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ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 5.—J. Norton Griffiths, M. P., is here today and said, Courtenay Bay work would be taken over from sub contractors tomorrow, and rushed as speedily as possible. Contractors hope to finish it in two years. Five dredges will be here by April.

SCHMIDT'S FATE
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(Canadian Press)
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DIARY OF EVENTS
TODAY
City Magistrate's Court.
Hockey at the Arena, Victoria vs. Connaughts, 8 a. m.

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TEMPERANCE ALLIANCE
The proceedings at yesterday's meeting of the Temperance Alliance, a full report of which appears in this morning's issue, have cleared away many of the mists that for some weeks past, have been gathering around the heads of the Executive. As our readers know the air has been full of questionings, many of them from sincere friends of the temperance cause; full of vague doubts as to why certain things have happened, full, also, of criticism and fault-finding on the part of those "who are not all Israel which are of Israel."
Through all the questioning and the doubts and the criticism the Executive went steadily on with its work to the point where it was deemed expedient to stop, paid no attention to criticisms or insinuations, and when the proper time came gave an account of its stewardship.
The account of the stewardship given yesterday before a full meeting of the Alliance is startlingly clear and convincing. No one reading it can come to any other conclusion than that the fight against the liquor traffic has been waged fearlessly, forcefully and effectively—although not yet ended; that Field Secretary Wilson, whose methods have been questioned and even whose word has been doubted, has fully justified the unqualified confidence in his efforts expressed by the Alliance and has, in the minds of all fair critics, fully vindicated his honor both as a man of his word and the uncompromising foe of evil in every form.
Another thing was made clear, namely, that the government is in full accord with the Alliance in its efforts to enforce the law. This was clearly expressed by the Executive in their report in acknowledging the cordial reception tendered the Alliance Committee by the Premier, and his hearty acquiescence in their recommendations for amendments which were promptly passed at a subsequent meeting of the legislature.
Unfortunately, the integrity of some of the Stipendiary Magistrates Courts has been brought in question as has also that of some of the Prosecutors. This matter remains to be cleared up and we feel assured that the Government, true to its reiterated promise to the Alliance, true to its determination that all laws shall be fearlessly and impartially enforced will at once see to it that all doubt regarding its servants, the stipendiary magistrates and the prosecutors shall be removed. For action along this line the public will look with keen interest and it will be for the Executive to supply the necessary information on which to base an inquiry.
The explanation by the Executive concerning the employment of detectives will appeal to all impartial observers. A good deal of maudlin sentiment was indulged in, in this connection. Crocodile tears were shed, mingled with printer's ink, over the heart-broken mothers of the "young" detectives who were engaged in the dangerous work of "catching" the violators of the Prohibition Act. Mothers nearer home might have been cited and with very much more reason. "Intimidation, bribery and perjury of witnesses" made it necessary that extraordinary action should be taken. This is the Executive's reason for the employment of detectives, and their action was endorsed by the Alliance.
The discussion on the report brought out the fact that not a few of the representatives had been misled regarding the action of the Executive in withdrawing their attorney from the prosecutions. The explicit statement made by Mr. Bentley and

the replies given by Mr. Anderson and Rev. Mr. Marshall cleared away all misunderstandings of this kind. The Executive vindicated its action and proved to the hilt that it had done everything it could consistently do in carrying prosecutions to a successful issue. They had unfortunately been obstructed in certain instances and the cause of the obstruction is what the Alliance will ask the Government to investigate.
Those present at the meeting and those who read the report of the proceedings in our present issue will be satisfied that as a result of the recent aggressive campaign the Executive holds a stronger position in the confidence of the temperance and moral reform people than ever before.

OPPOSITION DEMORALIZED
From all accounts the Liberal opposition at Ottawa is completely demoralized. The party has no platform, unless it be the "free food" plank adopted by Sir Wilfrid as a last resort. But his followers have no liking for that cry; it does not meet with the approval of the farmers, the food producers, and the cities, in which there might ordinarily have been an inclination to swallow the bait, are so firmly convinced of Sir Wilfrid's opportunism that they have not even stopped to nibble at it. Canada, a growing country, does not want her farming industry ruined, which would be the consequence of allowing her markets to be the dumping ground of foreign competitors.
The opposition is worse than half-hearted it is sullenly indignant at finding itself practically leaderless. Sir Wilfrid cannot fight a losing battle; he does not know how to attack and retire gracefully with the appearance of having scored a victory, tactics indispensable in waging war on a strongly entrenched enemy. "The White Plumes" have been so long accustomed to wave over the heads of a victorious army and drive the enemy in front that now the position is reversed and dismay prevail. What can the Opposition do to harry a Government progressive and popular, led with skill and foresight by some of the ablest men in Canada today? Sir Wilfrid's only answer is: "Let us have free food."
Admitting for a moment that the agriculturalists would consent to the abandonment of protection for their industry, where is the cheap food abroad to be got, which according to Sir Wilfrid is, to reduce the cost of living? That was the question Sir Wilfrid was not business man enough to ask and far too much of an opportunist politician to attempt to answer. Inquiries have been made by many as to the correct answer to that question, and the conclusion has been reached upon all inquiries that there is practically no such source of cheap food available.
"In the first place," says the Toronto Mail, "the fact that the United States has been draining this country, not only of its surplus stocks of cattle, but also of its young cattle, and even calves, and that the scarcity in the United States develops apace, disposes of hope from American sources."
The United States is importing meat from Canada, the Argentine Republic and Australia.
United States meat interests have obtained control of a large part of the Argentine export trade, and no material relief could be obtained there, even if the European demands were to slacken.
In Australia there are about 12,000,000 cattle and 93,000,000 sheep, but only 12 per cent. of the beef produced and 20 per cent. of the mutton is exported.
The Meat Trust is establishing large freezing plants on the Brisbane River at Pinkenbah, which is designed to take a hand in exports to this continent.
While Australia has good possibilities for cattle-raising, this industry has been neglected in favor of sheep-raising. New Zealand has only 2,000,000 cattle, used chiefly for dairying, only 286,000 being slaughtered in 1912. Half of this beef was exported. While Canada may obtain small supplies of beef and mutton from these countries, it has no prospect of getting more. Germany and other Continental nations will soon be taking off duties on meats and importing what they can get from these southern countries.
If Canada wants relief, it must come from within. Yes, the people of Canada must look to their own farms, and if they look there in the right way they will soon get full and permanent relief.
But Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his partisans have no faith in Canada as an agricultural country. For Canada as a food-producing, self-sustaining country, Sir Wilfrid and his partisans have nothing but "knocks." Such partisan slanders of the country will yet be taught a sharp lesson by the patriotic people of Canada.

Can it be wondered at the opposition is demoralized?
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CIVIC ELECTION
The civic slate is now full; the candidates are all nominated and the electors know, either by the former personal history of the candidates or by their published promises, for whom and why they should vote.
Too often, personal consideration, rather than fitness for the office, determine the casting of a ballot; and too often also, just because of this—cities and even countries are burdened with incompetent officials.
In the sections of a Council and Board of Water Commissioners the constantly growing needs of the city should be kept in view and selection made accordingly. We need our best men, men of ability, men of honor, men of their word to lay plans for the growing city. There are many good, well meaning, law abiding citizens who, notwithstanding these virtues, would make poor officials; Mark Twain once said, "that proves nothing, I was a good boy once myself." There are men, able financiers, far seeing and with capabilities for government and management, but whose word is not to be relied on, whose self interest would outweigh the interests of the city or the country. Integrity, honor and uprightness, as well as the capacity for doing things, should be one of the first qualifications of the man who aspires to the Mayor or Councillor or Water Commissioner, and the citizens who overlook this essential in the candidates will prove false to himself and to the City. The Candidates and the records they have made as citizens are now before the people.

The letter of Mr. W. P. Doull in yesterday's issue directs attention to most important question, a question which has much to do with the future history of Charlottetown. We commend it to our readers. The matters touched upon are well worth studying out. There is much information, technical and practical, needed on the subject and it would be well now, with one civic blunder still a-izing, to approach fearlessly and intelligently. All possible information on the subject should be at once secured and such action taken as will safeguard the future.
The responsibility for our next civic term, now rests with the electors. The Candidates have expressed themselves, more or less clearly; there are enough good men among them to form as capable a Council and Board of Water Commissioners as the City has had. Let us see to it that the best selection possible is made.

TEMPERANCE ALLIANCE
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in his hands. His authority had been renounced by Prosecutor Phillips who had refused to recognize him; Mr. Strong, who had been appearing for the Prosecutor in other cases, had refused to recognize him, had in fact claimed that he had been engaged by him (Mr. Bentley) and he did not want him to continue. There was no other course for him (Mr. Bentley) to pursue but to withdraw from the cases, the Alliance in the circumstances considered it to go on. As far as Mr. Wilson and his connection with all that was concerned, all he could say was that he was in close touch with Mr. Wilson practically all the time he was in Summerside, who kept him pretty well informed of what was taking place, and who mentioned to him that certain parties had broached the question of compromise, but he had definitely told them that they would have to deal with him (Mr. Bentley) but that they did not have to have anything to do with him. Mr. Wilson had given him to understand that he had let them understand that he (Mr. Bentley) was representing the Alliance in the matter, and that he was the proper person to be consulted. Mr. Bentley derided that he (Mr. Bentley) was consent to the withdrawal of any of these cases, but had made it clear that his consent would not be given and would never have been given.

WHY DETECTIVES WERE SENT AWAY.
IN RES ELLSWORTH AND BENOIT.
Reference was also made by Mr. Bentley to the Ellsworth and Benoit cases. With regard to the former he said that the man after his conviction of the third offence had gone to Mr. Schurman and him (Mr. Bentley) and stated that he was not going to
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were employed by the Alliance and the Alliance had to pay them \$20 a day. While they were under the Alliance's control and Mr. Bentley was in charge of them, the Alliance felt that they were safe, but just what would have happened afterwards? The cases would have been humbugged and delayed, as they had heard was going to take place; the detectives could not prevent it; they could be subpoenaed for as long as was liked and the Alliance would have had to pay that \$20 a day all the time. They could see what a box the Alliance would have been in. By the postponement of one case for one week alone the Alliance had had to pay \$140. The Alliance's money could not be jeopardized in that way. They had one course to pursue, to take the detectives out of the way. Did anyone question their right to do it? (Cries of "No!") The detectives were sent to Truro, and in that case they could have had them back as soon as they were wanted. They put the detectives where they could get them quickly if they were asked to get them back, but Mr. Phillips or Mr. Boiesner never asked for them. Now, the cases had not been proceeded with and the men had gone back to Montreal. The Alliance could get them back if they were wanted, but there was one thing sure, it would not be the Alliance that would have to pay their expenses this time. So that the Alliance had not made such a bad mess of the matter as some people thought.
Mr. Bentley made some further explanations. He said that it had got abroad that Mr. Strong had given him authority to act for the Prosecutor. He would simply say this, that Mr. Strong had no authority whatever to authorize me to act for the Prosecutor nor had he anything to do with it; the Prosecutor was either acting on the directions of the Government, or on the Alliance's directions, or on his own responsibility. As far as the Government was concerned, it had done what the Alliance had requested; had appointed counsel at the request of the Alliance, but the Prosecutor refused to be guided by the instructions he got from the Government. Mr. Bentley went on to explain with regard to the cases that had been dismissed in Charlottetown. He said that when he discovered that he could not be present on the day for which those cases were fixed, he engaged at the Summerside Court, he told Prosecutor Boiesner the course they would have to pursue would be to ask for a postponement of the cases. He was able, through the interruption of the cases in Summerside, to return to Charlottetown on the day the cases were fixed for in Charlottetown, but to his surprise on his return he learned that when the cases had been called the Prosecutor had stated to the Court that he had got no instructions whatever from him (Mr. Bentley), and that he did not know where he was. As a matter of fact he had given Mr. Boiesner all the instructions which any reasonable person would require. More than that the Prosecutor had called up Mrs. Bentley twice on the phone and was told that he (Mr. Bentley) would be down from Summerside by that morning's train. He understood from the newspaper reports that the Magistrate had adjourned the cases for three-quarters of an hour, and that when the Court resumed the Prosecutor stated again that he did not know where Mr. Bentley was and that he did not want any postponement. And yet, that very morning, he had called up the speaker's house and had got the information that (Mr. Bentley) would be back by that morning's train. The train, however, did not get in from Summerside before one o'clock in the afternoon, after the cases had been disposed of. Mr. McLeod, his partner, was in Charlottetown and was acquainted with his movements, yet Mr. Boiesner never inquired of him. Mr. Schurman, the Secretary of the Alliance, was in Charlottetown, and knew where he was when he would be back, and Mr. Boiesner could have inquired of him as to where he (Mr. Bentley) was and when he was coming back. But he never did so. The matter as to the postponement of the cases was arranged with Mr. Boiesner, and yet he got up in Court and made the statement he made. When he heard this he went to Mr. Boiesner's office and reminded him of the arrangement they had come to, and Mr. Boiesner admitted to him his having spoken about his being engaged in Summerside, but said that the one thing he had not thought about was the postponement of the cases. As regards that he (Mr. Bentley) never intended but that the cases should be postponed.

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Among those attending the Temperance Alliance were Messrs D. N. and I. N. McKay and D. J. Mathieson of Springfield also J. A. Campbell of

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