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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Let Them Be Paid.
To the Editor of the Star:
Sir,—It will be remembered that last season the 62nd Fusiliers did not receive their pay till two or three days before Christmas. It was the general kick last year about waiting so long. This year all companies have been paid with the exception of two or three. Why should this be? Did not the remaining unpaid companies do as much drilling as the others, or is it the fault of the captains or the officer commanding?

BIG PROPERTY PURCHASE.

T. Lynch Becomes Owner of 5,429 Acres of Timber Lands.

A public sale of timber lands, soil right, advertised by the owner, James S. Fairley, to take place at Phoenix Square, Fredericton, yesterday morning, was not held. Timothy Lynch, the well known lumberman, bought the whole outfit at private sale, paying a reasonable amount for his big purchase.

The lands are located on the north side of the Miramichi river, on Fall Brook, Little Dunganer, Rocky Brook and the Seters, and include 5,429 acres. The transfer of the property is one of the biggest on record in this province in recent years, and the purchase is an evidence of Mr. Lynch's energy and enterprise in his lumbering business.—Herald.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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The attention of advertisers is directed to the notice at the top of this column.

School books, slates, pens, pencils, exercise books, etc., a full supply at A. McArthur's, 54½ Main street.

John Francis and John Secord have been reported by the police for furiously driving a horse on Sheffield street.

The death occurred at Port Maitland, N. S., yesterday of Capt. Stephen A. Goudey of cancer of the tongue. His age was 59 years. He leaves a widow and a daughter.

Tonight at the Charlotte street barracks, Harvest sale. Thursday night, Staff-Capt. Howell and Adj. Byers are expected to take part in the last meeting of the H. F. effort of this corps. Special music.

Canning operations at the blueberry factory of W. S. Loggie & Co. in Calais have ended for the season and the goods will be at once shipped to market. In all about 8,000 gallons of the fruit were put up.

H. B. Thompson, assistant maritime Y. M. C. A. secretary, will be in the city on Sunday and in the morning will speak at the boys' meeting. The regular bible class will be started in the evening meeting at half-past eight. S. B. Wilson, the local secretary will be the leader.

St. Philip's church fair last evening at Carpenter's Hall was largely attended. The booth and fancy article table was in charge of Mrs. Octavia Hodges, Mrs. Ephraim Hogan; the fish pond, Mrs. Lydia Dushan; cake and ice cream, Mrs. Collins, Miss Esra Gray, Mrs. Bree. All the selections were heartily enjoyed. The quartette singing and the Holy City by Mr. Coffin were greatly enjoyed. The programme will be repeated this evening and prizes distributed.

MILLINERY OPENING.
Large Attendance From all Parts of the Province.

The wholesale millinery openings commenced this morning and are largely attended by milliners from all parts of the provinces. In all the stores the displays of hats are good although not a great deal of change either in shapes or colors is noticeable.

The broad and flat effects still retain their popularity and a great variety in these effects is shown. The shapes are somewhat larger than at the last opening, and the trimmings are mostly below the brims. These large broad effects and turban shapes are very popular. The materials are chiefly velvet, camel's hair cloths, and chenille and sequin brims. White hats, both in felt and velvet are a popular feature of the exhibits, although white is not the leading color.

The colors this season are green and blue, black and white, Oxford greys, and beige and brown. Feather hats are shown in a large variety and the favorite trimmings are fancy feathers and birds, and long ostrich plumes. The back trimmings which have been such a prominent feature of hats during the past season still hold their place and scarfs remain in vogue. Beyond the increased size of the flat shapes and the growing popularity of white hats there are practically no important changes in the styles for this season.

PERSONAL.

His Worship Mayor White went to Sussex this morning.

Hon. A. T. Dunn came to the city today from Fredericton.

Andrew Jones arrived in the city today.

Premier Tweedie arrived on the late train last night from a private trip to points of Massachusetts with his daughter and Miss Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ross of Winnipeg are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hanington, Union street.

J. Allan Belyea, European buyer for M. R. & A., returned yesterday from his annual European trip.

A letter was received yesterday from Boston by relatives of Dr. A. A. Stockton from which it was learned that he is stronger and that his appetite has improved considerably.

The marriage was announced to take place at Kentville today of Dr. Colin Campbell, of Weymouth, to Miss Emily Marcia Calkin, daughter of late Benj. H. Calkin, of Kentville.

Mr. Colin Macdonald, of Boston, and Miss Florence Barnes, of Hampton, N. B., are visiting Miss Thomson, 203 Pleasant street, Halifax, for a short time.

R. W. Stevens, of St. John, is visiting friends in Halifax; Mr. Stevens formerly resided in this city, and his acquaintances are glad to see him looking so well.—Recorder.

A. D. Provand, of Scotland, has recently been in Amherst attending to business of the ship railway plant.

Mr. Chas. F. Warren and daughter, Miss Edith, of Fairville, St. John, are visiting Mrs. E. A. Thompson, Westmorland street, Fredericton.

A SUGGESTION.

It has been suggested that if the scheme to build a new fire station to house number two engine and the hook and ladder companies, that the old building be fixed up for the accommodation of the city salvage corps. At present that department has not a building of its own, and has been occupying a room in one of the fire stations. The old number two house would furnish splendid accommodations for the corps.

ON TRIAL.

Eight Witnesses Examined in the Higgins Case.

Some New Points Brought Out Under Cross-Examination That May Be of Interest.

Interest in the Higgins trial has not abated. The court room today was filled with people, and the coolest and apparently most unconcerned one of the lot was the boy in the prisoner's box. Eight witnesses were examined this morning, and one or two new points were developed. These witnesses told of the finding of the body, its identification, and the result of the post-mortem examination. Dr. Macaulay had not finished his testimony when adjournment was made.

Yesterday afternoon the work of securing a jury for the trial of Frank Higgins was completed. Forty names were called in the afternoon, and from these eleven names were chosen who with the one selected in the forenoon made up the required number. The jury as finally selected consists of John H. Walker, Sidney Bowden, Robt. Leddingham, Richard Caples, John S. Seaton, W. Hawkesley Merritt, John A. Donaldson, John E. Fitzgerald, John A. Pooley, Daniel C. Coles, William Kéin and Edward J. Kennedy. Those men will during the course of the trial be continually kept under the watchful eye of Capt. Rawlings and will be allowed no outside communication. While not in the court room they will lodge at the Park Hotel.

Hon. H. A. McKeown presented the case for the crown to the jury, and following his address three witnesses were called. They were Joseph Doherty, father of the murdered boy; Harry Kelly, who was with Higgins and Goodspeed since but could not be sure that it was he. Witness lay down by the side of the road and the boys passed him again. He did not remember any further conversation.

At this morning's session the court room was again crowded. Those directly interested in the case were present as yesterday, the only new face being that of Mrs. Doherty, who sat near the seat previously occupied by Mrs. Higgins, in full view of the prisoner.

John Baird, the first witness called, told his story of seeing Higgins, Doherty and another boy on Gilbert's lane between 1.30 and 2 p. m. the day of the murder, going toward the park entrance. Witness was walking out the same way, and as he passed them Doherty asked for a cigarette. The third boy was short and stout. He had seen Goodspeed since but could not be sure that it was he. Witness lay down by the side of the road and the boys passed him again. He did not remember any further conversation.

Cross-examined by Mr. Mullin—There was another remark made by the youngest boy, but he did not distinctly hear, didn't remember saying anything about girls in the park, nor did he remember any response made by the smallest of the boys.

Leslie Singer knows Higgins and knew Doherty to see him. On Friday, August 1, he was not working and was out Gilbert's lane between 2.30 and 2, and stopped near the park entrance. While there he saw Higgins, Doherty and another boy, going toward the park entrance. Witness went out into the park ahead of them and between 2.30 and 3.15 was all over the ground where the tragedy occurred. The last he saw of the boys was near the park entrance.

Questioned more closely he said: "I went into the park almost 200 yards ahead of the boys. I went up past the refreshment house and out the old military road. I stopped to pick berries near where the body was found. I saw there some young ladies and some boys picking berries. I stayed there an hour and coming out the same way I lay down in the rear of the refreshment house. Saw none of the boys there. I think it was about a quarter after 3 when I left the burnt land to come in. John Baird and a boy named Carmichael joined me there and we went out the Military road again, passing the spot where the body was found and picking berries on each side of the path. We came back the second time about four o'clock and sat down on a bench at this end of the road, remaining there until a quarter to five, when we came directly in home. In this time nothing occurred to attract my attention. Heard no revolver shots. Saw neither Higgins nor Goodspeed again that night."

Cross examined: It was near the entrance of the park where I saw the boys about two o'clock. Going out the Military Road I went about one hundred yards past the scene of the tragedy. It was a little after three when I came in. The second time we went out we stayed about half an hour. There were some women and children picking berries then almost where the body was found.

Mr. Mullin questioned the witness closely about the time of these occurrences and seemed satisfied with the result.

Geo. Patterson had known Doherty, but neither Higgins or Goodspeed. He told of seeing Doherty in the park with two boys the afternoon of August 1. He had seen Higgins and Goodspeed since and thought these boys were about the same size. He saw them on a little hill back of the bear pit. They were going in the direction of the city, and seemed to be picking berries. This was about half past three. Witness then went toward home and did not see the boys again that day.

Harry Beckwith, the young man who first discovered the body on Monday, Aug. 4, repeated the story substantially as at the inquest and the preliminary examination. It was the rising of a dense swarm of flies that first attracted his attention to the pile of burnt sticks and brush. He removed some and seeing some clothes and a human hand, gave the alarm.

Felix Gallagher, park laborer, to whom Beckwith first told the news of

the finding of the body, told of subsequent events and described the position of the body when he saw it.

Harley Metox, park policeman, related his part in the discovery of the body. At the request of counsel witness drew a sketch plan of the park showing the entrance, the various roads and the place where the tragedy occurred, marking for the benefit of judge and jury approximate distances from point to point.

In response to further questions he told of removing from the body the heaps of logs, rocks, sticks and bushes still green. The rocks were about 3 or 4 pounds in weight. Judging from the pile of stuff on the body he thought it would take nearly an hour for two boys to gather it. Later he modified this, saying that as material was plentiful around there it would not take so long. He saw no blood on the sticks or stones, but as rain had fallen and it was damp the days following the murder this could have been washed away.

Mr. Mullin witness said he could not be sure that the details of his plan were absolutely accurate. George Henry, another park laborer and policeman, related incidents in connection with the discovery and removal of Doherty's body. He added nothing of interest to the evidence already in hand. He said that on the afternoon of Friday, August 1, he had been working in a hayfield not far from where the discovery was made. He heard no shots and did not remember seeing anybody resembling the prisoner.

Officer Geo. Earle was also present when the body was removed. He described the look of the place and the appearance of the body after the covering heap was removed. The "left pants pocket was turned inside out and the right was empty. In his vest pocket was a little book and a cigarette package containing two cigarettes and a pencil. His cap was underneath the body. The cap, necktie, pin, etc., were produced in evidence. There was some writing in the book, but he did not know what. Near the body, in a southerly direction, a piece of newspaper was hanging on the limb of a tree about five feet from the ground. Other pieces were underneath the tree. All were part of one newspaper, "the Morning Daily Herald" of Wednesday, July 2, 1902.

To the judge—The tree on which the paper hung was the nearest to the body in that direction. Coroner Berryman broke off the twig that carried the paper.

Witness knew Higgins and Doherty, but not Goodspeed. When the body was taken to the dead house people were admitted to identify it. Officer Killen brought Higgins and Goodspeed to the door to see the body. Goodspeed stopped just inside the door. There were others there at the time—shortly after 6 p. m. The body was lying just as it had been brought in, the face had not been washed.

Witness took the prisoner around where he could see the face. At first he said he did not know him, but when the face was turned up he said, "That's Willie Doherty." Joseph Doherty was standing there and he asked Higgins, "Is that Willie?" Higgins said it was.

Afterward witness took Higgins and Goodspeed to the guard room and showed them the cap found with the body. Higgins said it looked to be the one Doherty wore. Goodspeed said nothing. Shortly afterward he met the two boys in the street, and Higgins said they were going to start out and find the murderer. Witness never saw the boys again until they were arrested. The day before the Cullinan robbery witness saw Higgins, Doherty, Tobin and others lying in the old graveyard together.

To the judge—Joseph Doherty saw the body before Higgins, but had not identified it.

Cross-examination elicited more detail but little of definite interest. He persisted that it was Higgins who told him he was going to find out who did the deed. He did not know whether Higgins was arrested or not in connection with the Cullinan robbery. He never heard of such a arrest. He did not see Higgins the day of the robbery.

To Judge Landry—The first intimation that the body was Willie Doherty's was received from Higgins.

Cross examined: Officer Earle admitted that before Higgins came in Mr. Doherty had said he did not know whether it was his son or not.

Re-examined: Mr. Doherty came in first, but this talk about the body before that of his son did not take place until after Higgins' appearance. He could not recognize the body. When Higgins came in he went around the table. The face of the body was turned to one side and he said at that time he couldn't be sure. Then he came around the table and witness held the head up when Higgins at once identified it. The face was badly cut and covered with grass and dirt. Witness knew Willie Doherty, but could not recognize the body in that condition.

Dr. J. F. Macaulay, who performed the post-mortem examination upon Doherty's body gave evidence thereon practically as at the inquest. He described the wounds as previously. Those in the head were apparently made with some sharp instrument. There was a depressed fracture of the skull under the right forehead. In the right hand a wound was imbedded a small piece of stone. There were twelve wounds on the face and head, evidently post-mortem as the first mentioned one was. They could have been caused by stones thrown on the head. The front of the body was uninjured, but four gunshot wounds were found in the back. One was below the left shoulder blade, one just to the left of the spine level with the last rib, the third was one inch to the right of the spine almost level with the other. The fourth was just above the crest of the right hip bone. Upon internal examination one bullet was found imbedded in the lower lobe of the lung. There had been a large hemorrhage in the abdominal cavity from wounds in the liver and kidneys. The bleeding was found free in the pelvic cavity, another in the abdomen, and the fourth imbedded in the right shoulder blade. In the stomach were berries and leaves partially digested. Interior examination of the skull revealed another fracture of the left temporal bone extending into the

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ILLITERACY IN UNITED STATE
(Exchange).
The Census Bureau at Washington has just issued a preliminary report on illiteracy among men of voting age in the city and country districts in the United States. Under "illiterate" are included those who can neither read nor write, and also a small number who can read but cannot write. In the United States as a whole, including Alaska and Hawaii, the male population at least ten years old and living in cities averaging at least 25,000 inhabitants was 5,885,644, of whom 33,922 or 6 per cent. were reported as illiterate. In the rest of the country the number of men of voting age was 15,245,556, of which 1,949,247, or 13 per cent. were reported as illiterate. This shows that illiteracy is less than half as prevalent in the large cities as it is in the rest of the United States; and in the cities it is found less frequently than elsewhere in all the states and territories, except New Hampshire, New York, Kansas and Oregon. In the rural districts of the South a considerable percentage of the adult population has not acquired the elements of education.

WEST INDIA LINE.
The Dahome left St. Kitts for Bermuda and St. John at midnight on 15th inst., and she will therefore be due to arrive here on 23rd instant.

HOW KELVIN STARTED.
Lord Kelvin, the distinguished English scientist, is the son of a small tenant farmer in County Down, and might have passed the rest of his life among the turnips had he not been chosen to be fascinated by an old run dial standing forgotten and neglected in the village churchyard. There were hidden meanings in that stone which allured while they baffled him. The study of this dial changed the trend of his life and gave to the world its most distinguished student of natural phenomena.

BLOOD POISONING FEARED.
(Fredericton Herald).
J. McMullin, mate of the str. David Weston, is at present laid off in St. John. A few days ago he injured a finger and now it is feared that blood poisoning may make the accident a serious one. Capt. Robt. Dings, who formerly had charge of river boats, is now performing Mate McMullin's duties.

FESTIVAL CHORUS.
W. R. Chapman arrived in the city at noon today, and will conduct the rehearsal of the Festival Chorus at the York Theatre this evening. This will be the last rehearsal Mr. Chapman will attend until the concerts are on. At the close of the rehearsal this evening the board of government will left a meeting.