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THE WEATHER. Moderate to fresh north-west to west winds, fine today and on Tuesday, Tuesday warmer.

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HOW MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT ON INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY

The Late Government Guaranteed Railway Bonds to Extent of \$550,000 While Less Than Fifty Miles of Road Had Been Built.

Fredericton, N. B., May 11.—(Special.)—Deputy Provincial Secretary Tibbitts appeared before the Public Accounts Committee of the legislature this morning and explained an item of \$400 charged against him in the suspense account. He explained that he drew the amount shortly after his appointment in 1884 with the understanding that he was to make it good by extra work. He claimed that he had since performed extra work to the value of \$800, but had never succeeded in getting the account adjusted. He had repeatedly assisted the late auditor general Beek, and on one occasion had performed the duties of clerk of the executive council for two months during the illness of the late Mr. Stratton and had received nothing for it. He had a bill of \$618 against the province for these extra services and was willing to square accounts. He added that he had lately addressed a letter to the provincial secretary making a full explanation of the matter. There was some discussion over international railway affairs, and it was brought out that the company had been paid \$100,000 on subsidy account and the bonds had been guaranteed by the government to the extent of \$550,000. J. Howe Dickson, clerk of the executive council was called and read an order in council passed on January 8th, past authorizing a bond guarantee of \$400,000. A summary of the report of Gilmore Brown, C. E., was embodied in the report setting forth that the company's total outlay up to that time was \$1,207,610. New bonds to the extent of \$400,000 were to be guaranteed with the company's bonds held by the Eastern Trust Company was to be cancelled. Mr. Dickson said that no report on the transaction had been made to the executive council by the late provincial secretary in whose hands the matter had been left. Deputy Receiver General Rabbitt presumed that the issue of \$150,000 had been cancelled but he was unable to say so positively. Chairman Pinder in summing up said it looked to him as if the company's bonds had been guaranteed for \$550,000 while less than fifty miles of railway had been completed. At the request of Mr. Pinder an item of \$500 paid to W. P. Jones for services in connection with the case of Emerson vs. Maddison was held over. Mr. Pinder said he thought it was about time that case stopped figuring in the provincial accounts. Auditor-General Loudon said that \$500 had been paid to H. A. Powell since the year's accounts closed on October 31st. This payment he said would close the matter up. The committee will meet again tomorrow morning. The corporation committee held its first meeting this morning and elected Mr. Slipp of Queens, chairman.

TO CHANGE NAME TO ORPHANS' HOME

Bill Providing for This Submitted at Orphan Asylum Meeting Today—The Reports Submitted.

The annual meeting of the St. John Protestant Orphan Asylum was held at noon today in the mayor's office. T. H. Estabrook, president, was in the chair. A draft of a bill was submitted and approved, changing the name of the organization from the St. John Protestant Orphan Asylum to the St. John Protestant Orphans' Home, and enlarging its scope of work. The bill provides for the taking in to the institution of children from outside the city on payment of a fee and for placing children in homes under the supervision of the officers of the institution. The same board of directors as last year were elected as follows:—Geo. E. Fairweather, O. H. Warwick, J. H. A. L. Robertson, C. H. Moffatt, U. S. Plater, W. S. Morrison, M. D. James Manchester, Joseph Allison, C. N. Skinner, J. King Kelley, Judge Forbes, T. S. Simms, and Geo. A. Kimball. Votes of thanks were passed to the ladies committee, the press and to Dr. P. Inches for gratuitous medical services. The directors will meet at the mayor's office on Wednesday next to elect officers. The following reports were submitted.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The fifty-fourth year of the institution closes with this report. The year opened with forty-two children in the home. Four have since been admitted and ten placed out, leaving at present in the home thirty-four children, twenty-three girls and thirteen boys, a decrease of six over the numbers of last year. The general health of the children has been exceedingly good. A bill of change the name of the institution to the St. John Protestant Orphans' Home and embodying in it certain changes in the by-laws relating to the admission and placing out of children, is in course of preparation and will be presented to the local legislature at its present session. The corporation has received no income during the past year. The personal subscriptions, however, have amounted to \$1040.58. The directors wish to thank those who have so kindly contributed towards the needs of the institution. The treasurer's report duly audited is submitted herewith.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Table with financial data: Balance on hand May 1, 1907, \$122.56; Personal subscriptions, \$1040.58; Trinity Church grant, \$100.00; Dr. Botford's charity fund, \$2.11; Church collections, \$177.39; Interest on investments, \$12.30; Rents, city lot, \$12.00; From friends of children for their support, \$61.50; Mortgages paid, \$423.98; From special deposit for bond investments, \$149.00; From special deposit for current account, \$26.00; Balance on bill, \$390.43; Total, \$2097.07. Expenditures: Salaries, \$193.21; Fuel, \$107.82; Taxes, \$36.31; Printing, \$26.67; Repairs, \$24.11; Small sundries, \$14.45; Total, \$402.37. Invested St. John Ry. bonds, \$157.69; Invested St. John Ry. bonds, \$101.18; Inv'd. for St. John city lot, \$122.89; Total, \$381.76. Bank N. B. spec. dep., \$250.00; Bank N. B. spec. dep., \$50.00; Total, \$300.00. Balance on hand, \$1761.50; Total, \$4958.07.

WAS RAY LAMPHERE THE AID OF MRS. GUINNESS' CAMPAIGN OF MURDER?

Letters Found in the Prisoner's Trunk Tend to Implicate Him in the Series of Murders—Morbidity Sightseers Haunting the Guinness Farm.

Laporte, Ind., May 11.—Picking up the shreds of the evidence tending to connect Ray Lamphere with the deaths of Mrs. Guinness, her three children, and perhaps also of Andrew Hejelen, is the main purpose of the authorities here today. Whether search for more bodies will be prosecuted has not been finally determined. Sheriff Smutner indicated yesterday that further excavation may be postponed until tomorrow. The sheriff has found difficulty in carrying on this work, because of the morbidly curious persons who have flocked to the place where ten corpses were discovered last week. Friday the excavating in the barn yard was hindered, and Saturday it was halted by the crowds. It is expected, however, that the number of visitors will be lessened today, some 15,000 persons having inspected the grounds yesterday and presumably satisfied their curiosity. The grand jury was to have met today to consider Lamphere's case, but this procedure has been postponed for a week. Experts were called into the affair by Sheriff Smutner, and they advised that the course, although prosecuting Attorney Smith announced that he was ready to go into court with the evidence at hand. Since the case has been strengthened by the discovery of Lamphere's trunk containing several letters which are said to establish his participation in the murder of Hejelen and by the information

extracted from a number of persons who were intimate enough with prisoner to learn from him much concerning his relations with Mrs. Guinness. If the sifting and sifting of the ashes in the cellar of the house result in the discovery of more evidence, it is likely that the case will be pushed toward a conclusion rapidly. The attitude of the defence has not been revealed. The prisoner has received stringent orders from his attorneys not to discuss the charges against him, and the attorneys have not committed themselves to any particular line of action. The adult headless corpse found with the blackened bodies of the children was, they asserted, that of another victim of the Guinness woman, the theory being that the head was severed by Mrs. Guinness in order that it might be thought that the body was hers. Thus far, however, efforts to substantiate the announcement by the defence have failed, several persons having repudiated interviews accorded to them by Lamphere's attorneys, while the facts found by the four physicians who performed post mortem examinations on the corpses do not bear out the contentions of the defence. It is thought, however, that Lamphere's attorneys have concealed carefully the chief points upon which they will rely, endeavoring meanwhile to swing public opinion in favor of the prisoner. Political and business friends of Lamphere's attorneys have been busy discussing the case wherever opportunity offered, the argument being mainly that Mrs. Guinness was a fit and that she must have therefore escaped. Prosecutor Smith denounces these methods, but there is no gaining the effect of the impression that Mrs. Guinness is still alive in widespread, despite the almost total absence of definite evidence to support it. This circumstance will make the task of picking a trial jury difficult, as there is scarcely a man or woman in the community who has not formed or expressed an opinion on the subject. Chicago, May 11.—John Larson, of Chicago, a nephew of Mrs. Guinness, expects to go to Laporte today or tomorrow to see if he can establish beyond doubt whether Mrs. Guinness perished in the flames of her home. "Mrs. Guinness received an injury some years ago" said Mr. Larson last night, "but the scar remained. It stretches across the chest from left to right in all about eight inches in length. "When mother and I went to Laporte at the time of the fire, owing to the confusion, we did not look for the scar. The scar I know positively well is on the body of Mrs. Guinness and if the one in the undertaker's care at Laporte which is believed to be the body of my aunt has the scar on the chest, there is no doubt but what it is her body."

SEVEN TOWNS REPORTED DAMAGED BY TORNADES

Oklahoma Visited by Disastrous Storms—Several People Said to Have Been Killed and Many Injured—Property Loss is Heavy.

Woodward, Okla., May 11.—A succession of tornadoes swept over the district lying 25 miles southwest, south and southeast of Woodward last night. Several small isolated towns a long way from the railroad and without telegraphic communication, are reported destroyed, many persons are injured and several are reported to have been killed. Seven towns are reported to have suffered damages more or less severe. They are Grand, Arnett, Viet, Mutual, Estelle, Cooley and Richmond. At each place casualties have resulted. The known casualties are:—At Arnett, a man named Falls killed, half a dozen injured, one fatally. At Viet—Dr. Hauser, a physician, fatally injured. At Mutual—Arthur S. Sibel, his wife and several others seriously injured. Grand, the county seat of Ellis County, is said to have been wholly wrecked. The towns of Estelle, Cooley and Richmond also are reported to have been destroyed. All those places are 25 miles from a railroad. Wires are down and it is difficult to obtain details.

ACTOR CHARGED WITH ABDUCTION

Teddy Voix Arrested at Bath for Inducing Young Fredericton Girl to Leave Her Home.

Hartland, N. B., May 11 (Special).—Deputy Sheriff Foster got instructions from the authorities at Fredericton to seek and arrest a young man on the charge of abducting a young girl. The young man is known as Terry Voix, and has been with a theatrical company playing in Fredericton. The girl is of respectable parentage and only 14 years of age. It was thought they came up river and the surmise was correct in part for Deputy Foster captured Voix at Bath yesterday. The girl could not be located but Voix says she will come from Montreal by train today if she follows his instructions.

TWO OF PRESENT NUMBER MUST STEP DOWN

There Will Be But Fifteen Aldermen at the Next Council—Civic Bills Discussed This Morning.

An informal meeting was held in the committee room at City Hall this morning, when Hon. Robert Maxwell and John E. Wilton, Mr. P. met some of the aldermen to discuss the bills which the city is asking the legislature to pass. Deputy Mayor Holder presided and others present were: Ald. Pickett, chairman of the bills and by-laws committee, Ald. Baxter, the late chairman of that committee and Ald. McDermid, Frink and Willet. The matter of repairs to the Marsh Bridge was taken up and discussed at some length as were also the three bills which have been drafted for the legislature. There was an informal discussion as to whether the recent vote taken on the system of election was to have 15 or 17 aldermen; and as to whether there should be two or four aldermen at large. It seemed to be the consensus of opinion that the vote intended that the old system with an alderman from each ward and two for aldermen at large was the wish of the people and this system will be reverted to. The city bills will be considered by the legislature next week.

SACRIFICED HIS PRIDE TO SAFEGUARD THE DUMA

St. Petersburg, May 11.—M. Khomakoff's sacrifice of his personal pride in order to safeguard the Duma has won unstinted praise in all quarters. Yesterday he withdrew the presidential strictures on the statement made a few days previous in the Duma by the minister of finance, M. Kokovtsov, who during the course of a debate exclaimed: "Thank God, we have not a parliament in Russia yet." M. Khomakoff referred to the minister's remark as an unfortunate slip, but later he was notified by the premier that he must withdraw his strictures falling which Premier Stolypin threatened to resign. In consideration of the fact that premier Stolypin has been the Duma's friend, M. Khomakoff decided to accede to the premier's request.

CHICAGO STREET CAR MEN WILL GO ON STRIKE

They Practically Decide to Go Out Over Question of Open Shop.

Chicago, May 11.—The strike vote taken by the North and West Side street car men resulted in a practically unanimous vote in favor of a walkout. The matter now goes to a meeting of the union for further action. The question of "closed" or "open" shop is the point around which the strike dimly revolves.

JEALOUSY AND DRINK CAUSE OF A TRAGEDY

Chicago, May 11.—Martin Schleyer shot and probably fatally wounded his divorced wife, Martha Schleyer, at Kenosha, Wis., yesterday. He then turned the weapon upon Herman Koehler and inflicted mortal wounds. Koehler, who lives at Kenosha, was visiting Mrs. Schleyer at her home. Jealousy and drink were declared to be the cause of the shooting. Schleyer fled after a struggle with Koehler, in which he was disarmed. Later he gave himself up to the police.

OBITUARY

William H. Warren The death of William H. Warren occurred at his father's home, 32 Pitt street, last night at a late hour. He was fifty years of age and is survived by his father, W. F. Warren, and mother, a brother and sister quite young. He had been ill for some little time with an affection of the lungs. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

PROMINENT MAN DEAD

Newark, N. J., May 11.—Frederick H. May, former president and general manager of the American Rapid Telegraph Company, died yesterday at his home in this city. He had been prominent in the Central north of Ohio open for troop and supply trains for General Grant. Mr. May was born on the Isle of Man.

C. P. R. EMPLOYEES DECIDE ON SYMPATHETIC STRIKE

Union men employed in the Canadian Pacific Railway shops here, representing the machinists, boiler-makers and blacksmiths unions, had a combined meeting in St. James Hall, on Saturday, and representatives from the west addressed the men and they were practically unanimous in the opinion that in the event of a western strike the unions here should "go out" in sympathy. A number of fast runners have already entered for the sports on the Victoria grounds on May 28. Hampton settlement will be presented and an entry has also been received from another place in Kings county. Miss Winnie Eims, of Melrose, entered the convent of the Sisters of Charity yesterday as a novice.

WILL ENCOURAGE RIFLE SHOOTING

The Dominion Government to Offer an Individual Prize for Canadian Marksmen. Ottawa, Ont., May 11 (Special).—With a view to the greater encouragement of rifle shooting among the members of civilian rifle associations, it has been decided by the militia council to offer an individual prize to be known as "The Dominion of Canada silver." The building society known as La Societe Permanente De Construction Du District D'Orleans and so forth has been invited to participate in the society aggregate between \$25,000 and \$30,000. These have been met, but should the run continue, it is believed the society will be compelled to take advantage of the thirty days notice clause of its charter.

TROUBLE IN WAKE OF BANK LIQUIDATION

The Quebec Building Society Suffers Through Liquidation of Bank of St. John's. Montreal, May 11 (Special).—As a result of placing the Banque St. Jean de St. John's, Que., in liquidation and the financial troubles of President Hon. P. H. Roy, speaker of Quebec legislature, there has been a building society known as La Societe Permanente De Construction Du District D'Orleans and so forth has been invited to participate in the society aggregate between \$25,000 and \$30,000. These have been met, but should the run continue, it is believed the society will be compelled to take advantage of the thirty days notice clause of its charter.

PROBATE COURT

In the estate of Caroline Wills, a return of citation to remove Caroline Elison as co-administratrix, she having removed from the province. After hearing the parties it is ordered that the money to the credit of the deceased's estate be withdrawn from the Dominion Savings Bank and deposited to the credit of Mr. McKown, who is to pay the bills, prepare the accounts and file the same with a petition for the passing thereof, which Mr. McKown undertakes will be presented within one week after prorogation of the house of assembly. H. A. McKown, K. C., appeared for Robert Wills, the administrator; L. A. Curry, K. C., for George Wills, a son, and also for an unmarried daughter of the deceased. E. T. C. Knowles for Mrs. Elison, the administratrix. In the estate of Charles L. Corey, this was an application to sell real estate and is adjourned till June 29th. H. A. McKown, K. C., and Edmund Ritchie, proctors. Leonard estate. Passing of accounts postponed till 9th June. George R. Fairweather, proctor. Eliza Jane Fish estate. Adjourment made to 10th June, 1908. R. G. Murray and Daniel Mullin, K. C., proctors. These last three adjournments were necessary pending legislation to render valid adjustments made by the ex-registrar after the death of the Judge of Probate.

ONE RESULT OF HARD TIMES

New York, May 11.—The Times today says the United States will not send a representative crew to the Olympic games regatta to be held at Henley-on-Thames, July 29. There is a bare possibility of a crew being entered, but it will not be a representative one. Although no official announcement has been made of the fact, the American committee on rowing, James Pising of the National Association of America Four Oarsmen, and Julian W. Curtis, of Yale, has practically abandoned all efforts to get together an eight oared crew. It has been found impossible to raise sufficient funds to defray expenses. The appeal to the amateur clubs met with little or no response.

FREDERICTON NEWS

Fredericton, N. B., May 11.—(Special).—John Johnson, of the Waverley Hotel, was convicted of a second offence under the Canada Temperance Act at the police court this morning and fined \$100 and costs. John Doherty, of Springfield, was convicted of a first offence and fined \$50 and costs. Another case for a second offence was stood over until Thursday. The water in the river today is about on a standstill.

The Midnight Guest By Fred M. White One of the most baffling, mystifying, exciting Detective Stories ever written will begin in THE EVENING TIMES tomorrow. Be Sure and Read the Opening Chapter

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HIRAM'S PROTEST. Mr. Hiram Hornbeam has about decided to send a communication to the directors of the hittee association. He read in the papers that special inducements were to be offered to enlarge the exhibit of farm and dairy produce, live stock, art treasures and the like, but no reference to the special attractions. This, in Hiram's view, is a serious mistake. "Ain't they gonto have any elephants?"

Mr. Peter Binks is in a disagreeable mood this morning. He had positively refused to take down the ball stove until there was some assurance that warm weather was at hand, but this morning Mrs.

Binks issued one of her rare ultimatums, and the stove had to come down. Mr. Binks therefore set to work, and after some three hours work the feat was accomplished. But Mr. Binks has one finger tied up, and one of his toes is badly bruised, and there is a mark on his chest. Moreover his conscience pricks him because of certain profane expressions which caused one of the junior Binkses to drop a piece of stove-pipe and flee in horror from the scene. To end it all, Mr. Binks has a letter in his pocket which he is threatening to read, and when he threatened to leave the house he assured him that he would find his hat in the usual place. The neighbors will endeavor to affect a reconciliation.

Richard Winters has been appointed engineer of No. 2 engine. He went on duty this morning at King street east river station.

James Miller today received from Halifax notification that he had been granted a decree absolute in his suit for divorce against Mabel L. Miller.