

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

AT THE CAPES.—Crossin both ways at the Capes today.

THE WEATHER.—Winds moderately fair, not much change in temperature.

POLICE COURT.—At the Police Court one drunk was fined \$2 or two days.

REMEMBER THE CONCERT.—The A. O. H. Hall this evening to commence at 8 o'clock sharp.

TELEPHONE CONNECTION.—Mr. J. D. Higgins residence and store, and the office of Mathieson and Bently have been connected by telephone.

A. O. H. CONCERT.—A splendid programme for the entertainment this evening Emmet Anniversary in the A. O. H. Hall. Be sure and attend.

THE MARKET.—There was not a very large market today. The travelling on the ice is very heavy and the roads are said to be bad.

SLIPPERY SIDEWALK.—Mr. Frank McKenna, of Lower Queen, St. slipped last night on the sidewalk and was badly shaken up, but is better today.

THE STANLEY.—The steamer Stanley left Pictou this morning and proceeded directly to Charlottetown. She appeared outside the harbour about eleven o'clock where she had hard work to make progress. At four o'clock she was about four miles from the blockhouse.

CUT HIS ARM.—A man named John McLean, who has been employed as a fireman at the Hospital for the Insane, cut his right arm very badly late last Tuesday night. It appears that he was trying to enter a friends house, but the latter being asleep, McLean tried to get in through the window. In doing this he must have severed some of the blood vessels in his arm, for when the owner of the house discovered him he had lost a great amount of blood. A doctor was hastily brought and McLean is now reported as getting well.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At the first regular meeting of Court Dandass, I. O. F. in January, the following officers were installed by Deputy W. E. Leard. C. R.—C. H. Vanierstine. P. C. R.—A. S. Morson. V. C. R.—D. McLean. R. S.—D. C. McKav. F. S.—W. L. Jenkins. Treas.—G. W. Rose. Chap.—W. E. Leard. S. W.—D. A. McKenzie. L. W.—A. Stewart. S. B.—M. L. Martin. C. Phys.—R. D. McLaughlan. Trustees.—A. S. Morson and A. Stewart.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.—The following is the programme of the memorial service to be held in the lecture room of the First Methodist Church this evening, March 4th, at 7:30, for Miss Francis E. Willard: Opening hymn—"How Firm a Foundation" Prayer. Scripture Lesson—Psalm 146. Hymn—"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me." Chairman's Address—Rev. G. M. Campbell. Solo—Miss Snelgrove. Address—R. V. D. Sutherland. Hymn—"A Charge to Keep I Have" Address—Rev. Mr. Corey. Resolutions from Provincial W. C. T. U. Address—The Temple. Collection and music. Address and Resolutions—Rev. Mr. Kirby. Prayer. Quartette—"God be With You Till We Meet Again." Benediction.

ALASKA.

Six sleeps in a sleeper from Montreal. And a moon or so from the end of the line, And you stand at the foot of the great white wall— That is white with the snows that fall, and fall O'er the cedars dwarfed and the drooping pine That grow on the feet of Alaska.

Old and wrinkled, and cold and gray, With her white pall pulled o'er her stony breast; Frowning and fringed and far away, She has ever stood, as she stands today, In the desolate wastes of the wide North-west— Stands this hoary old woman— Alaska.

Unmolested for thousands of years, Isolated, remote, and lone; Her hard face glacier with frozen tears, While o'er her shoulders and in her ears The winds of the North land wail and moan, In the ears of old Mother Alaska.

A party of prospectors passed that way. And they thought the old face had forgotten its frown, And, pausing, they pulled her white robe away And found her treasure: "Ah, qu'est que c'est?" Said the French-Canadian, kneeling down At the feet of old Mother Alaska.

They told their story, and men went wild, And panned their chatelets and joined the race. The old crone jingled her gold and smiled, And the gold-mad men of the world be guided With a promise of fortune in that far place, At the feet of old Mother Alaska.

But O, the rivers are wide and deep, And the north wind breathes with a killing breath; And over the mountains so rough and steep The old dread reaper shall come and reap; The grim old reaper that men call Death Shall read the white fields of Alaska. C. WARMAN.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

Its Prospects Under the Management

When the Intercolonial was conceived and constructed its main purposes may be said to have been three-fold:

1. To provide a military highway from the sea board to the interior.
2. To bind the provinces together and develop interprovincial trade.
3. To open up the country and provide cheap local transportation.

The old system of special rates between local points will be abolished and unless a system equally as favorable is substituted great hardships will follow to many industries, and a great outcry will result. These local rates are of course very much higher than the through rates, in fact, several times higher, and on the value of local traffic the road must always depend for its profit in operation. There is of course a division of opinion among railway men and business men as to the ability of the I. C. R. management, with a line 250 miles longer than the C. P. R., to St. John, and 400 miles longer than the Grand Trunk to Portland, to compete with these roads for through business for ocean shipments. A gentleman of long experience in these matters declared, in fact, that it is absolutely impossible for the I. C. R. to compete for this class of business under present conditions except at a loss, which would mean an increasing deficit unless local rates are increased.

Asked for his grounds for this conclusion, he said:

"The question of through traffic is not a new one, but was threshed out years ago. Shortly after conservative government came into power in 1878, Sir Charles Tupper as minister of railways undertook to wrestle with this question of through traffic. He recommended the extension of the I. C. R., from River du Loup to Lewis, on the opposite side of the river at Quebec by the purchase of 125 miles of the Grand Trunk, which was at that time in such a condition that it was unsafe to run trains over it at any considerable speed.

The purchase was made on condition that the Grand Trunk should invest the purchase money in extending their line to Chicago, which extension it was hoped and expected would give great impetus to through business from that city to Halifax. Elevators were built at Halifax, freight and passenger agencies were established at Montreal, Toronto, and other important centres of traffic, and the experience of attempting to compete with the Grand Trunk's shorter lines to Portland was fairly launched. It was soon discovered, however, that business of this class could only be done at a loss and it was virtually abandoned.

The C. P. R. was then subsidized to provide a shorter line to St. John and Halifax, but for ten years no considerable ocean business was developed, and it has only been within the past two or three years that any through traffic worth mentioning has gone over the C. P. R. short line to St. John. A more hopeful view is that the conditions of railway traffic have undergone considerable change and that the Intercolonial, with its better equipment and its better track will be able to overcome the disadvantage of mileage and by increased profitable traffic warrant the payment of \$200,000 per annum for rental of the Drummond county road and for running over the Grand Trunk into Montreal. Mr. Blair's scheme is said by a local newspaper to "have the appearance of boldness amounting to recklessness." Success will certainly be a great feather in his cap; failure, it is feared, would result in the renewal of the agitation for handing the Intercolonial over to a private company, a contingency that is viewed with alarm by all classes in the maritime provinces. So it will be seen that a great responsibility rests upon the minister and the new traffic manager.

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Agricultural Addresses.

Owing to the speakers being delayed in crossing the Straits, the Agricultural Meeting postponed, will be held on the following dates:

AT CHARLOTTETOWN, Tuesday, 11th March, at 1 p. m.; in Kindergarten Hall.

AT KENSINGTON, Wednesday, 8th March, at 6.30 p. m.

AT SUMMERSIDE, Wednesday, 9th March, at 10 a. m.

AT TYNE VALLEY, Wednesday, 9th March, at 6.30 p. m.

AT ALBERTON, Thursday, 10th March, at 6.30 p. m.

Messrs Robertson, Blair and Pethick, V. S., will address the meetings.

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