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NO STATION SITE IS YET SELECTED

But Will be Chosen Soon—Canada Mexico Service Hung up—Two Provinces for the North West—The Canada Atlantic Purchase—Estimates Being Passed.

OTTAWA, Jan. 19.—(Special)—In the House today Hon. H. R. Emmerson replying to Mr. Martin of Queens said no site had yet been decided on for the proposed railway station in Charlottetown but a decision would be made as soon as possible.

Sir William Mulock said the proposed Canada Mexico steamship service was hung up for the present as all tenders were in excess of the fifty thousand subsidy offered.

Mexico will increase the subsidy for the Pacific service to a hundred thousand if Canada will do the same for the Atlantic.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that the Government had no hand in the transfer of the Canada Atlantic to the Grand Trunk and had not secured any rights for the Intercolonial over that line.

The House went into committee and put through many estimates for the inside service.

Sir Richard Cartwright, though in the Senate, will continue to administer the Department of Trade and Commerce.

Two Provinces will be carved out of what is now the Northwest Territories according to the proposed autonomy bill. The dividing line will run north and south.

Fathers of the Holy Ghost, a noted clerical order, with headquarters in Paris, will establish an agricultural college near Ottawa where they have purchased seventeen hundred acres of land.

BIG DEFICIT ON P. E. I. RAILWAY

OTTAWA, Jan. 16—The public accounts for the last fiscal year were presented to parliament today. They show the receipts to be $70,669,816, leaving a surplus of $15,056,984 over the expenditure. The capital was $7,881,718.

The subsidies to railways amount to $2,046,878 and bounties to $1,130,041.

There was a decrease in the debt of $757,270.

The net rate of interest fell from $2.47 to $2.46.

If the refund to the provinces was taken into consideration the reduction in debt was more than $6,000,000. Taking the two years the debt was reduced more than $10,000,000.

The Intercolonial shows a deficit of $900,949 as compared with a surplus of $127,869 in 1903.

On the Prince Edward Island Railway there was a deficit of $101,305 as compared with $41,923 in 1903.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, January 19 — (Special) —

Jan. Corn	45¼	May	Corn	44¾
" Wheat	98¼	"	Wheat	115
Pork	$12.55	"	Pork	$12.69½

BORN.

At Parsonage, Baie Verte, N. B. on Sunday Jan. 15th inst., to Rev. W. A. and Mrs. Thomson, a daughter.

Selling Off Misses' and Child's Cloth Leggins, $1 and $1.25 for 88c.
80c and 90c for 68c.
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SHOOTING WAS ACCIDENTAL

In Firing a Salute at St. Petersburg a Charge of Grape Struck the Winter Palace.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 19—(Special.)—During the ceremony of blessing the waters of the Neva today a charge of grape shot was fired by mistake from one of the saluting guns and four bullets struck the winter palace in which the Emperor was staying.

One of the police was wounded.

BLACK HAND SOCIETY WORKING IN CANADA

HAMILTON, Jan. 16.—The Black Hand Society, one of the most notorious with which the international police have to cope, has apparently started operations in Hamilton. A sensation has been caused among wealthy Italians by the receipt by Messrs. Spicuzza and Sanzona of a letter dated at a small town in New York, and signed by the Black Hand. It demanded that they take $500 to Niagara Falls, New York, on a certain day this week, and members of the Society would keep track of them and receive their money somewhere along the route. The letters threatened that if the Italians failed to comply with the demands or made them public a terrible revenge would be taken. The police were working on the case, and are communicating with the U. S. authorities.

THE Whist Party and Dance held in the Market Hall last night in aid of the Women's Council was a well attended and a very successful affair—After whist, dancing was continued until after midnight. The Whist prizes were won by Miss Flo. McKenzie with Mrs. F. C. Jones second in the ladies and Reuben McDonald first and Percy Pope second in the gentlemen.

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ZION CHURCH TO PURCHASE A SITE FOR NEW BUILDING

Subscription List for that Purpose to be Opened

The Annual Meeting Last Night Was Well Attended---Increase of $100 Voted to Pastor Rev. Sedgewick.

The annual meeting of the congregation of Zion Church was held last night and was well attended.

J. M. Campbell acted as chairman and D. B. Rogers as Secretary.

The reports of the various departments were most encouraging and showed renewed zeal on the part of the entire congregation since the induction of Rev. Mr. Sedgewick.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

We, the Trustees of Zion Church, herewith submit the following report of our work for 1904. In doing so we rejoice in the belief that Divine Providence has set the seal of His approval upon our efforts.

Our collections during the year 1904 were about equal to those of last year. The envelope and loose collections were respectively $1,985.55 and $370.06, as compared with $2,049.98 and $341.86 in 1903, a decrease for 1904 of $36.24. Our only other receipt this year was the Thanksgiving collection for the Prince Edward Island Hospital ($17.83), making our total receipts for the year $2,373.44.

Our expenditure was $2. 372,97. and we are pleased to add that there is practically not a dollar of indebtedness on current account carried over from last year.

In this connection it may be stated that while the regular receipts were about $2400 for the year, it will be seen by the estimates that the expenditure for 1905, and indeed for subsequent years, will not be less than $2750. We again urge upon the congregation the necessity of increased giving, in order to meet the ordinary demands of the Church.

Since our last annual meeting our congregation has been fortunate in securing Rev. W. H. Sedgewick as our settled pastor. While with us only a few months, Mr. Sedgewick has already won the firm friendship of his people.

The most pleasant relations have existed among the members of the Trustee Board, all having worked together heartily with the single desire to advance the interests of the Church. During the latter part of the year one of our members, Mr. A. G. Putnam, removed from the Province. We desire to express our sense of the loss sustained in his removal by the Trustee Board and several departments of church work.

We desire also to thank the congregation for their liberality and uniform courtesy during the year, and the choir for their valued and efficient assistance in the Sabbath services.

Respectfully submitted,
S. A. MACDONALD, Chairman.
W. S. POOLE,
NEIL MACKENZIE,
EDWARD CARSON,
LUTHER COFFIN,
J. E. MATTHEWS, Secretary.

REV. W. H. SEDGEWICK,
This popular pastor of Zion Church.

Several gentlemen present expressed themselves as highly pleased with the financial showing of the year.

A general discussion followed regarding the building of the new church and in addition to the fund now on deposit for that purpose it was resolved to open a general subscription list at once with a view to purchasing a site without further delay.

The estimates for the year 1905 were passed and an increase of $100 unanimously voted towards the pastor's salary, making it $1500.

The election of trustees resulted as follows:—

S. A. McDonald (re-elected) Chairman
W. S. Poole "
Neil McKenzie "
Ed. Carson "
J. E. Matthews "
J. M. Campbell "
D. B. Rogers. "

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

	Balance Dec. 31, '03	Received in 1904	Expended in 1904	Balance Dec. 31, '04
Trustees' Account	$	$2573.44	$2573.97	$ .47
Benevolent Society	12.53	50.94	54.32	15.10
Ladies' Aid Society	142.14	651.50	1.00	792.64
Sabbath School	324.05	220.86	292.39	252.52
W. F. M. Society	51.02	102.66	94.70	58.98
Missionary Society	.....	582.27	582.27	.....
Y. P. S. C. E.	17.89	74.53	81.05	10.85
	$ 547.17	$4012.09	$3428.70	$1130.56

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THE NEW RESERVE FLEET IS IN BEING

LONDON, January 16.—The new Reserve Fleet of over one hundred vessels was constituted last week at Portsmouth, Devonport and Chatham—an event which marks the second stage of the new regime inaugurated since Sir John Fisher became Senior Naval Lord of the admiralty.

The British Navy now consists of two divisions—the fleet in commission at sea and the fleet in commission in reserve.

The importance of the new fleet is that it is in commission—that is, the ships are manned and kept in working order, with stores on boards, ready to go to sea at short notice, whereas the old fleet reserve ships were out of commission, and lay empty and inactive in dock and basin.

Orders have just been issued by the Commander-in Chief that the battleships Albemarle (Rear Admiral Sir R. Poore), Cornwallis, Duncan, and Montague are to be transferred early in February next to the Channel fleet for permanent service in that fleet. These four battleships will probably start on a short cruise to Argostoli early in January, returning to Malta to coal before proceeding to England. This will reduce the Mediterranean Squadron to eight battleships its complement under the new scheme.

The battleship Alexandra, built twenty-nine years ago at a cost of £653,915 has been struck out of the royal navy as non-effective.

THE WEATHER

THE PROBABILITIES.

TORONTO, Jaauary, 20—(Special.)—Fresh southwesterly to northwesterly winds, fair turning a little colder, more especially tonight and on Saturday.

THE TEMPERATURE

The weather greatly moderated yesterday the coldest registered being 25 above zero.

HOCKEY
Friday Jan. 20
S'Side vs Abbies
Admission 25c. Reserved seats 35c.
Plan of seats at Apothecares Hall.

THE DOGGER BANK ARBITRATION CASE

The British Charges and the Russian Reply Set Forth—Russia Claims Her Fleet Was Attacked by Torpedo Boats, Which Britain Wholly Denies.

PARIS, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The principal charges in the British statement before arbitration on the Dogger Bank affair are that there were no warships whatever in the neighborhood of the British fishing fleet excepting the vessels of Russian navy and none had been seen for a long time previous.

None of the fishing boats carried any material of war, no Japanese ships were then in the North Sea nor were any Japanese on the fishing vessels.

The Russian fire continued after their searchlights showed that the vessels were peaceful. None of the Russian ships gave or offered assistance.

The Russian fire killed two, wounded five, sank one boat and damaged five others.

The attack was without provication and was upon boats pursuing their rightful avocation.

Russia's reply states that at midnight two small boats, recognized as torpe boats, approached at great speed the flagship Suvaroff and that thereupon the battleships opened fire.

Thereafter numbers of small fishing boats, not showing the required lights were observed and precautionary measures were adopted.

A feeling of danger upon the battle ships obliged the continuance of the fire despite the evident risks of hitting not only the fishery boats but also the ships of the fleet.

Meantime the two torpedo boats drew off and disappeared. Fearing that the fishing boats were damaged yet not being certain that all danger was over, Admiral Rojestvensky considered it indispensible for the entire fleet to proceed without delay.

Despite the danger to the fishing boats Rojestvensky was compelled to adopt every means to destroy torpedo craft.

WOMAN MUST DIE, SHERIFF ABUSED

WINDSOR, Vt., Jan. 16.—Upon one of the kindest hearted men in Vermont Sheriff Henry H. Peck, is to devolve the task of hanging Mrs. Rogers on Feb. 3 for the murder of her husband, Marcus Rogers. In his mail every day the Sheriff receives letters from unknown correspondents who criticise him personally and demand his resignation. Here are three sample specimens from Sheriff Peck's mail:—

"Peck—When you murder that poor woman on Feb. 3 I hope the Lord will strike you dead. I think you are doing a worse crime than she did. Hope she will haunt you all the rest of your life, bloodthirsty hangman! My best wishes is that you will never live to see that day. I hope the devil will never have his own till he gets you in hell—Peck, the hangman!"

Another letter written in red ink and bearing the Greek Celta flanked by drawn swords and burning torch says:

"You who destroy a human body by law of men with a purpose may receive just punishment for your part in the killing of a person by law for hire; to receive money or other property, favors or other compensation on earth or after death to your body. Thou shalt not kill a human person except in actual defence. If any person shalt violate the law may the curse of God and God's and the Supreme Spirit follow and curse, dispise and effect them in material things till they know, realize that they were murderers of a human body or bodies.

This letter was postmarked Boston and the signature was "Delta" in the Greek letter.

A third communication received by the Sheriff on Saturday came from Providence, R. I., and was more rational. It read:—

"Dear Sir—I judge you are comparatively a young man. Remember, if you spring the trap that lets Mrs. Rogers fall to her death it will remain fresh in your mind so long as you live. Then wherever you are known as you pass along the street, people will say: "There goes the man who killed Mrs. Rogers.

"Ah! you will be thought better of to resign your commission. Then do that duty and leave this job for the more heartless Legislature of the State of Vermont, who say, 'we will have Mrs. Rogers murdered, for it is only legal murder to kill her.' I sign myself, one who does not believe in killing mortals, only in self-defence."

Mrs. Rogers has confessed her guilt of the murder to Prison Chaplain Fuller, and he is satisfied that her frequent pleas to a Higher Power for mercy are sincere.

"I know," said Chaplain Fuller, "that a lot of lies has been published about Mary Rogers. She has been held up as a mental and moral pervert and degenerate. I am ready to stand up and say that she is neither. She is a poor unfortunate of a class from which society shrinks and holds out no helping hand. She is open to good influences and has shown it by her awakened interest in the Bible and religious consolation which has only dawned upon her since her imprisonment.

PROV'L HOCKEY LEAGUE MATCHES

ST. JOHN, Jan. 19—(Special)—The Provincial League Hockey games tonight were: Nova Scotia League at Amherst Amherst 9; Windsor none.

At Fredericton in N. B. League Sackville 6; Fredericton none.

THE officers of the Stanley report the ice met with during the past two days the heaviest they have ever seen in that part of the gulf. The Stanley's cargo included 5 cars of hay and 2 cars way freight. There were also 14 passengers, and 95 bags mail.

"There is a chance to save her soul yet, I truly believe. The sadness of it all is what might have been done for her, what may be done for others of her class if the hand of Christian people will reach out to them. It is probable that the world will be no worse off for the hanging of Mary Rogers, but it is equally probable that Vermont has nothing to gain for its good name by hanging her."

Governor Bell has positively refused to interfere with the hanging.

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