

ST. JOHN STAR, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1905.

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Extra Special Sale for Men, Women and Children.

In Our Ladies' Store We Offer

- Ladies' Fleeced Lined Vests and Drawers ..... 38c each
Ladies' Cashmere Hose, two pairs for..... 25c
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Ladies' Walking Skirts, blue or black Frieze, also Mixed Tweeds, newest cut,.....\$1.98 to \$6.00
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- Men's Overcoats, black or grey Frieze, long fashionable cut, \$4.98
Men's Overcoats, imported Tweeds, stripes and checks, long fashionable cut..... \$6.50 to \$8.50
Men's English Beaver Overcoats, double lap seams, best make; regular price, \$14.00,.....now \$10.00
Men's Suits, Canadian Tweed, all desirable shades, Double or Single Breasted,.....\$5.00 to \$8.50
Men's Heavy Serge Suits; regular \$14.00,..... now \$10.50
Men's Black Cheviot Suits,..... \$7.50 to \$14.00
Boys' Overcoats,..... \$3.00 Up
Men's Wool Fleeced Shirts and Drawers,.....35c
Men's Unshrinkable All Wool Shirts and Drawers, .... 75c
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Double Breasted Cardigans, for men,..... Only 89c
Men's Black Overalls,..... 45c

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SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

Liquor License Inspectors Accused of Grave Offenses—A Victoria Co. Magistrate's Queer Action.

At the meeting of the provincial government held at Fredericton yesterday afternoon, a number of important matters were considered.

Solicitor General Jones was appointed a special commissioner to conduct three separate investigations into charges made against public officials of the province.

A petition signed by a number of influential and responsible persons of Gloucester county, was presented to the government, in which grave charges were made against the three liquor license commissioners and the liquor inspector of that county.

The petition alleged that the commissioners repeatedly refused to prosecute upon information given to them, and that they openly countenanced the illegal selling of liquor, and permitted persons holding wholesale licenses to sell liquor by retail, knowing that such was done.

Charges have also been made against G. Miles McCrea, liquor license inspector for Victoria county, that he has collected a large amount of money for licenses, which he has not made returns of to the government, as required by law, and also that he has incurred unnecessary and useless expense in instituting legal prosecutions, by bringing a large number of cases against each individual, thereby incurring excessive costs. It is further alleged that the inspector proposes to pay all these expenses out of the liquor license fund, and that such a course is not in compliance with the act.

A complaint was also received against John B. Stevenson, a justice of the peace, residing on Tobique River, Victoria county. Justice Stevenson is charged with making an improper use of his position to shield certain poachers living in the same district. The specific charge made in this case was that the fish warden of the Tobique Salmon Club caught two poachers at work one night, both of them wearing masks, and seized their canoe. The guilty parties were well known, and it is alleged that the justice of the peace was familiar with the facts of the case. Notwithstanding this, the justice, at the instance of the poachers, issued a search warrant, under the criminal code, and a constable acting under it, seized the canoe from the warden, and returned it to the parties from whom it was seized. Justice Stevenson, it is alleged, has also refused to give any information concerning the case to the government, claiming, in effect, that it is none of his business.

The solicitor general will investigate all these charges, and will go to the counties mentioned and take evidence

under oath. He will also inquire into the whole operation of the liquor license law in the counties of Victoria and Gloucester, with a view of determining how its administration can be improved.

The solicitor general expects to take up these charges just as soon as the Preston case, in which he will represent the crown, is disposed of, and will probably commence the investigations before Christmas.

The tenders for the Fredericton bridge were not awarded. A number of accounts incurred for the suppression of the outbreak of smallpox in Sunbury and Charlotte counties and Chatham, were passed. The attorney general and solicitor general came to the city last evening by the Boston express. The premier, the surveyor general and Hon. C. H. Lablache went through to their homes, while Hon. I. P. Harris remained in Fredericton. There will be no meeting in St. John this month.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS BREAK ALL RECORDS

BALTIMORE, Dec. 7.—The local Knights of Pythias Lodge tonight broke all records by initiating over 115 new members simultaneously. Among them was Mayor E. Clay Timanus, who also delivered the address of welcome. The chief address was delivered by Representative James E. Watson of Indiana.

MONCTON NEWS.

Howard Bauer is Not Much Struck on Alaska.

MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 7.—Sir Frederick Borden and family passed through here this afternoon in a private car en route to Ottawa. Rev. W. A. Ross, formerly of Humphreys, the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Londonderry, is to be married on the 20th to Miss Dorothy, daughter of Contractor R. C. Donald of Moncton.

Howard Bauer, formerly clerk in the Brunswick Hotel here, is home, after an absence of four years in Alaska and other points on the Pacific coast. Mr. Bauer was not much taken up with the Alaskan gold fields, saying, very few made a lucky strike, but possibly when the country is opened up with railroads it may be more inviting.

CITY AND THE C. P. R. In City Hall yesterday a sub-committee of the board of works. Aid. Bullock chairman, with Engineer Peters, Recorder Skinner, and F. R. Taylor representing the C. P. R., met to consider an agreement about the city and tracks at Sand Point. The rails and

WILL INVESTIGATE CITY SINKING FUNDS

Aid. Bullock Wants to Know Exactly How the Accounts Stand.

Aid. Bullock, chairman of the treasury board, and Chamberlain Sandall will spend the greater part of today in rummaging among the papers belonging to the city which are now stored in the Bank of New Brunswick. Aid. Bullock says that he has repeatedly been told by citizens that the various sinking funds have been neglected or are in a muddled condition, and that something should be done to straighten them out. He does not believe this to be the case, but is of the opinion that all accounts have been correctly kept. Yet he wants to set at rest the minds of those who think otherwise, and at the same time to find out for himself just how these funds are.

So he has arranged with the chairman to go over all the papers and accounts. This work will take fully half a day, but Aid. Bullock thinks the results will be well worth the trouble.

PUNISHMENT FOR HALIFAX POLICEMEN

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 6.—The police who made the scene at the Halifax Hotel on Saturday by entering the room of Major Watts in search of liquor, which they say they suspected was being used contrary to the license law, were dealt with today by the police commissioner. The sergeant was being used contrary to the license law, and the two policemen were suspended for two and four days for lack of judgment and discourtesy.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The council of the Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon to select six more members to the council in addition to the ten elected at the annual meeting. Those chosen were J. H. McRobbie, W. E. Foster, George Robertson, M. P. F., George L. Harbour, John E. Irvine and E. L. Kling.

T. H. Estabrooks, who in his absence was elected vice-president of the board, resigned his position, not feeling that he could give the necessary attention to the work. The resignation was accepted and J. A. Likely was elected in his stead.

THE FRESHMEN WILL BREATHE EASIER

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 7.—All forms of hazing have been abolished at Bates College, and from now on traditional privilege of the sophomores to make sport of the freshmen will be a bad letter at that institution, says tonight's Journal. This decision has been reached not because of necessary interference of the faculty but by the voluntary action of the student body. The members of the sophomore class were the first to take up the matter, and they have worked earnestly with the seniors and juniors to carry the plans through. The last detail of arrangements for the abolishment of this ancient custom in American college was made today.

LIBERAL CANDIDATE.

SHERBROOKE, Quec., Dec. 7.—At the liberal convention held today at Bury, in Compton county, A. B. Hunt was chosen as the liberal candidate for the coming by-election. Hon. Sydney Fisher was present and addressed a public meeting in the afternoon.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT NEAR BACK BAY

Gartley Johnson is in Hospital With a Bullet in His Body—Companion Held the Revolver.

A telephone message to the Sun last night from St. Stephen stated that a serious accident had occurred at Back Bay, thirty-five miles away, Wednesday afternoon, as a result of which Gartley Johnson is lying in Chipman Hospital with a bullet in his groin. It seems that Johnson, who is twenty-eight years of age, was in company with a friend named James McGee, who carried a 22 calibre revolver. In some manner the weapon was discharged.

As soon as the alarm was given Drs. Tate and Alexander of the St. George were summoned, and after examining the young man decided that the best thing to do was to send him to the hospital at St. Stephen. He was taken there on the steamer Viking, which made a special trip, and at a late hour last night was resting as comfortably as could be expected. The doctors had probed for the bullet without success. They had therefore decided that an operation would be necessary, and said that they believed the patient would recover.

Both Johnson and McGee belong to Back Bay.

WOULD HAVE NORMAL SCHOOL REMOVED

FREDERICTON, Dec. 7.—The provincial government at their meeting today decided upon February 8th as the day for opening the next session of the legislature.

The attorney general and the premier were appointed a committee to meet Sir Frederick Borden and have a conference with him regarding the introduction of military training in the public schools.

A letter was sent to the board of education by Dr. D. W. Ross of Florenceville, stating that of twenty-five students from Carleton county in attendance at the Normal School, five had already been attacked with typhoid fever. He called upon the board of education to either provide better sanitary conditions or remove the Normal School from Fredericton. Dr. Ross was authorized to inform Dr. Ross that the city council had taken action in regard to providing sewerage.

C. O. P. E. INSTITUTE.

The annual Church of England convocations and sale of periodicals was held last evening. There was a large

TWO GOV'TS REFUSE TO ADVERTISE N. B.

But Tourist Association Will Do its Best to Tell its Advantages to the Sportsmen's Show.

A meeting of the Tourist Association was held at the board of trade rooms yesterday afternoon. C. E. Beane of the Maine Central Magazine, the official organ of the Maine Central railroad, was present and talked about the sportsman's show which takes place in Boston from December 25 to January 6. The sportsman's show in New York the latter part of February, and the automobile show in Boston in the month of March. On each of these occasions ten thousand copies of Mr. Beane's magazine will be distributed, and each day he will deliver a lecture, illustrated with moving pictures, on woods, hunting and other sport in New Brunswick. He has practically been appointed the representative of this province for these events.

Mr. Beane left last night for Boston to attend a meeting there today, to which representatives of all the journals have been invited.

Speaking to the Sun before leaving for Boston, Mr. Beane said he had received a telegram from Mr. Creighton, advertising manager of the I. C. R., to the effect that the provincial government and the I. C. R. had jointly decided not to send any exhibit to the New England forestry, fish and game exhibition at Boston.

Mr. Beane, it will be remembered, was sent here as a commissioner to interview the government and the I. C. R. to urge that an exhibit be provided and to set forth the benefits that would surely accrue to the province from having such an exhibit as was contemplated placed before the eyes of the thousands who are expected to attend the show.

Mr. Beane thinks the province lost a splendid opportunity to advertise its unexcelled fish and game resources by failing to take advantage of the space reserved for it by the promoters of the exhibition. However, the Tourist Association of St. John will endeavor by the distribution of literature to bring the province as a sportsman's paradise prominently before the Americans at the three shows referred to.

attendance, and the evening was rendered particularly enjoyable by a short programme.

The committee of reception consisted of Rev. Canon Richardson, president; E. L. Perkins, Mrs. Geo. S. Smith, Mrs. J. B. Armstrong and Mrs. T. H. Walker. The president opened the meeting with some brief remarks on the work of the institute.

A solo by Miss Sturdee and a reading by Miss Davidson were much enjoyed, and the auctioneering of the papers and magazines was conducted by Robt. E. Coups. The sum realized was a substantial one, and compared well with other years. At the close refreshments were served.

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ties now there were put down years ago by the C. P. R., and belong to the railway. There has been in existence, since Sand Point first came into use, an agreement between the city and the C. P. R. about the use of these rails.

But now that the city has taken over the wharves, the old agreement terminates. The C. P. R. has brought up the question of a new agreement, and has asked the city either to purchase the tracks, and lease them, to grant

a lease. This was the point considered yesterday, but there is a way out of the difficulty. The railroad is prepared to let matters continue for a period of five years under the old arrangement, and this will likely be done.