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TORONTO'S FIRST PLAYGROUND.
Toronto, on Saturday last, opened its first city playground. For some years a number of these playgrounds, and several recreation parks have been operated under the management of private associations, supported by contributions. Their value, and more than this, their necessity, has been acknowledged and the corporation has decided that the time has come when the rights of the children must be recognized.

Years ago, when Toronto was smaller than it is today, the boys and girls were able to play in the vacant lots found here and there along the streets, or in the fields bordering on the town. But with the growth of the town these vacant spaces have disappeared and the difficulty met by the youngsters in finding room for play has increased. In spring and fall, when marbles or hop scotch are the popular games, the little ones can usually manage to enjoy themselves even on the streets in the residential districts. But with the advent of the ball-playing season, and especially in holiday time, the need of proper playgrounds has been apparent. So Toronto, recognizing that children are just as much entitled to play as they are to education, has decided that the city shall hereafter attend to their interest. This new playground will be followed by others, for Toronto never does anything by halves, and within a short time every proper provision will be made for the children. Toronto thus sets an example which St. John might well follow.

THE SCHOOLS.

The Star has frequently urged upon those in authority the advisability of extending school holidays until after Labor Day. Two years ago it was pointed out that the attempt made to hold classes during the last week in August would prove fatal, but the schools opened just the same. Last year similar conditions prevailed, and the first few days of the term were absolutely wasted. This was so generally recognized that parents joined in the demand for an extension of the vacation, but the board of education has followed its own sweet will in the matter and has continued to issue orders which, while perhaps satisfactory to some districts, are wholly unsuitable to others.

The secretary of the local school board reports that although the reopening is only a few days distant more than one hundred permits have been issued whereas eight or nine times that number so not unusual. The reason is clear. Parents do not see any sense in sending their children to hot and stuffy schools, to waste a week of our too brief summer. The numbers of those making their homes in the town during the warm weather are annually increasing and sending the children of these families to school means more trouble and expense than if they lived in the city. It is recognized, too, that the date of re-opening is early, that Labor Day breaks in on the studies before work really gets well started, and that until this holiday is over, classes are more or less upset. Consequently the boys and girls go to school on the opening day to get their seats and then remain at home for a week.

Since the board of education seemingly does not listen to reason, it is to the parents to take a stand. The Star is glad to note that only a few applications for permits are being received; it is pleased to observe that the feeling among parents is so strongly against re-opening in August, and it hopes that the classes until after Labor Day will be so firmly attended as to impress upon the board of education the unwisdom of the policy now followed.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

It would pay Aid. Potts much better to keep his mouth shut about the fire department than to go around threatening what he will do and degrading the present chief must be dismissed. If Mr. Potts could find time to attend to his own business which brings him in contact with our out of date ferry system, he might be able to accomplish something. But by his present plan of interfering with matters which do not concern him, he is only making trouble in the fire department. Some of the men are no doubt foolish enough to be guided by his suggestions and remarks and are thus inclined to disobedience which is utterly ruinous. If anyone is to speak on this matter, Aid. Vanwart, the head of the safety board, should be the one, but he goes in the volume of hot air from his colleague his voice is lost.

This recent development in the fire department affairs may be regarded either as serious or silly, depending on how well the situation is understood. No, 1 station has for some years been the breeding ground of discontent, the meeting place of all those who have a

grudge against Chief Kerr. Frequent changes among the men have been made in an endeavor to break up the gang, and whether the present disturbance is the outcome of this old discontent, or whether there is a sound reason for the action taken by the men, is still uncertain.

Six members of No. 1 Company resigned as a protest against the appointment of an assistant foreman. They wanted another man for the position, and contend that in the past it has been customary for the Chief to act upon their suggestions in making appointments, but that on this occasion he did not do so. There is nothing in the regulations compelling the Chief to follow any such course, but if it has been the custom, the men no doubt now regard as a right the privilege of nominating officers and this right should be respected. It may be that the men failed to make any suggestions to the Chief—they say that the opportunity was not offered. However, the six resigned apparently as the result of an understanding. Their places have been filled, of course, but an incident such as this would seem to require fuller explanation than has yet been offered. If the Chief is right, the men under him are trying to run things their own way; if the men are correct in their statements Chief Kerr's policy is not a wise one. But it should be noted that the half dozen resignations are from a station in which trouble has frequently developed in the past.

To double a store's advertising is the straight road to a business boom for that store

MANY WAYS MEN WASTE ENERGY

Seconds Here and There That Aggregate Days and Months of Power Gone for Naught.

"The proposition," said the busy St. John man in the Post-Dispatch, "is simply this," and he went the blade of his pen-knife into the polished surface of his desk.

By and by he drew from a pocket a new pencil and began to cut a groove around a 1200 desk. Also he had whittled in his swivel chair with a monotoneous regularity at the rate of twenty times a minute, or three hundred times in the course of the interview.

Estimating the leisure necessary to maintain this perfectly useless locomotion at five pounds per above, he had wasted 1,500 pounds of energy. Did you ever stop to think of the many ways in which you express your nervousness?

The business man referred to is of Yankee origin. That's why he whittled the lead pencil, just as he had whittled a silver from the cracker box in the general store in the early part of the nineteenth century. Tricks of nervousness in time become fixed habits. A hustling real estate broker has a trick of pulling his left eyebrow. The harder he thinks the harder he pulls the eyebrow.

A banker cannot think while sitting. His office is small and exactly five measured strides carry him from the door to the window; he turns always on the same foot and takes the same number of strides back to the door. His feet always land on the same spots in the pattern of the rug. Back and forth, back and forth he goes, regularly, monotonously, and at night he is dog tired and wonders why.

There is a real estate man who has fallen into the habit of patting with his hand every lamp post he passes in the street. Should he pass a post without patting it, habit compels him to return to it. The habit distresses him. He would pay almost any amount for a cure.

A Broadway merchant runs his fingers around the inside of his collar hundreds of times a day. The habit died on him years ago because he wore a collar that scratched his neck.

A lawyer in a downtown office building drives his office associates almost to distraction by tapping the arms of whatever chair he happens to be sitting in with the nails of this forefinger. He has worn the ends of these particular digits blunt.

The habit of hitting the finger nails is purely a nervous one, but none the less easily broken on that account.

Gum chewing is a habit of nervousness, and so is "dry smoking" (chewing an unlighted cigar). Most tobacco chewers are nervous men.

COMPANY WINNING THE SCHORVILLE STRIKE

Are Working Plant and Have Enough Men In Sight to Replace Strikers.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 16.—Quiet reigned tonight at the plants of the Pressed Steel Company at Schorville, where 500 employees have been on strike for five weeks. Operations on a reduced scale were started today at the works, and with increasing number of workmen being brought here from the east by the company, it is said that the plant will shortly be running full time. It is claimed that nearly 2500 workmen are now lodged at the plants, prepared to take the place of the strikers.

The company has given its idle employees until Friday to return to work, and it is said that if they do not return, all with their families, will be evicted from the company's houses.

WILL BE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Baron Takahira on Departure Addresses Japs.

May Cost Him \$100,000 to Kick a Cat—Wm. Winter Resigns—Unusual Heat and Excessive Rain.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 16.—That Baron Takahira, Japanese ambassador to the United States, will return to his native country, but will be made Minister of Foreign Affairs by his government, was stated today by well informed Japanese who name as his successor Yasuya Uchida, now ambassador to Austria. Baron Takahira will sail for Japan tomorrow. At a farewell dinner, exclusively Japanese given in a Buddhist Temple, the ambassador told his countrymen that they were themselves in large measure responsible for the ill feeling against them in the United States.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Ernest Smelt, New York manager for a glove manufacturing firm, has been sued for \$100,000, by Emily Jones, his cook, because, it is charged, he kicked the cat through a window screen. Marjori, his daughter, had complained that the cat scratched her. The cook says her eyes were filled with ashes and estimated the damage to her sight and her lessened chances of matrimony at \$100,000.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—William Winter, the dean of American dramatic critics, has severed his connections with the New York Tribune, which he accepted in 1882 at the invitation of Horace Greely. His resignation was announced today in a statement by Henry Mann, the editor.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 16.—Unusual heat, officially recorded as high as 110 degrees, caused nearly a dozen deaths, and a record for the city was made. The temperature dropped to 90 degrees to crops today in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—More rain by millions of tons fell on Manhattan Island during the past twenty-four hours than in any August day yet recorded by the weather bureau. The official precipitation was 4.15 inches, at most two inches more than for any other days of August thus far. And it was cold—colder than any day this summer.

NORTHLAND EXPLORATION.

Valuable Report From Department of the Interior.

OTTAWA, Aug. 16.—There has just been issued from the Railway Lands Branch of the Department of the Interior, by order of Hon. Frank Oliver, a report on northland exploration under his department during the season of 1929. The report is a valuable one, and contains a great deal of information about the north of the province of Alberta as far as the Churchill River, extending from Montreal Lake and Lac la Ronge, on the east, to Green Lake, and connecting waters as far north as Portage la Loche on the west.

Information about this portion of the Canadian West, north of the existing surveys, has hitherto been difficult to obtain. The increasing pressure on the available surveyed lands in Western Provinces has, however, created a demand for all possible information about the undeveloped north of western Canada, and on account of the reported mineral discoveries at Lac la Ronge, and in the country north of it, the publication of the report giving information as to the means of access to a public want.

A number of excellent cuts of growing crops and natural features, from photographs taken by the explorer, are scattered through the report. An up-to-date map which shows the country explored and for a considerable distance north of it—about 35 miles in all, north of Prince Albert, accompanies the report.

A prevalent impression that in this portion of Western Canada there is little land of agricultural value will be found on perusal of the report to be quite erroneous, and while the duty of accuracy will retain settlement at present, there is evidence that

RIVAL COMPANIES TO LIGHT SHEDIAC

Sackville Concern is Arranging For a Plant.

Local Men Also in the Field—Liberal Picnic to be Held—Matinee Races—Mt. A. Contract Awarded.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Aug. 16.—The situation at Shediac in regard to electric light has taken an interesting turn and today the Tribune states that the Sackville Electric Light and Telephone Company is entering the seaside town. The Sackville Company is already entering upon the work of installing a plant and poles will be erected and wires strung at once. This is right in the fact that the Sackville Company is organized at Shediac to dam the Scoudouc River and thus furnish power by which electricity would be generated and the town lighted. This Shediac Company is now calling for tenders for the erection of a dam and the invasion by the Sackville Company will probably not be appreciated by them. The Sackville Company is controlled by Mayor Piquard and Ald. C. W. Fawcett. At Shediac, for the present, its power will be supplied by one of the R. C. Tait mills.

On Tuesday, August 15th, a picnic will be held at Rockport by Liberals. Arrangements for the affair are now going forward. The picnic will be held in the afternoon and in the evening there will be formal opening of new Liberal hall. At the picnic will be Mr. R. C. Williams, mayor of Rockport, Mr. Emmerson, M. P., and Hon. C. W. Fawcett, M. P. A. B. Comp, M. P., and C. M. Levere, M. P. P.

On Saturday, August 23rd, matinee races will be held on the local speedway. Two classes will be on the card, 220 and free-for-all. Entries will close on Monday, the 23rd inst., with Edgar Ayer, purse in each of the classes will be \$75 and entry fee ten per cent of the purse. In each race heats will be a half mile.

The contract for erection of Fawcett Hall, the new Mount Allison convention hall, has been awarded to the Victor Woodworkers, of Amherst. Excavation necessary in connection with construction will be started this week. Mr. R. C. Williams, mayor of the town of Nova Scotia here, leaves this week for Boston to act for two weeks as manager of the bank's branch there. Mr. Williams himself will be relieved by John Black or A. D. Murray. C. E. Read, vice-president, has presented the golf club with two silver trophies. These will be known as the Read medals and will be competed for each month under handicap. One will be for the best score by a member of the club and the other by the men.

POWERS WILL LAND TROOPS

CAENA, Island of Crete, Aug. 16.—The provisional administrative committee to which the administration of the island was entrusted when the Cretan cabinet resigned Sunday, today announced that it had decided to land troops to enforce the law of the island and Kingdom of Greece.

The action of the provisional administrative committee in Crete in swearing allegiance to Greece apparently indicates that it is not their intention to meet the demands of the protecting powers and hand down the Greek flag; and that therefore the powers will again be forced to land troops to insure the autonomy of the island.

ST. JOHNS, Que., Aug. 16.—Mr. J. C. Harbo's general store and residence at the corner of Richillon and St. Charles streets, was gutted by fire this morning. It is supposed that the fire originated from the bursting of a gasolene stove. The loss will probably be about three thousand dollars.

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VICTIM OF RAILWAY ACCIDENT IS DEAD

Careful Investigation Will be Held.

Brakeman Killed—Promoter's Suicide—Strike in Sympathy—Killed by a Baseball.

BANGOR, Me., Aug. 16.—The man who was found lying near the electric railway track in Bangor Sunday night with skull fractured and otherwise injured, died at 8:15 tonight in the Eastern Maine General Hospital here, without having recovered consciousness. The remains have been taken to Bangor and the funeral will be held on Tuesday.

While it is supposed that the man, who was said to have been drinking, received his injuries while trying to board a moving car, a careful investigation is being made. The police think the man was William Milan, a stone mason, but as yet the body has not positively been identified.

EAST PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—William Gastonguay, a brakeman on the Grand Trunk Railroad, was killed this noon at Empire Road, east Portland, by being run over by freight train 27 just as the Eastern was going out the station yards. He was in the act of passing from one car to another of this freight which was the through freight from Bangor, and was going south. In some way his foot must have slipped and he immediately disappeared under the train.

BICKET, Mass., Aug. 16.—David H. Bidwell, about 65 years old, a well-to-do New York promoter, committed suicide at 3:40 this afternoon by shooting himself in the head at the home of his sister, Miss Lizzie Bidwell, of Main street.

BEVERLEY, Mass., Aug. 16.—Sixty lusters in the Woodbury shoe factory went on strike today because of the employment of two strikers, who took the place of two of the old men at the factory.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—Denson Smith, 14 years old, was killed today by a bass ball that struck him in the right ear.

OSILVIES RECEIVE FIRST 1930 WHEAT

WINNIPEG, Aug. 16.—The first wheat of the 1930 crop was received at the Ogilvie flour mills on Saturday. Two samples came in, both excellent. No. 1 hard. One came from Rosefield, Man., the other from Rathwell, both will yield twenty bushels to the acre.

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COLOR LINE SHUTS JACK

JOHNSON OUT OF HOTELS

Puglist Could Not Find a Place to Sleep in Salt Lake City.

BRUTAL MURDER OF AN OLD MAN

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Aug. 17.—Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion of the world, who arrived in this city yesterday, applied at the local police station at an early hour this morning for assistance in obtaining a place to sleep. After a night of fetes in which the colored population of Salt Lake City acted as hosts, Johnson repaired to a local hotel here, it is said, rooms had been engaged for himself and wife. He was informed that the hotel did not cater to coloreds and after vainly seeking accommodations elsewhere, he made an appeal at police headquarters, but was told that department could not interest itself in the matter.

REMEMBER!

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DEATHS

CHARTERS.—At St. John West, Sunday, Aug. 15th, Gladys, aged 13 months and 13 days, of J. B. and Mary Rose Charters. Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment at Welsford.

MAXWELL.—At Lancaster Heights, St. John, N. B., West, after a short illness, on the 15th inst., Nellie A. Maxwell, aged 21 years, 5 months, youngest daughter of George and Mary Maxwell, leaving father, mother, three brothers and three sisters to mourn.

Funeral Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 to St. George's Church. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

Boston and San Francisco papers please copy.

FLOOD.—In the city, on August 16, Thomas J. Flood, son of Carson Flood, aged 51 years. Funeral on Wednesday, Aug. 18th, at 2:30 o'clock, from his late residence, 120 Duke Street, to St. John's (Stone) church.

WHITING.—At Alameda, California, on the fourth of August, Peter White, a native of New Brunswick, in the 75th year of his age, leaving one daughter, three brothers—two in California and W. H. White of Cambridge, N. B., is a brother.

MAGEE.—On Monday, August 18th, Gordon, the infant son of Percy Magee of this city.



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