

CANADA EXTOLLED

Hon. Jos. Chamberlain Sends a Cable.

AN ISLANDER MARRIED Canadians to Receive Honors --Point Claire Destroyed By Fire.

A CHARLOTTETOWNIAN MARRIED. ST. STEPHEN, N. B.—May 22.—Henry A. S. Pethick, Manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Annapolis, was married to-day to Alice, the only daughter of Collector of Customs, Graham. Miss Lillian Dodd of Charlottetown, was one of the bridesmaids. The bride and groom are going to Charlottetown to spend a portion of their honeymoon.

EXPECTED BIRTHDAY HONORS. OTTAWA, May 22.—(Special.)—It is expected that Hon. Dr. Borden and Hon. David Mills, will be knighted on the Queen's birthday and that Louis Frechette will be raised from C. M. G., to K. C. M. G.

Hon. Dr. Borden's honors may not come till the war is over.

POINT CLAIRE DESTROYED BY FIRE. MONTREAL, May 22.—(Special.)—Point Claire a well known summer resort on Lake St. Louis, was destroyed by fire this morning. The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM CHAMBERLAIN. OTTAWA, May 22.—(Special.)—Lord Minto has received a cable from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain congratulating Canada on the great service rendered by the Canadian Artillery in relieving Mafeking.

CHICAGO MARKETS. CHICAGO, May 23.—(Special.)—The following are the closing rates; May, wheat, 65½; corn, 36½; oats, 21½; Sept. wheat, 63½; corn, 36½; oats, 21½; pork, \$11.47.

DIED. At White Sands on Friday, April 27th at the residence of her grandfather, Miss Dollie Adella Bull, aged 16 years and 1 month. She leaves a large number of relatives to mourn her early demise. "In the midst of life we are in death."

Oh Dollie dear its hard to part With you we loved so well, But Jesus parted with his life That we in Heaven might dwell.

The prettiest Shoes in Town AT GOFF BROS. Ladies' Tan Shoes 95c Misses' 75c Children's 58c AT GOFF BROS. HASZARD & MOORE.

ACROSS THE VAAL

British Capture 27 Boer Locomotives.

BOERS YET IN NATAL Mafeking Relief Column is Stubbornly Engaged--Re-organization.

THE BRITISH ACROSS THE VAAL. LONDON, May 22.—(Special.)—The British troops have crossed the Vaal River and have reached Vereeniging in the Transvaal. The brigade was intact. They captured 27 locomotives.

MORE PRAISE FOR THE COLONIALS. Capt Lambton of H. M. S. Powerful says that colonials are if anything better than ourselves and a finer set of fighting men has never lived.

SOME BOERS STILL IN NATAL. The Boers are reported to have left Natal entirely; but the report is probably untrue as on Monday a portion of Col. Bethune's Brigade was ambushed near Vryheid with 63 casualties.

LORD ROBERTS STILL AT KROONSTADT. Lord Roberts is still at Kroonstadt re-organizing his forces.

THE FIGHT NEAR MAFEKING. Lord Roberts reports that the Mafeking relief column was stubbornly engaged on May 17th, about nine miles from Mafeking, but after five hours fighting the Boers were driven from their strong positions.

The detachment of Canadian Artillery by severe forced marches reached General Mahon on the morning of the fighting and rendered valuable services. Mahon's losses were 39. The Boers losses were heavy.

THE WEATHER. WASHINGTON, May 22.—(Special.)—Clear, moderate, temperate with light to fresh westerly winds.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST. Closing prices May 22. American Sugar 115½, American Steel and Wire 35½, American Tobacco 81, Brooklyn Transit 70½, Burlington 126½, Continental Tob. 23½, Federal Steel 35½, Federal Steel Prd 69½, Louisville and Nashville 83, New York Central 132½, Rock Island 109, St. Paul 116, Tennessee Coal and Iron 74½, Union Pac Prfd 33½, United States Rubber 33½, April Cotton per 100 lbs nil.

FOR Queen's Birthday Flags all sizes, Foot Balls, Rubber Balls, Base Bats, Base Balls, Tennis Racquets, Tennis Balls, Picnic Baskets, from 15c each up. Croquet sets, Children's Waggon and Carts. HASZARD & MOORE.

AS OTHERS SEE US

Duncan Marshall, Well Known Here.

REVIEWS P.E.I. POLITICS And Condemns the Course of The Present Provincial Government.

[From Union Standard of Thornbury, Ont.] The Prince Edward Island Legislature met last week and had, as predicted a couple of weeks ago, a lively time. One member was forcibly ejected from the Assembly, and a general row has characterized the session so far. The Farquharson Government is tottering to its fall.

The trouble began at the last session when a license law for the city of Charlottetown was passed by the government. Premier Farquharson has been a prohibitionist, and was active in every move for the restriction of the liquor traffic. No license law had been in force in P. E. I. for years, the Scott Act being in operation in the entire province; with the exception of Charlottetown, where it had been repealed. In this city a restrictive regulation Act was in force but no license to sell was granted and no revenue taken from the business. In a moment of weakness, or one of anxiety to secure more revenue, the Premier gave his sanction to a bill which, in the name of the province, authorized the sale of liquor and imposed a license fee for that privilege.

A storm of indignation burst from all parts of the province. Islanders are against the whiskey business and would not stand it. The Daily Guardian, the only morning paper in P. E. I., a fearless independent journal, took the matter up and thrashed the Premier and the government until they hadn't a semblance of an excuse to offer for their conduct. Previous to the last general election THE GUARDIAN had questioned the candidates upon this matter and almost all the government supporters had declared themselves opposed to license in any form, so in supporting this law they were breaking faith with their constituents in a most reckless fashion.

Three by-elections were held since the license law was passed, and although they were all Liberal constituencies, the government candidates were defeated in all of them. One of these by-elections, was brought on by the appointment of Hon. D. A. McKinnon to the position of Attorney General and though he was perhaps the most popular member of the government, he was defeated by Mr. A. P. Prowse a consistent prohibitionist.

The result of these elections was to leave the House pretty evenly divided there being 14 Conservatives and 16 Liberals, but Hon. Fred Peters is in British Columbia though he holds a seat in the Legislature, that the government is afraid to open, which left the parties 14 to 15. Mr. Wise one of the members, though elected as a Liberal quarrelled with the party, so he resigned his seat on condition that an election be held at once to fill the vacancy. His resignation was irregular in some way so he sent in another but failed to add the condition to this one. This left the parties 14 to 14 and with the speaker off the Liberals it gave the Conservatives a majority. In the meantime the government had been looking to its interests. Mr. Pineau, a Conservative member, went off to Paris on a trip, it is said he was sent by the Government. He has just returned to take his seat in the House and is now

Eczema in Its Worst Form. Back Covered With Blisters—Terrible Itching—No Sleep Possible—Dr. Chase's Ointment Simply Marvellous in its Curative Powers. Mr. John Kelly, 79 Trinity street, Toronto, in an interview, made the following verbatim statement:—"I have been troubled with eczema in almost its worst form for the past three years. At times my back and shoulder blades were literally covered with patches like water blisters, and these, accompanied with terrible itching on my legs, put sleep out of the question. I tried various well-known ointments (names forgotten) and did everything possible to obtain relief, but with little success. I had frequently heard of Dr. Chase's Ointment, but meeting with so many disappointments, I had not tried it. Seeing the advertisement one day I concluded to get a box. Since using Dr. Chase's Ointment, I am like a new being. Its soothing and healing properties are simply marvellous, and I am honestly grateful to Dr. Chase's Ointment for the release from long suffering." Dr. Chase's Ointment, a positive cure for all itching skin diseases, 60 cents a box, at all dealers, or Edmansson, Bates and Co., Toronto.

IS WITH ENGLAND

Harvard Professor Says Cause is Just.

PRaises THE EMPIRE Boston Victorian Club to Enlighten United States on The War Issue.

Boston, Mass., May 18.—A vigorous campaign to offset the mission of the visiting Boer envoys to the United States has been started by the Victorian club, of Boston. The organization is made up of British residents of that city, and last evening they dined at one of the large hotels. It is a certainty that the city's Boer guests will not receive a unanimous welcome from the faculty of Harvard University, as was apparent by the presence of Prof. F. C. Sumichrast, who was the chief speaker. He called the Boers "the tribe we are at war with," and by a vote of the club it was decided to issue an expense of several hundred dollars a circular justifying England in the Transvaal war, of which Prof. S. M. McVane, of Harvard, is author. The plan as outlined by G. Herbert Windeler, president of the club, is to send a copy of Prof. McVane's circular in the interest of Great Britain and civilization to every member of Congress, every professor in a university or college, to every newspaper of any importance, every public library and club, and every clergyman in the United States.

When that has been accomplished, it is hoped that the erroneous view so prevalent in this country, in regard to the merits of the Transvaal question, will have given place to a public opinion that will justify England and perceive that she is our friend among the nations of the earth.

President Windeler announced further his proposed early departure for England, as an envoy of the Victorian club, where he will try and secure an audience with Hon. Mr. Chamberlain, with a view to securing his co-operation in some practicable scheme for putting the great Transvaal question before the people of this country in the right light. One member, in patriotic fervor, declared that, "if necessary, the members of the Victorian club will tomorrow lay down their lives for England's cause." The declaration evoked an enthusiastic response.

Before adjournment the club voted to join in a body the British Imperial South African Aid association, with a view to keeping a constant eye on British imperial interests. Prof. Sumichrast, of Harvard, who is a member of the club, said very little about it, admitting, in winding up, that it was not a matter for academic discussion, but something that is involving itself out of the sacrifice of blood and treasure of every portion of the British empire in the present war. He

(Continued on the Eighth Page.) voting Liberal, which convinces his friends that the hand that rocks the cradle isn't ruling the politics of P. E. I. just now. Mr. Wise turned up at the opening of the Legislature and took his seat but was forcibly removed from his place. This leaves the Government with a majority of one exclusive of the speaker. If Mr. Wise had used his name in its adverbial sense to qualify his actions, he would have refrained from resigning his seat and the Government would have been defeated on the first vote as Mr. Pineau was absent from the first session. The government will be able to pull through now, though its majority is small and probably it will live out its allotted time, one more year, but it is then a certain defeat as the morning dawn is to follow the sunset, and its defeat will be well deserved. We know of no case of a more detestable desertion of principle that Premier Farquharson has made, from the public platform he has repeatedly cursed the liquor traffic in unmeasured language, and characterized license money as "blood money," and he then went directly to the Legislature to vote for a bill to make whiskey selling as lawful as public meetings in the province, and to stain his hands with the price of his principles, some thirty pieces of silver.

It is true that most of the temperance legislation we have secured has been through the Liberal party, but with Hugh John McDonald passing a Prohibitory law in Manitoba, and the fight on in P. E. I., it looks as though it may not be always thus. When temperance people vote their principles, politicians will support their cause. The P. E. I. government thought they would not, but they reckoned without their host.

OFFICIAL INQUIRY

Held in City Building as to Cause of Fire

IN PUMPING STATION A Number of Witnesses Examined but No Clue to the Cause of Fire.

An investigation was held last night by Recorder Haszard to ascertain the cause of the fire which destroyed the pumping station. Commissioners Halloran, Smith, and McGregor, and His Worship Mayor Warburton were present.

John McDonald (sworn). He said that he was the engineer and fireman of the pumping station. On the morning the station was destroyed he was roused and when he looked out of the window he noticed smoke issuing from the east gable of the station. He hurriedly dressed himself and hastened to the building and while on the way he saw Mr. Mullins who was in his garden. He asked Mr. Mullins what was best to be done. After a moment's consideration he decided to get to the room where the telephone was located but found that the instrument would not ring. He looked around the building and saw that the fire was in the east side of the roof and principally in the gable end. Burning embers were falling on the pumps. The frame of the door was on fire. It appeared that the fire was communicated from the cupboard to the roof. When he broke the window the place was full of smoke. The firemen arrived about half an hour after. He left the station for the night on or about ten o'clock. There is no light of any kind used except a lantern which he carried in his hand. There were no lamps inside the station.

The kerosene oil is kept in the coal shed and is removed in a can in small quantities when needed. The doors of the station are all locked at night. When he left the building the night before the fire, he used the door facing the street. During Tuesday evening he was absent from the building about an hour visiting the city for the purpose of posting a letter. He came to city with R. McKinnon who was bringing in some vegetables to Angus DesRoches. When returning McKinnon delivered the vegetables and he (McDonald) helped him with the basket. He did not enter DesRoches' house or have a drink.

He understood that DesRoches kept a bar but could not say whether it was open or not. He did not think McKinnon had anything to drink. McKinnon's mother returned with McKinnon. He did not have anything to drink during the day. He did not see anyone in his house during the evening. There never was an accident at the station before. He could not tell how the fire occurred except from the telephone wire which entered the building through the dome. The fire did not originate from the furnace. All the hose was destroyed except the piece which he pulled out.

He lost \$205 in the building. He thought it as safe there as in the bank. It had been in the building about a week, some of it longer. His brother had sent him \$122 of this money. He (McDonald) kept his clothes there. He lost them too. Miss McDonald testified that her father and her brother were the only persons living in their house at the time. The first she knew of it was her father shouting the water works are on fire. She jumped out of bed and her father was at this time running down stairs. Mr. Mullins was the only other person she saw. The flames were breaking out through the roof then. Her father left the house at seven o'clock the evening before, and was away about an hour to the Post Office. She saw no evidence of his having been drinking. No strangers were at the house that evening. Her father remained

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THE BOER DELEGATES

While in Washington Visit White House.

MCKINLEY'S ANSWER Said that Delegates will Hold Meetings Throughout the United States.

WASHINGTON, May, 22.—(Special.)—The Boer envoys called at the White House this morning but had no official status and presented no credentials.

President McKinley told them that his former offers to England had been declined and America could do nothing more. It is said that they will now begin a series of mass and public meetings throughout the country, hoping to influence public opinion that pressure will be brought on England to continue their independence if they grant the concessions demanded before the war.

It is believed that their failure to secure interference in the United States will result in immediate negotiations from Pretoria for peace. in the until about 10 o'clock when he went out to the pumping station. She then, he took a lantern out with him. He remained out about fifteen minutes then came in and as far as she knew he went to bed. She ran to the Cottage when the fire was discovered to ring in an alarm. She met a man named Thomas on the road.

Patrick Mullins testified to getting up shortly after four and discovering the fire. He ran to the pumping station and looking through the window, saw the whole inside a sheet of flames. He then rushed to Mr. McDonald's house and knocked twice, the second time quickly after the first. McDonald ran down stairs, having apparently just jumped out of bed. McDonald looked very sleepy and kind of dazed. The first thing McDonald did was to break in a door of the boiler house with a plank and make for the hose but it was on fire. Seeing the hose was no good McDonald asked Mullins to jump on the latter's horse's back to spread the word. McDonald then went round in the direction of the window.

John R. Egan was put upon the stand but had no knowledge of the facts of the fire. John Fraser swore that John Williams told him that he knew a man, who had been drinking with McDonald, not on the day previous to the fire but at some preceding time. He (Fraser) did not believe the statement and extra listed it at the time. Walter Lowe did not know McDonald. He reported a conversation that he and John Fraser had had about McDonald drinking. The court then adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

FIREWORKS and FLAGS An IMMENSE SUPPLY at CARTERS' BOOKSTORE.