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A BOSTON VIEW OF IT.

(Boston Transcript.) The ministers who went with the officers of the law to arrest players in a Sunday game of baseball in a Nebraska city were greatly lacking in diplomacy. Their efforts should have been limited to arousing the moral consciousness of the people to a point where any unworthy use of Sunday would not be tolerated. If they failed in this method they could not hope to gain anything in the struggle for spiritual ideals among the people by mixing up in the work of the police. The Man of Nazareth and his disciples understood this, and beyond removing intruders from the temple none of them ever attempted to get beyond an earnest effort to awaken the spiritual natures of men.

SUNDAY IN PORTLAND.

(Portland, Me., Press.) The New Meadows river is one of the most picturesque places about Casco Bay. The steamer Pejeppoc will leave Portland Pier next Sunday at ten a. m., sailing almost the entire length of the bay and past some of the famous resorts and its most beautiful islands giving people a chance to get a good shore dinner at Orr's Island and at the Gurnet house.

A Sunday sail on the Harpswell Steamboat Co.'s boats is an experience to be enjoyed and long remembered. On Sunday one of the fastest boats of this company will leave the Portland Pier at 2.15 o'clock sailing the entire length of the bay, giving people a chance to see Eagle Island, Lieut. Peary's future home, Orr's Island, and many other charming and historical places, returning to Portland at 5.30 o'clock.

ORDEAL FOR DIPLOMATS.

Foreign ambassadors in China are required to go through a difficult ordeal, as the following incident shows: Young Lu, a cabinet minister, recently invited the foreign representatives at Peking to a dinner, which began at 10 o'clock in the morning and did not end until 3 o'clock on the following morning. During this time 125 different dishes were placed before the guests. "As dinners of this kind are not rare," says one of the foreign representatives, "it is evident that no one should go as an ambassador to China who has not a good stomach."

A PRETTY TOAST.

(Milwaukee Free Press.) A pretty toast which is proposed in the navy is this: "Gentlemen, I ask you to drink to sweethearts and wives, May the sweetheart become the wife and the wife always remain the sweetheart."

LONDON, July 24.—The tower of the first Methodist church was struck by lightning this morning and the edifice damaged to the extent of \$3,500. It was fully covered by insurance.

There are six grades in Red Rose tea, at 25, 30, 35, 40, 50 and 60 cents per pound.

COPY FOR SATURDAY'S ISSUE OF THE STAR should be sent in EARLY FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, to ensure change, as the paper goes to press earlier on Saturdays than on other days of the week.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. George Preston, of Boston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. McLean, 92 St. James street.

The announcement is made that Old Orchard, Me., will hold her first camp meeting July 28th to August 12th.

The quality of Red Rose tea does not vary. It is kept up to the high standard which has won its great popularity.

John G. McNeil was instantly killed yesterday morning at North Sydney Junction. He fell between the engine and the tender of a train.

The Silver Stars defeated the Young Acadias last evening by a score of 9 to 8. The batteries were: Silver Stars, Scott and Seely; Acadias, Kane and Foley.

The Coronations, of the East End, would like a game of baseball with the Elmwoods, on the B. and A. grounds on Tuesday evening. Answer through the Star.

The body of the late Mrs. E. B. Ketchum will be brought to the city at noon tomorrow and taken to St. John's (stone) church, from where the funeral will be held at half-past two o'clock.

E. S. Smiley, of the traffic department of the I. C. R., and formerly assistant to William Robinson, while district freight agent here, will assume the duties of the late W. G. Robertson until a permanent appointment is made. —Telegraph.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Susan W. Carman, wife of Charles H. Carman, took place this afternoon at three o'clock from the Mission church. Services were conducted by the Rev. Owen Jones, and the body was interred in Fernhill.

A concert will be given this evening in the Fairville Presbyterian church, at which Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison will read some of his own French-Canadian poems and also some of Dr. Drummond's. Ernest Williams, clarinet soloist, and other city talent will take part.

THE R. A. GOOD TIME.

The visit of the members of St. John council, Royal Arcanum, to Sussex last evening was most enjoyable. After a St. John team did degree work there was adjournment for luncheon, and after that a round of toasts. For the Supreme Council, J. E. Irvine of St. John and Mr. Burnyeat of Moncton responded; for Visiting Brethren, Messrs. Huston and Strong of Moncton and J. N. Wetmore and D. McNally of St. John; for Commercial and Manufacturing Interests, Messrs. Mills, McKay and King of Sussex; for the Press, H. P. Robinson, H. R. Ross and E. A. Charters; for the Ladies, Messrs. Thompson, Fairweather, A. Robertson and Charters of Sussex. C. W. Stockton, regent of Sussex Council, presided, and had on either side J. N. Wetmore of St. John and Mr. Huston of Moncton. Musical selections were contributed by J. T. Kelly of St. John and Miss Hallett of Sussex, and there were also gramophone selections. The visitors voted thanks to Sussex Council and all were delighted with the reception accorded them by the Sussex brethren and their ladies, who attended at the luncheon.

Black Brocaded Dress Goods, Silk and Wool Effect, \$1.00 quality, for 50c; 60c quality, for 25c. "Bargain Day every day," at the late S. C. Porter's Estate Sale, 11 Charlotte Street.

HALIFAX MAN TESTIFIES.

"For ten years," said a Halifax man to the Star today, "I have been visiting St. John, not often, but several times a year, and staying from a day to a week. I have never yet seen fog in this city. I've read a lot about St. John fog, but so far as my own experience for ten years goes I have yet to see the article."

MAY STRIKE AFTER ALL.

(Sydney Post.) The workmen of the transfer ship Scotia have agreed to work one week longer, pending an investigation of their grievance. On the 18th inst., Messrs. Mulholland and Gesner were at Mulgrave but so far as the men are concerned no enquiry was made into their side of the case.

WORKING IN SYDNEY.

(Sydney Post.) E. E. Shaw arrived from St. John Wednesday night with a gang of experienced metal roofers, who will be put to work at once on the galvanized roof of the rolling mills of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., for which Mr. Shaw has secured the contract.

Summer Dress Goods Fancy Weaves, from 15c to 25c. "Bargain Day every day," at the late S. C. Porter's store, 11 Charlotte St.

DORCHESTER NOTES.

DORCHESTER, July 23.—Mrs. Emerson and Mrs. B. H. Thomas leave by the C. E. R. for St. John, Fredericton and Margareville today on a ten days' visit.

A large company of our young men attended W. B. Meynall and bride, who returned to Dorchester last evening after an extensive wedding trip to Canadian cities. Rev. R. H. Thomas and A. A. Steeves have been elected by the I. O. F. as representatives to attend the High Court of Foresters which meets in St. Stephen on August 5th.

Girls, remember that a promise to die for you is no good unless accompanied by a life insurance policy.

POLICE COURT.

Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep—A Nova Scotia's Fall.

Charley Seely, like the ancient mariner whom he resembles, hankered after a life on the ocean wave. He went to the Cove slip last night and curled up in a small boat which was fastened to the wharf. His intention was to remain there for the night, where the motion of the boat would calm his troubled mind and add to the pleasantness of his dreams. But Charley was rudely awakened by the cops, who laboriously escorted him to the Water Street lockup. This morning Magistrate Henderson ordered that he be sent to the almshouse.

Clarence Home comes from Nova Scotia, and in spite of the opportunities open to him in that province he never tasted liquor until arriving in St. John. But like others in this city he fell, and having fallen was unable to get up. The police found him sleeping quietly on Moran's wharf and heartlessly arrested him. This morning, though ever so humble, Home was fined two dollars.

Two little boys, colored, Herbert and William Gloss, were taken in charge for wandering about the streets late last night, dodging into doorways and in general acting in an unseemly manner. This morning they endeavored to gloss over the matter by saying they had been sent on an errand, but this old gag was not accepted, and the boys were sent down to separate cells until their parents could be brought to court.

Edward J. Heinz was reported for working in the city without a license. He was ordered to make out the necessary document immediately—or sooner.

PERSONAL.

Thomas Millidge is visiting at the rectory, Oak Bay.

Miss Dever, of St. John is the guest of Rev. Father Carson, St. George.

Mrs. C. F. Robinson, of St. John, is visiting Mrs. A. W. Jackson, Milltown.

Mrs. Harry Blisset and family left yesterday for a month's visit to the Washademoak Lake.

P. S. MacNutt and Mrs. MacNutt returned today from their visit to the Pacific coast.

Mrs. Clara B. Arthur, of Detroit, is visiting her sisters, the Misses Peters, at the Clifton Hotel.

Miss Edna G. Powers and Miss Helen Powers, of Rockland road, will leave tomorrow morning to visit friends in Presque Isle.

R. Johnson, of St. John, with his wife and two children, has taken the cottage at Sleepy Hollow for a few weeks, during the vacation.—St. Croix Courier.

David Hudson, formerly of W. H. Thorne & Co.'s, but at present with the firm of A. C. Thompson, Glace Bay, arrived in the city last night on a week's holiday.

Friends of F. C. Macneil, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the private hospital, will be pleased to learn that he is improving rapidly and expects to leave the hospital on Tuesday next.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cunard of St. John, are visiting Mrs. Cunard's sister, Mrs. F. B. Colman, Fredericton.

Miss Constance Anderson of Chatham, N. B., is the guest of her friend Miss Jennie Scott, of Prince street, West End.

THOSE PETTY BURGLARIES.

The police have not been by any means idle in the cases of burglary which have recently been reported and concerning the guilty parties. The stealing of a silver mug and silver spoons from Thomas McPherson's house on Union street, and of tools from Morrison's carpenter shop on Charlotte street was done by one man who has frequently been arrested in this city for drunkenness and other similar offenses. He is away from St. John for the greater part of the time and left the city on Monday last after committing these burglaries. In the case of stealing from John O'Regan's liquor warehouse, two young boys were the offenders. They climbed through the window on Sunday and carried away several bottles of liquor with which they became drunk. It is probable that further action will be taken in this case whenever sufficient evidence is secured.

The person who entered King's shoe-making shop on Carmarthen street and stole therefrom two pairs of boots is also known. He pawned the boots in a second-hand store where they have since been recovered by the police.

SHR GOT DRUNK.

Yesterday forenoon a young woman was found lying drunk on Canon street, and was removed by some residents of that street to the Salvation Army Rescue Home. As liquor had been taken in a manner somewhat different from what is usually the case, the matron of the home sent for Dr. T. D. Walker as a precautionary measure. It was learned that the woman came from Calais on an excursion train. She gave a name which was believed to be incorrect.

To those who attended her she stated that she had been robbed and Sergt. Kilpatrick went down to investigate, but the statement was not repeated. The woman was simply drunk, and having recovered from the effects of her spree left for her home by the Shore line train this morning.

J. G. WALKER GONE WEST.

Joseph G. Walker, manager of the Maritime Casket and Woodworking Co., has been compelled to resign his position through ill-health, and has gone back to his old home in Ontario. Mr. Walker is succeeded in the management of the Casket Co. by Mr. Hickson, who took charge this week. It is stated that some change may be made in this business, and among other things it has been suggested that the capital stock of the company be increased by \$20,000.

PROBABLY NO CELEBRATION.

Mayor White said today that it was probable that no celebration would be held in St. John on Coronation day. It is not likely that August 9th will be proclaimed a holiday here, and as yet no steps have been taken to call together the joint or any other committee. A number of aldermen spoken to by the Star incline to the opinion that it might be advisable to shoot off the fireworks now on hand.

WELCOMED HOME.

James I. Earle Presented With a Ring —Fred McMullin Handsomely Remembered.

James I. Earle was not yet twenty years of age when he went through the famous Hart's River fight in South Africa, and saw men on either side of him wounded by Boer bullets, but he is not boastful of that fact, because one day when the regiment was worried by "sniping" they rounded up the sniper and found him to be a Boer boy of twelve years, with two bandoliers and a rifle, popping away with perfect coolness, and declaring after his capture that he would do it again if he got the chance.

But Mr. Earle went through the campaign and came home bigger and healthier than he went away, despite the hardships that were on either side under him and subjected him to other experiences decidedly interesting, apart from the fierce battle at Hart's River.

He was not quite prepared, however, for the experience that befel him last evening. He got home on the morning train from Halifax, and there was great rejoicing at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Earle, St. Patrick street. His sister, Mrs. Howard Bell, lives in the same building. It was gaily decorated with flags in honor of his return and last evening a large company of the militia, headed by Mr. Earle, met him on behalf of a number of old comrades, Capt. Beverly R. Armstrong, who himself lost a limb in the South African war, presented Mr. Earle with a heavy gold ring, having on the outside the initials "J. I. E." and on the inside the inscription: To J. I. E., on his return from South Africa, July, 1902.

Capt. Armstrong in a happy speech referred to Mr. Earle's connection with the St. John militia, the 62nd Regiment, and to the fact that his father, who joined the artillery some twenty years ago, had been and is now a faithful member of that regiment. He also spoke of the South African war, now ended, in which the Canadians, including the hero of the evening, had borne themselves with so much credit to themselves and their country.

Mr. Earle in appreciation of the honor done him, and then the assembled friends proceeded to have a good time. A bountiful supper was served and later there was music and general conversation, and the happy party did not break up until after midnight when they joined hands and sang Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem.

Out on the street the boys kept a bonfire blazing until late in the night. Mr. Earle told of one of the "drives" in which he participated. There were about 7000 men in it, and they covered about 50 miles of territory, rounding up some 500 Boers and a large amount of live stock. His discharge shows that his conduct was "very good," and he was never in hospital for a day. Beyond the fact that his colonel was the most popular officer in the C. M. R., he has no criticisms to offer. He did the work that fell to his lot, and is glad now to be home again, but the happiest people on that score are his parents and sister; though his mother did confess to the Star last evening that she seemed to have lost her boy and found a man.

Fred McMullin received a warm reception and was heartily greeted all day yesterday by his many friends. His popularity was further attested last night, when a delegation of his North End friends and admirers waited upon him at his home and presented him with an appreciative address and a more substantial token of their esteem and good wishes in the shape of a rich gold watch chain and charm.

The address, which eloquently and gracefully expressed the feelings of the company regarding Corporal McMullin, was read with feeling and impressiveness by F. M. Fidgeon. After the recipient had made due and grateful response, the boys spent a jolly evening with song and stories and refreshments.

MR. EVANS'S TWO TURTLES.

Sanford Evans, of 25 Seelye street, has in his possession two turtles which are not at present intended for the foundation of soup. They are living happily in a tank and garden which Mr. Evans has built for them at his home. These reptiles are said to belong to the Cheloniidae family. Although the Star will not vouch for the truth of the statement, they are described as having eight glacial bones, the entoplasts being absent, nuchal bone with short costiform processes extending below the margins; carapace with epidermic scutes; caudal vertebrae procoelous. In this they differ from the Pseudocheloniidae family, which carries a shell without epidermic scutes. This may not be believed, but it is so stated on good authority. Whatever doubts may arise can easily be dispelled by a look at the creatures as they "rubber" around the home arranged for them by Mr. Evans.

DR. OROHYATEKHA.

At their last meeting the central committee of the I. O. F. in this city decided if possible to hold a reception in honor of Dr. Oronhyatekha, S. C. E., when he comes down to attend the high court at St. Stephen. High chief ranger, E. R. Chapman, wrote to the supreme chief inviting him to arrange if possible to come here, but yesterday he received a reply to the effect that prior engagements will make it impossible for the supreme chief to accept the invitation. From St. Stephen he goes to F. E. Island and Nova Scotia, and regrets that he cannot remain over for a day or so at St. John.

DOAKTOWN FIRE.

The dwelling house and barns of David Betts of Doaktown were burned to the ground at 12 o'clock Wednesday night. The family had retired for the night, and but for the timely arrival of a neighbor, who was passing and gave the alarm, the whole family might have perished. A good deal of the furniture was saved. The fire started in the barn, but its origin is unknown. The total loss is about \$1,800, upon which Mr. Betts has \$500 insurance.

MATTAWA, July 24.—Leblanc Bros.

saw mill, etc., was struck by lightning this morning and burned to the ground. Loss heavy.

F. R. PATTERSON, A SALE OF SMALL WARES FOR SATURDAY. THE SMALL WARE COUNTER IS CROWDED WITH USEFUL GOODS. LADIES' FANCY HAND'CHIEFS. SPECIAL 16c. EACH. See window. WAIST and SKIRT SUPPORTERS. A NEW INVENTION, 19c. EACH. See corner window. A SPECIAL DRIVE IN SOAP. 3 CAKES FOR 10c. In a Nice Box. See corner window. COR. CHARLOTTE & DUKE STS. STORE OPEN SATURDAY NIGHT TILL 11.30.

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