



The Evening Times

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THE WEATHER. Southeast, shifting to southwest gales, showery, Friday, strong westerly winds and partly fair.

ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1907.

ONE CENT

THE BANK OF ENGLAND ADVANCES ITS RATES TO SEVEN PER CENT Step Taken as Protective Measure Against American Demands.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The directors of the Bank of England this morning put up the minimum discount rate from 6 to 7 per cent. The only thing which could have averted this heavy rate would have been assurance from responsible quarters in New York that the situation which it is recognized in consequence of the great commercial activity in America, is sufficiently well in hand to warrant the expectation that there would be an early cessation of the gold drain on the market.

OPPOSED TO CLEMENCY KAISER TO VISIT ISLE OF WIGHT Hopewell Cape Electors Protest Against Any Commutation of Collins Death Sentence.

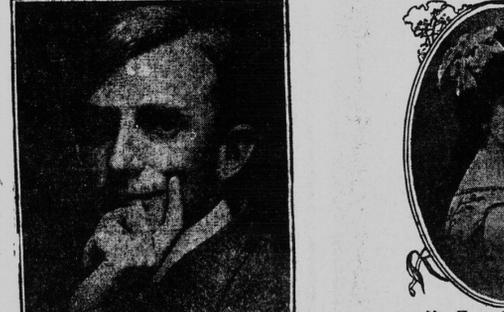
A statement signed by forty of the electors of Hopewell Cape protesting against any commutation of the death sentence on Thomas F. Collins has been received at this office. The statement reads as follows:— "We resident electors of Hopewell Cape, the shire town of the county of Albert, having heard that a petition asking for the commutation of the sentence of Thomas F. Collins has been presented and circulated throughout this county, and in Westmorland county as well, and that the impression is current among the residents of this place, are united in the prayer of this petition, hereby desire to place ourselves on record as being entirely opposed to any such proceeding, for the following and other reasons:— "We agree with the finding of the first and third juries.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Nov. 7.—(Special)—The time of the supreme court this morning was taken up in hearing the arguments in the O'Brien case in violation of the liquor license act. In the King vs. O'Brien, ex parte Chamberlain, court considered. King vs. Davis, ex parte Vanbuskirk, Hanington supports a rule nisi to quash conviction for selling liquor during prohibited hours. Chandler K. C. shows cause court considers. King vs. Davis, ex parte Vanbuskirk, Chandler K. C. shows cause against rule nisi to quash conviction for selling liquor to a minor on April 11th last. Thimney, K. C., supports the rule. Court considers. King vs. Davis, ex parte Vanbuskirk, Chandler K. C. shows cause against rule nisi to quash conviction for selling liquor to a minor on May 28th, Hanington contra. Still before court. It is likely that the crown papers will be disposed of this afternoon.

A SUMMER SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AT SACKVILLE SACKVILLE, N. B., Nov. 7.—(Special)—It has been definitely decided that a summer school of science will meet here next year. The session will begin on July 7th. Those in attendance will make their home at Mount Allison Ladies' College during the session. Kirk McEwan, of Dalhousie, has been agreed upon as referee for Saturday's game between Mount Allison and Acadia. He has not said yet whether or not he will come. Mount Allison may be present at 8 o'clock. He has been suffering from lumbago.

Mary Jane Smith, the young woman who on Sunday last was arrested by Patrolman McCollom on a charge of threatening to give a satisfactory account of herself to the police, was today brought again before Judge Ritchie, and agreed to return to her employer, Mrs. James M. Pickett, German street, who appeared in court in the girl's behalf.

Hitchcock Welcomed By Cheers.



NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Raymond Hitchcock who gave himself up to the authorities yesterday re-assembled his riot at the Astor Theatre at the matinee and evening performances yesterday, and was given a demonstrative welcome. When Hitchcock disappeared a week ago, an understudy took his place. The house was crowded last night and when Hitchcock made his appearance, it was the signal for rousing applause. The actor looked baggard and ill and his voice was uncertain as he spoke his lines. Meantime his wife, who plays opposite him, was in tears and with difficulty, followed her part. At every opportunity the audience applauded with enthusiasm, until at the end of a scene the comedian stepped to the front of the stage and in a tremulous voice said: "I want to thank you all for your applause and encouragement. I hope I shall always deserve it." Upon Mrs. Hitchcock's second entrance the actor called upon her to shake her husband's hand. As they stood with their hands clasped, the cheers were deafening and for a moment both performers seemed unable to continue. Then Mrs. Zabelle placed her unengaged hand on her husband's shoulder and kissed him. At this Hitchcock broke down completely and there were a good many wet eyes in the audience. Wallace Beery, who rose in a day from the chorus to the star's part, when Hitchcock was taken to the court during the matinee. "I was the happiest man in New York when Hitchcock came back," he said. "I tell you I was glad even if it does put me back in the chorus."

FREDERICTON EXPECTS A BIG FALL FRESHET

St. John River Has Risen a Foot Since Yesterday. FRESHET, N. B., Nov. 7.—(Special)—The funeral of the late James D. Reid took place this afternoon and had a large attendance despite the inclement weather. It was under the auspices of St. Andrew's Society of which the deceased had long been a member. Services were conducted at the home of his niece, Mrs. J. E. Colter, and interment was made in the old burying ground. The pallbearers were J. B. Harding, Alton Staples, John H. Fleming, Matthew Tennant, J. H. Hawthorn and John Palmer. The river here is rising rapidly and it looks as if the biggest fall freshet since 1900 will be on in a few days. Work on installing a government telephone system in the Star Line freight shed is being removed today, and Cropley is preparing to move his office to the large warehouse, which, as the rule, is only used during the winter of the spring. Beginning today steamers will run at the high water mark. The river has risen a foot since yesterday and it is expected to rise another half an inch an hour. There was a heavy rain here last night and the weather is still unsettled. Work on the new bridge piers will probably have to be abandoned until the ice forms. Under any consideration this fall, an agitation is on foot to have a law passed prohibiting the sale of building the Narrows bridge in Queens county has been awarded to Whiteman Brewer, of St. Mary's. This structure is to have a steel girder. W. P. McNeill & Company, of New Glasgow, have been awarded the contract for the steel superstructure for the Coogee bridge in Kent.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

VERMILION, Alb., Nov. 7.—(Special)—At the Liberal rally here on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Vermilion Liberal Association, Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works gave a summary of progress made by his department in installing a government telephone system in Alberta. The government, he said, at first intended to build long distance lines, but subsequently determined to build local exchanges and rural lines throughout the country. As a result of this policy they now had five hundred miles of long distance telephone lines, completed and in operation and a number of local exchanges and were steadily going ahead with the work. Mr. Cushing expressed the hope that both the Manitoba and Saskatchewan governments would take the matter up and put their trunk lines in as quickly as possible so that the line could be arranged to connect with Alberta and thus have a great government system all over the province. He thought it might be advisable in the near future for the government to control telegraphs.

TWO DOING WORK OF ONE

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 7.—(Special)—Nelson Month, minister of agriculture, C. C. Jones, deputy minister of agriculture, and Thomas Southworth, director of colonization, arrived here today, and had an interview with Hon. Frank Oliver and W. D. Scott, superintendent of Dominion immigration. The Ontario department of agriculture appears to think that there is an overlapping between the work of the Dominion and the province in regard to the distribution of immigration. The views of the delegation were presented along these lines, on the other hand the minister of the interior and his staff say there is no overlapping, the interior department at the present time only invites to come to Canada farmers, farm laborers, and domestics. These the department distributes and no other besides these three are laborers who do not work on farms. The Ontario department views the interior department work carried on by the Ontario government.

A GROUNDLESS COMPLAINT

A complaint was made to the Times today that horses belonging to two of the aldermen were being fed and cared for at the city stables, the inference being that the building has been a large horse boarding at the city's expense. From inquiries made, however, it appears that the complaint is groundless. The chairman of the water board (A. D. Frink), was seen this morning by a Times reporter in regard to the matter. He stated that the water and sewerage board are anxious to purchase at once three horses for express and trucking. The director and Veterinary Surgeon Simon have been unable to procure any suitable. In the meantime the chairman has told the director that he could have his horse-free of charge for express work and pipe hauling, until others were purchased—or

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City Hall and the post office, on the other side of the street. The only small which is said to be worse than that around City Hall, if we except the ferry toll houses, or Wun Lung in winter, is that of the post office, and the relative merits of the two is a source of frequent dispute between post-office clerks and employees at City Hall, who sometimes interrupt street car traffic while they stand half way between the two buildings and say things to each other. The sanitary engineer would be expected to keep the street clear without the aid of the police.

SCHOONER ADELLA ASHORE ON BEACON BAR THIS MORNING

She Was Taken Off By Tug After Losing Both of Her Anchors. Last Night's Storm One of the Wildest of the Season--Point Lepreaux Station Reports Wind Velocity of 70 Miles--Considerable Damage Done.

During the storm early this morning the Nova Scotia schooner Adella, Capt. Morrison, from Economy, N. S., dragged and broke both anchor chains and went ashore near Beatties' Beach, Blue Rock, west side, doing considerable damage to her hull. At the time the wind and sea were very heavy, and when the schooner grounded the crew thought it was all over with them, but as the tide was ebbing at the time she was soon left high and dry. The tug Nereid, Capt. McKennie, went to her assistance on the flood tide, and had a hard tow to pull her off, the tug's hawser was somewhat chafed and at one time the tugboat master thought his vessel would go ashore. However the Nereid was successful in towing the Adella off and bringing her up into the Market Slip where she will be examined.

A FRESHET AT SUSSEX

Water in River is Very High--Narrow Escape from Drowning This Morning. SUSSEX, N. B., Nov. 7 (Special)—On account of the recent rains the river here has overflowed its banks so that traffic is almost impossible in and out of Sussex. Frank Campbell, who works at W. H. Hayes' livery stable had a very narrow escape from being drowned this morning while driving near Sussex Corner. The horse, wagon and driver were swept off the road and down stream about 300 or 400 yards. They were lost from view at one time and it was thought by nearby neighbors that they would be drowned, but, fortunately, the current swept them near shore so they could get out. G. B. Fenwick had a car of live stock in by freight this morning and after unloading, while driving them to the upper corner, two cows got in the river near the cheese factory, and were swept down stream about half a mile. They were tied by horns and feet, and it was with much difficulty that they got out. One was almost exhausted when it reached shore, still rains hard and if it keeps up the freshet will do much damage.

GARNETT BEFORE POLICE COURT

Man Charged With Obtaining Goods on Forged Orders Given Hearing This Afternoon. The charge against Timothy Garnett, charged with obtaining goods from T. McAvity & Sons, and others on forged orders, was heard this afternoon by Magistrate Ritchie. J. E. Quinn went on the stand and examined five orders which were filed by McAvity's. He said the signatures were not his, nor his partner's, nor his book-keepers. The defendant had worked for him off and on for four years previous to September 1906, and again in May. Detective Killen said he could bring witnesses to show that goods had been obtained on these orders. Hammond Thorne, an employee of T. McAvity & Sons was called to the stand and told of filling one of the orders. Among the goods produced in court as having been obtained by Garnett were a hatchet, hammer, 2 shot guns, a box of cartridges, 2 cases of scissors, a box of knives and a desert spoon. The case was set aside until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SEVENTY YEARS OLD; SENT TO PENITENTIARY

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 7.—Dr. F. J. Tilford, president of the Bates National Bank of Butler, Mo., which failed a year ago, was sentenced yesterday to five years in the penitentiary. The conviction was on the charge of misapplying funds of the bank. Tilford is past 70 years old and is practically paralyzed. He pleaded guilty to the charges and was given the minimum sentence.

DROWNED IN A CANAL DURING DENSE FOG

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 7.—Minister of State Jonkheer Van Panhuys, his brother, Mayor Leek, and their wives, were all drowned last night while on their way to the canal at Hoogerkerk, during a dense fog. The city court case of the Wilson Co. an Upper Canadian firm, vs. Frank Downing, collector of this city, to recover \$1000, a balance due on 1000 sugar sticks, was resumed before Judge Ritchie this morning, resulting in judgment for defendant. Mr. Inches, the plaintiff's attorney, submitting to a non-suit, which will enable the plaintiff to take action again, should he be able to secure sufficient evidence.

ANOTHER MARTYR TO WATER STREET MUD

A resident of the west side called at the Times office this afternoon, wearing an overcoat, the front of which looked as if it had been treated to a mud bath. "This," he explained indignantly pointing to the bespattered garment, "is the fruits of attempting to cross Water street from the entrance to the ferry house." The gentleman in question says that two ladies were also smothered by the showers of mud from the hoofs of truck horses which are allowed to stand on Water street until the boat comes in, and then splash their way to the floats. The outlay of a little human intelligence on the part of the powers that be would render such a condition as this impossible.

His Roof Blown Off

To have the roof taken from over his head was the experience of H. W. Stackhouse, of Spar Cove Road, last night. When the storm was at its wildest and Mr. Stackhouse and his family were sleeping, a fierce blast lifted the roof, which is a flat one, completely off the house, turned it over and deposited it on the road near by. The household were in consequence exposed to the elements. They managed, however, to get cover in the lower flat. The house is a two story structure is a new one, having been completed only a short time ago.

Minor Damage

The police report that the large metal postal parcel box at the corner of Charlotte and North Market streets was blown down, being found lying in North Market street. A couple of large trees on the upper side of the old burial ground were uprooted and a crew of men are today saving them up preparatory to their removal. One of these trees was sufficiently close to a grave-stone on which was inscribed Saml. Lee, to admit of some speculation as to whether any portion of the remains would be discovered.

Halifax Has It Too

HALIFAX, Nov. 7 (Special)—One of the heaviest snowfalls felt here for a long time raged from midnight last night up to nearly noon today. The wind reached a velocity of 45 miles. Rain fell in torrents causing considerable damage to the streets. It is raining hard this afternoon.

Earl Grey This Morning Signed Order in Council Approving Death Sentence.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 7 (Special)—Lord Grey signed an order in council today approving the law to take its course in the case of Thomas Collins for the murder of Mary Ann McAvley. Collins will be hanged on the 15th instant.

Surprised and Bound by Burglars He Calmly Waits for Sure Death--Escapes in Time

VANCOUVER, Nov. 7.—(Special)—Surprised by four burglars who held guns at his head and then bound his hands behind his back and threw him under the table, Walter Wittmeyer engineer of the Vancouver Breweries waited for the hold-up until he had time to blow him and the robbers to pieces. The night engineer was just turning water into the boiler after his lunch when four masked men covered him. The engineer watched the burglars prepare to blow the safe with nitro-glycerine, mentally calculating that within a very few minutes lack of water in the boilers in the plant would cause an explosion that would bring the building down about their ears. At the first attack on the safe with explosives the police arrived and opened fire on the gang, who escaped. The engineer is being freed, rushed to the engine room and was just in time to save the plant.

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THE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The members of the local government arrived this morning from Fredericton and met in the government rooms, Church street, as the provincial hospital commissioners. A number of tenders for supplies were received and opened, but no action will be taken toward awarding contracts until this evening.