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TURNED LOOSE.

On Wednesday evening Benjamin Logan, the twelve-year-old boy who was arrested for and found guilty of entering Lilley & Son's store on Main street and stealing money therefrom, was brought before the magistrate for sentence. On account of the previous good character of the boy and promises made by his relatives, the magistrate considered it best not to send him to the reformatory, but decided that he would probably be better if kept away from his parents for a time. Logan was handed over to the care of an uncle, who promised to look after him.

THE LIBRARY PLANS.

The mayor's office today presents the appearance of an art gallery in which the city fathers are kindly and without remuneration acting as guides. The plans received for the new library building are on exhibition and are being examined by quite a number of interested persons. Some of them are quite pretty to look at—for a short time—but the general opinion seems to be that the buildings designed are somewhat too expensive, although the architects guarantee to erect them for the amount specified.

WILL MOVE TO MONTREAL.

A Fredericton despatch to the Telegraph says: "H. H. Pitts, editor and proprietor of the Reporter, has accepted a position as traveler for the Sunlight Acetylene Gas Company and has gone to Montreal, where he will make his headquarters. The job department of the Reporter has been leased to William M. Clark, and Miss McLeod, sister-in-law of Mr. Pitts, is looking after the news and business end. Mr. Pitts may move his family to Montreal and will probably sell the Reporter if possible."

WON THE SILVER MEDAL.

Miss Florence Estabrooks, of the west side, who graduated from the Normal school, Fredericton, in June, has received the pleasant news that she has been awarded the silver medal for professional work. Miss Estabrooks is to be congratulated, as it is usually the case for teachers who have had previous experience and are taking post graduate work at the Normal school to capture the medal, while the fortunate winner this year went direct from high school.

NAUGHTY KIDS.

Considerable complaint is made by grocers and fruit dealers in regard to the conduct of numerous youngsters who gather round the boats and trains while fruit is being unloaded and steal everything they can get hold of. Most of these children are quite young, not old enough to be arrested and too old to be spanked. But they are getting to be a great nuisance, hanging around the cases of fruit and stealing boxes of berries, bananas, and in fact everything in sight.

Ladies, look in at the late S. C. Porter's store, 11 Charlotte St. Fancy Dress Goods, for 20c. "Sale now going on."

A family Bible is a more harmonious present for your young wife than is your mother's cookbook.

TO ADVERTISERS.

COPY FOR SATURDAY'S ISSUE OF THE STAR should be sent in EARLY FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, to ensure change, as the paper goes to press earlier on Saturdays than on other days of the week.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Muriel Carr arrived yesterday from Portland, and will spend the summer at Duck Cove.

The steamer Empress of Japan left Hong Kong July 16th. The Tartar arrived at Vancouver Tuesday.

Hugh Queen has been elected councillor for Petersville, Queens county, to succeed the late Coun. Lingley.

Officer Finley was called into Thomas Spellman's house on Union Alley last night to subdue Mrs. Spellman.

The latest thing in base ball circles is a proposed match between the north end and south end grocers. The men have lots of sand.

A portion of the fence in front of a vacant lot on Wentworth street has fallen across the sidewalk and is in the way of passers-by. The lot belongs to the school board.

While driving on last Saturday at Pownell, P. E. I., where he is working, Hamilton G. Kitchen of Fredericton was thrown from a wagon and suffered the fracture of two ribs.

There will be a rehearsal by the Chapman festival chorus at the C. of E. Institute rooms, Monday evening, and at the York Theatre next Thursday evening. Mr. Chapman will attend the latter.

The remains of the late Miss Mamie Grosset were removed from her late home, 14 Elliott Row, this morning and taken to Penobscot for burial. A service was conducted at the house last evening by Rev. Dr. Morison.

The statement that Mrs. Dykeman's child had developed smallpox is incorrect. It was considered best to remove the baby to the isolation hospital, where the nurse could care for it, and this was done last night. A nurse has been secured to attend Mrs. Dykeman.

Gen. Supt. Osborne returned today from a tour of inspection to Megantic. Mr. Osborne says that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy may be here during the coming week if he can make satisfactory arrangements, but at present his movements are uncertain.

Now that the date of the coronation has been officially announced it is open for the city council to consider whether St. John shall have a celebration. The king's recovery gives an additional cause for grateful rejoicing on the part of all his subjects.

A Carleton county gentleman said to the Star this morning that the crops in that county are looking well, especially the hay crop. Another gentleman, who had been up to Maugerville stated that the hay crop there was greatly damaged by the prolonged wet weather and consequent high water.

At its meeting on Wednesday evening Court Martello, I. O. F., elected the following delegates to the high court, which meets at St. Stephen the first week in August: J. S. Flaglor, R. Strain, W. B. Keirstead; alternates, Col. J. R. Armstrong, K. J. Macrae and H. J. Keirstead.

The death occurred at the hospital this morning of Daniel McDermott, who had undergone an operation for appendicitis. His remains were removed to his late home on Broad street. He was 49 years old and unmarried. He lived with his brother and was a member of the Ship Laborers' Union.

MCLEOD WHARF TENDERS.

The sub-committee, consisting of Aids Maxwell, Baxter and Stackhouse, appointed to complete the specifications for the new McLeod wharf, met in City Hall this forenoon. Several minor details in the specifications were amended and some slight changes made. The committee decided to allow one month for dredging, and the whole work to be completed on March 1st, 1903. Tenders are now asked for and will be received up to noon on August 1st.

J. R. Stone, trustee for the Lawson estate, has notified the city that it will be held responsible for any damage done to property belonging to the estate, by the excavation for the new wharf.

PERSONAL.

J. J. Hale and Mrs. Hale of Grafton, Carleton Co., are in the city for a few days, the guests of Rev. C. T. Phillips, Waterloo street.

Cecil J. Stewart of Sydney, who joins the staff of the Bank of New Brunswick, came to the city yesterday and is registered at the Dufferin. Miss Stewart is at present visiting her home in Prince Edward Island.

Hon. A. G. Blair is in the city today. He will spend a few days with his family at the Bay Shore.

BURNS BOAT COAL.

The St. Croix this morning brought direct from Boston three hundred passengers, fifty less than on her last trip. She arrived here shortly after eight o'clock and had to wait until the Penobscot sailed before coming in to her berth. During her last two trips the St. Croix has been burning soft coal on account of the strikes in the United States, and it is worthy of note that on each of these two trips she has made the run in from an hour to an hour and a half less than when burning anthracite coal.

POLICE COURT.

Threw Bouquets at Himself—An Epitaphic Dog. Daniel McCarron, for being drunk on Brussels street, was sent in for five days with the promise of thirty, when he next appeared.

Lizzie Wetmore was found strolling about in a promiscuous fashion on Sheffield street yesterday afternoon and fell into the arms of Officer Lee, although she did not hurt them. Lizzie got two months' scrubbing.

Michael Oysterneck, alias Davis, was throwing bouquets at himself on King square last night. There was perfume in the air, but it came from liquor rather than from the flowers. Michael was arrested, but this morning could not remember anything about the young and tender blossoms he had torn up from their beds. He remembered that he had been drunk—only this and nothing more. This was sufficient. Eight or twenty days.

Richard Walsh was reported for allowing a ferocious and unmuzzled dog to roam at large, making light lunches of people's legs. This morning Mr. Walsh did not think the dog worthy of blame, but Edith Dryden, who made the complaint, promised to bring as witnesses four persons who had been bitten and the case was allowed to stand until tomorrow.

ALERTS RE-ORGANIZED.

They Will Play on Saturday With a New Pitcher.

The Alerts baseball team which was disbanded on Wednesday has been re-organized under the management of Charles Damery and the usual Saturday afternoon game will be played tomorrow.

In the re-organized team there is only one new man for tomorrow's game. He is George Malcolm, who as pitcher for the Franklins, in the South end League, has gained quite a reputation. Malcolm is said to be about the swiftest pitcher in the city but is liable to throw a little wild at times. He will pitch for the Alerts tomorrow.

Of the rest of the team the line-up will be as follows: Dolan, c.; McLean, 1 b.; O'Hearn, 2 b.; Thompson, 3 b.; A. White, s.s.; Burns, 1. f.; McAllister, c. f. Britt will be captain of the team.

For Wednesday's game Manager Damery expects to put up even a stronger combination. He is in communication with three well known pitchers, but as yet is unable to state which of them will be here.

Word has been received from Fred Webber to the effect that he will not come.

Stackpole leaves for the States this evening.

PIGS IN POKES.

An Interesting Sale of Unclaimed Express Parcels.

This forenoon at 86 Germain street, Auctioneer Gerow disposed of upwards of three hundred unclaimed express parcels, which have been lying for some time in the American and Canadian Express Companies' rooms. The packages varied in size from a soap box to a packing case and in shape from a vocal solo to an attack of lumbago. In color they differed from the purchasers—not being green. The sale was what is known as a blind one, that is, no one was permitted to see the contents of the package until after buying.

These parcels had been left in the express companies' rooms for the usual reason, refused, not wanted, not ordered, or in some cases the consignees had moved away from the city or died.

There was not so much competition as is sometimes seen but the sale was not without a certain amount of interest. The principal buyers were Jews—second-hand traders—who bid on almost anything that was put up and who got fooled sometimes. The prices realized were fair, but as usual at such sales, were not sufficient to pay the charges on the packages.

PROGRESSIVE CAPE BRETON.

(Sydney Post.)

The work of laying the tracks for the Sydney and Glace Bay Railway Company between Sydney and Glace Bay, will be completed today, and it is expected this part of the work on the whole line will be completed this week. Operations will likely begin at North Sydney next week. Little has been done on the overhead work as yet owing to a delay in the arrival of the material necessary. The power house is about finished.

Indications point to an extensive seam of iron ore being located at Marlon Bridge, by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company. The seam now is about four feet in thickness and is ore is pronounced to be of the very best quality. Quite a number of workmen are employed there.

TORONTO, July 17.—The first outbreak of trouble following upon the visit of the coronation contingent to England is an announcement of the resignation of Bugle Major Swift of the Queen's Own Bugle Band. Bugle Major Swift had trouble with one of the officers of the contingent over the accommodation provided for his men. Col. Pellatt paid the expenses of the band's trip and treated the men splendidly.

LONDON, July 17.—Admiral Lord Charles Beresford advises helping Canada with a fast steamship route. With a British combine for the Atlantic trade it would surely knock Herport Morgan's plans on the head. The Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company announce they will send commercial messages to Canada before December. The rate will be 60 words for private messages and 30 for press messages.

TORONTO, July 17.—The iron moulders of America decided today not to inaugurate the demand for an eight hour day until the general adoption all over the continent of the nine hour day. It was proposed to inaugurate the eight hour movement May 1st next.

HAMILTON, Ont., July 17.—Mrs. Goodman died in the House of Refuge here today, aged 116.

HANGED TODAY.

Fred Lee Rice Pays the Penalty at Toronto.

Pathetic Story of a Young Life That Went All Wrong.

(Special to the Star.)

TORONTO, July 18.—Fred Lee Rice, of Champaign, Illinois, was hanged in the jail yard at 6.03 o'clock this morning for killing Constable Constable Boyd, in a daring attempt to escape. Every effort had been made to obtain a respite; Congressman Cannon and Senator Mason, both of Illinois, have been active on his behalf at Washington; his mother has appealed to Ottawa; petitions have been forwarded but without success.

Rice went to his end without any apparent tremor. He had spent most of yesterday with his spiritual adviser, Rev. Robt. Hall, city missionary, and retired last night at 10.35 and lay for some time chatting with his guard. He then fell asleep and seemed to pass a restful night. He arose at 5.30 a. m. Rev. Mr. Hall was early at the jail, and after Rice had eaten a light breakfast the minister and he were left alone, and from then until the arrival of Hangman Radcliffe the time was spent in prayer. The march to the scaffold took two minutes and the body was cut down 45 minutes later. His pulse stopped beating twelve minutes after the dmp. The coroner's jury found death due to strangulation. Rice made no statement on the scaffold.

The pathetic story of Rice, who only a few years ago was a bashful university student, and who got over his bashfulness under the discipline of university life sufficiently to become a bank robber and murderer, may sometime form the foundation of an interesting novel.

When he was a little boy playing about the streets of Champaign he was the most innocent of lads. He loved his mother. He would never play with girls. He could not be hired to appear in any public exhibition. He would never "speak in school" because people would look at him. When he rose to recite he would blush painfully.

This was true of him when, a very apt scholar, he went to the university. There he was put through a "course of sprouts" by the other students calculated to take the diffidence and bashfulness out of him.

It did. Shortly after leaving the University of Illinois he became associated with a gang of "second story" experts. He was the cleverest of the lot and in most cases their leader in criminal exploits. He was called the forger, the scholar, the "poet" of the nefarious aggregation. He looked like a clergyman, and had a gift of eloquence that astonished many a pleader.

It is characteristic of Rice that he is the only one of the gang that ever attempted diplomacy. Cornered he never offered to kill, but preferring soft words, secured for himself the best of treatment in an extremity.

Frank Stewart, alias Gannon, well known as a Chicago thief, was the first of the quartette to die. He was killed in an attempt to escape after a Chicago west side robbery. Jones was the next to go. Rutledge committed suicide by flinging himself from the gallery of the Toronto jail to the stone-paved court forty feet below.

They robbed a bank in Aurora, Ont. They were arrested in Chicago, taken back and tried. They got twenty-one years.

While being taken back to the jail in a carriage in charge of constables Stewart and Boyd a well-dressed man sprang from the sidewalk near the jail and ran alongside the carriage. He gained the open window and tossed in a soft felt hat. This fell in the lap of Rutledge. Jones grabbed it and shook out three loaded revolvers.

He grabbed one and Rice and Rutledge took the other two. All three were handcuffed together, but this did not prevent quick action on their part. Jones shot Constable Boyd dead. Constable Stewart was fired on a dozen times but not hit. The prisoners got out of the carriage, gained the street and jumped aboard a passing trolley car.

Jones thrust his revolver at the head of the motorist and ordered him to send the car ahead fast. The motorist refused, shut off the current, detached his controller and beat Jones on the head with it. Constable Stewart has by this time gained the rear end of the car, and he shot Jones through the arm. Other officers came running and the three men were re-captured.

Jones was taken to a hospital and his arm amputated. He died from the shock and the loss of blood, and without an expressed regret for his career. Rice's influence over the fair sex was somewhat phenomenal. While he might not have had, like the Jack Tar of old, "a wife in every port," he had admirers among the fair ones wherever he happened to be. After Judge Kohl-satt, of Chicago, had ordered the transfer of Rice and his companions to the custody of the Canadian police, they were taken to Harrison street police station for temporary security.

When they were brought out to the patrol wagon two women were waiting closely by and the police caused their arrest under the impression that they were looking for an opportunity to convey weapons to the prisoners. However the men were safely taken out of Chicago to Toronto, where two of them now lie dead.

A few days ago Mrs. Rice wrote to her son telling him that her only hope was that if he had to die, he may be prepared. This letter, it was stated, changed the whole demeanor of the prisoner, and caused him to think seriously of what was before him. He now reads his Bible constantly, and has had several talks with Rev. Robert Hall, his spiritual adviser. Rice has read during the past week Parry's "Life of Christ," John Wesley's sermons, and several books on the "Immortality of the Soul." During his sojourn at the jail the condemned man has also read Victor Hugo's great work, "Les Miserables." Recently he declared to one of his guards that he wanted to live solely for his mother.

Shoe Bargains.

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Buying hosiery at this store there is a saving in every pair you buy. A special make of cotton with balbriggan feet has been a great seller; dozens and dozens of this make have been sold; also ladies' and misses' hosiery and men's hosiery in all makes.

Another feature is their corset department, stocked with all the latest makes in ladies' corsets. In fact every department has its special attractions.

These Saturday sales have proved a great attraction. This Saturday it is a clean-up sale of ladies' sailor hats. See ad. on page 3.

This store is open every evening until nine o'clock. Saturday till eleven.

DIED IN BANGOR.

(Bangor Commercial.) John McGann, an old and well known resident of Bangor, died Thursday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Stevens, 75 Cedar street, after a short illness. He had lived in this city for more than 40 years. Besides two daughters, Mrs. Stevens, with whom he lived, and Mrs. C. A. Ring, he leaves a sister, Mrs. Catherine Campbell of this city and two sisters and a brother in New Brunswick.

SMALLPOX AT EVERETT, MASS.

EVERETT, Mass., July 17.—The discovery of two new cases of smallpox, making a total of nine within a week, in this city, has thoroughly aroused the board of health. Chairman Smith, of the board of health, Thursday morning, stated that while every precaution was being taken the disease was undoubtedly spreading and he believed it was thriving as well in warm weather as in cold.

CROCKET AND MILLIGAN.

Yesterday's Fredericton Gleaner contains another editorial on the threatened suit for libel of C. J. Milligan, manager of the Telegraph. Mr. Crockett says he does not intend to make an apology, and has engaged Geo. W. Allen, K. C., M. P. P., to represent him, and invites Mr. Milligan to hurry along with the suit.

Compare Red Rose tea with any other at equal price. You'll find it better value.

THOSE I. C. R. MEN.

B. C. Gesner, I. C. R. master mechanic, New Glasgow, denies that men at Mulgrave have to work 18 hours. He says that what they asked the men to do was to work their regular day of 12 hours and then transfer the fast express over and bring the boat back, a work that would occupy them for about two hours, and for which they were to be paid overtime.

PUBLIC HOSPITAL.

The name of A. E. McIntyre is mentioned in connection with the superintendency of the general public hospital under the proposed reconstruction.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

CHILDREN AND HORSES.

To the Editor of the Star: Sir—Is it not time that steps were taken to prevent grocers and others from employing mere children to drive their delivery wagons? If anyone will take the trouble to notice, I think they will be quite surprised to find how very few of the drivers of delivery wagons are men or even good-sized boys—the majority are simply kids.

Many of the youngsters know little if anything about a horse, other than that it is a good thing to abuse and not one day passes without numbers of good and willing brutes being unnecessarily and undeservedly tortured by drivers who, in many cases are probably too young to know any better.

The agent of the S. P. C. A. might well devote a few days to the study of child-labor as applied to delivery teams. If there is a law regulating the ages of drivers of horses it should be enforced, and if there is not one steps should at once be taken to procure the necessary legislation.

Not only would the carrying out of these suggestions cause our noble and faithful friend the horse to be treated more as he should be, but it would also guard against the chances of run-aways (which are now not at all uncommon) and make it more unlikely that some of our citizens would require the services of a doctor and the application of plaster boxes and splints.

Yours truly, EQUITY.

Every Lady has a use for a Black Serge Dress 20c. per yard, at the late S. C. Porter's store, 11 Charlotte St. "Sale now going on."

FELL THROUGH THE ROOF.

In the civic court yesterday a rather interesting case involving an action for damages was heard. The plaintiff was Homer Cruikshank and the defendant John Clark. Mr. Cruikshank's conservatory is built on the slope of a hill, and from the top of the hill the approach to the conservatory is somewhat dangerous. A while ago Mr. Clark, who is a teamster, was hauling a load of coal to the conservatory, and while driving down the hill the horse lost control of itself, and along with the cart fell through the glass roof of the hot house. The animal was injured and the cart was also put out of action, but the principal damage was done to the hot house roof and the potted plants which stood on the benches. Mr. Cruikshank sought to recover the value of the property destroyed, through what he claimed was the carelessness of Mr. Clark. He was awarded a verdict of \$12.50.

RECENT DEATHS.

A. Judson Seelye, a well-known citizen of St. George, died on Wednesday. Edmund Bishop, one of the best known citizens of Dorchester, died last evening at the age of 63 years.

Mrs. King, wife of J. B. King, grand secretary of the I. O. O. F., died on Thursday night on the train between Kingston and Toronto.