

AROUND THE CITY

The Island Steamers.
The two steamers plying between Picton and Charlottetown, crossed successfully yesterday.

Cedar Hill Lot Holders.
A mass meeting of the lot holders of Cedar Hill Cemetery will be held in the Orange Hall, Fairville, Tuesday evening, Feb. 4th, at 7.30.

Deposits Forfeited.
Two men who were arrested for being drunk on Wednesday were allowed out later on leaving a deposit of eight dollars each. They did not put in an appearance in the police court yesterday and forfeited the amounts.

Concert in St. Mary's Church.
A large number attended the concert held last evening in the school room of St. Mary's church, when a very interesting musical and literary programme was carried out. Those who participated performed in a highly creditable manner, and a great effort was made to respond to encores. The success of the entertainment was due to the work of R. Dooe, under whose direction it was held.

The Fish Market.
For Friday's dinner there is a good supply of fish, plenty of variety and at prices about the same as last week. Haddock and cod will sell at 6 cents; halibut, 15 to 18 cents; smelt, 12 cents; salmon at 18 and 20 cents; mackerel, 30 cents each; shad, 25 to 40 cents each; bass, 15 cents; flounders, 8 cents per lb.; herring, 30 cents per doz.; oysters will sell at 75 cents a quart, and clams at 20 cents.

Philotheca Club Entertainment.
There was a very large attendance in German street Baptist church last evening when an enjoyable concert was held under the auspices of the Philotheca Club. The programme consisted of a southern tableau, solos, choruses, recitations and quartets by members. The different numbers were rendered in an excellent manner, and were greeted with great applause. After the programme refreshments were served.

A Good Move.
The secretary of the Board of Trade is frequently in receipt of letters from persons asking for jobs in St. John. Some weeks an average of two letters a day are received from persons who want work in the city. The Board has taken steps to find out how many jobs are available about the city, and Thomas Mantle, who has charge of the special immigration bureau on the West Side has been appointed to get in communication with local manufacturers, and find out who want employees, and to make arrangements for placing those who apply for jobs.

Elevator Builder Here.
Mr. Hodges, of the Metcalf Construction Company, arrived in the city yesterday and is registered at the Royal. The object of his visit is to see how the work on the new C. P. R. elevator on the West Side is getting on. Owing to the open winter, the work has been carried on more rapidly than was expected, and has been advanced to such an extent that the men do not have to wait upon the tide. If the weather continues fine, the foundation work will soon be completed, and the work of raising the walls commenced. The raising of the concrete walls is said to be a spectacular thing, owing to the rapidity with which the work is done.

Takes Pledge and Goes Free.
In the police court yesterday morning three drunks were remanded to jail. Scott Fanjoy, charged with assaulting his wife, was remanded. His case was taken up in the afternoon when his wife said that her husband was all right when he was sober, but that he had lately been drinking too much liquor and squandering his earnings. The defendant admitted that he had been drinking rather hard lately and would not be acted as badly had he been sober. He said that he was all through drinking liquor, and after taking a pledge to keep clear of liquor in the future he was allowed to go as his wife was not disposed to press the charge.

Faces Theft Charge.
On Wednesday night, a young man who gave his name as Henry Stephens and his age as 19 years, was arrested by Officer Addison on the charge of drunkenness, but when the prisoner made his appearance in the police court yesterday morning, Magistrate Ritchie recognized him as Walter Hodd, a former baseball player, whose age is 28 instead of 19. He was remanded to jail on the charge of drunkenness while Detective Killen has laid a charge against him on suspicion of having stolen a gold-filled watch from the person of John Raines, on Chesley street on Wednesday. The detective found the watch in a second hand store, and has reason to believe that the prisoner removed it from Raines' pocket and disposed of it to the dealer.

Germans Are Wise to Us.
Is your town on the map, said a certain gentleman to the reporters the other day. Apparently it is. The Germans have heard of it. Yesterday the mayor received a communication from a German newspaper, the Illustre Zeitung, one of the great dailies of the Fatherland. This communication notified his worship that Canada was a great country with a magnificent future, a country in which the Germans had already invested vast sums of money, a country to which they were looking for a market for German manufactures of all sorts. With German thoroughness he described affairs in Canada and spoke of the duty of German newspapers of making known to their readers the great prospects of such a favored land. At the close he kindly suggested that it would be glad, for a price, to publish an advertisement about the world-famous city of St. John.

HUDSON BAY INSURANCE CO.
Attention is called to the splendid showing of the Hudson Bay Insurance Company at December 31, 1912. This statement shows a surplus to policy holders of \$296,139.23, or nearly one million dollars.

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CRUELTY, CRUELTY AND THEFT TOLD OF IN POLICE INQUIRY

Interesting Facts Brought Out in Recent Police Investigation

Guilty Men Were Either Dismissed or Found it Advisable to Resign—Force Purged of Evil Influences—Commissioner Decides to Defer Publication of Evidence.

The evidence in the police investigation conducted some time ago by Commissioner McLellan will not be published. That is, it will not be published unless the commissioner deems it advisable to do so in order to bring about the results he hopes to achieve in the reformation of the department. This, however, may not prove to be necessary, as the men on the force against whom charges amounting to anything have been proven have already been dismissed, or else, have found it advisable to hand in their resignations. The decision of the commissioner to hold back the evidence deprives the public in general of some very interesting reading matter, as statements were made at the enquiry which could not fail to arouse very wide comment if they were published as taken in the evidence.

As a matter of fact, the charges which were regarded as at all serious concerned a comparatively few members of the police force, and there is a feeling of regret among some of the men that this was not clearly stated in the commissioner's report to the council, for these same, to the men, to be an impression abroad that all were more or less concerned in the irregularities shown to exist. However, this is not just how matters stand and the fact that the majority of the police officers are still wearing the uniform may be regarded as satisfactory evidence that what may have been said about some of them was not of sufficient importance to warrant action in their cases.

A Charge of Cruelty.
But the evidence was interesting. One officer who has been suspended was described by a fellow officer as particularly cruel to prisoners. An instance was related, under oath, where the two men concerned were engaged in arresting a drunk in Lower Cove. The man now dismissed is charged with having most brutally beaten the helpless man with a club, having knocked him down and when he was on the ground, having pounded his head on the pavement until his companion—the one who was giving the evidence—had to plead with him not to kill his victim, a result which the witness feared would follow such violence.

On reaching the station the anger of the senior officer seemed to break out afresh and he attacked the unfortunate drunk in such a violent manner that the poor creature was left in his cell in a pitiable condition. This was given as one instance of cruelty, charged against an officer who has since been dismissed. Another charge against this same man was that of theft, it being stated that he had frequently taken building material of different kinds from establishments in Lower Cove.

FOUND LITTLE ADDRESSES ON HARBOR ROCK TIMELY TOPICS

Test Boring in Harbor Showed Conditions Better than First Supposed—Engineer Finished Work Yesterday.

The special test borings which A. W. Gregory, an engineer of the public works department, has been making in the channel of the main harbor of St. John were completed yesterday. Owing to the changeable weather, and frequent southern gales, the work has taken considerable time, but it is said the test borings proved to be more satisfactory than was expected. The ledge of rock near the turn of the channel was not so large as it was supposed to be. A sufficient number of test borings were made to determine the exact size of the rock.

Mr. Gregory stated yesterday, when interviewed, that the borings showed that the ledge did not extend very far into the channel and that its removal to a depth that would allow the largest vessels to pass over at low tide would not prevent any serious difficulties to engineers.

Mr. Gregory will leave for Ottawa on Monday. In addition to looking after the test borings here, he has been superintending work in quite a number of Nova Scotian ports.

Spring Suits at Dykeman's.
The first installment of Spring suits are just to hand at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s. There are only twenty-seven suits in the lot but they are going to place a price on these suits that will enable them to clear them out at once and send a repeat order for them before the real season opens. Everyone of the suits are made from some wool materials such as serge, whipcords, Bedford cord, venturians, and the colors are browns, electric and navy blue and black. The price of these suits will be \$12.50. They are worth from \$15 to \$18. All sizes.

Lecture Tonight.
Rev. C. S. Reddick will lecture at 8 p. m. this evening in Zion Methodist church on the British Columbia Indians. Magic lantern views. Silver collection.

WINDCHIMAN OR WINCH, WHICH IS AT FAULT?

Inquest into Death of Robert Davis Brings Out Evidence Claiming one or other to Blame.

Before Coroner D. E. Berryman last evening, in the court house, the inquiry was resumed into the death of Robert Davis, who died as the result of injuries received while working on the steamer Mount Temple at Sand Point on the morning of Monday 20th inst.

Stephen Burns, who was running the steam winch at the time testified the accident happened about 10.30 o'clock. A heavy case had been placed along the stanchion and when it was to be lowered into the hold of the steamer the winch wouldn't hold it and it went down with a rush. It appeared that the case was an extraordinarily heavy one. There did not appear to be the proper amount of steam to work the winch at the time of the accident until the case was within about a foot of the cargo in the hold. Witness didn't hear any word for the labrets in the hold of the ship to get out of the way because of the noise the winch was making. As a consequence of the winch working wrong the accident happened.

Organized Robbery.
There was, it is stated, ample evidence to the effect that a well organized plan of committing robberies existed on some of the wharves; that there were arrangements whereby certain warehouses along the water front were systematically robbed by one or two members of the force, and that this sort of thing had been going on for a considerable time. This was regarded as a most serious state of affairs, and The Standard understands that none of those who were mentioned in connection with the matter are now on the force.

Regarding Stolen Pails.
There was a statement by the janitor to the effect that certain pails and other articles used about the central station had a habit of disappearing in spite of the fact that they were frequently wanted. The janitor spoke of this to one of the men—since dismissed—and in reply received a volley of curses. He reported to his superior, but claimed that he did not obtain the fullest satisfaction, and as a result of further investigation, which was made, the missing articles were found in a stable not directly connected with the police department.

Other Misdemeanors.
There were statements that officers when supposed to be on duty, were doing work for other members of the force at their private premises. There was the evidence that after learning of serious charges against an officer, one of the responsible heads of the department expressed to the other members his regret at having to lose such a conscientious policeman.

There were many other statements of more or less importance that in the opinion of the commissioner justify him fully in all that he has done in his further efforts to bring about what he regards as improvements in the force. They would make interesting reading.

Men at Reunion in St. Jude's Church School Room, Last Evening, Heard Speeches of Especial Interest.

The reunion for the members of the congregation of St. Jude's church and their friends, was held in the school room last evening when the topic was the advancement of the city and the campaign being carried on by the Board of Trade. The reunion was largely attended, over one hundred being present. Captain Kennelly presided and among the speakers were Mayor Fyvie, Canon Powell, Bishop Richardson and J. M. Robinson, president of the Board of Trade.

In his address His Worship spoke of the forward movement now going on and dealt especially with the work carried on on the west side. He called attention to the fact that heretofore in the process of building were being made too short for the class of shipping now coming to this port and will be much too small for the steamers of the future. He urged that before the work had gone too far steps be taken to have the necessary changes made.

When referring to the state of the city finances, he said that they were healthy and although the bonded indebtedness was large the sinking fund was strong enough to meet all emergencies that might arise. He assured his audience that he would discountenance, to the best of his ability, firework finance, such as was being indulged in by many of the western cities.

Canon Powell in his address dealt chiefly with the prosperity of St. John and hoped that the people did not mistake money for prosperity. Prosperity has a deep meaning, that money and he urged his hearers with the coming of wealth to take a greater interest in the home. In conclusion he pointed out that Halifax and St. John should advance together and in so doing bring a greater prosperity to the country.

Development of the Port.
The inquiry was adjourned until next Monday evening at seven o'clock.

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