

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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AROUND THE CITY

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearing figures for the week ending yesterday were \$1,687,536, and for the corresponding week last year \$1,450,617.

A Runaway.

A horse with sleigh attached and owned by Mr. Shaw, ran away on Waterloo street yesterday and was caught on Union street. The sleigh was slightly damaged.

Metal Found.

A piece of white metal, found on Britannia street yesterday afternoon by John M. Jenkins, was handed to the police and the owner can receive the same on application at the central police station.

Y. M. C. A. Outing.

Boys' department of Y. M. C. A. are holding a sleigh drive tonight (Friday). They will leave the Y. M. C. A. building at 7.15 P. M., and will go as far as Torriburton. On their return they will have a bean supper, finishing the evening with music, etc.

Says There Was Plenty of Water.

The superintendent of the water supply of the Town of Woodstock, telephoned The Standard office last evening to say that the reports that at the fire in Woodstock early yesterday morning the hydrants were frozen and it was impossible to secure good pressure were without foundation. There were five hydrants in use, and nine streams were obtained from them, and in every case the pressure and supply were good.

Arrested Here.

Yesterday Chief of Police Clark received a telegram from George Rideout, Chief of the Moncton Police, to arrest John Delay and shortly afterwards Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killeen placed Delay under arrest. Chief Rideout arrived in the city last evening with the warrant and will take the prisoner to the railway town on the noon train today. Delay is wanted as a witness in a case that is on in the Moncton court.

Fire Investigation.

Word was received yesterday from the militia headquarters at Halifax that the commanding officer for the district had appointed a board consisting of Maj. Poole, of Fredericton; Capt. A. H. Anderson, of St. John, and an officer of the Engineers, to conduct an inquiry into the causes of the fire in the West End drill hall. A local board consisting of Maj. Barker, Maj. Harrison and Capt. Magee took evidence in regard to the fire, but in view of the action of the commander of the district, they will not make a report.

Girls' Club Entertainment.

The Girls' Club recently organized will hold an entertainment this evening in the rooms of the King's Daughters' Guild. The entertainment will serve as well as a formal organization when the members will assume active conduct of the club themselves, and elect their own officers to carry on the work of the club. The club rooms have been opened with the view of affording a place of meeting for strange girls employed in the city where they can spend their spare evenings and enjoy the advantages which the rooms offer.

A Providential Delay.

That delays are sometimes providential, was illustrated yesterday on the Maritime express. When some miles the other side of Newcastle and approaching a high bridge, the train was flagged by a section man. When the train came to a stop an investigation showed a section of a broken rail missing just at the entrance to the bridge. Had the train gone on a fearful accident would have resulted. The train was about 15 minutes late at the time, and this fact alone saved the lives of many of the passengers, as the section man had noticed the broken rail just a few minutes before the train came along.

Lumber Prospects.

Robert Connolly, manager of the Pejebscot Lumbering Company was in the city yesterday to meet J. A. B. Cowley, of New York, recently elected president of the company's section to his brother, C. P. Cowley, whose sudden death occurred a few months ago. Speaking of lumbering prospects for this season, Mr. Connolly stated that the company's cut at Great Salmon River and Martins Head will be good. At the former place, it is expected that the cut will be in the vicinity of 6,000,000 feet. At Martins Head the cut will measure about 2,000,000 feet. The present month is proving an ideal one for lumbering the heavy snows which have fallen recently greatly facilitating the work of getting out the cuts.

Infantry School.

The Infantry school in connection with the 62nd Regiment St. John Fusiliers, which has been conducted at the officers' headquarters on Charlotte street during the past few weeks, will be continued at the headquarters on Wednesday evenings, and on Monday and Friday evenings on the top floor of the Custom House, beginning this Friday evening, when practical work will be taken up and a full attendance of officers and non-commissioned officers is desired. Uniform will be drill order on Mondays and Fridays. At the conclusion of the school examinations will be given for subalterns and N. C. O.'s certificates. The classes begin work at eight o'clock each evening. Officers commanding companies are again reminded that there are some unqualified non-commissioned officers who are not attending the school, and unless they qualify they will not be entitled to draw the pay of their rank during annual drill.

HOW TO HAVE 100,000 PEOPLE IN FIVE YEARS

Young Men's Branch of the Board of Trade Discussed Project of Forming a 1917 Club Last Evening—Arrangements to Hold Old Home Week in June—Big Plans for Future.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Young Men's branch of the board of trade held last evening, it was decided to organize an Old Home week to bring people to St. John during the last week in June, and the question of organizing a 1917 club, having for its object the increase of the population of St. John to 100,000 in five years was also discussed. After the meeting was called to order, Roy E. Crawford was elected chairman and Chas. A. Atkinson vice-chairman of the Young Men's branch for the year.

W. E. Anderson then explained the object of the meeting. He said that a boom was evidently in progress, not only in St. John but all over the province. Our people were just beginning to realize that they possessed one of the finest countries in the world and that the only thing needed to usher in an era of great progress was a little enterprise. One way the young men of St. John could assist the development was to take the initiative in organizing a Back to New Brunswick campaign. Many people who had left the province in days gone by when faith in our possibilities was lacking would not doubt be glad to come back and share in the development which was about to take place. What was needed was to give them an excuse to come back and look over the situation as it presents itself today.

He suggested that arrangements be made for holding an old home week during the exhibition. It was estimated that when the last old home week was held in St. John over 10,000 people came to the city. If that number could be induced to come to St. John of the province now, it was safe to say that many of them would catch the contagion of the optimism in regard to the future which now prevails in these parts and decide to stop here and share in the prosperity which is bound to come.

Mr. Atkinson said the idea was an excellent one, but expressed an opinion that if the old home week was carried out.

ST. JOHN APPARENTLY STARTING TO BOOM

More Activity in Real Estate than for Many Years—Building Operations Expected to be Very Brisk.

St. John is apparently starting upon the boom, so long talked of. There is an increasing activity in real estate; there is certainly an increasing interest for the city is full of rumors of real estate transactions and building projects of all sorts.

"Things are moving, there is no doubt about that," said Architect Nell Brodie yesterday. "We are pretty busy for this time of the year. There is a fine feeling of optimism among the people. The activity in real estate is an encouraging sign. One can hardly read of the prices now being paid for property without a feeling that St. John is destined to go ahead rapidly. According to the reports of property transfers, prices are being paid which two years ago would have been considered impossible of attainment. Usually demand for the services of architects do not come in much before the first of March, and it is not possible to make any reliable forecast of building operations next summer. But I am of the opinion that there will be quite a boom in building in St. John next summer."

In 1911 building permits for the construction of new buildings to the value of \$572,000 were issued. In this figure was included the permits for building the new armory, the contract price of which was about \$180,000.

In 1910 building permits for the erection of structures valued at \$517,018 were issued, so that from the point of view of local development last year was not as good as in 1910 though perhaps as large an amount of employment was provided the building trades.

Perhaps the most important building upon which work will be started in the spring is the Simms' new factory at Fairville. Local architects are already preparing plans for the construction of a number of dwelling houses in the spring, and it is expected that a considerable number of this class of buildings will be put up next summer, especially in Fairville. It is claimed that the English company which acquired an option on the Greenhead property will begin work next season on the construction of a big cement plant, and it is said the plans of the Partington Pulp Company will be sufficiently advanced to begin work on the proposed paper mill. If these projects materialize there is bound to be a building boom in Lancaster, in order to provide accommodation for the men that will be employed in the new industries.

Another indication of the growing faith in St. John, is the fact that a number of local capitalists are considering the creation of an industrial enterprise which will, it is said, give employment to 1,000 men. There appears to be good hope of this project materializing and if it does it will mean a good deal to the city, as it is doubtful whether the winter port on which 1,000 men to earn a livelihood the year around.

But while there are undoubted evidences that a boom is in progress, with good prospects of the inauguration of several important industrial enterprises during the year, it must be said that there are many rumors of developments which have no foundation in fact. For instance it was rumored a few days ago that the St. John Street Railway had acquired the Lantulum property at a price of \$35,000. Out of this rumor grew another that the street railway was going to put up an office building, a sky-scraper of five or six stories. When asked about the rumor, the secretary-treasurer of the street railway said that he had heard the rumor on the street, but that so far as he knew the street

lier, more people would come, as provincialists in the United States took their vacation before September.

An animated discussion took place in regard to the date of the old home week, and it was finally decided that the last week in June would be the most suitable. It was also decided to ask the boards of trade throughout the province to arrange old home weeks with the object of inducing wanderers from each section of the province to return home, and take note of the opportunities which the province now offers to enterprise and industry.

The meeting decided to get to work at once preparing for this event, and advertising literature setting forth the attractions of the city and province will be prepared and sent to all parts of the States and the Canadian West where New Brunswickers are domiciled.

Another matter brought up was the question of organizing a 1917 club with the object of having a population of 100,000 in 1917. The spirit in which this proposition was received showed that the young men of the city have a very great faith in the future possibilities of St. John. While nothing definite was decided in regard to the proposition, there seemed to be an opinion that such an ideal might be attained even without putting a tax on bachelors. It was said that in view of the great developments in prospect, it was not unreasonable to expect a rapid increase in the population of the city and province, and that there was no doubt that the young men of the city might materially aid the movements destined to bring more people to the city.

The young men's branch will appoint a finance committee, an entertainment committee, and the chairman, vice-chairman and Secretary Anderson, with the members of these committees will constitute the executive. Another meeting will be held next Tuesday.

PROPERTY ON RED HEAD ROAD IS SOLD

Montreal Real Estate Interests Acquire Courtenay Bay Heights with View to Placing it on Market.

An important real estate deal was completed yesterday when a syndicate in which a number of Montreal bankers are interested acquired the MacLauchlin property, on the Red Head Road. This property has a frontage of 530 feet on the Red Head Road, runs back 3,000 feet on a gradual slope and covers 42 acres.

A. H. Likely took over the property some time ago and it is understood that the price for which he sold out to the Montreal syndicate gave him a profit of many thousands.

It is said the Montreal syndicate will take steps to develop the property at once. They will run a street through its centre and connect the new street by cross streets with the Loch Lomond Road and Mount Pleasant street.

The property will be split up into lots with a frontage of 25 feet and a depth of 100 feet, and the lots will be put on the market in a short time. At the back of each lot provision will be made for lanes 15 feet in width. This district has been named Courtenay Bay Heights by H. B. Peck.

Special Attractions for Friday. Only a few days more for to take advantage of the After-stock-taking sale at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s. It is a money-saving opportunity worth while. The balance of their ladies' coats are being offered at considerably less than the usual price. They also advertise children's raincoats at a mere fraction of what they were. A lot of ladies' flannellette dressing jackets are also advertised for Friday, the prices of which do not more than cover the material in them.

Corset Sale Today at M. R. A.'s. This is a clearance of slightly soiled corsets; manufacturers' samples all in this season's favorite styles. The prices for quick clearance have been made remarkably low, and it is expected that the bargains will go with a great rush. The sale will start at 8.30 sharp in the Corset Department—Second floor.

Notice of Meeting. A special meeting of The Maritime Commercial Travellers' Association will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Saturday evening, Jan. 27, at 8 o'clock, to discuss the advisability of holding an annual function in this city.

Sleigh Drive. The Union Skating Club of Centenary and Queen Square churches will hold a sleigh drive this evening. Sleighs will leave Queen Square church shortly after seven o'clock.

Bundled Kindling. The nicest kindling sold in the city, Wilson Box Co., Ltd., Phone, West 29.

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PERSONAL.

T. Walklate, the general tie and timber agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Montreal, is here paying an official visit to the Atlantic division. He is to meet at the Grand Hotel. Walklate is making his inspection of this division, and says that he found things satisfactory here.

Miss May Gallagher returned yesterday from a month's visit to New York and other American cities. Her railway officials had not considered the question of purchasing the property mentioned.



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This display consists of all this season's models in great enough range to afford satisfactory selection. The Corsets are manufacturers' samples, slightly soiled from handling, and offered much below regular prices.

Commencing This Morning. CORSETS in a variety of the prevailing styles, medium and long lengths, high and low bust, two and four hose supporters. Sale prices 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 90c, \$1.25. Misses' and Children's WAISTS, white. Sale price 15c, 20c, 30c.

During this sale we will offer a Special Corset, good length, four supporters, sizes 18 to 30, at 50c. Notwithstanding the low price, this Corset is extra strongly made cut to permit cross stays which lengthen the life of a Corset. Limited quantity. See window display.

SALE WILL START AT 8.30 SHARP IN CORSET DEPT. SECOND FLOOR.

THE SPRING STYLE BOOK IS READY

Free Hemming Linen and Cotton Sale

Our Counter Display of Towels in Half Dozen Lots, Another Strong Feature in Connection with this Sale. Checked Glass Towels, fringed ends, red or blue check, 1-2 dozen for 23c. Red Check only, 1-2 dozen for 28 and 42c. Huck Towels, fringed ends, all white borders, 1-2 dozen for 68c, 78c, 83c, \$1.05, \$1.45 and \$1.65. With Red borders, 1-2 dozen for 50c, 58c and \$1.05. Huck Towels, hemmed ends, all white, 1-2 dozen for 68c, 78c, 83c, 90c, 95c, \$1.10, \$1.15, \$1.28, \$1.50, \$1.85, and \$1.75.

Red Borders, 1-2 dozen for 68c, 65c, 78c, 83c, 95c and \$1.65. Huck Towels, hemstitched ends, all white, 1-2 dozen for 83c, \$1.00, \$1.20, \$1.35, \$1.55, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.30 and \$2.65. Damask Huck Towels scalloped ends, two designs, Rose and Fleur-de-Lis, 1-2 dozen for \$2.30. Special Bath Towels by the pair, white and ecru. Per pair 25c. Red and Ecru, Red and Grey. Pair pair, 25c. All White. Per pair, 28c.

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