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## CAUGHT A FAMILY OF FOXES.

John Scott of Golden Grove is a farmer of renown. He is also a trapper on a small scale, and a short time ago, while visiting one of his traps which had been left in a promising looking position, he found in it a full grown female fox. From certain signs visible only to the initiated, Mr. Scott believed that there was a family of foxes concealed somewhere in the vicinity, and having heard that these creatures had holes in the ground he instituted a search. The result was gratifying. Mr. Scott found in a small cave five young foxes, and near them a rabbit and a crow. Not having any salt to sprinkle on the bird's tail he did not catch it, although the crow gave him good caws, nor did he feel the necessity of possessing a rabbit's foot, so his attention was wholly confined to the five young foxes, and these he removed to his own house. Here they have flourished and are now the playmates of a number of dogs of about their own age. Since making his capture Mr. Scott has received many requests from persons in the city for the foxes, but as yet he has not parted with any of them.

William F. Smith of Woodstock died yesterday, aged 71 years. He was a native of Fredericton.

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STONE OPEN EVENINGS.

The steamer Cumberland brought fifty-three passengers to this port last night.

The board of works will meet tomorrow afternoon. The matter of the Mo-Leod wharf improvements will probably come up.

Phillip Lipson has been reported by the police for doing business in the city, taking orders for waterproof coats, without a license.

There will be an excellent concert in the school room of Exmouth street church this evening in aid of Glad Tidings Mission.

W. B. Scarcliffe has been engaged as musical director of the Tabernacle church. He has now a choir of thirty voices under his supervision.

May 24th will be a school holiday in New Brunswick as in the past. As it comes on Saturday this year, it will be observed on the following Monday in the schools.

Leo Altmann is leaving Halifax early in June and will settle in New York, where he is well-known as a great concert violinist. Mr. Altmann will make his last bow to a Halifax audience at the Mme. Harrison concert, May 22nd.

A very interesting lecture will be delivered in the Carleton Baptist church on Friday evening of this week by Rev. Mr. Bates of Amherst, N. S. Subject, "Cripples." The Exmouth street male quartette will furnish music.

Work is now going on getting the old graveyard into proper condition. A number of tulips in the beds have already blossomed and the lawn mower was busy today removing the surplus grass. The old hot house has been removed and men are now at work putting up a neat tool house at the lower side.

Says the Fredericton Gleaner:—"The St. John fire department has two trained horses to sell, horses which are to be light for the work of hauling the heavy apparatus over the big hills at that city. Ald. Stockford expects to go to St. John next week to look over these horses and may possibly purchase one for the department."

The St. John Street Railway Company have just received a number of pieces of special work for the main line, which will be placed in position on the streets in a few days. These special pieces are made of the new manganese steel, a brand which although even harder than ordinary steel is perfectly flexible and cannot be broken.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Teresa McArdle took place at half-past two o'clock this afternoon from her late home, 179 Brussels street. The body was taken to the cathedral, where the burial service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Cormier. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. The pallbearers were James McCarthy, Thomas McGulre, Martin Dolan, William Campbell, Patrick Murphy and Thomas Dwyer.

## JONES-SMITH.

Fashionable Wedding at St. Stephen this afternoon.

At half past three o'clock this afternoon a fashionable, although very quiet wedding took place at St. Stephen when Frederick Caverhill Jones, of this city, son of Simeon Jones, was united in marriage to Miss Roberta Emma Smith, daughter of the late Capt. T. J. Smith, of St. Stephen.

The ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. Charles F. Beard, by the Rev. F. Robertson, of the St. Stephen Episcopal church. Those present included only the immediate relatives of the parties.

The house was beautifully adorned with a profusion of palms, plants and flowers, amid which twinkled many electric lights. The bride was attired in a white satin made emtrain and trimmed richly with duchesse lace.

Among the guests present from out of town were Simeon Jones, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Jones, and Miss Troop, of St. John, and Mrs. Barnes, of East Somerville, Mass.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Charles F. Beard, of St. Stephen, as matron of honor, and the groom was supported by C. E. McL. Troop, of St. John.

After the ceremony luncheon was served and a reception held, and at six o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Jones took the Washington Counties train on a visit to New York and Washington. They will be absent for some weeks, and on their return will reside in the house on Germain street formerly occupied by G. Wetmore Merritt.

Miss Smith was the recipient of a great many beautiful gifts. Among them were a pair of fine cut glass vases and a fruit dish from the employees of the Jones' brewery.

## THE FRUIT TRADE.

Reports received from Montreal in regard to the sale of the cargo of the Forest Home, last week, state that the fruit was badly heated. The lemons, especially, were in poor condition and sold at from 40c to \$1.50 per box. Considering the condition of the oranges on the vessel, they brought high prices, from \$2.20 to \$3.00 per box, being received. Toronto people would not touch this cargo at all, on account of the condition of the stock.

A prominent wholesale fruit dealer told the Star today that oranges are going to be very high this summer. Jamaicas are now out of the market. Valencias are practically done and are arriving in a very unsatisfactory condition. The only satisfactory oranges to handle at present are Sorrentos, and this stock, if kept in a cool place, will remain in good condition for the first of July trade.

In regard to lemons, so long as the present cool weather continues lemons will be cheap. The only thing that will make an advance in this fruit will be a hot wave, which will cause all the poor stock now on the market to rot and consequently will create a demand for better stock.

## THE HOSPITAL.

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the butter. Those tendering said they could not afford to sent better. This was remedied in a short time; but the matter of food was a matter of controversy very often. The commissioners gave him a free hand in this matter.

To Commissioner Knowlton—"I think that often the food at the hospital is not up to the standard. This is especially true of the butter; it was not the kind sick people should get; but this time, although from some of the witnesses of some of the witnesses you would think good food never came in. The manner of serving is perhaps not satisfactory and that can only be done with a larger staff."

Dr. Emery, "I found that this was the only institution where more than one tray of food went up at a time. In other places each patient had his own tray. I found very few places, however, where there was not complaints, especially among women."

The witness, continuing said, "that it was of the utmost importance that the food should be of the best."

To Commissioner Knowlton—"I do not think it wise to receive private patients."

Dr. Emery said that the complaints were, concerning the food and the cleanliness.

The chairman said that in nearly all the hospitals he visited there were vermin at times. The Massachusetts general was the only institution where he was told that a bed bug was never seen. At Portland hospital patients infested with vermin were refused.

To Mr. Trueman Dr. Emery said the cost of fourteen cents per day for the patient's food is too low.

"Do you mean to tell me that fourteen cents a day is all the cost," asked the chairman.

"Yes, your honor," said Mr. Trueman.

Mr. Coster—"Mr. Thomas, the secretary, tells me that the cost is 20 cents a day."

Mr. Trueman—"I will lay the figures before your honor."

Dr. Emery, continuing, said that the staff of nurses was inadequate. There are sixteen of them. After graduation sometimes one nurse is retained as a nurse. Her duties are mainly to look after the surgical department."

There is practically no superintendent of the hospital, although the matron has that long her duties. There should be a superintendent who would look after the nurses. At present time the nurses are not getting any practical instruction in regard to cooking. They are getting a theoretical training. In saying there are 16 with the exception of the time when the senior nurses are present, they are all pupil nurses and there may be times when ten have been in the institution for only a month. There should be a couple of trained nurses, one as night superintendent, and the other as assistant to the superintendent. The hospital has been always weak in its male nursing. This has been partly remedied lately. It was absolutely necessary that there should be an apothecary.

To Mr. Trueman: I do not think it advisable to bring sailors into the hospital. The amount per head received for them is, I think, low. These men also bring in a class of diseases which if our people had they would not be received."

To the chairman: As far as the epidemic hospital goes it is well to have it where it is, for scarlet fever and the like. I do not think it well as a place for the treatment of smallpox. There is liable to be intercommunication.

In answer to another question Dr. Emery said the St. John hospital was primarily intended for the poor. No provision was made for the medical attendance on private patients outside of the regular staff. If an outside physician was allowed in to look after private patients the commissioners would incur the responsibility of his action without control. If these physicians were allowed there would have to be a radical change in the law.

To the chairman: The sterilizing apparatus at the hospital is sufficient for the purpose.

To Comm. Knowlton: There is no adequate system of ventilation in this hospital. It was a good building when it was erected, but it is not up to the mark as a modern hospital. A complete change would be necessary in order to bring this matter about. The beds and other equipment are being gradually replaced with something more modern.

To Mr. Trueman: Sick immigrants have been admitted. They paid at the rate of \$1 a day. I do not believe they should have been allowed in. They would not be admitted into the United States. It was not possible to prevent vermin from getting into the hospital. It was a question of close supervision to prevent them spreading.

The chairman explained that at almost every hospital he was in bed bugs had been present at one time or other. In Halifax when the vermin were discovered in the hospital hot steam was used.

To Mr. Coster: Dr. Emery said he had not seen bed bugs in this hospital very often. There is a steam appliance used for the purification of beds and the like. In regard to the number of nurses the witness said that some doctors claimed that a nurse could look after six patients. As a general rule he found that the nurses looked well after their duties. They received a good training, the same as in any other hospital. The nurses got the same butter, bread, eggs and meat as the patients. The physicians' orders as to diet were carried out. Patients never come under his notice that the clothes of patients had to be burned. There was no profit, so far as he knew, in receiving the sailors. The commissioners, he believed, did exceptionally good work with the money at their disposal.

The chairman thanked Dr. Emery for his valuable testimony and

DR. W. A. CHRISTIE was called. He testified that he was a house surgeon in the years 1833 to 1856. He did not think that the General Public was a modern hospital. A large amount of space, taken up by the winding stairs, could not be utilized.

There is no system of ventilation, and the method of heating, while better than formerly, was inadequate. The temperature went down as low as 55 last winter; but there was some trouble about double windows. The present system of ventilation might at times be detrimental to the patients. The food, he believed, was all right. He had heard complaints concerning bread and butter. During his time in the hospital he had complained about the bad bread. He had to be constantly vigilant in order to keep the food up to the standard. He did not know whether better bread could be obtained if it were made in the hospital. There should be a better system of serving food, particularly of its coming up hot.

Dr. Christie said he found that at times when nurses were wanted they were out of the ward, and medicines orders that were given were not given. Baths that were ordered were not given, sometimes for weeks. This would be the oversight of the superintendent as well as the nurses, and there was no excuse for this. Private patients at times complained that their calls were not heeded. The nurses would explain that they were doing some work at another spot and did not hear the bell. Dr. Christie said at times patients were found with very high temperature, concerning which there was no record made. He made complaints concerning these things to the commissioners of the month.

"What would you propose as a remedy?" asked the chairman.

"A lady superintendent, with absolute power over the nurses and three head nurses."

In answer to a question in regard to interference by the commissioners, Dr. Christie said:—"A nurse whom I spoke to in regard to keeping a record of temperature, replied impatiently and I spoke rather sharply to her. She asked for an investigation. The commissioners told me I should have spoken to her more gently. Another time he and the matron refused to sign the certificates of two nurses; four of them had given considerable trouble during their time at the hospital. He does not think they should receive their certificates. There was a bye-law to the effect that the names of the superintendent and matron were necessary, but in this matter, as in the other, the commissioners over-ruled him."

Dr. Christie thought it was all right to have nine commissioners; but he thought there should also be a permanent superintendent. There should be a ward kitchen for each ward, the nurses would thus get a better idea of the cooking. Medicines in the wards are not kept under proper custody. If there is whiskey there the patient can get it. Poisons, as a usual rule, are not kept there. What about a patient getting whiskey this way?" asked Mr. Trueman.

"Is that what you call poison?" asked the chairman.

The witness said it had come under his notice that patients had got hold of the whiskey. In regard to medicine, he has always been able to get anything required, although some of the commissioners sometimes objected to furnishing elixirs.

To Mr. Coster:—"The apparatus for sterilizing the beds will do the business, but he did not consider it a good one. The nurses, as a rule, looked after their duties pretty well; a nurse can attend to six or eight patients. He had never complained of vermin, and was not much troubled with them while there, and had not seen many since."

To the chairman: I do not believe in admitting sailors."

To Commissioner Knowlton:—"I do not think private patients should be received."

To Mr. Trueman:—"A meeting was held in Dr. Hayward's about two years ago, at which general dissatisfaction was expressed by the doctors about hospital affairs."

Adjournment was made until half past two.

## ANOTHER STRIKE.

Which Made the Street Railway Extension "Stop Before It Started."

Work on the Douglas Avenue branch car line did not commence this morning, although all preparations were made for it. Tools and tool boxes were placed in position, supplies were in readiness, the survey was completed, lines drawn on the street for the guidance of the men where the work was to have been started—picks and shovels were laid out for use and the foremen were there to superintend the job. But the necessary laborers did not see fit to work.

At seven o'clock upwards of fifty men had collected for the purpose of obtaining employment, but some disagreement arose in regard to the rate of wages, and this resulted in all of the men refusing to start work.

Manager Neilson, in consideration of the fact that the railway company is supplying all the tools, believed that \$1.25 per day, which is somewhat higher than laborers usually earn, would be enough. The men did not seem to hold the same opinion and demanded \$1.50. This was refused and the men did not commence work.

In speaking to the Star today Mr. Neilson said he was pleased that this affair happened when it did, before the ground was broken, for had the work waited until work was well under way it would have been much more annoying. He thinks the rate of pay offered the laborers is fair enough and believed that plenty of men can be secured to work at that rate. The laying of the track will not begin for a few days, and in the meantime other men will be secured to take the place of those who refused to work this morning.

## MRS. ISAAC B. MURRAY.

The death occurred yesterday morning under particularly sad circumstances of Mrs. Annie Louise Murray, wife of Isaac B. Murray, accountant with J. M. & C. W. Hope Grant, Mrs. Murray was formerly Miss Northrup, but had lived from childhood with her aunt, Mrs. Robert J. Dibble. She was but 23 years of age and a bride of less than a year. On Sunday afternoon the deceased contracted a sudden cold which, in a few hours developed into congestion of the lungs. The same evening she gave birth to twins, one of whom has since died. Mrs. Murray was a consistent and faithful member of St. James Episcopal church and

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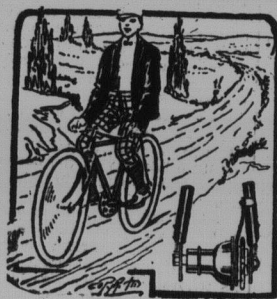
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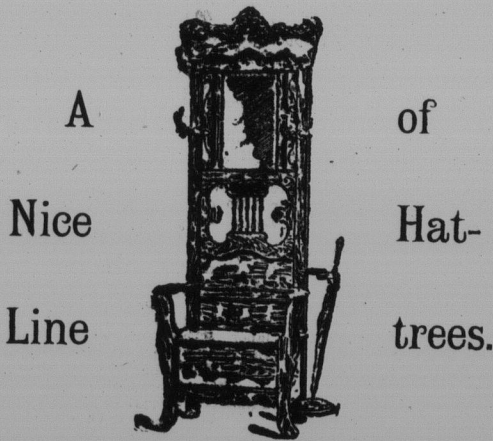
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## R. K. Y. CLUB.

The yacht Jubilee and Robin Hood were yesterday launched from the R.

K. Y. club house at Millidgeville and are about ready for the season's work. Nearly all of the other yachts which have not been put in the water, are ready and within a very few days the whole lot of them will be afloat. The restaurant at the club house, in charge of Mr. Carpenter, is now in running order, well equipped, and members of the club can obtain meals at any and all hours.