CHAPTER, I.

following story in the course of the forty years which have come and gone

old abbey church of St. Mary's.

years, it was looked upon, from the other, and we could afford to wait till time I can remember anything quite brighter days should dawn. after the same fashion in which they able to leave the house, months be-had earned theirs. How the know- fore he would be strong enough to go vengeance the most dire on the obfinish—only those weren't the words look I did not forget for many a day. previously. It may be that the 'boys' he used—of all the details; but some- There was never a Holditch born were too much addicted to chaffing times his spade would throw up the who couldn't dig a grave," he said. "It each other, to rattling their sticks on New Zealand, New South Wales, he had been taking out a plan skuil or thigh-bone of some previous comes nat'rel to 'em." turn away, disgusted and sick at er's son was expected to do. heart, while my father would laugh If the affair had ended there, it be that as it may, the outrages still board should be two members from of his only son.

My father eked out his livelihood by making and cobbling shoes, as his father and grandfather had done in their time, so that the lapstone might be said to be as much an inheritance of the Holditch family as the churchyard itself. I. however, had little more lik- for it, laddie," he said. "Thou must go with its ape-like attributes; but own telegraph lines and would, he felt miles. ing for the cobbler's awl than for the and bide with thy father till he gets when one morning a rumour spread certain, commend itself to the favor spade and pickaxe; my thoughts and better, and we must try and get on through the town that on the pre- of this country. thing very different from either.

From the time when I was a child garth came as a revalation of beauty at the bottom of it. undreamed of before, TThe gardener, |

tions; but I foreboded only too surely what they were. I was to be apprenticed to a shoemaker in the town. in order that I might learn the busiover my father, I was gradually to work into the position of assistantsucceeding to ail the emoluments and dignities which so many of my predecessors had enjoyed before me.

Hereupon ensued the only serious difference of opinion that ever divided my father and myself even for a day. I told him plainly how utterly hateful to me was the idea of becoming a shoe-

cough. Tre old Scote and not ki . ked c w pletely over their eyes by disappeard on the other side. By this tain that illustration stations could forgeten me; and a fer ight later, h ir a but u en tormentor. | the two constables had come up, and teach our tobacco growers much to throat his inf no I was offered It is not too much to say that be- they, as a matter of course, took the their advantage regarding curing. This the post of under-gardener's assistant fore long a scare set in the like of direction of the affair into their own last year between eight and ten milat Linden Villa, the house of a rich which had never been known in hands. By the time they had succeed- lion pounds had been cultivated in Es-

our being able to marry for several glowed in his head like live coals. This ancient and reputable post years to come. But that was a proshaving been held by a Holditch for pect which did not trouble us greatsomething like a hundred and fifty ly. We were young, we loved each

ancestors, and earn his daily bread would be weeks before he would be the town night from the case was based upon the report of the new act if the size is increasledge came to me that such was the about his work as usual. I was sent ject of their hatred-if only they which was favored with the advice of Charles Tupper agreeing with it. mode of life which an unkind fate had for at once, and had not been more could come across it. This, unfortu- Lord Kelvin, the distinguished scienmapped out for me, I cannot now call than a few hours at home when word nately small as the town was, they tist. Their calculation was that the to mind, but from the very first I look- was brought that my father s services never succeeded in doing. The creaed forward to it with loathing and dis- were needed. A parishioner was dead, ture seemed to derive a sort of malimay. Many a time my father would and his grave would have to be dug clous glee from setting them at de- 492,000. Since then an increase in the companies to be incorporated without make me stand by him while he scoop- the following day. In this emergency fiance. Thus, on more than on oc- cost of the cable material has brought coming to Parliament for their charted out a grave in the black loamy my father naturally turned to me; and casion, the 'vigilance boys,' as they bill was read a third time. soil, with the view, I suppose, of when I hinted that, seeing how little had dubbed themselves, on turning a the proposed cost up to £1,592,000. The teaching the young idea how to dig. I knew of such things, it might be ad-He was very proud of his handiwork, visable to call in the services of the fainting state, who had been waylaid be divided in the proportion of fiveand would bid me observe the artistic sexton of St. Michael's, he gave me a by the creature only a minute or two eighteenths each by Great Britain and then taken up in supply. Mr. Sifton

ten int of the space he was now getting After that, of course, there was monstrative a manner generally in mittee he would propose an amend- Old Country to take up lands in the ready for another, and then I would nothing for it but to do as my fath- the course of their perambulations, to

lightly and say: "It's nowt, lad, nowt would not have mattered greatly, but went on heretofore. Not that they oc- Canada and three each from Great at all, when a body gets used to it. it could not. It was evident that my curred every night by any means; Britain and the Australasian colonies. But whatever my secret thoughts and father would be disabled for a long sometimes four or five nights would feelings might be on the question of time to come; he must either find a my future, I said no word to any one substitute, or give up his post; and to heard of the creature; while, as before that the cable would earn with a due way and bridge subsidies, of which about them, and certainly my father have had to do the latter would, I remarked, it seemed to have a rooted allowance for Asiatic business in its was the last person in the world to verily believe, have broken his heart. dislike to moonlight; then for two or first year of operation, 1902, £114,157 have any suspicion of the degeneracy I was to be his successor-on that point everybody (but myself) was agreed, and everybody seemed to think I could do no other than act as his deputy at a time like the pre-

how matters stood. "There's no help might be supposed to be in accord bring us trade and to build up our

seem to shorten so fast and the his gold chronometer, his purse, and ed Sir Sanford Fleming's interest in I know not whence the liking came, lengthening nights are already full of a valuable breast-pin, it was felt that the subject as having done more than P.S., towards Mattawa, 20 miles. nor why it came, but there it was, the prophecy of the coming winter, matters were becoming serious inyears old. I was sent by a neighbour I had not been more than three days ing home from a friend's house at the haustive history of the movement for Ingersoll or Woodstock, 28 miles. with a message to the head-gardener at home before I was told something time was so prostrated by the at Penigarth, Sir William Verinder's -not by one person only, but by a dastardly attack as to be unable to Britain had but acted fairly in toeing biniere, 82 miles. country-house, about four miles away, dozen at the least-which surprised leave his room for a week to come. To me, the poor sexton's son, the me greatly, and set me wondering His first act was to offer a reward of gardens and glass-houses at Peni- what amount of truth there could be twenty pounds for such information as the project and urged that the benefit

What I was told was this: That of

be seen abroad after dusk. Even the away three or four times overmembers of the Apollo Club, a convival gathering of well-to-do people who met two evenings a week at the King's Head for the promotion of harmony and good fellow-ship, were merchant in the outskirts of Wester- reported to be so far affected by the I have been so often asked to tell the field. There I stayed for two years, general scare that when they broke up picking up every scrap of knowledge a little before midnight they prefer-I could lay hold of, at the end of which | red wending their way homeward by since the events narrated in it took time a berth was found for me at twos or threes to running the risk of place, that at last I have made up my Penigarth itself. Here several years being pounced upon singly by an anomind never to open my lips about it slipped away almost without my know- malous hairy being after a fashion again, but just to write it down in my ing how, so happy and full of content which was enough to throw an elderly own homely fashion, so that if any- was my lot. Mr. Ayscough, who took gentlemen into a fit. All sorts of arrangement, proposed that the House body bothers me to tell it in time to great interest in me, had advised me absurd stories and exaggerations got come, I can put it before them in black to learn at least the rudiments of about as must inevitably be the cree themselves, which will be a saving of culturist could be said to know his Rumour' are all set wagging at once. five-eighteenths of the cost of a cable ter had prepared in reference to Cross Creek Station, N.B., to Stanley time and trouble to every one concern- business in these days; so a great por- it was reported that sometimes the line between this country and Aus- Canada's desire to obtain a preference village, N.B., 6 miles. tion of my spare hours were given to man-ape had a plaster in his hand, tralia. The question, he thought, tory to him The Premier said that he on the Grand Trunk in St. Valorities. My name is Reuben Holditch, and the acquisition of that grand but dif- which he tried to fix over the mouths town of Westerfield, in the north of ter of course, I had fallen in love by have seen him would have it that he ference of opinion, while the primary show it to Mr. McNeil. Probably they Pontypool and Bobcaygeon, via Lindstein and Proposition of the course, I had fallen in love by have seen him would have it that he this time. The object of my passion was at the very least seven feet high; object in view is to secure cable con- would agree about it. father, and my great-grandfather, and, was pretty Mary Lidford, the only while others averred that he was defor aught I know to the contrary, a child of her mother, who was a widow. formed and had a huge lump between his shoulders. Others of the more in the his shoulders. Others of the more committee on a resolution regarding

> render their services of any avail; but ment that the representation on the three nights together, its objectionable practices would be resumed. in 1903, £153,031; in 1904, £197,375, and Westerfield was fairly at its wits' end in 1905, £249,144. From these figures with terror and rage.

seemed actuated by nothing worse that the proposition had no financial Of course I had to tell Mr. Ayscough than a spirit of mischief, such as terrors for Canada. It would tend to Leeds, 10 miles, revote. can. Sir Charles Tupper congretulated the government and the Postmaster-five miles.

It was in October, when the days his gold abronometer his purse and

a kindly Scotchman, was evidently an evening after dark, especially on A few nights later, three young men pleased with my enthusiasm, and was those nights when there was no moon, made sure they had secured the reat the trouble to show me over the or when it did not rise till late, the ward. They were returning together so spoke in favor of the resolution. place, eliciting from me by the way town was infested by a creature which from a dancing party, and having gosundry particulars of my history, was said to be half-man and half-loshes over their shoes, they made "Weel, laddie," he said to me at part- monkey in appearance—the 'man-ape' scarcely any noise in walking. Turning, "everybody to his likes; but for being the term applied to it by ing a corner, they came full upon the my part. I'd sooner tend my bit flowers | general acceptance. The account giv- creature, who was advancing from the than howk graves." I need hardly en of it by those who professed to opposite direction, and who instantly say that I was entirely of the same have seen it varied in some of the de- turned and fled. The young men were tails; but all agreed that its body was so startled that for a moment or two run a brewery; the same thing was way from present terminus at iron 600,000; 119 protected cruisers, \$145-From that hour my heart was set covered with long coarse hair, that they lost their presence of mind, but on becoming a gardener. My father, its face resembled that of the ape five seconds later they were in full farming business. Nothing short of a for extension southerly to the Central ong the smaller craft are 218 torpedo for his position in life, gave me what tribe in general, that its footsteps pursuit. They were all good runners, was considered in those days a fairly were inaudible, that its activity was and the chase was an exciting one. good education; but with my four something marvellous, and finally, The night was clear and starlit, the Grisdale, at the farm, and with a prac- Pembroke Southern, from Golden In summing up Mr. Hurd itemizes teenth birthday my schooling came to that on the two or three occasions on time was between eleven and twelve an end. He was a reticent man, and which certain bolder spirits than com- o'clock, and the streets were deserted. had said no word to me of his inten- mon had ventured to go in pursuit of Presently the creature, with its purit, it was seen to vault over the rail- suers some forty or fifty yards behind, ings which crown the low wall that emerged upon the tangle of side encloses the abbey churchyard, and streets among which the chase had be- was not up to date to-day. The work over the Canadian Southern. disappear among the tombs and grave- gun, into the main street of the town, ness thoroughly, then, after I should stones inside. At first this strange which led, almost in a direct line, to creature seemed to confine its pranks the abbey, some quarter of a mile to frightening women and elderly away. It was apparently bent on escappeople. It seldom or never made its ing as it had escaped before, that is by sexton, with the view of ultimately appearance before nine o'clock, by scaling the spiked railings of the this question, and the suggestions Ontario and Rainy River Railway be \$725,000,000 which bour nearly all the shops were churchyard and being lost among the from a practical farmer like him were Co., from Stanley station on the P. A., Coming to his question, "What does shut and the streets comparatively de- wilderness of tombstones inside. The of special value. He promised more Duluth, and Western to Fort Frances, the navy represent as a national asserted. Then it would spring sud- pursuers put on an extra spurt; but information in the annual reports con- 140 miles, at \$5,400 per mile, not ex- set?" Mr. Hurd says: "These are the denly from some dark corner or cover- their quarry, as if aware of it, did the cerning dairy requirements, which ceeding \$890,000. ed entry-and in our old-fashioned same. Suddenly, to the intense sur- would remedy a defect. The condition Quebec Bridge Company, towards stand between us and an enemy, which town such 'entries' were to be found prise of the young men, the creature of the stock was due to an outbreak of construction of bridge over the St. safeguard commerce, protect the colin every street-and encircling the turned sharply to the left and dis- tuberculosis some time since. A few Lawrence and Chaudiere basin, near onies and are continually patrolling neck of the passer-by, which, five appeared up a narrow covered way thoroughbred cattle had been purchas- Quebec, \$1,000,000, payable 40 per cent, the ocean highways. The colossal sum times out of six, was that of a woman, known as Cooper's Court. But this ed to make up the loss, and the pre- on monthly progress estimates ap- of \$540,000,000 paid out for the navy with one of its dreadful hairy arms, it move was explained a moment or two sent appropriation would allow new proved by the Government engineer. is a part of the funded capital of Great being a gardener. He was "struck all would give utterance to a shrill gib- later by the appearance of a couple purchases. Thoroughbred cattle would Massawippi Valley Railway Com- Britain's formidable system of insurof a heap," as the saying is, and said bering cry, which all who had heard of constables approaching from the cost a large sum, and it was a matter pany extension to Stanstead Plain, ance against a foreign foe." some hard things in the heat of his it declared it be like nothing human, opposite direction. Cooper's Court betemper. For a week or more he re- and then releasing its victim as sud- ing a cul-de-sac, with houses on three slowly. He also proposed purchasing Port Hawkesbury, N. S., to Cariboo mained in the "dumps, hardly speak- denly as it had grasped her or him, it sides of it, the young men now felt a herd of sheep for the central farm. Cove, 10 miles. ing a dozen words to me all that time. would beat its breast for a moment themselves as sure of capturing their Mr. Fisher made reference to the use-Then came another explosion; and or two with one hand, and then prey as any one may reasonably feel ful experiments which are being car- Rainy river, 70 miles. then, finding I was not to be moved bounding away, vanished in the dark- sure about anything. They shouted to ried on in the direction of determining from my purpose, he gave away and ness. Several of the women thus as- the constables to hurry up, and rush- the cause of what is known as soft from Newcastle coal fields to Gibson, Suffolk, England, which consists of told me I might do as I liked. All sailed fainted with fright, and were ed helter-skelter through the passage pork. this had reference only to be as I liked. ill for some days after; while on old into the court. Then they paused to this had reference only to the shoe- Miss Glendovy the effect was that she gather breath and look around. But making; not for a moment did he became subject to fits of nervous what had become of the creature? dream that when the proper time trembling, which she was unable to Three pairs of keen eyes scanned every Minister of Agriculture that this was a should come, a Holditch could be other control to the last day of her life. corner of the court, but to no purpose. new feature of the department's work than a proud man at succeeding to Nor did the men fare much better. Then an exclamation broke from one from which good results are expected. what might with reason be called the Mr. Pybus, the tailor, was so scared of them; and the others, following the In France they had been of great serfamily estate in the abbey church- that he took to his bed, and was not direction of his finger with their gaze, vice. While throughout the country yard, and I was careful not to unde- seen in his shop for a week to come; could just make out a dusky figure many farms were to be found in splenceive ham. One day I overheard him while Mr. Wakeling, the corn-chand- climbing ape-fashion up the iron wasay to his particular er my. Peter Philp: ler, the moment his tormentor re- ter-spout which ran from the roof to "After all, when one comes to con- leased him, gave vent to a yell which the ground between two of the corsider, there isn't such a vast difference brought half the people in the street ner houses of the court. The crea- on modern lines would afford. They stween a grave-digger and a garden- to their doors and windows. Dove- ture was climbing slowly, hand over were to be located at suitable points. er. They both get their living out of ton, the butcher, who stood six feet hand and foot over foot, and was althe mould, and both have to be handy one in his stockings, was so terrified ready three parts of the way up. The who had spoken that these stations with their shovels. And who knows, one night that it was said he never young men were so struck that they if this new-fangled notion of plant- went out after dark for weeks after- could not utter a word. Half a ing folks graves with flowers and wards without being armed with one minute later the creature had reach- was in favor of the proposal. They could shrubs comes into fashion, but what of his own formidable knives; while ed the roof of one of the houses; then be adapted to the various localities. The Rube may be doing a good thing for two of the town constables fared no it turned and relieved itself by giving farmers of his district would be sorely hisself by learning all about em.' Detter than ordinary mortals, but con- vent to a gibbering derisive laugh, if disappointed if this vote were knocked So, with a fast-beating heart. I went siderably worse in one respect, seeing laugh it could be called, and scramb- out. to Penigarth and asked for Mr. Ays- hat both of tree and their hats ling nimbly up the tiles of the roof Sir Henry Joly de Lotbiniere was cer-

venture out of doors after eight the houses and in getting leave to go more in Quebec, while only two and a miles. o'cleck unless escorted by one of the through into the garden at the back, half million pounds passed through our calm and St. Tite Investigation of the composite ser and not a still on the garden at the back, half million pounds passed through our calm and St. Tite Investigation of the composite ser and not a still on the calm and St. Tite Investigation of the composite ser and not a still of the calm and St. Tite Investigation of the calm and the calm an opposite sex, and not a child was to the creature could easily have got factories. If the farmers could see put lower Laurentide railway co., Mont-

(To be Continued.)

What the Legislators of the Country

are Doing at Ottawa. THE PACIFIC CABLE.

The Postmaster-General, according to proceed into committee on his resolution providing for Canada's assuming Neil that the resolution which the lat-

this cable, and took the ground that the mark as she had,.. Mr. Craig took an optimistic view of Rainy river, 70 miles. form some return for her foster-

Messrs. Osler, Prior and Bostock al-The bill was read a third time.

THE EXPERIMENTAL FARM. Mr. McMillan said that none but a of the Department of Agriculture. He northerly, five miles. was a farmer himself; but could not Ontario, Belmont, and Northern rail- ers, including 22 armored cruisers, \$ 6true of the premier in regard to the mines, north-westerly, five miles. Also 000,000; 16 unprotected. Included amresolution was needed at the farm. Ontario junction of the Ontario Pacific boats and destroyers, and 35 larger They had now a practical man in Mr. | railway, two miles. done here was of no value to farmers | Kingston and Pembroke railway, boat destroyers, \$30,000,000; 98 torpedo

Maritime Provinces. which Mr. McMillan had dealt with | miles.

ILLUSTRATION STATIONS. A vote of \$20,000 for illustration staneed of advice such as a station run Sir Charles Tupper agreed with those

would be of no value. Mr. Stenson, Richmond and Wolfe,

Westerfield. Hardly a female would ed in knocking up the people in one of sex and Kent counties and as much sion from Cos Hill to Bancroft, 21 ories taught them in books they would miles, for branch from main line to pick them up more easily.

Mr. Fisher, in reply to some of the ciple of these stations was the same Philipsburg, Que., 66-100 miles. that had wroked out so well in the Strathroy and Western County railcase of the cheese trade. He had acted way, Strathroy, via Adelaide and Arkupon the petitions and applications of ona to Forest, Tedford, or Parkhill, 24 farmers from all over Canada seeking miles. extension of the experimental farm St. John Valley and Riviere du Loun work. The question was discussed at railway, Fredericton to Woodstock, 50 some further length and finally the miles.

item stood over. PREFERENTIAL TRADE. Sir Wilfrid Laurier informed Mr.-Mc was one on which there was no dif- had prepared one of his own and would parish, 19 miles.

TO ENLARGE DRY DOCKS.

further back, had filled, with credit to the more themselves and satisfaction to the public against and as my ignorant were firmly persuaded that power should stand in the way of the public against ance to dry docks. In themselves and satisfaction to the public, the office of sexton to the grand self, there seemed little likelihood of about the creature, and that his eyes Eastern Extension Company's line to lay for building dry docks, but not At length matters came to such a pass that a number of the bolder China and Japan, which would practo the increased size of steamships, spirits among the young men of tically give us complete cable connec- larger docks are now required, and the town banded themselves together tion with China and Japan. The en- the resolution proposed to increase with the avowed intention of hunt- terprise would be of importance not the amount of the subsidy to 2 per as a matter of course, and as one of those things which are not open to question, that my father's son should to my father: he fell and broke his question, that my father's son should to my father he fell and broke his question. one day follow in the footsteps of his leg. The fracture was a bad one; it a stout cudgel, they perambulated cial interests. The financial aspect of der the statute can get the advantage

LOAN COMPANIES' BILL

The Loan Companies' Bill from the ers, was taken up in Committee. The

, THE CLASS OF IMMIGRANTS. The immigration estimates were pavement, and to acting in too de- Queensland and Victoria. In com- the way of inducing farmers from the unsettled parts of the older Provinces. RAILWAY SUBSIDIES

Sixty millions or more is the sum which is to be voted by Parliament at the present session. The estimates algo by without anything being seen or Sir Sanford Fleming had calculated ready down exceed \$55,000,000; the rail- "What does the navy represent as a Mr. Blair gives notice to-night, including revotes, amount to \$6,540,295. The summary statement of the railway resolutions is as follows

and the opinion of all who had given to mines or woodlands in Peterbor-So far the creatur's pranks had the question study, it was apparent ough, Northumberland, Hastings, Lennox and Addington, Frontenac or From 1869 to 1885 England spent on

Sault Ste, Marie to Michipicoten har-

Haliburton, via Whitney, O., A., and Extension of Tilsonburg, Lake Erie, fact that in the past eleven years One day, when I was about twelve that my father met with his accident, deed. Mr. Dallison, who was returning home from a friend's house at the South Shore railway, Sorel to Lot-

> should lead to the capture of his would be great to the Empire and peg Great Northern north of Swan tons. Of this great fleet nearly two river to Prince Albert, four miles. way, from South Edmonton to North the past eleven years.

> > Yellow Head pass, 50 miles. Bay of Quinte Railway Co., for ex- representing \$260,000,000, These floattension westerly from Deseronto, two ing fortresses carry 20,000 officers and practical farmer should be at the head | miles, and for extension from Tweed | men, and mount 2,671 guns. There are

tical farmer like Mr. Fisher, at the lake toward Irondale, Bancroft, and the cost of the British navy as folhead he looked for great improvement Ottawa railway, at Bancroft, 20 miles. lows:-Sixty-four battleships, \$260,00), in the management of the farm. The Lake Erie and Detroit River Rail- 000; 15 coast-defence vessels, \$16,000, system in vogue at the farm might way Co., from Ridgetown to St. 000; 22 armored cruisers, \$56,600,000; 119 have been all right years ago, but it Thomas, 44 miles, with running rights unprotected cruisers, \$11,180,000;

in Western Ontario, the West and the branches from main line to Bluff Point boats, \$10,000,000; a total of \$540,000,iron mine and Martele mine, five miles. | 000. If the twenty-seven ships now in Mr. Fisher appreciated the way in Parry Sound, towards Sudbury, 20 process of construction are added the

Fort Frances, Ont., to mouth of Central New Brunswick railway, N.B., 30 miles.

Man., 50 miles. Sunny Brae to Country harbour, and from Country harbour to Guysboro'. N.S., 15 miles. Port Clyde to Lockport, N. S., 20

From I.C.R., near Halifax to Central railway, Lunenburg, N.S., 20 miles. From Labelle, P.Q., to Momaningue, Italy. Western Alberta railway, N.S., boun-

dary to Anthracite, 50 miles, Restigouche and Western, continuation from western end of 25 miles, sub sidized, towards St. John river, 15 miles, and for the railway from John river near Grand Falls or St. Leonard to Campbellton, N.B., 12 miles, in all 27 miles.

St. Francis to mouth of St. Francis river. N.B., 3 miles. Canada Eastern, Nelson to Chatham N.B., 21-4 miles. Paspebiac, P.Q., to Gaspe, 32 miles.

THE REVOTES. The following are revotes:-Central Ontario Railway Co., exten- own responsibility.

Philipsburg Railway and Quarry Co. objections raised, stated that the prin-

Windsor to Truro, N.S., 58 mlies Brookfield, N.S., on the I. C. R., to

Port Hawkesbury, N.S., to St. Peter's

Pontiac and Pacific Junction rail-

way, Aylmer to Hull, nine miles. Portage du Fort and Bristol branch railway, for branch from P. P. J. at Qugon, 15 miles. Oxford Mountain railway and Lawrenceville, or Eastman to Waterloo, 18

Atlantic and Lake Superior, Caplin to Paspebiac, 30 miles. United Counties railway, branch from St. Robert to Sorel, 61-2 miles. And from Mount Johnson to St. Gregoire station, one mile. Central railway, Lunenburg, N.S., to

Liverpool, via, Caledonia, 63 miles. Indian Garden, Queen's County, N.S. to Shelburne, 35 miles. Quebec and Lake St. John railway Deepwater to Ha-Ha bay, 12 miles. BRIDGE SUBSIDIES.

The following are the bridge subsi-Quebec. . . . St. Francis river. . . Nicolet. . . . . . Midland railway over Shubenacadie river, N.S. . . 33.750 River du Loup. . . . . 15,000 Lac river. . . . . 15,000

## IMPERIAL INSURANCE

How Much of This Enormous Cost Should

Addressing the taxpayers of England, Mr. Archibald S. Hurd asks; national asset?" Before he answers the question Mr. Hurd proceeds to give in detail the strength of the navy, in which he contends every Englishman Bay of Quinte railway, for branches has a share. There are now 489 ships, large and small in the British navy. an average \$7,500,000 per year on new Hawkesbury to South Indian, 35 ships. Since then the average has risen to \$22,500,000, and this year the Admiralty are spending \$46,250,000 on new Branch line from main line of O., A., war vessels in addition to the \$8,000,000 and P.S. railway to Parry Sound town, devoted to repairs and alterations of

Mr. Hurd dwells on the astounding new warships, and has devoted to the navy during the twelve years that end-Fort Frances westerly to mouth of ed last March \$865,000,000. To-day England has a fleet of 489 ships, which hundred of the most efficient and pow-Edmonton, Yukon, and Pacific rail- erful vessels have been built during

Edmonton, thence westerly through THE BACKBONE OF THE NAVY is the sixty-four lines of battle ships, on duty in the British navy 157 cruis-

> -- pedo vessels, \$16,000,000; 120 torpedoaggregate cost of the British navy will

A SCATTERED FAMILY

A striking family is that of Mr. and nine sons and three daughters. Antler Station to Moose Mountain, The oldest son has a post in Aus-

> Another son is a foreman gardener in Herts.

> A married daughter resides at Wickham Market in Suffolk. A third son is a captain in the merchant service, now proceeding to

A fourth is Color Sergeant in the Grenadier Guards at Gibraltar. A fifth son is a civil engineer in

A sixth is a first-class petty officer in the Royal Navy, now at Ascension

The seventh is a fireman in the Metropolitan Brigade. The eighth is a Lowestoft police con-

The second daughter is proceeding to Australia in the service of Lord Tenny-

The third daughter and ninth son are at home, not yet being old enough to go out into the world on their

To many mothers the v is fraught with dread troubles for the little one stalk through the land the younglings of the flo matter pre-eminently, is bial ounce of prevention mare than many pounds of best way to keep a child's gans in good condition is lowing them to become di the mother herself must thiid's diet.

One of the first precau is a careful investigation ing-water. Country wel water supply at fashion the quality of the water boiled thoroughly before children. All water give under two years of age n The "flat taste" of which complain, may be obviate for several minutes befor Bottles containing hoiled closely corked and laid in Pasteurized before the

by children past the tee ways providing the milk good, and taken from Fresh vegetables may plude cucumbers, new po ence to many sweets.

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