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SIFTON STANDS BY SIR WILFRID

Says He Was Consulted Before Autonomy Bill Was Drafted—The Bill is Now Practically as He Had advised—He is Loyal to Sir Wilfrid—Dominion Should Control the Lands.

OTTAWA, March 24.—(Special).—How Clifford Sifton has gone back to the fold. He is not yet back in the Cabinet, but has swallowed the Autonomy Bill on which he first resigned.

handed to his colleagues and the Bill to day is practically what he had advised. While he had resigned his seat because he had not been consulted upon the school clauses and could not agree with them, he was still loyal to the Premier.

LORD STRATHCONA GIVES SOME SOUND ADVICE

Urges Boys to Emigrate and Says They Can Always Win Out in the North-west.

LONDON, March 22.—An article appears in the Morning Standard as to the careers in the colonies of public school boys. In regard to Canada, Lord Strathcona gives his views, urging young men to go to the Northwest, where they should work for two years on a farm, then take up a Government grant.

he is certain to acquire a competence. Lord Strathcona urges young men to start by practising a system of self-aid. Forty-nine of 220 destitute families who will be despatched to Canada by the Daily Telegraph fund were entertained preparatory to their departure for the Dominion.

The sudden death took place Thursday night at Park Corner of Andrew McLeod, aged 40, son of the late Murdoch McLeod of that place. He retired in usual health but before morning passed away.

It is expected that the Stanley and Minto will each make a trip today.

GORDON McLeod, Bridgetown leaves Monday for Ottawa where a position awaits him.

The Minto reached Picton yesterday about one o'clock with a full cargo and upwards of 130 passengers.

WILLIAM McKENZIE, for some time with D. G. Cameron, Montague has gone to Halifax to take a position with Smith Bros. Chris Campbell, Heatherdale is his successor.

MURRAY HARBOR.—Mrs. Thomas Davey, is recovering from her recent illness.—Milton Hyde has moved into the house lately owned by Alex. Crichton, who is removing to the U. S. and has sold out to Prosser & Sons.

A WORTHY tribute was paid to the choir of the Methodist churches of the city last night by the large audience in the First Methodist church at the Sacred Concert. The program was carried out in its entirety and the musical feast furnished well repaid all who were in attendance.

HE WAS LAID UP FOR OVER A YEAR

Till Dadd's Kidney Pills Cured his Kidney Troubles. Now He's Perfectly Healthy and Able to Work—Gives all the Credit to the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy.

WAPPELLA, ASSA., N. W. T., March 24.—(Special).—Cured of Kidney Disease that had laid him up for over a year, Mr. Geo. Bartleman, a well known man here, is loud in his praises of Dadd's Kidney Pills, for to them and nothing else he claims he owes his cure.

THE DELUGE IS COMING Rubbers and Rubber Boots. Wholesale and Retail.

Be sure and get your supply at once before the snow melts; there may be a great scarcity in Rubber goods as the steamers may not run for some weeks yet. We have now on hand about:

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THE ALPHA HOCKEY TEAM, SUMMERSIDE

The winners of the first game, on February 3rd last, ever played between ladies of Summerside and Charlottetown. Reading from the left the ladies are: Mamie Stewart, centre; Blanche Grady, rover; Cassie Matheson, right wing; Eleonore Alward, goal; Hope Massy, left wing; Gladys Holman, cover point; Nana Rogers, point. The Alpha Hockey Club is the first ladies' hockey club organized on Prince Edward Island.

AN LISAND BOY TO BE DEPORTED

From Massachusetts for Misconduct and Sent Home. He Grabbed Handbags from Ladies.

BOSTON, March 24.—(Special). Judge Almy of the Cambridge District Court has ordered the deportation of John H. Thomas, aged 13 of P. E. Island. The boy has been arrested several times for grabbing handbags from ladies and once for assaulting a lady.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION

Last night John A. McDonald of Orwell, student at the Union Commercial College was presented with the following address upon his leaving for Assiniboia where he will become manager of a Government Creamery:

To John A. McDonald—DEAR FRIEND,—As we, your fellow-students of the Union Commercial College, here with regret that you are about to go from amongst us, we take this opportunity to express in some slight degree the sentiments of esteem and good fellowship which we entertain towards you.

Although it is but a short time since you entered this College your admirable social qualities have won, we can assure you, the high appreciation of all of us; and the associations formed between us will occupy a place on the page of memory to endure through many coming years.

Although we would be pleased to have you remain with us, still we realize that our loss means for you considerable gain. We are pleased to see that your mastery of your chosen profession has been recognized by the highest authorities of our country, and that in "The fresh and fruitful West" your exceptional abilities will find fuller scope.

We congratulate you upon your well-merited appointment, and wish you every success.

That you may sometimes turn in memory to your friends at the Union Commercial College, we ask you to kindly accept this token. It is small in itself, but we trust that you will regard it as a souvenir of the pleasant days that we have spent together within these College walls.

We now say Good-bye, and may all success attend you. Signed—On behalf of the students, Edward Fitzpatrick, Michael Deegan, A. J. MacAdam.

Mr. McDonald though taken completely by surprise very fittingly responded in words of hearty appreciation.

After the close of the affair Mr. McDonald invited the students to Arinour's Restaurant where an oyster stew was served and an hour was pleasantly whiled away in speeches, etc. when all dispersed with good wishes for their student friend. Mr. McDonald has been manager of Orwell cheese and butter factory for the past three years and has met with much success. He leaves this afternoon, or tomorrow if a special is run, for Georgetown en route West.

M. JULES VERNE DIED YESTERDAY

Author of Scientific Romances Widely Read—Some of His Books and Plays Aged 77.

AMBIENS, March 24.—(Special).—Jules Verne, the aged novelist, died here this afternoon of chronic diabetes.

He was born at Nantes, France, in 1828, educated there, studied law and afterward turned to literature. He first wrote plays with some success and then struck a rich vein in scientific romances which have been very widely read. His books include Five Weeks in a Balloon, Voyage to the Centre of the Earth, A Trip to the Moon, Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea, Round the World in Eighty Days, Michael Strogoff and other books and plays. He was 77 years of age.

THE COMMERCIALS TO MEET NEWSPAPER MEN

The Commercial and Newspaper men will meet in Battle Royal at Hillsboro Rink to-night.

The commercial team will be composed of the following: Goal—R. M. Duckworth, St. John. Point—A. C. Crowe, Truro. C. P.—W. C. Bland, Halifax. Forwards—W. H. Reid, Montreal; W. M. Stevens, Truro; J. C. McFarlane, Montreal; A. L. Harrington, Halifax. Manager—J. C. Watson, Truro. Time keepers—W. C. Lithgow, New Glasgow and C. W. Stevens, Toronto. Attending Physician—Chas. Logan, Picton.

Stretcher Bearers—B. A. Trites, F. W. McElhenry, H. S. Scott, St. John; Geo. Laidlaw, Halifax. A barrel of flour for the hospitals is the penalty for the losing team. The goal keeper will be supported by ten strong sympathizers.

The following is the newspaper team who will line up with the commercial men in Hillsboro Rink tonight at 9.30 sharp:

Goal—W. N. Duchemin. Point—F. R. Newsom. Cover Point—C. H. Callbeck. Forwards—F. C. Cotton, J. Enman, E. McKenzie, E. H. McEachern. No spare men are needed by this team but will be supplied to opponents when required.

Manager of Team—F. J. Nash. Timers—J. P. Hood, R. L. Cotton. Attending Physicians—W. L. Cotton, J. E. B. McCreedy.

Stretcher Bearers—Reuben McDonald, D. S. McRae, A. D. Fraser, Miss Irving, Miss Coyne, Miss Newson, Miss Clarkin. Nurses and Stretcher Bearers are for the use of the Commercial.

CHICAGO MARKETS. CHICAGO, March 24.—(Special).—March, Corn 48 1/2 May, Corn 48 1/2 Wheat 90 1/2 Wheat 112 Pork \$12.82 1/2 Pork \$12.05

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PEOPLE'S BANK TO BE ABSORBED

By Bank of Montreal—Bank Has Twenty-seven Agencies in Eastern Provinces of Canada.

HALIFAX, March 24.—(Special).—The People's Bank of Halifax goes out of existence in a few days, negotiations having been completed for its absorption by the Bank of Montreal.

The deal will come up for ratification at a general meeting of the shareholders. The paid-up capital of the Bank is one million, the reserve fund \$400,000 and the par value of shares twenty dollars.

The bank has twenty-seven branches, nine in Nova Scotia, eight in New Brunswick and 10 in Quebec.

GOVERNOR OF ESTONIA.

St. PETERSBURG, March 21.—M. Lopoukin, Chief of Secret Police, has been gazetted Governor of Estonia, a Baltic Province of Russia, on the south coast of the Gulf of Finland.

RUSSIAN RETREAT TO SIPINGHAI

The Army Seventy-four Miles North of Tie Pass, Preparing to Fight—Japs Making Another Wide Turning Movement—Peace Proposals Expected. Within a Few Days.

GUNSHU PASS, March 21.—(Special).—The Russian retreat has now reached the village of Sipinghai, 71 miles north of Tie Pass where it has temporarily halted.

reports are to the effect that the Japs are making a wide turning movement with the intention of outflanking the Russians.

The Japs are reported to be advancing on this village along the railway and on both flanks.

St. PETERSBURG, March 24.—(Special).—There is nothing very definite to report on the peace proposal except that the feeling is growing stronger and there is every indication that in a very few days there will be some sort of offer made to Japan.

The Russian rear guard is now occupying strong positions and the intention apparently is to offer a stout resistance, though this may not be possible as all

TERRITORIES WILL HAVE A BIG CELEBRATION

New Lieutenant-Governors will be Sworn in at Regina April 1st.—Governor-General and Premier to be invited.

OTTAWA, March 22.—The civil authorities of Regina (N. W. T.), contemplate making the next Dominion day a historic one. Walter Scott, M. P., has received an invitation from the mayor of Regina to Sir Wilfrid Laurier suggesting that Lord Grey and the premier attend the swearing in of the lieutenant governor of both Saskatchewan and Alberta, which will

take place on the day when both the new provinces come into existence. The city of Regina intends sending invitations to all the municipal and public bodies and representatives throughout the Northwest Territories. Sir Wilfrid has not yet been able to accept the invitation. Mr. Scott hopes yet to be able to obtain the consent of Sir Wilfrid and also of the governor general.

WEATHER FORECAST.

TORONTO, March 25.—(Special).—Mostly fair and decidedly mild, showers in some localities at night. THE TEMPERATURE Continued milder weather prevailed yesterday and the thermometer only fell slightly below freezing last night. REMEMBER the meeting of the Tourist and Development Association Monday night in Council Chamber. All business men should attend.

At the coming session of the Legislature A. D. McPhee and others of Georgetown will present a petition asking that the Government investigate the possibilities of manufacture of peat for fuel in this province. Dr. Ellis the Dominion geologist has stated that there is abundant material all over this province. There are 75 acres near Georgetown and a very large deposit at Black Bank, Lot 11. Mr. Dobson, a peat manufacturer and proprietor of the Beaverton Rolling Mills, Beaverton Ont. has informed Mr. McPhee that peat fuel can be manufactured at a good profit.



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