

The Evening Times

LAST EDITION

South to west winds increasing to gales. Rain tonight and a part of Tuesday.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1907.

ONE CENT

EX-ALDERMAN W. S. BARKER DIED EARLY THIS MORNING

By His Death St. John Loses Progressive Energetic Citizen.

Was One of the Foremost Patrons of Clean Athletic Sport in the Days When Sport Boomed Here--Sat in City Council for Two Terms.

William Sully Barker, a well known and highly respected citizen passed away about 6 o'clock this morning at his residence, 200 Duke street after an illness of about ten days.

Mr. Barker had been ailing off and on for about a year. He was a man of a month and a half at the famous springs and it was thought he was completely cured, but shortly after coming home there was a recurrence of the trouble and it resulted in his death this morning.

Mr. Barker during the past seven years has conducted a very successful stock brokerage business, having his office in the Palmer building on Princess street. He was a son of the late T. B. Barker, founder of the first stock brokerage firm in St. John which was absorbed a few years ago by the National Drug Company.

Mr. Barker was always a prominent figure in athletic sports. Though not an athlete himself, he was always working to promote good clean amateur sport and his list with a good measure of success. He was an enthusiastic member of the St. Andrew's Curling Club and was considered one of its best skippers.

Mr. Barker was also a prominent figure in the St. John Amateur Athletic Association which was formed a good many years ago. He was one of the organizers and acted as secretary for a number of years prior to 1889, when on retiring he was presented with a watch by the members. He was also on the committee of management of the old St. John baseball team.

Some years ago he purchased the Victoria Athletic Grounds at Marsh bridge and this property is still owned in his name.

He was also a member of Long's Lake Fishing Club and secretary-treasurer of that organization.

DELATED BY THE HEAVY WEATHER Allan Liner Sicilian at St. John's, Nfld., Many Days Overdue.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 30--The Allan liner Sicilian, overdue from Glasgow for Boston, arrived last night, having been delayed by stress of weather. Her officers report encounters with fierce gales.

On account of the stormy weather it is thought probable that the steamer Anlo, bound here from Norway with 300 reindeer for Dr. W. T. Grenfell, head of the Labrador mission, will make a long passage. The steamer is now 14 days out.

INSPECTOR DENIES IT Dredging Inspector Says No Mud Was Dumped in Harbor from a Dredge Scoop.

With reference to an item in Saturday's Times that a scow load of mud dredged from the west side berths was dumped into the harbor recently the dredging inspector stated today to the Times that the story in question is incorrect. He explains that there were two scows, one a Dominion dredge and the other a Beaver dredge scow, in tow of a tug boat finding that it was too rough outside to dump successfully the one belonging to the Beaver, which had some mud in it was placed in a slip, and the empty one towed back up the harbor. This explains the loaded scow down and the empty back. No mud, the inspector said, was dumped in the harbor. It might, however, be said that the citizen who furnished the information to the Times stated that he was on the ferryboat and saw the scow dumped.

IS NOW IN DUBLIN Rev. H. A. S. Hartley, formerly pastor of St. Philip's A. M. E. church in this city, and since then a visitor to various parts of the United States, Central America, Haiti, the West Indies and Scotland, and who a year or two since was in or near Halifax, is now in Ireland. A letter received from him today states that he is in good health and that his present address is 7 Camden Place, Dublin.

HEARING IN THE BURGLARY CASES RESUMED TODAY

The Cases Against Ritchie, McElhenry and Connell Taken Up in the Police Court This Morning.

Preliminary examination in the case of Chas. Ritchie and James McElhenry, charged with attempting to enter J. A. Likely's office on Saturday, the 21st inst., was resumed this morning.

Patrolman James Semple was called to the stand and testified that on the night of the 21st inst., he, in company with Acting Sergeant Smith and Patrolman Greer, while in Likely's yard, off Main street, saw two men trying to open the rear window of Mr. Likely's office.

Arthur H. Likely was next sworn and stated that at 10:30 o'clock his father received a telephone message from Patrolman Greer to the effect that an attempt had been made to enter his office. In consequence of this message witness went to the office, and with Patrolmen Greer and Sullivan went inside and found that the window on the western side of the office was raised and jammed against the catch which was sunk about a quarter of an inch into the woodwork.

ST. PETER'S Y.M.A. Tenth Anniversary Observed By Presentations and a General Good Time.

The St. Peter's Y. M. A. celebrated their tenth anniversary Sunday afternoon by a reunion. The occasion was made especially interesting by the presentation of a watch to Mr. H. H. Heenan, the organizer and president of the Y. M. A. to his spiritual director, Rev. Father Borgmann, of a well filled purse.

BATTLE LINE MOVEMENTS Steamer Leucra, Captain Grady, arrived at New York last Sunday from Havana.

FIRE IN BATTLEFORD BATTLEFORD, Ont., Dec. 30--(Special)--A fire which broke out on Main street, North Battleford, early yesterday morning, resulted in the loss of one of the most important sections of the town, including the Bank of British North America, the customs office and the handsome brick-front office building of the Saskatchewan and Battle River Land and Development Co.

James R. Lithgow HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 30--(Special)--James R. Lithgow, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Halifax, died today. He was a native of Porto Bello, born in 1827, and many years ago was prominent in business in this city.

CLP OF COAL OIL EXPLODED NAPINKA, Man., Dec. 30--As the result of an explosion of a cup of coal oil which had been accidentally left on the top of the kitchen range, Mrs. John Yeomans died on Saturday after suffering intense pain.

A SERIOUS FIRE SAULT STE MARIE, Dec. 30--(Special)--Fire at Richard's Landing, 25 miles below the Soo on Saturday night wiped out the business section of the place. The three-story block, the post-office and a large block adjoining the post office were destroyed.

REPORTED THAT COREY IS TIRED OF HIS SONG BIRD



PITTSBURGH, Dec. 30--The president of the United States Steel Corporation, William Eliza Corey, is reported to be tired of the song bird he wedded and placed in a gilded cage, and rumor, which always--most always--the barometer of the changes of heart in prominent society folk, says that the millionaire desires to return to the companionship of his first wife and son, Alan.

Corey got a divorce from his first wife because she had no desire to shine in society. With his money and a younger and more beautiful wife he thought he could break into New York's charmed circles.

IS HARRY WILSON IN JAIL, OR HAS HE LEFT KINGS COUNTY? Manager of Heath Hall, Hampton, Sentenced to Two Months in Jail for Scott Act Violation. But Report Says He Has Gone Away.

SUSSEX, Dec. 30--(Special)--Magistrate Hornbrook again imposed imprisonment without the option of a fine this morning when he found Harry Wilson, proprietor of Heath Hall, Hampton, guilty of keeping for sale and selling intoxicating liquor. His honor sentenced Wilson to two months in jail.

HAMPTON, Dec. 30--(Special)--Heath Hall, the large hotel at Hampton is a desolate looking building this morning, the only person left in charge being Percy Reete, the Barbados negro who has been the general factotum of the hotel under the management of Charles and Harry Wilson, since they took over the establishment on the removal of Stanley Lawton and his coming into the possession of the hotel.

OTTAWA NEWS OTTAWA, Dec. 30--(Special)--The Grain Growers' Association of Alberta and Saskatchewan has asked the dominion government to give seed grain to districts in Alberta and Saskatchewan covering about one million and a half acres where the crops have either been a failure or have not yielded sufficient for seed purposes.

SHOCK KILLED HIM MASQUETAH, Ill., Dec. 29--George Bickaupt, a farmer, 65 years old, dropped dead today when told by telephone that his sister, Mrs. Ida Schaefer, had been murdered. The report of death was erroneous, for she had dropped dead of heart disease.

HEAD-ON COLLISION PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 30--(Special)--Two freight trains came into a head-on collision on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway between Cama and Gurney, 84 miles east of here this morning. The list of casualties has not been received here but it is known that the fireman and at least one of the engineers have been seriously injured.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER CAUSE FOR ANXIETY. The relative of a man who thought Saturday night's joke about the water supply was a good thing to laugh about were anxiously looking for him this morning.

THEY WILL ONLY SWEAR. SUSSEX, Dec. 30--(Special)--It will not be necessary for the people of this town to swear off on New Year's Day. The town will be dry. So will the persons who usually swear off. This time they will only swear.

TIDINGS OF JOY. OTTAWA, Dec. 30--(Special)--Hon. Dr. Puzley is exceedingly buoyant. It was observed on Saturday that his feet scarcely touched the ground as he walked. He has been making preparations for a visit to New Brunswick, and great things may be expected.

COFFIN WHICH FIGURED IN FAMOUS SUIT OPENED TODAY

SKIPPED WHEN HE SOBERED UP Informant in a York County Scott Act Case Fled to Escape Appearance in Court.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 30--(Special)--The Scott Act case against John Doherty proprietor of the Springhill Hotel was dismissed by Col. Marsh at the police court this morning for want of evidence.

ADVANCE FROM THE ST. JOHN RIVER HEADWATERS states that there is one foot of snow in the woods in that section.

THE weather here has again moderated and one inch of snow fell this morning.

ENDORSES THE SUNDAY SALOON CHICAGO, Dec. 30--The Sunday saloon was endorsed last evening at a session of the national ethical convention.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS The weekly meeting of the Methodist ministers was held this morning in the parlors of Centenary church.

REORGANIZATION OF CIVIC DEPARTMENTS City Council Will Consider It An Adjourned Meeting Tonight

REARRESTED The persons who have sworn to the placing of a piece of lead in the coffin instead of a human body, have deposited facts which have not been approved, and they will probably have to take the consequences of their acts.

LATE PERSONALS John McCallister, sr., and daughter, returned on today's Boston train from a pleasant visit in New York.

THE EVERY DAY CLUB All members of the Every Day Club are urged to attend a business meeting at the hall at seven o'clock this evening.

MONTREAL STOCKS MONTREAL, Dec. 30--(Special)--The stock market was dull today, the only feature being a sharp upward movement in Canadian Pacific, which rose to 154 bid compared with 151 1/2 bid at the close on Saturday.

A WORK OF ART There has come to the Times from Shirley, Mass., the President Spender Calendar for 1908, with three panels by Philip Boileau, being full-length portraits in colors of very attractive young ladies.

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