

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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NO MORE FREE LOCALS.

AROUND THE CITY

Will Receive.

Mrs. Harold Mayes will receive her friends on Wednesday and Thursday next at her home, 250 Prince Street, West End.

Reception to Miss Pankhurst.

The Woman Suffrage Association will hold a reception for Miss Sylvia Pankhurst on her arrival Monday afternoon.

A U. N. B. Alumni Dinner.

At a meeting of the alumni of the University of New Brunswick held here yesterday it was decided to hold a dinner at the eucoenia in May. Other matters of a routine nature were dealt with.

A Tobogganing Party.

The Rockland Athletic Club held a tobogganing party last evening and after enjoying some excellent coasting adjourned to their rooms and spent a pleasant half hour with music and songs.

A quiet Night.

Last night the police report finding a ham hanging outside of Coleman Bros. store, on Charlotte street and a drunk on the north side of King Square. The recent cold snap appears to have made business rather quiet for the police.

Matinee Today.

In consequence of the success which has attended the performances of The Servant in the House, and in response to numerous requests, the Loyalist Dramatic Club will give a special matinee of the play today at 2:30 o'clock. Seats, 25 cents in all parts of the Opera House.

Licence Commissioners on Rounds.

The liquor licence commissioners were making the rounds of the saloons yesterday afternoon and at some places suggested some slight changes. The special of eight cars arrived at 10 o'clock last night and went through to Halifax where the passengers will join the ship today.

The Empress Sails.

The C. P. R. steamer Empress of Ireland sailed at eight o'clock last evening and could not be held over long enough to receive a special trainload of passengers from the city. The special of eight cars arrived at 10 o'clock last night and went through to Halifax where the passengers will join the ship today.

Snow Shovelers' Day.

All those who have been reported by the police for not having the snow cleared from the walks bordering their property, are supposed to be at the police court this morning and give a good reason for breaking the law and stand a chance of being fined. Fred Anderson, 50 Britain street, and Ernest Wilson, for a building on the corner of Queen and Carmarthen streets, were added to the list yesterday.

Thistle Curlers Meet.

The Thistle curlers met last night for the purpose of dealing with the challenge from the St. Andrew's club. There was talk of having this year's matches played in 18 end games instead of 18 ends and last night the matter regarding the matches was left to the match committees of the both clubs who will arrange the number of ends to be played and the date of the games.

Exmouth St. Methodist Church.

Class meeting, 9.45. Morning service at 11. Preacher Rev. R. Smart. Subject, The Heavenly Warfare. Sunday school and Bible classes at 2.30. Glad Tidings hall mission. Sunday school also at 2.30. Evening at 7 o'clock a special evangelistic service will be held. Preacher, Rev. Harold Roe, of Mansfield. Eng. The subject, Can God Be Vasseled? Special singing of revival hymns. A hearty welcome to all.

B. of R. E. Officers.

The Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees met last evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing term: president, P. G. Sharkey; vice-president, C. Nichols; treasurer, David Fisher; secretary, Thos. Donovan; chaplain, W. G. Roberts; warden, John Murphy; messenger, Fred McCarthy; reporter, W. Howard; tinner guard, Martin McCarthy; outside guard, Patrick Brennan; auditors, T. Donovan and W. Williams.

Burglary in C. of E. Institute.

During the past few weeks there have been a number of small breaks principally about the North Market wharf section and the thieves have got but very little for their work. The latest place for a break to be discovered is in the Church of England Institute rooms in the Orange Hall building, at 119 Germain street. The break was made from the rear some time on Thursday night and was not discovered until yesterday morning. It was apparent that the thief was looking for money as all the drawers in the desks were found open and the papers strewn about the floor. Nothing was stolen.

Penny Savings Banks in Schools.

That the penny savings banks will soon be introduced into the more important schools of the city and extended to the primary rooms as well as a later date, is the announcement made yesterday by R. B. Emerson, chairman of the Board of School Trustees. The board appealed to the Board of Education for permission to install the system and yesterday this was obtained. The necessary printed matter will be got out at once and the system put into effect. The idea is by a system of savings banks to inculcate the principles of thrift in the public school children. It has already proven most successful in other cities where it has been adopted.

STEAMER SHEATHED IN GLISTENING ICE

The Donaldson Liner Marina Reached Port Yesterday with Ice Thirteen Inches Deep on Her Decks.

The Donaldson Liner Marina, Capt. McKelvie, arrived last evening from Glasgow, after a passage of 13 days' duration. Capt. McKelvie reported that the first part of the voyage was made under ordinary winter weather conditions but that during the last five days the wind blew a gale from the northwest bringing intense cold which caused the high seas, as they broke on board, to freeze on the decks and rigging and giving the passengers and crew a rough time generally. As the steamer came up the harbor she presented a very unusual and picturesque spectacle. The Marina was freed from stem to stern and on the decks the ice was over 13 inches deep. The rigging was also iced and this greatly added to the oddity of the effect.

The Marina is now lying at McLeod's wharf on the east side of the harbor. This steamer brought over nine steerage passengers and a large general cargo among which was 1000 tons of Scotch hard coal.

COMMISSIONERS WILL GET THEIR PAY ALL RIGHT

Treasury Board Did Not Assess for it but there is General Revenue to Fall Back on.

At the meeting of the Treasury Board yesterday the question of assessing for the commissioners' salaries was brought up, but after it was pointed out that it had been claimed the commissioners would soon save their salaries, it was decided to allow them to get their salaries out of general revenue. At present the mayor and aldermen get their stipends, which total \$5,000, out of the general revenue, and as we relieved the general revenue to the extent of \$4,000, I don't think the commissioners will have much difficulty getting their salaries," said Ald. Hayes, chairman of the Treasury Board, last evening. "The commissioners will only be entitled to 7 months' salary this year, or \$3,750. And for the payment of this there will be available out of general revenue the \$4,000 we have been in the habit of giving to the Horticultural Association, and three quarters of the aldermen's and mayor's salary, or \$2,750, leaving only a small sum to be made up. This year we are assessing for the grant to the Horticultural society, a privilege we have never exercised before."

MISS SYLVIA PANKHURST. Opera House, Monday, 15th, "Woman Suffrage." Tickets on sale at A. C. Smith's and Opera House.

PERSONALS.

Miss Jean Allan, of Halifax, is the guest of Mrs. H. G. McMarr, 243 Germain street.

Mrs. Harold Mayes will receive on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

Buried Yesterday.

The funeral of George H. Belyea took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from his late residence, Watson street, Carleton, to Cedar Hill cemetery, where interment took place. Rev. W. R. Robinson conducted service at the house and grave.

Talented Halifax Performers.

When the Columbus Club, Halifax, produced "The Isle of Palms" in their own city in November last, large audiences expressed hearty appreciation of the opera and of the talented performers. St. John will have an opportunity of seeing the Halifax amateurs on Jan. 22 and 23. No doubt there will be a large attendance of lovers of music on both occasions. The club contains some singers of the first class, and "The Isle of Palms" is presented in a manner that would do credit to professional artists. St. John should extend a warm welcome to the performers from the sister city.

Water Board Estimates Higher.

The Water and Sewerage Board have asked for a tax levy of \$17,000 for sewerage maintenance this year, and \$9,000 for installing fire plugs. This is fifty per cent. higher than the levy last year. It is claimed that the cost of labor has increased considerably and that the order of council to make daily inspections of hydrants has increased the expenses by \$1,500 a year. In 1911 the expenditures for sewer maintenance, including receipts was \$18,517. Old wooden sewers, which have about outlived their usefulness are one of the principal causes of the increasing cost of sewer maintenance.

Progressive Western Company.

In another column of this issue the B. C. Permanent Loan Company, of Vancouver, B. C., notifies its shareholders of a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum on the permanent stock of the company for the half year ending December 30, 1911. During the past year this company made splendid progress in all departments. The reserve was increased from \$400,000.00 to \$500,000.00; the permanent stock from \$600,000.00 to \$700,000.00 and the assets from \$3,211,511.86 to over \$3,500,000.00. The company will this year issue the balance of the million dollars of permanent stock and the directors are confident that with the increased earning power, a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum will be permanently maintained. The company is represented in this province by National Finance Co. Ltd., J. Herbert Crockett, provincial manager, Room 21, Canada Life Building St. John, N. B.

POPULAR RESIDENT DIED LAST EVENING

Malcom C. McRobbie Passed Away After Lingerin Illness - Well Known Commercial Man.

Hundreds of residents of St. John will learn with sincere regret of the death of Malcom C. McRobbie, which occurred last evening in the home of his sister, Mrs. James McAvity, of Harrison street, North End, where he has been an invalid for more than a year. The deceased was one of the best known commercial men traveling out of St. John and numbered his friends by the score. Kind hearted, a good fellow he bore his long illness with the cheerfulness and unflinching optimism characteristic of him. The late Mr. McRobbie was unmarried and something over 50 years of age. He is survived by one brother, John H. McRobbie, of the McRobbie Shoe Company and one sister, Mrs. McAvity in whose home he died. Some years ago he was a prominent member of the Polymorphian Club and his industry and zealous effort in organizing some of the best of the spectacles put on by that club were indirectly responsible for a good measure of the success which attended that organization in its palmy days. He was also a member of New Brunswick lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

HOW A STANDARD YOUTH COVERED A MEETING

An Illustration of the Depths to which Genius May Fall when it is not Properly Controlled.

One of the high browed men on The Standard staff was sent last evening to report a meeting of the St. John Teachers' Association in Foresters' Hall. He returned and after laboring over his typewriter for two hours evolved the following: Now many a school m'ham, fair and sweet, Tripped gaily 'long bleak Union street And their faces were right pleasin' For they were booked to sail at eight On a magic carpet, swift and straight, To China, past and present!

But ere they reached the land of teas, And spices and pig-tails, thick as fleas, They all were frozen rigid For when they reached the Foresters' Hall, Old Boreas was holding a ball. And the weather it was frigid.

"Now let us go to the Oddfellows' Hall," Said a school-ma'am, stout and likewise tall, "But it's leap year," cried a winsome maid, "And the odd-fellows might be afraid."

So they stamped their feet and rubbed their ears, And wished for a bunch of grizzly bears. To teach them the light fantastic, Then blessing the Foresters homeward they fled, With flashing eyes and noses red, And tempers rather bombastic.

For the benefit of the ordinary reader it may be said that the meeting was not held.

WILL MAKE START ON CIVIC PLAY-GROUNDS

In all Probability Small Playground will be Equipped this Summer, Pending Completion of Large One.

A meeting of the Civic Playgrounds Association was held in the Mayor's office last evening, at which the general question of providing play grounds for the children of the city was discussed.

The action of the Treasury Board in voting \$2,000 to start work at the Rockwood Marsh was approved and the opinion expressed that the chain groyne might be utilized to advantage in draining and clearing up the marsh land which has been reserved for a playground. The view was also expressed that something should be done to provide neighborhood playgrounds for the smaller children, and that one at least should be made ready this summer. The city engineer said there was an excellent site for such a playground near the boulevard, south of the Exhibition grounds.

A committee consisting of Dr. Margaret Parks, A. M. Belding and Mr. Blandou, of the Y. M. C. A., was appointed to make an estimate of the cost of equipping a small playground and report as soon as possible.

A Great White Underskirt Value for Saturday Shoppers.

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