BOSTON VIEW OF ST. JOHN POLICE

Are They Old Women or Worse? Asks Provincialist—City Behind the Times in Other Respects

To the Editor of The Standard:

Sir,—The telegraphed accounts in the Boston papers of the lawlessness and riotous scenes in St. John on New Year's Eve will bring the blush of shame to the cheek of all provincial residents in this city.

In Heaven's name, what sort of a police force does St. John boast of? I think I can safely venture the assertion that such scenes would be an impossibility in this city, or any other city possessing a well-regulated and efficient police force. Are the policemen in St. John a lot of old women, or worse? I must say it looks that way to an outsider!

A dozen Boston policemen let loose amongst that mob would have cooled their lawless ardor in jig time, and a few score would today be nursing sore heads or broken skulls!

The writer visited St. John during the Dominion Exhibition last September, and noticed a sample of the hoodlum spirit rampant in St. John, when several thugs cut the tent ropes of one of the sideshow pavilions, bringing down the canvas tent, electric lights and all, upon the heads of the occupants inside. Not a police officer was in sight. Willing hands among the onlookers quickly pulled the straggling people from the wreckage. That nobody was killed was no fault of the perpetrators of the dastardly trick.

For the good name of your city, it is to be hoped that a determined effort will be made to stamp out this lawless element.

St. John certainly seems to be behind the times in many respects. Take the matter of the old burying ground in King Square. The last resting place of many of the descendants of the founders of St. John is today in a sad state of neglect, and be it said to the lasting shame of the public-spirited (?) citizens, not even a cheap iron railing surrounds the plot. On Sundays and other days children and grown ups can be seen playing leap-frog over the tombstones.

Yours, etc.,

PROVINCIALIST.

Boston, Jan. 2, 1911.

A QUESTION

To the Editor of The Standard,

Sir,—Kindly allow me space in your valuable journal to make an observation in connection with the happenings of New Year's eve which have received some attention in the police court and press. It seems that the mob paid particular attention to the Chinese laundries on their line of march, and considerable damage was done to the property of these inoffensive residents.

If it was the desire of the marauders to wreck the establishments where soiled linen is cleansed why did they neglect the Telegraph and Times offices? This is strange when one considers the quantities of dirty political linen from Ottawa which the editors of the dredgers' organs have striven ineffectively to make clean.

Yours, etc.,

ENGINEER.

St. John, Jan. 4, 1911.

WEDDINGS.

Killim-Price.

Wm. B. Killim, of Moncton, N. B., and Mrs. Lavinia Price, of Picton, N. S., were united in marriage at noon yesterday by Rev. D. Hutchinson at the latter's residence. Mr. and Mrs. Killim left last evening to take up their residence in Moncton.

Bastian-Sullivan.

Miss Marion Sullivan, daughter of Mrs. M. A. and the late Capt. James Sullivan, was married at Boston on Wednesday, Dec. 28, to Rowland Woodburn Bastian. The bride's parents were former residents of St. John, and the bride herself has many relatives here.

Steeves-Purdy.

A pretty wedding took place Saturday afternoon, Dec. 31st, at the residence of James Beuhans, 704 High street, Clinton, Mass., when Ernest Alexander Steeves, of Petitcodiac, N. B., was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte Isadora Purdy, daughter of William Purdy, of Lakeside, N. B. Rev. M. F. McCutcheon, of Newton Centre, Mass., performed the ceremony in the presence of immediate friends and relatives of the bride and groom. The bride was attired in a dress of white lace. The house was tastefully decorated with potted plants and cut flowers. After the ceremony a wedding luncheon was served. Numerous presents attested to the esteem in which the young couple were held. Mr. and Mrs. Steeves left on the evening train for Gardner, Mass., where they will reside. The bride wore a gray travelling suit with a white hat trimmed with white ostrich plumes.

Robinson-Clark.

A wedding which will be of interest to many people in this city and which is tinged with romance, was celebrated in the Methodist Episcopal church in Dorchester, Mass., on Dec. 31, when well known young lady of North End, Miss Mary A. Clark, daughter of Alexander Clark, of Murray street, became the bride of Herbert C. Robinson, son of Rev. Wm. W. Robinson, of Dorchester, Rev. Leopold Nies officiated. It came as a surprise to her people in their home here when yesterday, instead of herself arriving as was expected after a visit to Roxbury, Mass., a letter was received announcing that she had been one of the principals in the happy event referred to and had made her home in the states. About three weeks ago she left this city and went on a visit intending to return yesterday, but unknown to her people here she was married on the last day of the year. Her husband is a rising young broker of Dorchester, Mass. She had not known him previous to her visit.

Patton-Ferguson.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—The marriage of James Patton, of St. John, N. B., and Miss Florence Ferguson, of this city, took place quietly this afternoon at the home of the bride, 24 Guilbault street. Only a few of the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. Mr. and Mrs. Patton leave this evening for New York and Europe on their wedding trip. They will be absent two months, visiting Great Britain and the continent.

Mr. Patton is representative in St. John of the Ogilvie Milling Company.

MARRIED

Robinson-Clark.—On Dec. 31st, by the Rev. Leopold Nies, of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Dorchester, Mass., Herbert C. Robinson, son of Rev. Wm. W. Robinson of Dorchester Mass., to Mary Ann, daughter of Alex. Clark of St. John, N. B.

Mission Board.

The Baptist Foreign Mission Board held a brief session yesterday afternoon in their rooms, but only routine business was transacted. Rev. W. E. McIntyre said after the meeting that no reports of interest had been received from the foreign field and that the business of the meeting had been wholly routine. The monthly meeting of the executive of the home mission board was held last Tuesday afternoon. The secretary reported that two home mission fields had been filled by the appointment of Student Johnston at Musquash, and of Saunders Young at Windsor.

SHORTHORNS BEST BREED

Well Informed Farmer Makes Effective Reply to Letter in Telegraph—Local Government on Right Track

To the Editor of The Standard.

Sir.—In the issue of the Daily Telegraph of Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, ult., there appeared an article, the obvious intention of which was an attack on the agricultural policy of the Hazen government, signed by "Practical Farmer," Sussex. In view of some of the statements therein contained I think it only right that some of those seeming facts be examined with a little more thoroughness.

In the first place the assertion is made that "Shorthorns are not dairy cattle, they were bred for beef and beef only." In Shorthorn cattle there are several distinct types, among which are the Booths, Cruickshanks and the Bates, the latter of which have always been noted for their large milk flow in connection with their beefing qualities.

At the Dominion Experimental Farm, Ottawa, is kept a herd of these dual purpose cattle, and in the farm report for the year 1909, we find that one of the despised "beef" cattle coming out second in the total yield of milk and total profits for the year in competition with all the farm herd consisting of Ayrshires, Guernseys, French Canadian and Shorthorns.

At the Macdonald College, St. Anne de Bellevue, the dual purpose type of Shorthorns receives a good deal of attention. The authorities there recognize that this type is pre-eminently the average farmer's cow; animals of this breed yielding from 6,000 to 8,500 pounds of milk yearly.

In the United States we find Shorthorn cows giving far greater flow of milk than many cows of purely dairy breeds. One cow owned in Bradford County, Penn., gave in a twelve months total 18,075 pounds of milk with a daily average of two pounds of butter for that time.

At the London Dairy Show, held recently in England, a pure bred Shorthorn cow was awarded the Spencer Cup, for the highest aggregate of points in milking and in butter competition. This cup was given to the dual purpose breeds, yet a Shorthorn cow captured the cup. How is this, if they are not bred for milk as well as beef production?

A Type Much Wanted.

Taking into consideration the above facts I cannot see that Shorthorns are not as useful as dairy cattle as the purely bred dairy breeds, and it is this type of animal that is wanted by the average farmer throughout the province.

In his letter Practical Farmer may perhaps voice the sentiment of his locality, but one must remember that the district about Sussex does not represent the entire province. Conditions vary in different parts of the country. Fairying no doubt, is one of the most valuable branches of agriculture pursued today, but if everyone went in for dairying, where would our beef come from?

Certain districts of the province are more adapted for beef raising; take for instance, the vast stretches of marsh land in Westmorland county, producing annually abundant crops of coarse hay which can be profitably fed to young beef cattle. The same applies to the intervales of the St. John river. Yet we find the cattle population of the province is decreasing, while the thousands of dollars are being sent weekly to Ontario and the west for beef which the New Brunswick farmers should produce.

What is the cause of this? Simply that there is very little good foundation stock in the country, particularly along the St. John river.

The government has seen this and it is said propose to import milking Shorthorns, male and female, into the province and would thus lay the foundation for a splendid type of dual purpose cattle, which the farmers today are vainly trying to procure.

If this far-sighted policy is carried out and an importation made along such lines, it would be a much better and more sufficiently large to leave its impress on the stock of the country, it would be of vast moment and lasting benefit to the farmers of this province.

Yours truly,
MORRIS ALLAIRE SCOVIL.
Meadowlands, Cambridge, Q. C., January 2nd, 1911.

THE COURTS.

County.

Judge Forbes signed judgments in the following suits:
A. H. Hanington and C. S. Hanington vs. George H. Haller, $140.00, C. S. Hanington.

Richards et al vs. Lingley, $57.00, Oscar King.

The Standard, Ltd., vs. John N. Wall, $40.59, G. Earle Logan.

Probate.

Estate of Mary H. Colbourn, widow, deceased. Return of citation to pass the accounts of Herbert A. Reynolds, the executor. Since the presentation of the petition Mr. Reynolds died on —st December last and pending an acknowledgment of service and citation the further hearing is adjourned until Wednesday next at 11 a. m. W. Watson Allen, K.C., proctor for the executor, J. King Kelley, proctor for one of the beneficiaries.

1910 DEATH RATE LOWEST SINCE 1900

761 Deaths Recorded by Board of Health—110 from Consumption and 157 from Infantile Diseases

The annual records of the board of health for the year just closed show a very slight decrease in the number of deaths in the city during the year. The number of deaths for the 12 months ending Dec. 31, was 761, which is eight less than in 1909 and the lowest since 1906. Of those who died there were 402 males and 359 females, 405 married and 353 single, while the social state in three cases was not known, 625 were Canadian born and 136 foreigners and two not known.

The death rate was heaviest in children under one year of age, and in people over the age of 60. There were 77 deaths over the age of 80.

Some of the chief causes of death were:

Tuberculosis	110
Cancer	49
Circulatory organs	48
Meningitis	38
Cerebral hemorrhage	34
Paralysis	18
Infantile convulsions	12
Broncho-pneumonia	18
Pneumonia	86
Cholera infantum	46
Infantile diseases	78
Senile decay	70
Suicide	3
Other deaths by violence	37

It is interesting to note that in 1908 the number of deaths from tuberculosis was the same, 110, and in 1908 it was 112. The deaths from diseases of the circulatory organs practically bears disease were 52 in 1909 and 52 in 1908. Tuberculosis continues to claim about one-seventh of all the deaths, and the child mortality is even heavier, last year 357 died under one year of age, and 63 more before they reached five, a total of 22%, or nearly one-third of the total. In two there were 169 deaths of children under one year, and 46 between one and five years a total of 215, and in 1908 the figures were 217 under one year and 45 between one and five years, total 222. The closeness of the figures for the three years is striking.

During the past year 251 cases of contagious diseases with 13 deaths were recorded. This is a much better record than in either 1909, when there were 417 cases, three, or 1908, when an epidemic of diphtheria carried the total to 691 cases or nearly double the record of last year. The deaths in 1908 and 1909 from contagious diseases were 25, or 12 more than last year. But for an outbreak of measles, 101 cases during the past year, of which 61 were in May, the record would have been even better, but each year seems to bring its epidemic. In 1909 had 254 cases of diphtheria and 1908 482 cases. The figures of the past were:

	Cases	Deaths
Diphtheria	72	4
Scarlet fever	37	4
Typhoid fever	27	5
Measles	101	
Smallpox	14	
	251	13

TERRY REPERTOIRE SHOWS WIDE RANGE

Celebrated English Comedian Will Give St. John Theatregoers Treat Next Week—Sweet Lavender to Open

The opening sale for the engagement of Edward Terry was the largest ever known according to Manager Anderson, and seems to prove conclusively that St. John theatregoers are ready to avail themselves of such an unusual opportunity as the advent of this distinguished comedian.

The programme for the week is announced as follows: Monday, "Sweet Lavender," by Sir Arthur Pinero. Tuesday—"The Magistrate," by the same author. Wednesday—"Liberty Hall," by R. Carlton. Thursday—"The Toymaker of Nuremburg," by Austin Strong. Friday—"Flander's Widow." Saturday matinee—"The Toymaker of Nuremburg." Saturday night—"Sweet Lavender." It would seem particularly fortunate that Mr. Terry's choice of his opening bill should be "Sweet Lavender." Of all the plays which Sir Arthur Pinero has written none has ever won so great a measure of popularity as this delightful comedy, and of all the parts which Mr. Terry has created in his long and successful career as an actor none is embraced of him to his audiences as that of Richard Phenyl in this play.

A glance at the plays in Mr. Terry's repertoire will show that he has chosen with a view to giving himself a wide range and with an appreciation of the fact that comedy has first place with the theatre going public. The wisdom of his selection of such pleasing plays will undoubtedly be demonstrated by capacity audiences for the entire engagement.

Typewriters

New Empires and bargains in 2nd hand machines.

FRANK R. FAIRWEATHER.

12 Canterbury Street. Main 653. St John, N. B.

NEWCASTLE SHORT OF READY MONEY

Obliged to Make Loans on Account of Default Taxes—Ald. Butler Proposes Radical Remedy for Ills

Newcastle, Jan. 4.—The Town Council met in special session last night. Alderman John Clark in the chair. Other aldermen present were T. W. Butler, R. Corr, D. Morrison, Thos. Russell, J. M.Cabe and C. Sargeant.

It was resolved in view of the satisfactory state of tax collections about $6,000 of taxes being uncollected for this and previous years, and about $5,000 on 1909, to apply to the Royal Bank for a temporary loan of $3,000, and for legislation to issue bonds for $3,000 to pay an outstanding note incurred by Shirebuen bonds and for expenditure on capital account.

(2) To so amend the incorporating act as to exempt the Town of Newcastle that candidates for aldermen shall subscribe their nomination paper, and a declaration before the Town clerk that they are duly payers on the taxes for the preceding year, and are not indebted to the Town for taxes or arrears.

(2) That the property qualification be required of candidates for aldermen.

(3) To exempt from taxation in some of householders—that is beside of families who other owners of houses, or not up to $500 per year.

(4) To exempt from taxation money lent upon real estate or by investment in the town, or invested in Town debentures by town people.

Ald. C. R. Butler claimed would tend to eliminate the chartered banks as middlemen between money lenders and the Town, and would encourage local moneyed men to wish draw their money from the banks and invest it themselves directly.

These resolutions met with great opposition. Hon. Donald Morrison with a large attendance. Mrs. Groceland, expecting to be absent from the city for the winter months, tendered here resignation, and a hearty vote of appreciation of her services was tendered on motion of Mrs. Geo. F. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Robert Thomson.

Mrs. Geo. M. Campbell was elected secretary. Arrangements were completed for the lecture by R. S. Carson Scott on the afternoon of Wednesday, January 11, and the following ladies were appointed to the refreshment committee: Mrs. Carlile, Mrs. George Wetmore, Mrs. J. V. Anglin and Mrs. Walter Holly. New members elected were Mrs. Fred Beatty, Miss Annie Scammell, Mrs. H. J. Fleming, Mrs. A. Gordon Dickie, Mrs. F. W. Roche, Mrs. W. J. Cross, Mrs. W. E. Scully and Mrs. W. C. Rothwell.

Fifteen Teams.

There will be about fifteen three-men teams in the St. John Bowling Club contest on Black's alleys in January. The winning team will receive handsome pocket knives and the contest promises to be interesting.

NEWS OF A DAY AT FREDERICTON

Assignment of Butcher Firm—Would-be Deserters Sentenced to Imprisonment—Violation of Scott Act

Fredericton, Jan. 4.—Joseph S. Hewson and Alfred H. Jones, carrying on a butcher business on King street, under the name of Hewson Bros., have assigned to Sheriff Howe, being unable to collect their accounts. Liabilities $700.00 and assets, mostly book accounts, $350.00.

Basile Hait and Private Bryson, R. R. recently tried by court martial, have been sentenced to 112 days imprisonment each for attempted desertion.

In the police court this morning a second offence case against a Carleton street resident charged with carrying on a liquor business in his barn, was before Col. Marsh. Three witnesses were examined. The case was then adjourned until Friday to get the evidence of another witness who was subpoenaed and failed to appear. Col. Marsh said that if the witness in question was not present on Friday a warrant for his arrest would be issued.

The death occurred at Marysville yesterday afternoon of James Arnold, aged 76 years, after a short illness of pneumonia.

OBITUARY.

Emma D. Prince.

The death occurred on Monday at the residence of Geo. N. Prince, Marysville, of Emma D. Prince, third daughter of the late Wm. H. Prince in her 57th year. Miss Prince had been ailing for upwards of two months. Her illness was only confirmed to her bed for about ten days. Deceased is survived by one brother, George N. Prince, with whom she has lived for a number of years.

John Macaulay.

John Macaulay, aged 82, who was taken to the hospital on Tuesday morning, suffering from pneumonia, died on the same day. Mr. Macaulay was a native of Ireland, but came to this country when a young man. He leaves two children in Ballar. Mr. Herbert Robertson and his injured knee was will again in a couple of days.

Wm. Robertson.

Newcastle, Jan. 2.—The funeral of William Robertson, of Newcastle, who died at the home of his nephew, Jas. Ashford, while visiting the latter at Tabusintac on the 29th, took place at Tabusintac on the 30th, being buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at Tabusintac. Deceased was born in Scotland and came here 60 years ago. He was in his 72nd year. He leaves two children in Bathurst, Mr. Herbert Robertson and daughters, Mrs. Thomas Wasson, Burnt church; John and James Robertson, of Tabusintac. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Kay. Six the deceased's nephews acted as pallbearers.

RUNNER'S ESCAPE.

Fredericton, Jan. 4.—E. E. Hilton, bank rum runner, met with a narrow escape from drowning yesterday when he went through the river ice.