

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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A Happy and Prosperous New Year to All.

THE MAIN POINT.

We are glad to have the assurance from Mr. Hughes, M. P. that the Minister of Marine will endeavor to procure a third and more powerful winter steamer for the Island service. We ought to have had it now, but let that pass. It is also true, as Mr. Hughes points out, that there was a time when we had the Stanley alone. There was a earlier time when we did not even have the Stanley and when our winter steamer service was wholly dependent on the Northern Light.

The third steamer was asked for by the people of this Province in every way that they could express themselves with emphasis and urgency—by resolution of our Boards of Trade and by the Maritime Board; by the people of the entire Province represented by delegates in Provincial Convention; by a strong delegation sent by that body to Ottawa; by the resolution unanimously adopted by the Provincial Legislature and by a delegation sent to Ottawa by the Provincial Government, all asking for the construction of the Tunnel, with a third and more powerful winter steamer to bridge over the interval till the Tunnel can be built.

This is the main point, the culminating point of all our grievances. We must have adequate communication with the Mainland in winter. We have in summer some fifteen steamers and a whole fleet of sail craft engaged in the Island carrying trade, two of the steamers making round trips daily. In winter this is cut down to two steamers of limited carrying capacity, together making at the best one round trip daily between them, and this service often irregular and interrupted, sometimes for two months at a time. The cutting down of our train service from a thousand miles a day in summer to six hundred miles a day in winter, serious and regrettable as that is, is but a trifle compared with the cutting down of our water service to one tenth part or less than that of the service we have in summer.

True, the curtailment of train service adds to our winter navigation grievance. But the main point is and must be to burst the shackles which bind our traffic with the other Provinces and the outside world. It is gratifying to find this matter still kept to the front in and out of Parliament, in public meetings and in the press. The Guardian has long endeavored and will so continue, to keep this matter to the front. It is noteworthy that in the recent meeting in the Market Hall, although called for another purpose, our winter transportation trouble formed the subject very largely of the most thoughtful and weighty addresses.

We pause for a moment to ask "where are we at" in this winter transportation matter? We have the third winter steamer again practically promised us. We have Hon. Mr. Emmerson speaking out in Parliament in favor of the Capes route. We have the proposition first mooted in these columns of placing the summer and winter steam service under one management, either by the Government or by a subsidised company. We have Mr. Warburton's public acceptance of this principle, with his preference given to a service by a subsidised company. Others prefer that the Government

should do the work through the year. And we have the proposed establishment of a powerful car ferry between this port and Pictou, or some other Mainland port by an association now seeking corporate powers.

In a way it is satisfactory to have this great problem attracting such wide attention, and to have new methods for its solution presented. Out of them all some one plan will probably be adopted that will improve upon present conditions very materially. We will not despair of the future. Our own belief is firmly fixed on the Tunnel as the only ultimate and adequate remedy, and that we must have the Tunnel. In the meantime we welcome the prospect of the third steamer, and the equipment of the Capes Route, and the car ferry, too. Any of these would be an auxiliary of value if put into successful operation, to bridge over the time till the one solid and enduring remedy can be provided. Continuous, daily communication, winter and summer, beyond the chance of interruption by ice or storms—that, after all is the main thing to be sought for and worked for until it is obtained.

The winter steamer service has been more troubled with fog than with ice, of late. Fog is a rather infrequent visitor in these waters, but this season is exceptional in variety.

Those who have faith in Rev. Irl Hicks as a weather prophet may be interested to learn that he predicts five storm periods for the first month of the New year. The first of these covers from January 3 to 8; a cold wave covers the days from the 7th to 12th, then follow blizzards and snow blockades, and cattle perishing in the west; the third storm period covers from the 16th to the 20th; the fourth from the 21st to the 24th; the fifth storm period from the 27th to the 31st with blizzards, snow blockades and a wide and dangerous cold wave.

At the St. John banquet to the Minister of Railways, which was very hearty and enthusiastic, Hon. A. G. Blair made the declaration that he had never left the Liberal party, having differed with them on one point only, and had never been in sympathy with the Opposition. He also stated that if offered the Liberal candidature in any part of the Province he would accept it. There is little doubt that he will find a constituency easily. He has at various times represented York, Queen and St. John respectively in the Provincial Legislature or the House of Commons.

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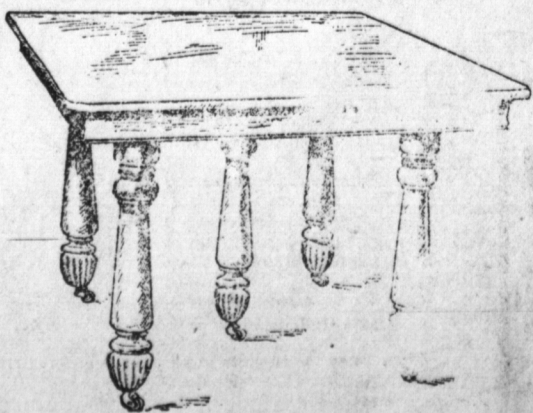
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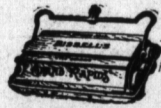
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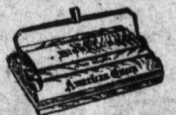
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