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Under the Circumstances You Can't Blame Mutt for Not Buying

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Press Association Guests at Banquet

Enjoyable Gathering Marks Close of Convention—Board of Trade Supports Demand For Cheap Return Fares From West

A resolution petitioning the railway commission of Canada to forbid the discrimination of the transcontinental railways against the east, in the matter of harvesters' excursions, will be moved at the next meeting of the council of the board of trade. This was announced by J. M. Robinson, president of the board of trade, at the banquet tendered the visiting members of the Maritime section of the Canadian Press Association by the board of trade jointly with the newspaper interests of St. John at the Union Club last night.

Among other speakers of the evening was Mayor Frink, who made the statement that in his opinion the city could do worse than to buy some land lying in Lower Cove about the sugar refinery, for the purpose of assuring additional railroad trackage and terminals. The mayor's statement received close attention by the St. John business men present and was made the topic for discussion in the club rooms after the banquet had adjourned.

The toastmaster of the banquet was J. M. Robinson. On his right sat Mayor Frink, representing the city, and on his left R. L. Cotton, of the Charlottetown (P. E. I.) Examiner, the new president of the Maritime section of the Canadian Press Association. After-dinner speakers were Mr. Robinson, the mayor, Mr. Cotton, Recorder Baxter, J. M. Hawley, retiring president of the association, and C. A. Hayes.

After coffee had been served Mr. Robinson called on J. D. McKenna, of the Kings County Record, Sussex, for a song. Mr. McKenna responded with the inspiring song "When Good-Fellows Meet Together."

The toast, "Gentlemen, the King!" followed, after which Mr. Robinson proposed the health of the members of the Maritime Press Section. "If the maritime provinces and the maritime newspapers will work together more it will make for the ultimate betterment of the maritime and their enlargement as a factor in the dominion of Canada," the toastmaster suggested, in proposing the toast.

Optimism Typified.

President Cotton replied for the Press Association. "The association typifies in my belief that new spirit of optimism that has come over the maritime provinces within the past few years," he said. "I have noticed since I have been in St. John a number of signs denoting that boys were wanting in this city. That seems to show that St. John has plenty of work for everyone and that there is, in fact, a lack of labor, especially boy labor, in the city. I think there is a great need of population in St. John. That is shown by the 'boy wanted' signs so numerous just now."

Recorder Baxter said that Lord Bacon, Shakespeare or somebody had once written something he considered very apt in illustrating what he was going to say. "It was to this effect," he said, "that all the efforts of mortals tend only to bring things nearer together or to force them farther apart. And you know, that's a mighty true thing. It's what we have been doing here in St. John ever since the fire left our city in ruins. Since that disaster St. John people have of necessity been hewers of wood and carriers of water, and we shall continue to be such until the city's destiny as we see it now is in a fair way to become accomplished. We have done much here, but there is much more to be done. And nothing but the stimulation of interest by the railway corporations of Canada could have given us the new lease of life of which we now have occasion to point to and say we have made good use of. I propose the health of the 'Trans-

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sions, and asked for the health of the next meeting of the Board of Trade. It was enthusiastically drunk. The resolution was as follows:

Whereas, Certain railway companies, in advertising what are termed "harvest excursions," offer exceptionally low rates of fare to people travelling from the eastern provinces to the western provinces of Canada, but charge much higher rates of fare to bring the same people back again to the east; and

Whereas, This difference between the rates going westward and eastward, constitutes an unfair discrimination against the eastern provinces, making it easy for people to leave but more difficult to return; therefore

Resolved, That this board of trade petition the railway commission of Canada to disallow such discriminating rates of fare, and order the railways to convey excursion passengers eastward at the same charge as they are conveyed westward; and further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all the boards of trade in Eastern Canada, with a request that they take similar action.

While the members of the association were banqueting at the Union Club last night, the ladies of the party were being entertained at the Chocolate Soldier at the Opera House, by Manager Kelly, who had reserved a box for them.

At the session of the Maritime Press

Association yesterday afternoon an interesting discussion on postal rates took place. Some good suggestions were made but no action taken.

Another matter discussed was the suggestion to charge for advance readers of sporting events. It was felt that the newspapers should be paid for them if an admission fee were to be charged or some organization to benefit financially. A resolution was passed approving of the policy that all advance readers be treated as advertising matter.

Votes of thanks for courtesies extended were passed to the Board of Trade, the St. John Press and Manager Kelly of the Opera House.

At the close of the session the delegates made a tour of the city in automobiles.

LABOR DAY PROCESSION

Preparations for a big demonstration on Labor day were made at a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last evening. The council has received permission to use the barracks green where a garden party will be held. Messrs. Merrill, Deanton and Coates were appointed a committee to look after the financial affairs in connection with the celebration.

The order of the procession including the list of the different organizations to participate was drawn up last evening and will be:

Mounted police.

Tradesmen's Union.

Barracks conveying members of the local government.

Commissioners and veteran members of the Trades and Labor Council.

City Cornet Band.

Trades and Labor Council.

Building Trades Organization.

Bricklayers and Masons.

Carpenters.

Painters.

Plumbers.

St. Mary's Band.

Broommakers.

Nail Makers.

I. C. R. Men.

Barbers.

Artillery Band.

Metal Trades.

Machinists.

Temple of Honor Band.

Typographical Union.

Sons of England Band.

A Student Train

The New York Central has established a traveling school which is intended to instruct the employees of the road in a manner that should promote efficiency and lessen the number of accidents. Many of the injuries that come to railroad workers would be avoided by a little more knowledge on the part of the victims and this knowledge the New York Central proposes to inculcate. Two cars have been equipped and will be known as the student train. One car is to be devoted to lectures and stereopticon views, while the other will contain pictures demonstrating the right and the wrong way of performing railroad tasks. It will also be called to the attention of the employees that more than 10,000 are killed each year on the tracks of the country. The great danger of trespassing will be demonstrated, and it is believed that the co-operation on the part of the employees will go far toward eliminating this evil.

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RECENT WEDDINGS

An interesting wedding was witnessed by a small but select party in Trinity church yesterday afternoon, when George M. Harding, of Raub, Pa., united in marriage with F. Beatrice, daughter of Rev. W. B. Armstrong, rector of St. Andrew's Anglican church, Shediac. Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity, performed the ceremony. There were no attendants, but little Misses Marjorie Harding and Gwendolyn Waterhouse acted as flower girls. Among those present were Rev. W. B. Armstrong, father of the bride; Judge J. R. Armstrong, Mrs. Waterhouse, wife of Dr. Waterhouse, Houlshur, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Harding, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Fairweather.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Harding left on an automobile trip for a short honeymoon.

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