

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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AROUND THE CITY

Door Key Found. A door key found on Union street yesterday awaits the owner at the central police station.

St. Patrick's Tea. The Willing Workers of Germain street Baptist church will hold a St. Patrick's tea at the home of Mrs. Arthur Gilmour, Duke street, this evening from 5.30 to 7 o'clock. A novel entertainment has been prepared for the occasion.

Many Immigrants. Several immigrants arrived in the city yesterday and reported at the office of the superintendent of immigration. A large party which is coming by way of Portland will be here on Saturday and every boat from now on will bring a number of new settlers. Most of the boats coming out now are crowded with passengers. It is said that about 100 Scotchmen are expected here shortly to take employment on the work at Courtenay Bay.

Caused Sensation. There was considerable excitement on the corner of King and Germain streets yesterday afternoon about five o'clock. A horse attached to one of Emerson and Fisher's delivery wagons became frightened at a passing automobile and bolted. The band on the wiffree, fell off and this made the horse more frightened and he ran away. The driver held pluckily to the reins, and managed to bring the animal to a stop on King street near Oak Hall. There was a large number of persons on the crossing at the time and all managed to get out of the way of the runaway and there was no damage done.

Yacht Club Smoker. The smoker held by the members of the R. K. Y. C. in their rooms on Germain street last evening proved to be one of the best affairs of its kind that the club has ever held. Vice-commodore Howard Holder presided and nearly all the members, the late rivals being forced to remain in the hall. During the evening a very enjoyable programme was rendered as follows: Opening erture by the orchestra; vocal solo, W. H. Holder; string trio, Hoyt, Smith and Hoyt; saxophone quartette by the crew of the Water Witch; vocal solo, Mr. Garrett; reading, Mr. Robertson; cornet solo, Frank Waddington; saxophone duet, Jones and Cunningham; vocal solo, Mr. Stillwell; vocal solo, Mr. Carson; vocal solo, S. Holder. At the close of the programme refreshments were served.

Violates Act of Union. A meeting of the committee of citizens of the West Side, who are protesting against the increase of the ferry tolls, was held last evening. It was said that the petition asking the legislature to disallow the action of the city council in raising the ferry tolls had been signed by nearly 5,000 people, and that it would be presented to the legislature by one of the city representatives. A delegation has been selected to proceed to Fredericton and support the prayer of the petition, but the feeling of the meeting last evening was that it would not be necessary for the citizens to send a delegation to Fredericton. It was claimed that the justice of their contentions would be obvious to the legislature, and that they would nullify the action of the council, inasmuch as the raising of the ferry tolls involves a violation of the act of union adopted by the legislature by which Carleton became incorporated in the city of St. John.

ARRESTED HERE IS ALLOWED TO GO

Acting Chief Jenkins Notified to Detain Wendall Simpson, of Springhill Mines and Afterwards to Liberate Him.

Wednesday night F. W. Jenkins, Acting Chief of Police, received a telegram from S. Richmond, the Chief of the Police at Springhill Mines, N. S., notifying him that Wendall Simpson, aged 18 years, had obtained money under false pretenses at Springhill and had left on the train for St. John. The telegram requested that the youth be arrested and held here. Night Detective Lucas was placed on the case and when the Halifax express arrived in the city yesterday morning he had little difficulty in placing Simpson under arrest. As he stepped from the train, the young man was taken to the Central Police Station and locked up. When arrested he had a ticket for Boston in his pocket. Yesterday afternoon about four o'clock Chief Jenkins received a message from the young prisoner's father who stated that he had made good the acts of his son and to allow him to go. Chief Jenkins said that he could not let the prisoner go unless requested by the Springhill Chief, and the latter sent a telegram stating that everything was now all right and to give young Simpson his liberty. Simpson was accordingly given his liberty and proceeded to Boston on the express last evening.

The many friends of Homer D. Forbes will be sorry to learn that he is very ill at his home, 28 Wellington Row.

SIX YEAR OLD CHILD WAS DISAPPEARED

Nellie Wiley Leaves Home on Westmorland Road, Yesterday, and Has Not Since Been Heard of.

The parents and other members of Mr. Riley's family of the Westmorland Road were in great distress last night over the loss of his six-year-old daughter, Nellie.

Mr. Riley with his wife and four children arrived in the city from England about last Christmas and took up their residence on the Westmorland Road near the cemetery, and Mr. Riley obtained work in Fleming's foundry on Pond street. Some days ago Mr. Riley contracted a severe cold and was sent to the General Public Hospital for treatment. Yesterday morning he was discharged from the hospital, and was enabled to go to his home.

During the afternoon Mrs. Riley went to the hospital to obtain some medicine for her husband and shortly after she left the house. Nellie, accompanied by her eight-year-old sister walked in towards the city to meet their mother on her return home as Cooper's corner, which is near the Marsh bridge, and stood there for a while. In some manner Nellie strayed away and up till late last night the family had not received any tidings of the lost girl.

As soon as Nellie's sister discovered that the little one had strayed away she looked all about the vicinity, and not being able to locate her returned home and informed her father. Then there was a more thorough search made, and inquiries from all the stores and houses in the vicinity of the Marsh Bridge were made without any result. Every person who was asked if they had seen the young child answered in the negative. A telephone message was sent to the central police station notifying the police and giving a description of the little girl, and the officers were instructed to keep a lookout for her.

When the little girl did not put in an appearance home at supper time Mr. and Mrs. Riley became more worried over her absence. Mr. Riley with some neighbors started out last evening. Every place along the Westmorland Road, the Marsh road and the Red Head road was gone over, but they were not able to find any person who had seen the child about.

At eleven o'clock last night Mr. Riley and his companions were still on the hunt, but had not located the missing girl and Mr. Riley is at a loss to know where the child has strayed to.

He said that he could not form an idea where his daughter was, unless she had walked far out into the country or into the city and was being cared for by some kind person. Then on the other hand if the child had been taken care of by any person that person would surely inform the police of having found a lost child, but up to a late hour last night the police had learned nothing of the missing child.

Some persons believe that perhaps the little girl has strayed down on the banks of the Marsh Creek and may have slipped on the ice and fallen into the water and been drowned.

Mr. Riley is heart broken over the loss of her child, but he holds out the strongest hopes that by this morning she will locate her.

ALL ARE NOT PLEASED WITH NEW CHARTER

People of Carleton Fear They Will Not Be Represented - Delegates May Wait on the Legislature.

It has been rumored on the street for some time that a large and influential delegation of citizens would go to Fredericton to oppose the adoption of the commission charter on general principles, and it is said that this delegation will be accompanied by a delegation from the West Side who will ask that in event of the adoption of the main features of the new charter, a section be added by the legislature providing that Carleton shall have the right to elect one member of the commission.

It is claimed by many prominent citizens of Carleton that under the charter as drawn up by the citizens committee there is no guarantee that Carleton will have a representative on the commission, and that owing to the peculiar relation of Carleton to the remainder of the city, the lack of a representative familiar with conditions and in touch with the people of the West Side might lead to the interests of that portion of the city being sadly neglected.

One of the arguments urged in support of the commission form of government was that it abolished the ward system, and the recognition of the demand of the West Side citizens would practically over-ride one of the main principles of the commission system. It is generally felt that the commissionists have placed themselves and the legislature in an embarrassing position. When the legislature took the matter of preparing a new charter out of the hands of the division of the citizens committee, it was probably felt by the legislators that the citizens' committee would draft a charter fairly agreeable to the great majority, and have it in such shape that when it came before the legislature there would be nothing to do but pass it.

The citizens' committee took their own time about preparing a charter, and then took the stand that they were under no obligations to place it before public meetings to place it before citizens in different parts of the city thought of the results of their labors. If a royal commission had been appointed to accept or draw up a charter of the city fathers to draw up a charter it would no doubt have heard the views of the commissionists and other persons before attempting to draw a charter, and would have endeavored to work out a charter which would not arouse the violent opposition of any section of the community.

REPORTED STRIFE IN OPPOSITION PARTY

Younger Element of Party, It is Said, Want to Cut Clear From the Pugsley Clique.

A nice little row is in progress in the ranks of the local opposition. A faction composed mostly of younger men, want from the Pugsley clique to cut adrift from the Pugsley element, and re-discover some of the principles of Liberalism. While this faction appears to be willing to establish friendly relations with the Pugsley clique, it is said they would prefer to have ex-Leut.-Governor Tweedie assume the leadership and try to save the provincial party from the demoralization and dry rot which are regarded as the natural consequences of the Pugsley domination.

When Mr. Copp took over the job of leader from C. W. Robinson, he announced that a convention of the party would be called to formulate a policy and it was believed the convention would be called before the session of the legislature so that the party before the country. But it appears that Mr. Copp has been afraid to call a convention, as the factions show as little disposition to agree upon a policy, as to ratify his appointment to the leadership.

Mr. Copp has been generally regarded as a make-weight anyway, it being felt that the Pugsley interests were planning to take Mr. Carvell as their leader of the local opposition, and would probably have done so if the dissatisfaction with the Pugsley interests' domination had not grown so pronounced that Mr. Carvell departed of valor.

Apart from the question as to which faction shall control the local opposition party, there is a distinct line of cleavage on the question of tactics, and as is generally shown by past experience, questions of tactics are more liable to cause a hopeless split than rows over party control.

The insurgents, it is understood, want the opposition to take the stand that the local government should give no assistance to immigrants until larger markets are opened for farm produce, that it should raise the cry that the local government should be defeated on the ground that the party represents is opposed to reciprocity, that the whole country is on the eve of financial disaster, and liable to go to the dogs unless the old free trade principles of Liberalism are resurrected.

The stand-patters oppose the idea of adopting such tactics on the grounds that blue-ruin campaign cries would stultify Mr. Pugsley and all the other Liberal chieftains who boasted of the great prosperity under the Laurier regime. The insurgents, however, say that the Liberal party needs a purgative, and is under no obligations to try to justify the boasts of Laurier and Pugsley.

Mr. Copp's remarks on the speech from the Throne indicated an effort to appease the opposing factions, pending the outcome of the strife between them.

PERSONAL. E. H. Whelpley of Glenwood returned to the city yesterday from Boston where he spent the winter with relatives.

Miss Viola Saunders who has been spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Saunders, Rothesay, left last night for Winnipeg.

William Sullivan, formerly of the St. John police force but now the chief of the Sackville police, was in the city yesterday renewing old acquaintances and was receiving the welcome hand from all of his old friends.

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St. Patrick's Day Shamrocks. W. and K. Pedersen, the florists, have thousands of pots of shamrocks in stock for the season and as they are receiving many orders from different parts of the provinces, for next Sunday, St. Patrick's Day, citizens would do well to leave their orders early for the plants. The pots of shamrocks are selling from ten cents to a dollar a pot.

This is Children's Day at M. R. A.'s. Children's Day at M. R. A.'s is an event that mothers generally take a great interest in for it is the style disclosure of this vicinity in the choices of dresses, Coats and Reefers for Children's wear. The exhibit this season is more comprehensive and varied than ever before and no doubt great crowds will avail themselves of this early opportunity to inspect the array of handsome garments in the Whitewear Department.

Forgot Her Muff. After the rush at the showrooms of the Mary Millinery Company yesterday afternoon, it was discovered that a lady had forgotten her muff which will be returned to her if she will call for it.

Lecture on Ne Temere Decree. Rev. J. L. Batty, of Moncton, will deliver an address on the Ne Temere Decree in Keith's Theatre on Sunday, March 17, at 3.45 p. m. under the auspices of Johnsten L. O. L. No. 24, Silver collection.

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Clearance Sale of Blouses Continued This Morning Millinery for Today and Saturday Still more beautiful hats are being added to our early Spring exhibit and these you will want to examine this week-end. Models large and small in effects which are strikingly odd and yet becoming. Make the Millinery Salon a visit and study the varied and lovely creations assembled here. Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd.