

# SAYINGS AND DOINGS IN THE LEGISLATURE

## Some Questions and Answers, Debate on Debenture Issue, Two Bills Pass Their Second Reading, House Will Meet Again This Morning For Work.

February 19.

The House opened at 10.45.

HON. JOSEPH READ presented a petition asking for the incorporation of the D. Mackenzie Company limited of Kensington, and introduced a bill for that purpose.

HON. MR. CUMMISKEY presented a return asked for some days ago in regard to Scuria West Bridge.

MR. MCKINNON asked for a return of the amount expended for printing and stationery.

HON. MR. RICHARDS said a statement would be prepared.

In reply to Mr. Wyatt, Hon. Mr. Richards submitted a return giving the names of all the students sent to the school at Truro. All who applied to go were accepted and every effort had been made to ascertain who desired to go.

MR. McLEAN inquired by what authority the sum of \$2500 was paid by the Government to the Quebec Battle Fields Fund.

HON. MR. HASZARD said the money was paid through Order in Council, on the earnest solicitation of the Lieutenant Governor, on request from the Governor General. All the other Provinces had contributed and it was thought desirable that this Province should do so. All correspondence on the subject would be submitted.

HON. MR. HASZARD introduced a bill to impose a direct tax on certain traders in intoxicating liquors. Also a bill to repeal certain provisions in the Act incorporating joint stock companies.

HON. MR. HASZARD said the Gov-

ernment had nothing to conceal. The country believed the sale of debentures was a good one. The conditions of last year were unfavorable owing to the stringency of the money market. It was the custom of the Province and of the Dominion to make debentures payable at various points where they were likely to be sold. This was always to the advantage of the party issuing the debentures. Every effort was made to place the debentures on the market in the most advantageous way. It was quite fair to depositors to offer them debentures at par. Others who bought these securities must pay a commission. The depositor would exchange his deposit receipt for debentures without charge.

MR. McLEAN said the Opposition were not finding fault with the price obtained at the present time, but contended that a better price could have been obtained three years ago. The House went into Committee on the Bill, Mr. McWilliams in the chair.

MR. MORSON further urged the objection that the statement of the debt of the Province when the tenders were called for was less than the actual debt.

PREMIER HASZARD said that that purchasers of debentures wanted was an official statement. They were supplied with the last official statement at the Auditor General. There was no attempt to conceal or suppress information.

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# CASTELLANE IS FULL OF FIGHT

## Appeals From Divorce Court Decision. Trying to Force Private Settlement.

PARIS, Feb. 19—(Special)—Count Castellane has appealed from the decision of the French court that the three sons shall remain in the custody of their mother, Princess de Sagan.

The Count's purpose in trying to reopen the issue is to compel the de Sagans to come to a private settlement.

De Sagans are at present living quietly here.

They are "saving money to pay de Castellane's debts."

# REDMEN ORATE IN THE COUNCIL

## To Protect Their Tribe From The Perils of Fire-Water.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19—(Special)—The Grand Council proceedings yesterday were varied by remarkable addresses from two full-blooded Indians, members of the Saulteaux Band.

They were delegates from the Kisiskowimin Council, the first council organized among the redmen.

They made impassioned appeals for prohibition of the liquor traffic in behalf of their race.

# DARING ROBBERY IN SAINT JOHN

## Clerk in Charge of Simms' Brush Factory Choked Insensible at Noon Hour. Robbers Get Away With \$1,200.

ST. JOHN, Feb. 19—(Special)—One of the most daring robberies ever reported in St. John took place in Simms' Brush factory today.

An unknown man entered the office and after chocking and beating the clerk in charge, got away with the pay box containing upwards of \$1,200.

The factory closes for luncheon at 12 o'clock and at the hour of the robbery a number of the employees were upstairs.

The office staff went to dinner at half past twelve, leaving in charge W. H. Downey, twenty-one years of age.

The latter was at desk when warning he was seized by the throat from behind and almost strangled.

Downey was choked, beaten and kicked and was left unconscious on the office floor.

He knew absolutely nothing more about the occurrence until he found the men working over him, endeavoring to bring him back to his senses.

He had no idea whether only one or a number entered the office and he neither heard nor saw anything before he was struck down.

The pay for the men, amounting to over \$1,200 had been taken from the bank in a satchel and put in envelopes.

It was in the pay box in the vault and the vault, while closed, was not locked.

The robbers took out the box transferred all the money to a satchel and made their escape, apparently without anyone being a bit the wiser, even though quite a number of employees were only a few yards away.

A teamster who passed through the office returning from his lunch found Downey on the floor unconscious.

The employees were immediately notified the police were summoned and search is being made for the robbers.

Few knew of the office arrangements for paying the men excepting those employed about the factory.

The members of the company have absolutely no clue.

# BIG PETITION AGAINST SALOON

## Presented by a Crowd of Two Thousand to the Manitoba Government.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 19—(Special)—A monster petition which has been prepared under the auspices of their Social and General Reform League for the abolition of the barroom was presented to the Government by the largest delegation representing all the interested organizations and churches, ever assembled in the Province to urge legislation.

There were 2,000 present.

# SERIOUS FIRE IN BUCTOUCHE

## Store, Tinshop, Residence and Jail Destroyed. An Accident to Fire Engine

MONCTON, Feb. 19—(Special)—A disastrous fire occurred in Buctouche today when the general store of J.D. Irving was burned to the ground, also the store of Patrick Legere, and the Buctouche jail and the residence of D. P. Gallant, making a total loss of fifty thousand dollars.

The fire started in the basement of Irving's store from the furnace.

An alarm was immediately sent in and in getting the engine out of the shed it broke, rendering it practically useless.

However, the fire had gained so it was impossible to save the store.

# SCHILLER'S DESCENDANT HELD AS DESERTER

NEW YORK, Feb. 18—Baron John Joseph von Schiller, who says he is a descendant of Friedrich Schiller, the poet, is a prisoner in the hospital on Governor's Island, charged with being a deserter.

Baron von Schiller, the name he used in the army, in which he was until his discharge six months ago, and he is alleged to be a deserter from the Engineers, stationed at Washington. He will be tried by court martial as soon as his wounds from an operation for appendicitis heal.

Baron von Schiller, or Goethe, served in the British army in Canada and during the Boer War. He is listed in the army of the United States a year ago and was in camp at Pine Plains, N. Y., from which place he is alleged to have left without leave. He finally came here and surrendered.

# VAUDBERT FINED "CUT OUT EITHER WANT TO SEE IT"

NEW YORK, Feb. 18—Dr. Edward J. Robbins, a veterinary surgeon of Bayshore, Long Island, refused to take ether when he had his appendix removed last week. He remained quiet throughout the operation, and just four days after it he drove four miles to his home. The following day he was attending to his practice. The case is believed to be without a parallel.

Dr. Robbins drove over to the sanatorium of Dr. William H. Ross, at Brentwood, five miles from his own home. Dr. Ross and Dr. Haven prepared to operate and as the nurse approached the patient with the ether, he calmly waved her aside.

"There's nothing the matter with your heart, old man," Dr. Ross, who is an old friend, assured him. "I know it, but I'm going to cut the ether out, because I want to see the operation," said Dr. Robbins. "You may point on a little cocaine, if you wish." This was done and the operation proceeded steadily without interruption from the patient, whose head was propped up so he could see every move of the surgeons.

Dr. Robbins' Liment Cures Distemp.

# OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE M.P.A.A.A.

M. P. A. A. A.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 16th, 1909.

With jurisdiction in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island governing amateur athletes under the definition adopted by the Amateur Athletic Association of Canada, and amateur aquatic under the definition adopted by the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

President, J. C. Lithgow, W.A.A.C.C., Halifax, N. S.

Secy. F. W. Meyer, St. Mary's A.A. and A. Club, Halifax, N.S.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN No. 460.

Skating championships—3600. Championships of this Association have been awarded to the Crescents A.A.C., Halifax, N. S., and will be held in the Arena Rink on Wednesday Feb. 24th, 1909. Particulars will be supplied all affiliated clubs later.

F. W. MEYER, Hon. Secretary M.P.A.A.A.

# SHIP BRAKE TO BE GIVEN TEST

MONTREAL, Feb. 18—A company of Montreal business men has just been formed to exploit a ship brake, the invention of Mr. Louis Lacoste, of this city, son of Sir Alexandre Lacoste. The invention is a remarkably stop a swift vessel in a remarkably short space of time. President Roosevelt has loaned the \$5,000,000 battleship Indiana, 15,000 tons, for the supreme test.

The trials will take place at the mouth of the Delaware River, March 20th, before a gathering of naval experts. Should the trials please these authorities, it is probable that the brake will be attached to all United States fighting vessels. And in such an event the merchant ships of the world will, no doubt, be considered incomplete without it. Besides American naval officials, there will be present at the brake's test, navigators from all over the world, and representatives of the big passenger lines.

Louis Lacoste granted an interview to The Star, and it was the first official relation of the brake's powers and history. With the aid of his apparatus, the inventor claims he can bring any ship to a standstill from the highest speed. And what is more, this can be brought about in half the ship's length. The best that can be done at present with a cruising going at full ocean speed is to stop her in three miles with reversed engines. Mr. Lacoste pointed out that had the Republic and Florida been fitted with the ship brake, there would have been no collision.

The Indiana will go into the dock of William Cramp and Company at Philadelphia at the beginning of March, when the brake will be fitted on.

The brake itself is no new idea. It is simply two giant wings fitted to the water line, on either side of the vessel. On the Indiana the dimensions of each wing will be 13 feet by 6 feet. When they are not called into use, the wings are folded on the hull. The hinges are on the stern side, and triggers prevent them from opening. They do not in any way impede the vessel's speed. When the brake is needed an officer releases the triggers from the bridge, the wings swing out, the water rushes against them, and the boat stops, no matter what her size. And they can be closed immediately afterwards. The device is

# INTERCOLONIAL IN COMMISSION

## The Government Decides on Board of Three. Opposition Will Not Oppose

TORONTO, Feb. 19—(Special)—A despatch from Ottawa says the Government has decided to place the Intercolonial under a Commission of three members.

A preliminary resolution has received the assent of the Governor General and will be introduced by Hon. G. Graham next week.

It will not be resisted by the Opposition, except to the extent of insisting upon an amendment making the members of the Commission irremovable except upon an address from both Houses of Parliament.

Mr. Pottinger, General Manager of the Intercolonial, will be one of the Commissioners.

The other two Commissioners will reside in Montreal.

# THE VICTORIAS ARE SUSTAINED

## The following telegram was received in this City yesterday and speaks for itself

Halifax, Feb. 19, 1909.

Brent Garnham,

Secy P. E. I. H. L.

We must rule that was referee exceeded his powers not allowing Ramsay to play with Victorias against Abegweit and decide this game not defaulted, but must be played. Also on account of ruling of referee preventing two men playing in intermediate game Feb. 5th, that this game be played over again. Official bulletin should have been in hands of our representative Doctor Blake before any action was taken by referee.

J. C. LITHGOW, Pres. M. P. A. A. A.

The temperature registered thirty degrees above zero at three o'clock this morning.

Minard's Liment Cures Cold's etc.

# CONFERENCE ON THE FISHERIES

OTTAWA, Feb. 18—The conference of Provincial Ministers from Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick, Hon. Messrs. Beaudry, Devlin and Grimmer, with Hon. M. Brodeur, Minister of Fisheries, relative to the proposed new regulations to govern the fisheries waters along the international boundary, was concluded today.

During the past two days there has been a general discussion among the Provincial and Federal representatives as to the best regulations to be adopted to protect all Canadian interests and insure the preservation of fisheries of Great Lakes and other boundary waters. The view expressed will be fully considered by Mr. Brodeur and Prof. Prince, Dominion Fisheries Commissioner, before the latter concludes any agreement with Dr. David Starr Jordan, the American Commissioner as to the uniform regulations to be adopted.

The Provincial Ministers expressed themselves as well satisfied with the result of the conference, and with the assurance of Hon. Mr. Brodeur that in the drafting of the new regulations Canadian interests would not be sacrificed in any way.

# BOOK OF GENESIS IS CHIEFLY FICTION

TORONTO, Feb. 18—Rev. George Jackson, of Sherbourne Methodist church, in addressing men Tuesday night on the first eleven chapters of Genesis said it had to be made plain that those earlier chapters of Genesis were not science and were not history, and consequently the student must not be surprised to find in them that which neither science nor history could agree. "A precise theory of the origin of the universe and of man," said Mr. Jackson, "and of sin is surely no essential part of the Christian faith. The early chapters of Genesis contain no sober summary of the real beginnings of things. The creation and the flood narratives are reproductions of the traditions and modes of thought common to a large division of the human race.

"If you could lay aside your theological prepossessions you would never accept the story of the creation of man and the fall as a record of actual fact, but say it was myth, legend or allegory. Similarly in the light of science you could not accept the story of the flood as a universal deluge of which Noah and his progeny were the only survivors. The records show that the Babylonian civilization was in existence at the date when the flood was supposed to have occurred."

"Do you really think Methuselah lived to be 969 years old? That would mean that a man just turned twenty when William the Conqueror landed in England would be alive today. There have been so far only futile efforts to smooth away this. Let me tell you that the Bible can be made to mean anything it is meant to mean. These early chapters contain no history, but tradition. It is religious value which makes them of value, their expression of truth concerning God."

Minard's Liment Cures Gargetin cow

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO February 19—(Special)—

Feb. Wheat	100 1/2
Feb. Corn	65 1/2
May Wheat	114
May Corn	66 1/2
May Pork	\$17.00

# JUNE IS A MONTH OF NATURAL BEAUTY

The eight happy participants in The Guardian's big tree trip, as well as their chaperones, will revel in the beauties of nature, in the best month of the year. How many ladies enhance their wedded bliss in June with a delightful wedding tour and next to it will be this big free trip to New York city and return. Leaving Halifax by the Dominion Atlantic Railway on the second day of travel, there will be never to be forgotten sights all along the route. At a prominent lady writer says "There is, in the ever fair 'Evangeline Land' a blossom-embowered town so bewitchingly lovely, that in introducing it the scribbler begs her readers to listen to the words of the great Mahomet:

"If a man hath but two loaves of bread, let him sell one and buy for himself some flowers of the Narcissus, for it is better that the body should suffer from hunger than that the soul should perish from lack of beauty."


So, too, of Wolfville. If these words shall come to a man or woman who has not beheld the glory of Wolfville and the surrounding country in June, let them sell one of their two loaves of bread—even at war prices—and journey to Nova Scotia, where they may feast their souls upon a feast of beauty that will not fade with the falling of the blossoms, but will remain in the memory a beautiful vision even when the snows of winter cover the then blossomless trees with a mantle of purest white, unrelieved by the faintest touch of the apple blossom's exquisite pink.

And if, after you have exchanged a portion of your material food for that which perisheth not, you find it less satisfying than these words would indicate, I shall cheerfully refund the spent loaf—rise in price no consideration.

From those early school days when you first obeyed the poet's mandate

# CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

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FOUND, a plain gold locket. Owner may apply at 21 Water St. 2-20431pd.

TORONTO, February 20—(Special)—Saturday strong south west winds, mild with rain.