hey! Stop a minute, Boy. I want 'ee."

Tommy—"Can't 'cos mother's waiting to give me a thrashing."

Grandfather—"Bless me! Fancy a boy running for it!"

Tommy—"Well, if I don't father'll get home before it's over."—Tit-Bits.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Little Lester Livermore—"Papa, what is the difference between a vision and a sight? This book says ——"

Mr. Livermore—"The difference between a girl before and after she is married."—Puck.

ART AND SOAKING.

"I suppose," said the fair studio visitor, "that you find it necessary to soak your brushes frequently?"

"Oh, no," replied the artist, "but they are about the only things I possess that I have not soaked."—Chicago Daily News.

WAITING TO HEAR.

The minister of H— was a very keen garden hand. He was nailing up his much beloved roses one day when he noticed a small boy gazing very intently at him. Wondering what the boy would be taken up with, he said:

"Well, my little boy, what do you want?"

The reply was, "Oh, naethiug, sir; I was just waitin' tae hear what'ee wad say if 'ee hit yer thoom wi' the hammer."

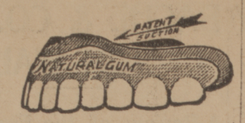
WHAT IT MEANT.

A schoolmaster, writing in the Pall Mall Magazine, relates that he asked a class what was meant by the entente cordiale. One little fellow in the back part of the class immediately raised his hand.

"Well?" I said.

"It means, sir," he replied, "that when you meet a Frenchman and you get talking to him you must not mention Waterloo except he is asking you the way to the station."

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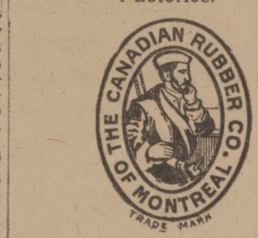
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PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick

At the last meeting of the Campbellton town council the town solicitor was instructed to terminate stabling horses near the reservoir, the refuse therefrom contaminating the water supply. He is cutting ice for the I. C. R., in a pond adjacent to the reservoir.

A fine freight house to take the place of the one recently destroyed by fire at Bathurst, is nearing completion. It is an improvement on the one destroyed.

Nova Scotia

R. R. Rice and his brother Oswald, in response to a telegram, late last night week, drove from Bear River to Digby to connect with the St. John steamer, the message stating that Miss Estella Rice, the former's daughter, was critically ill in St. John hospital, with appendicitis.

Angus Winchester, baggage master on the D. A. R. steamer Yarmouth, is an applicant for the position of janitor and messenger for the St. John branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, recently left vacant by the death of the former incumbent.

Inspector A. J. Tingley and Officer B. J. Dunn, of Halifax, both I. C. R. police officials, were in Digby the latter part of last week and conferred with Chief Bowles of the town.

Capt. Geo. W. Grant, of Weymouth, is mentioned in the Maple Leaf of Oakland, California, as one of the recent visitors to the city. The skipper has been a mariner on the Pacific coast for ten years.

W. E. Dunn, of Bear River, has returned home, having relinquished his intention to commence lumber operations at St. Martins, N. B., owing to the scarcity of snow.

Jermoe, the mysterious man residing at Cheticamp, near Meteghan, is receiving numerous visitors from the curious.

Hilaire Boudreau, of Belliveau's Cove, will build a four-masted vessel at Annapolis in the spring.

P. A. Theriaut, a merchant of Belliveau's Cove, and his bride, passed their honeymoon in St. John.

Capt. D. J. Melanson, of Weymouth, has returned from Boston, where he received an order for a million feet of lumber, to be delivered before June. He will also make other shipments commencing in March. He reports prospects, for spring delivery at least, to be good.

The schooner Nina Blanche, recently purchased by Capt. Chas. Dion, of Belliveau's Cove, Digby county, will be placed in the packet trade to and from St. John.

It is said there are between eighteen and twenty million feet of lumber on hand among the operators between Annapolis and Tusket. Weymouth has almost six millions, Annapolis five, Tusket four to five.

The schooner Ethel, which left Halifax several weeks ago laden with potatoes for New York, has put into Shelburne leaking considerably.

The Port Hood Coal Company has secured the contract for supplying 40,000 tons of coal to the Acadia Sugar Refinery.

Charles Worrell, Clarence Short and Wm. Collright, of Dartmouth, were fined $10 and costs, each, for shooting birds on Sunday.

As the ice is solid up the harbor at Weymouth South, the pier at the Weymouth North has been repaired, after partial destruction by the recent storm, and the steamers Westport III. and Ida Lue are docking there on each trip. Weymouth North, which is the winter port of St. Mary's Bay, is expecting improvements in the way of dredging and harbor facilities. The dredge Canada has been detailed to perform the operations.

The Sydney syndicate which has announced the intention of constructing an up-to-date steamer for the Sydney and North Victoria service, has given the contract to Joseph McGill of Shelburne. The new boat's dimensions will be 130 feet long and 35 feet beam, with saloons, staterooms and an electric lighting plant. Its guaranteed speed will be 12 knots. Burrell-Johnson Co., Ltd., Yarmouth, will install the machinery. The launching is booked for June.

Herring continue in abundance at Shelburne and Jordan Bay. The fishermen receive $1.10 per barrel for the fish in the nets.

It is estimated that only half of last year's lobster catch at the Tuskets has been caught this season for the corresponding period.

Jas. Walsh & Co., of North Sydney, have purchased water frontage and will erect a wharf with the object of opening in the ship chandlery trade.

Lunenburg has abandoned the ward system and at the coming civic election the electors are privileged to select three of the seven candidates in the field.

F. T. Congdon, K. C. formerly of Halifax, who once opposed General Laurie in Shelburne, was elected in the Yukon elections last week. He was a Liberal nominee and George Black, a New Brunswicker, was the Conservative standard bearer.

There is a report that a large, new wharf is to be constructed at Yarmouth by a prominent business man.

It is reported that the Halifax and South Western Railway will resume the service on the Middleton branch.

The total receipts for the town of Shelburne for 1908 were $8,112.62 and the expenditures were $7,788.40. In the Scott Act department the receipts were $101.30 and the expenditures were $85.40.

The annual meeting of the Yarmouth Marine Railway Co., was held last week and a dividend of five per cent was declared.

An excellent specimen of silver taken from the Nova Scotia Cobalt mines is in the hands of J. A. Jacobs, Montreal. The speciman weighs 120 pounds and assays over 80 per cent pure silver. It was unearthed at the 160 foot level.

P. E. Island

In the case of King vs. Joseph Gallant, for forgery, at Charlottetown, the jury returned a verdict of conviction, with a strong recommendation for mercy.

After being in darkness for five weeks, Montague is again lighted by the electric system. A portion of the dynamo was sent to Montreal for repairs.

THE CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL

Dr. H. B. Nase Gave North End Children a Pleasant Time on Saturday.

On Saturday afternoon, Dr. H. B. Nase, of the North End, gave a very pleasurable ice carnival to the children of that section of the city. He gave prizes for the two best costumes and a third for a free-for-all race at the conclusion of the carnival. The entertainment, which was limited to children under twelve years of age, was a great success. It was held on the open air rink at Dr. Nase's residence. No one was allowed on the ice except in costume. There were thirty skaters, and the judges—Mrs. H. B. Nase, Mrs. D. H. Nase and Miss Helen Fleming—had a difficult task in choosing the winners. Some of the costumes were very pretty and original. The award of the judges went to Miss H. Worden, who represented a flower girl, and Master Berton Day, who was costumed as an Indian. The decisions gave general satisfaction.

The free-for-all race of ten laps had twelve entries and was won by Master George Clark. The carnival was such a success that Dr. Nase hopes to repeat it next month.

Sunday School Teacher—Well, Johnny, have you had anything during the week to be especially thankful for?

Johnny—Yes, ma'am.

Sunday School Teacher—What was it?

Johnny—Billy Jones sprained his wrist yesterday, and I licked him for the first time.—Chicago News.

THE VICE - REGAL AT HOME A SUCCESS

About 900 Ladies and Gentlemen Attended the Levee in Ottawa on Saturday Evening Mr. Todd's Speech a Great Hit

Ottawa, Jan. 24—Saturday night's drawing room held by their excellencies in the senate chamber, was the most largely attended, of which there is actual record, about 900 ladies and gentlemen being presented. The number at the first presentation was 150. After the drawing room there were receptions by the speakers of both houses in their respective quarters.

On all sides are heard favorable comments upon the speech, in which Mr. Todd, of Charlotte, moved the address in reply. It was an eloquent effort throughout, but particularly happy were the honorable member's concluding remarks. He said:

"Mr. Speaker, it is indeed a great pleasure to me to be able to join with honorable members on this side of the house in congratulating ourselves and the country on the magnificent heritage which we possess in this Canada of ours. You may call her the Lady Of The Snows, if you like. Though now robed in white, she will be a little later clothed with emerald green, and a little later will bear on her bosom an abundance of golden harvest.

"Certainly we have reason to be proud of this country; we are glad to feel, as I have said before, that we control the largest fisheries in the world; we have in our possession millions of acres of arable and fertile soil and many other resources of wealth which can never be taken from us. We are already reaping the benefits of science in the various arts employed in the development of this country, and we feel how necessary it is that we should not fritter away our natural resources, but husband them to as full an extent as possible, in order to make of Canada as great and as wealthy a country as the republic to the south of us."

THE CARLETON ELECTION CASE

Hearing Was Resumed Here on Saturday Afternoon Before Mr. Justice McLeod

On Saturday afternoon, Mr. Justice McLeod heard argument on the return of a summons taken out in the matter of the Carleton county election case on behalf of Geo. W. Upham, calling upon the petitioner, W. J. Owens, to show cause why he should not furnish particulars of the offences complained of in the petition.

It was contended by Hon. W. P. Jones, K. C., for Mr. Upham, that complete particulars of the bribes alleged to have been given, those alleged to have been bribing and those alleged to have been bribed and those alleged to have been treating and those alleged to have been treated, should be furnished.

A. B. Connell, K. C., contended that the authorities required only the names of those bribed. His honor decided this to be sufficient and made an order accordingly. Mr. Connell said that this was the first election case to come up under the Controverted Elections Act now in force and which was drawn by the late Hon. A. G. Blair, and care, he thought, should be taken not to make the order unnecessarily comprehensive, for it would undoubtedly be taken as a precedent.