

IMPORTANT READING MATTER SELECTED FROM THIS WEEK'S NEWS FOR THE GUARDIAN'S SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Jan. 15—The Legislature will meet Feb. 7. Many news bills are to be introduced.

(Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 17—The message of the President to the Congress today outlined economic possibilities in the government of the United States.

The most drastic is that civil servants must be removed from political influence, terms not limited, four years and appointed on merit.

DALHOUSIE, N. B., Jan. 15—As a result of last week's steady cold weather the Restigouche here, miles wide, froze solid notwithstanding the heavy running high tides and today trade is improving by the appearance of Quebec neighbors.

There is also great activity among the smelt fishermen, who have been waiting for some time for good ice.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 15—Fred Cameron Nova Scotia's professional runner, returned today on the steamship Hesperian, from England. He says that, considering the Powder Hill Marathon was his first race of the kind, he is well satisfied with his showing.

Cameron took the lead after Longboat dropped in the fifteen mile and maintained it for six miles, when rheumatic cramps forced him to leave the track for a rub down.

Cameron says Longboat did not fake. He was forced to quit owing to rheumatic pains in his legs. Holmer ran a fine race, but did not consider the Finnish competitor dangerous and thus allowed him to steal a march on him.

(Canadian Press) DUBLIN, Jan. 17—In connection with the campaign of resistance to Home Rule in Ireland, the Primate of the Church in Ireland, most Rev. John Choster, after consulting with the Archbishop of Dublin and other bishops, resolved to call a special meeting of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland at Dublin, March 23rd, to consider the crisis.

The general belief is that before that date, the Government will have presented the Home Rule bill to Parliament.

The Primate says the prospect of another Home Rule bill doing incalculable injury and dividing Ireland into hostile camps, has also accentuated religious differences to an extent unknown in recent years.

(Special by Phone) SOURIS, Jan. 17—John J. Sutherland, Black Pond, was found frozen to death yesterday afternoon, on the shore of Chepton, near Pope's Lobster Factory.

Mr. Sutherland had been to Souris Tuesday afternoon on business and left for home about 8 o'clock with a barrel of flour in his sleigh. His friends began the search for him early yesterday morning and in the afternoon his brother found first his pipe, then his hat and finally his lifeless body at some distance from the sleigh from which the horse had broken loose and returned home.

Dr. McLean, Souris, went to Black Pond last evening to hold the inquest.

Mr. Sutherland was about 45 years of age. The heartfelt sympathy of the entire community goes out to the widow and three small children and also the relatives who are left to mourn.

LONDON, Jan. 15—Statistics of British shipbuilding just published announce that the total tonnage of vessels built in 1911 was 2,042,928 tons. This is the largest total for any one year in the history of shipbuilding. At the head of the list of British shipbuilders for the year stands Messrs. Swan, Hunter, and Wigam, Richardson, Ltd., of Wallsend, who built during the past twelve months 125,650 tons of shipping.

This is the largest output for any one firm that has ever been reached, although this firm built a still larger tonnage in 1906, when they built the 'Mauretania' for the Cunard Line.

Included in their tonnage are several ships built for Canada for their Canadian representative, Mr. Charles I. de Sola, of Montreal, for the Canadian Pacific Steamship Line, and others. The second place in the record of British shipbuilding during 1911 is held by Messrs. Harland & Wolff, and following them in order of output are: Duxford & Sons, of Sunderland; Gray & Company, of Hartlepool; and Armstrong, Whitehead & Company, of Elswick.

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OTTAWA, Jan. 15—A case of smallpox was today discovered in the Ottawa city post office, and that institution put under quarantine. The result is the parliament is without mail, and the applications for places addressed to the Conservative members are being carefully fumigated while all the employees of the office are vaccinated.

SYDNEY, Jan. 15—The marriage of Miss Hattie Leblanc, of West Arichat, who was a prominent figure in the Glover murder trial in Boston last year, to Felix Linden of Louisvale, N. B., took place at Arichat today. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Robataille. The bride was attended in a brown travelling suit and wore a picture hat. Mr. and Mrs. Linden will reside in West Arichat for the present.

(Special by Phone) SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I., Jan. 18—William Chappelle, formerly of Summerside died in Boston on Jan. 15. The remains will be brought to Summerside this evening and the funeral will take place from the home of Mrs. Robert Ramsay, Summerside, Friday, interment being made in Willow Valley.

The special skate from Charlottetown brought about fifty skaters to Summerside yesterday evening, arriving at 6.00 p. m. The special skate in the New River was well attended and the train left on return about midnight.

(Canadian Press) BOSTON, Jan. 17—Spasmodic insanity will be the defense of C. V. T. Richeson.

His lawyers will try to have him committed to an asylum as Thaw was, arguing the mental defect destroys the preception of right and wrong.

When first he met Miss Linnell he had fits of insanity and was frightened so he had to tell the girl's mother he was afraid to marry. Avis said a man today's sentiment in favor of the death sentence is overwhelming, but it might change if the contention of the defence is substantiated.

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Jan. 17—On a charge of killing her nine months old son Maud Gilbert, a young English woman, was arrested last night in the Salvation Army Refuge for women.

The child died early Sunday morning and the mother explained that she rolled on the child in bed.

A certificate of burial was issued. Conscience stricken, yesterday Mrs. Gilbert's mother confessed she had deliberately murdered the baby by sitting on it because it cried continually and prevented her getting more than an hour's sleep.

She also worried because of her inability to support herself and the child.

MONTREAL, Jan. 13—The thrilling adventures of twenty-five Canadian Methodist missionaries in their flight through the heart of the Chinese rebellion is related in a cable to the Herald today from T. E. Plewman of the Canadian Missionary Printing Press at Cheng Tu.

Making their way past desolated and ruined towns, the party, says Mr. Plewman, did not complete the running of the gauntlet within sight of the mountains of Tibet to the Pacific coasts without being in peril from both government and rebel forces.

"At Hokiang we were fired upon repeatedly by imperial troops and time and again our houseboat was struck, but we escaped unharmed. Only one of the native boatmen was seriously wounded. Several of us Canadians had almost miraculous escapes."

"We did not leave Cheng tu until we were ordered to do so by British consul general. On Dec. 12 we set forth under escort from Chengtu. There were 150 of us in all, composing nearly ninety members of the Canadian Methodist mission, including the numerous children and their mothers, besides our forty Japanese and persons of four other nationalities."

"The first part of the journey we made over land. Then we reached deeper water and took the houseboats, splitting up into a number of different parties. About 100 miles above Hokiang we reached the British gunboat Wilgeon and experienced a great sense of relief. 'We are safe now' we thought, but to our surprise the captain refused to afford us any protection."

He turned a deaf ear to our appeals. He sent us on down the river through a district that for hundreds of miles was infested with marauders and full of perils. Had the gunboat been with us it is altogether unlikely that we should have been fired upon as we were. Much indignation is felt among our party and the British officials elsewhere, who have been doing their utmost to protect the foreigners, are making a strong protest to Admiral Sir Aldred L. Winslow, commander in chief of the British eastern fleet, and the matter has been brought to the attention of the British consul.

"One section of the Chengtu refugee party was composed of F. L. and Mrs. Abrey, A. E. and Mrs. Johns, T. E. and Mrs. Plewman, all of Toronto, Rev. H. B. and Mrs. Robertson, A. T. and Mrs. Crutcher, Dr. A. J. and Mrs. Barker, Rev. W. Small, J. and Mrs. Payne, Rev. G. R. Jones, of the general board, and Miss McNaughton, Miss McPherson, Miss Estabrooks, Miss Shuttleworth and Miss Thompson of the Women's Missionary Society."

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Jan. 16—The coroner's jury found Engineer I. C. Hamilton criminally responsible for the wreck on the C. P. R. Montreal-Quebec line which resulted in the death of six people.

Hamilton was engineer on the first engine of the double header which crashed into a train at St. Vincent de Paul.

(Canadian Press) SHANGHAI, Jan. 17—Deep concern is expressed by representatives of both parties on hearing of the attempted assassination of Yuan Shi Kai in Peking.

It is believed that the republicans contract with the Chinese Merchants Steam Navigation Co., formerly in the hands of Sheu Hsun-Hsiu, a member of the early constitutional cabinet and now a fugitive in Japan, and propose to mortgage it raise \$7,000,000.

(Canadian Press) BOSTON, Jan. 15—Fearing that Richeson may make an attempt to inflict another injury on himself, Sheriff Quinn ordered the removal of his eye glasses.

He will be allowed to use them when reading, under the observation of officers.

The question of commuting his sentence was submitted by a newspaper to twelve clergymen.

Three only were in favor of Richeson and they only because of disbelief in the death penalty.

Not one cited a redeeming feature in case.

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Jan. 16—Unless the Ontario and Federal Governments get together without further delay, the security of farm laborers throughout the province instead of improving will likely become more than ever a source of complaint next spring.

Partly as the result of instructions issued by the Dominion immigration authorities by their booking agents last year, which checked the booking of immigrants to cities, and to a complete joint immigration plan already foreshadowed, there has been for months almost a complete cessation of immigration work on part of the staff of the Ontario offices in London.

BOSTON, Jan. 12—The Grand Trunk Railway today petitioned the general court for authority to construct lines into Boston and Worcester, and to own and operate steamships within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth.

In a general way the road desires to come into Boston by two routes. One from Blackstone (Mass.), on the line of the Southern New England Railway, which the Grand Trunk has secured authority to build into Providence from Palmer, where connection is established with the Central Vermont, a Grand Trunk subsidiary.

The other route to Boston is from Bolton Falls (Vt.) on the line of the Central Vermont, across New Hampshire and through Middlesex county in Massachusetts.

In addition to the petition asks for authority to construct a line connecting the Southern New England road with Worcester by a branch line beginning at Douglas.

No details are given in the statement issued tonight by a report of the Grand Trunk as to the towns through which it is proposed to run the new lines. The action is declared to be taken in response to the unanimous invitation extended for a long time last year by the Massachusetts legislature, by the municipal authorities of Boston, and by a large number of commercial bodies and generally by the people of New England.

No authority has been obtained in New Hampshire for the building of the line through that state, and proceeding to that end have been begun as yet.

RASH SO BAD BABY CAME NEAR DYING

Head Broke Out. Spread to Arms, Legs and Entire Body. Itched So He Would Scratch Until Blood Ran. One Box of Cuticura Ointment and Nearly One Cake of Cuticura Soap Cured Him. Has Had No Return.

"When my boy was about three months old, his head broke out with a rash, which was very itchy and ran a watery fluid. We tried everything we could but he got worse all the time, till it spread to his arms, legs and the entire body. He got so bad that he would scratch till the blood ran, and a thin yellowish stuff would be all over his body in the morning. I had to put mittens on his hands to prevent him tearing his skin. He was so weak and ran down that he took fainting spells as if he were dying. He was almost skeleton and his little hands were thin like sticks."

"He was bad about eight months when we tried Cuticura Remedies. I had not laid him down in his cradle in the daytime for a long while. I washed him with Cuticura Soap and put on an application of Cuticura Ointment and he was so soothed that he could sleep. You don't know how glad I was to feel better. It took one box of Cuticura Ointment and pretty near one cake of Cuticura Soap to cure him. I think my boy would have died but for the Cuticura Remedies and I shall always remain a firm friend of them. He was cured more than twenty years ago, and there has been no return of the trouble. I shall be glad to have you publish this true statement of mine." (Signed) Mrs. M. C. Maitland, Jasper, Ontario, May 27, 1910.

For more than a generation mothers have found a speedy, agreeable and economical treatment for their skin-tormented little ones in Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Although they are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a liberal sample of each may be obtained free from the Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., sole props., 53 Columbus Ave., Boston, U.S.A.

CURED ACHES AND PAINS LIKE MAGIC

When He Used Dr. D's Kidney Pills for Rheumatism. Saskatchewan Man Tells of Quick Relief After Three Years of Suffering.

Holbeck, Sask., Jan. 19 (Special) Among the many on the prairies who are shouting the praises of Dodd's Kidney Pills none speak with more enthusiasm than Mr. Matt. Syverson, a well-known resident of this place. "I suffered from rheumatism for three years," Mr. Syverson says; "and I was also troubled with an acute pain around my heart. My case was a severe one and several times I doubted if recovery was possible. But seven boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me completely. "I can truly and honestly recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills as a remedy for cases like mine. They surely cleared out all my aches and pains as if by magic."

(Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 15—After Postmaster General Hitchcock's interference with Taft today it is rumored that the proposal of Government ownership of telegraphers lines will go before Congress.

The organized Telegraphers are heartily in accord with the suggestion.

WELLAND, Ont., Jan. 13—Jacob Friday, 80 years old, residing near Ramey, Ont., became violently insane. After breaking all the windows in his house, he attempted to kill his wife, with an axe. Constable Moriarity was summoned, who discovered that one of Friday's feet had been pierced by a darning needle, with half an inch above the foot and half an inch below. The old man showed no evidence of suffering pain.

(Canadian Press) VIENNA, Jan. 15—A considerable sensation was caused in political circles by the recent speeches delivered by Baron Fuchs, the Clerical leader in Germany who declared that Italy is aiming against Austria and when the war in Tripoli is over the King of Italy must either fight Austria or go into exile.

Baron Fuchs also insisted that the ultimate relations, which have so long existed between Austria and Germany are becoming weaker as the result of Austria's failure to support her ally in the Moroccan question.

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Jan. 15—The Home Rule excitement is growing in Ireland, particularly in Unionist Ulster, where a vigorous campaign is in progress, in the hope of creating sentiment in England against the promised bill of the Asquith ministry.

It is expected that the bill will be introduced in the House of Commons in March but the plans of the Unionist contemplate keeping up the agitation all the spring.

The greatest demonstration is expected in April when Andrew Bonar Law, the Liberal leader in the House of Commons will make an address at a Unionist rally in Belfast.

(Canadian Press) PORTSMOUTH, Jan. 15—The keel of Great Britain's twenty eighth ship of the Dreadnaught class was laid today at the Portsmouth dock yards.

The new vessel will be the first of five armored ships provided in the naval program of 1911-12 and will be completed in the course of the year 1914.

When she has been added to the navy Great Britain will possess 32 Dreadnaught or super-Dreadnaughts. One half will be armored with 12 5 inch guns. The vessel laid down today is not yet named, and will be the largest battleship yet constructed in England, displacing between 25,000 and 26,000 tons.

Although the Dreadnaught cruisers of the Lion class are much longer, the new vessel is slightly heavier, besides throwing heavier shells than her immediate predecessors.

A number of improvements have been introduced by the constructors in the arrangement of the armor and the subdivisions intended to minimize the danger of torpedo attack while the torpedo battery will consist of sixteen six-inch guns, whereas her predecessors had been armed only with four-inch guns for the purpose of encountering torpedo boats.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 11—Considerable interest has been taken in the trial of Harry B. Clark, charged with appropriating to his own use the sum of \$3,477.25, deposited in the Charlottetown Street Branch of the Bank of New Brunswick, of which he was formerly manager. The witness for the prosecution included Henry Gallagher, R. B. Kesson and S. F. Standford, Attorney-General Grimmer in reviewing the cases for the Crown, stated that Gallagher had deposited the sum of \$3,477.00 at the Charlottetown Street Branch of the bank, money which he received from Clark and which he did not credit to Gallagher's account. Mr. Kesson in his evidence said that the regular bank inspection in May did not reveal anything irregular although irregularities had existed. The inspection was of value on account of its moral effect. As a general thing, information of irregularities had to come from the outside. Clark in giving

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evidence on his own behalf said that he knew William McBeath, the bank first having had transactions with him from the latter part of 1910 to the end of March 1911. The time for which the money was paid in the hands of the teller a slip showing the amount of indebtedness to deduct the amount from the McBeath overdraft. Collins and McBeath were mixed up together but the bank had no business with any of their associates.

Herbert H. Branch Manager of the St. John Smith Bank, J. C. McIntosh & Co., of Halifax, remembered the transaction with the Bank of New Brunswick, in February 1911, having received a loan of \$20,000 on deposit of \$20,000 of the Vanderbilt Realty Bonds and 5,000 of the Elko Bonds with the firm's note and hypothecation of the bonds.

Mr. Kesson, the Manager of the Bank in his evidence read a letter written by Clark from Chicago, in which he said that in order to assist the Bank he was enclosing a list of the different amounts outstanding due to certain transactions with Americans named McBeath and Collins, and the amounts he had lost in trying "to get out of the hole" in which they had placed him. He expressed deep contrition for the course of events and the fervent hope that Kesson would allow him to fix it up so that the bank would lose nothing. After receiving the letter Kesson made a statement accompanying it. He had found the Gallagher item among others and had restored the money to him. The account was paid by the bank and credited as lost money.

HALIFAX, Jan. 12—Fanned by a strong northerly wind, a fire that broke out in the building occupied by W. S. Munns, clothier, caused a loss of a quarter of a million dollars.

Shortly before one o'clock a man named Fox, passing up George St. saw the reflection of a fire apparently in an alarm. With lightning-like rapidity the fire which originated from some unknown cause in the Munns Building spread to the adjoining buildings and the whole block surrounded by Barrington, Granville and Prince Streets were soon endangered.

So quickly did the flames spread that the people residing in the nearby buildings escaped with little or no clothing, aside from their night garments.

From the Munns building the flames spread to the Herald Building, and this morning one of the finest offices buildings in Halifax is nothing but a mass of ice coated smoldering ruins.

The Munns building was a mass of seething flames, and the best fire fighters could hope to do, was to prevent the flames from spreading.

The great volumes of flames inside made the brick building a regular furnace.

The first duty of the early arrivals at the conflagration was to save the people asleep in the adjoining buildings. Police, firemen and newspaper men forced their way into the smoke filled dwellings and carried the women and children to places of safety. The Munns Building, Herald, Cragg, Bros., Davidson's, bookstore and other adjoining buildings on Barrington Street were totally destroyed and several others were badly gutted.

Among the heaviest losers is the Right Hon. R. L. Borden, whose large and valuable law library was in the office of Ritchie and Robertson. The library was one of the best of its kind in Canada and contained books that cannot be replaced.

The Barrington Street part of the conflagration was the easiest to fight. There the flames broke out in the front of the buildings, and the firemen were able to get at them.

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Jan. 14—The Census and Statistics office in the Department of Agriculture has issued its bulletin of field crops of the Dominion for 1911.

By provinces the total value is: B. I. \$8,846,700 N. S. \$16,297,300 N. B. \$16,797,000 Quebec. \$103,187,000 Ontario. \$193,260,000 Manitoba. \$73,136,000 Saskatchewan. \$107,147,000 Alberta. \$7,750,000 B. C. \$1,290,000

During the mild weather in the fall and early winter live stock was in excellent condition.

Winter feeding supplies are generally plentiful.

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Jan. 14—The many

points added to the lead that Halifax gave Canada over the Scottish curlers in the Strathcona cup matches this afternoon and there is little doubt but that the trophy will remain in the Dominion for at least a year, while the local curlers hope to bring the cup from Winnipeg to Montreal.

129 to 82 is the total score and only one in one of the visiting rinks; the secretary's, is ahead and that only by one point.

(Canadian Press) BOSTON, Jan. 14—Moses S. Edmonds, father of the finance of C.V.T. Richeson, has withdrawn his support of the confessed murderer.

It is expected, since he has not now a single friend, that the accused party will withdraw any plea for clemency and face death without objection.

(Canadian Press) PORTLAND, Jan. 14—The official announcement that the directors of Rangeley Lakes and Megantic Railroad voted to commence the construction of a line from Quosnooc, to present termini of the Portland and Sanguely division of the Maine Central Railroad, to Kennebagoa distance of ten miles, is made.

The work on the proposed line will start as soon as the contracts are let.

It is believed that eventually, the line will be continued to Megantic where connections may be had with the Canadian Pacific, giving the Maine Central direct connections from Portland to Quebec.

(Canadian Press) WINNIPEG, Jan. 14—Winnipeg's new police commission, organized yesterday, declared war on segregation.

Two years ago the old police commission adopted a radical policy setting aside a section of the city where under protection of the police, if women observed certain regulations, they could remain unmolested.

Civic campaigns were fought on this issue and a policy of segregation was endorsed.

This year Controller Waugh said if elected Mayor he would abolish it.

Being successful as the head of the police commission, he has changed the board's policy, having on a board of five a majority in favor of the proposal.

OSHING, N. Y., Jan. 11—Philip Mangano, former interpreter in the state license bureau in New York was put to death by electricity in Sing Sing prison here for the murder of his daughter about three years ago. The execution was without incident.

Philip Mangano shot and killed his daughter Anna, on the morning of March 24, 1909, while she was on her way to a school in New York city, where she was employed as a teacher. There had been frequent quarrels in the Mangano family as a result of which Anna, who was twenty-four years of age, and her mother, had left home a few months previous to the crime. Testimony given at the trial was to the effect that the father's treatment of his daughter was such that she could no longer remain at home and retain her self-respect. Mangano said he was not responsible when he fired the fatal shot.

(Special by Phone) SOURIS, Jan. 14—Reports received today from East Point in reference to the disappearance of James Beaton are to the effect that a search was made of the ice yesterday morning.

His tracks were traced to the drift ice but no further trace could be found of the unfortunate man.

EAST POINT, Jan. 18—Frank, eldest son of the late James J. Beaton, is supposed to have gone over the board ice here today.

After attending to the cattle in the morning he left on a walk to the shore about 10 o'clock and as he did not return his friends became uneasy and went in search of him.

They discovered his foot-prints where he had gone on the ice but could find no further trace of them. It is believed that he was either drowned in the lolly or went adrift on some ice that may have broken from the board ice.

Mr. Beaton, who was 30 years of age, was exceptionally clever and highly esteemed by all who knew him. Last summer he built one of the best cement piggeries in the Province and just the other day received the prize of \$100 from the Canadian Cement Co. for the best description of a cement piggyery.

He was unmarried and leaves a step-mother, three sisters, Mary, Loretta and Margaret; also one brother, Victoria, all at home. They have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.—S.

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, Jan. 14—After being outskated by the speedy Canadians at the Arena, the Ottawa sextette came back strong in the last period of the game last night and scored the only and winning goal of the closing spasm, winning by a score of 4-3.

Fred Taylor failed to turn out for the visitors.

The game was one of the best of the year.

OSAKA, Japan, Jan. 16—A series of fires which broke out at one o'clock this morning swept unchecked across the southern half of this city fanned by a strong wind. The conflagration was not under control until late in the afternoon, when according to official figures 5268 buildings had been destroyed and 30,000 persons rendered homeless. During the first four hours the flames leaped up the stairways and houses.

(Canadian Press) PARIS, Jan. 14—Sensational revelations lying bare Ministerial intrigues followed the fall of Premier Caillaux.

These, it is asserted, are based on official documents and therefore presumably emanate from friends of the ex-foreign Minister M. de Zayas.

One story is to the effect that the newspaper Temps, or at least a prominent member of the staff, took part in the conduct of negotiations with Germany and merely for private financial.

(Canadian Press) TRENTON, Jan. 14—Dashing through the darkness in zero weather two men and three women were drowned when an automobile in which they were riding ran on the ice covering an artificial stream of water used by a power plant outside of the city.

The men were Donald Leed, son of former Supreme Court Justice, Chester A. Vincler, an automobile salesman.

The women were well known. One was Margaret Lindell, another was named Mulroy or Mulvey. The third is believed to have been Anna Hazel, but the body has not been recovered.

(Canadian Press) PEKIN, Jan. 14—The Abdication of the Emperor is expected to take place in the next three days, but even this may give the Manchus a new cause of life.

No secret is made of the preparations for the departure of the "throne."

Many leaders are anxious to continue fighting but Premier Yuan placed little confidence in the loyalty of the Imperial troops.

In the provinces looting and murders are growing common and many women are succumbing to escape the atrocities of the bandits.

The armistice expires Jan. 15 and it is expected that the abdication will be completed prior to that date.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 11—Harry I. Clarke, the former bank manager, was this afternoon found not guilty of stealing the sum of \$2,477.77 from the Bank of New Brunswick. The jury returned to court at 2.40 o'clock and announced the finding, and were at once discharged. Geo. W. Fowler, C. C. M. P., warmly shook the hand of his client, who was at once set at liberty.

Mr. Fowler, in his address to the jury said that the Bank did not lose a single cent by the transfer of the Gallagher account to the account of Wm. McBeath. He said that the Bank authorities had not properly inquired into the standing of the different people whom Clark had to do business with. He scored the Bank for not answering the telegrams sent to them by Clarke from New York, and asked why Collins and McBeath were not arrested.

The Attorney-General declared that Clarke was guilty, and spoke strongly on the jury disregarding Clarke's life and family in the city in their consideration of the case. Judge Barry in his charge summed up the evi-

dence briefly, and it was thought that he spoke slightly against the prisoner.

The Household Pest

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