



The Times

LAST EDITION

THE WEATHER. Strong winds and gales, south to southwest with rain, Wednesday, strong winds and gales, northwest to north, colder towards evening.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1907.

ONE CENT

THE YARMOUTH IS NOT SERIOUSLY DAMAGED

She Is Now At Kennedy's Slip Leaking Slightly.

Firemen Stuck To Their Posts With Water Knee Deep In The Engine Room-- Vessel Backed Off Rocks At High Tide and Came Up To Harbor

While on the return trip from Digby to this port, yesterday afternoon, the Dominion Atlantic steamer Yarmouth in command of Captain McKinnon, ran ashore at Misses Point, during a dense fog. It was 4.45 when the steamer struck the shore. Before the steamer was stopped twice, and her engines were going slowly. The wind was blowing from the southwest at the time and it would be difficult to hear the island whistle. The tide was over two hours on the ebb, and the steamer held fast and remained on the next high tide. She backed off under her own steam at 1.30 o'clock this morning, and came up into the harbor and berthed at Kennedy's slip at the government pier.

When the tide left her it was found that some rocks had forced up her hull in the forward hold on the starboard side. After the accident some of the crew landed and drove to the city and secured the tug Maggie M. Captain Mowbray of the tug at once proceeded to the Yarmouth and brought her passengers up to the city. Quite a large number of people visited the steamer today at the slip. She is not so badly damaged as reported. James Fleming & Sons have now men on the steamer to make repairs. The time she was ashore had steam up, but when the tide commenced to rise it was found she leaked considerably. The firemen stuck to their posts in water knee deep and succeeded in keeping up steam until she reached port in safety. The passengers on board the steamer behaved well and were much relieved when the tug put in its appearance. Captain McKinnon and his crew will not give out much for publication until the captain enters his protest against the accident. It is stated that the vessel is insured in England. Alexander A. McGregor, the marine superintendent of the United Kingdom on his way to this city.

WANT WEEKLY BOATS TO THE WEST INDIES

OTTAWA, Dec. 10.—(Special)—A deputation from the Toronto board of trade waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier today headed by R. C. Steele, president and J. D. Allen, ex-president. They are asking that in the enlargement of the railway commission commercial interests be considered. At least two business men should be appointed. They also suggested that some steps be taken to cross the West Indies. Out of \$25,000,000 trade of the West Indies, Canada now gets about 10 per cent. They suggested the establishment of a fast weekly instead of a monthly steamship service. Sir Wilfrid promised to look into the matter.

WINNIPEG ELECTION

WINNIPEG, Dec. 10.—(Special)—The civic election takes place today and one of the hottest fights in years is expected. Many are confident that Controller Garson, Mayor Ashdown's chief opponent will lead the polls for controller, but it looks like a good race between Mr. Garson and W. Sanford Evans for this honor.

NOT A MURDER BUT MERELY AN ACUTE CASE OF "NERVES"

Story of a Tragedy At Springhill Junction Which Is Promptly Denied.

SPRINGHILL, Dec. 10.—(Special)—A murder story started by a man whose name is unknown is in circulation here. The story as related is shrouded in considerable mystery but there appears to be good ground for believing that a tragedy has occurred within a short distance from Springhill Junction.

The strange report came to the authorities from a man who claims that he had been injured in the woods and was on his way home when the exciting incident took place. He states that while passing a farm house occupied by a family named Landry he saw a man enter and shortly after was startled to hear the report of a pistol. This drew his attention at once to the scene and on looking around he saw a man fall across the threshold calling out the same time that he had been murdered. A woman was seen to emerge from the house and cry out that a murder had committed at the same time calling

MAY HAVE TO BURN BODIES OF THE VICTIMS

MONONGAH, W. Va., Dec. 10.—Bodies brought during last night from mines numbers 6 and 8 of the Fairmont Coal Co., where probably more than 400 miners were killed by an explosion last Friday, carried the list of victims beyond the hundred mark, and others were being taken into the morgue at short intervals. Today dawned was bright prospects for bringing to the surface a majority of those still in the workings.

The terrible conditions that have prevailed here since the explosion were made worse last night when rain began falling early in the evening and continued almost incessantly throughout the night causing ankle-deep mud in many places. This, however, depressed the large portion of the crowd which proved a constant handicap to the rescuing forces whose work they rendered more difficult. The uncomfortable footing and the rain proved too much for them and they sought their homes. Thereafter the work of bringing out the bodies progressed speedily. A large number of funerals were held yesterday.

The relief work is well under way. There is now plenty of food but there is urgent need of clothing in many families. Cash funds are being raised in many places and instalments are already being forwarded from some points. The coal companies of this district have contributed \$20,000 cash. Many of the bodies taken out last night were far advanced in decomposition. A tent has been erected in the emergency to be used as a morgue for such as are too far gone to be taken to the bank building. Health authorities fear an epidemic due to the decaying bodies of the men and the animals and are prepared to enforce heroic measures if it becomes necessary. Quailins will be taken into the mine and scattered over the bodies if conditions become much worse and the last chance of identification and restoration to the families for Christian burial will have passed away.

FUNERALS

The funeral of W. F. Francis took place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the residence, Durham street, Court Loyallist, I. O. F., and Portland Lodge, Sons of England, preceded the funeral at the Cedar Hill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Isabel McKil took place this morning from the home of her son-in-law, Oscar F. Price, Adelaide street. The body was taken to Westfield on the early train this morning for interment at Brown's Plaza. Service was held at the house last night at 8 o'clock by Rev. R. P. McKim.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 10.—(Special)—Stock prices which closed weak yesterday were down slightly again today. Dom. Steel bonds sold in good sized lots from 71 to 70. In other respects transactions were light and brought only moderate prices. Mont. Power sold off to 88 1/2 and Mont. Street Railway was down one point to 108. Bank of Montreal sold at 228 and 800 Common at 80.

EXPECT THAT WATER SUPPLY WILL BE USUAL BY THIS EVENING

A Great Improvement In the Service This Morning--Many Factories Have Already Resumed Operations--Civic Committee Discussed the Situation At a Meeting In City Hall.

CIVIC COMMITTEE MEETS TO CONSIDER SITUATION

The committee appointed yesterday to deal with the details connected with the water famine met at 10.45 o'clock this morning, and reports on the situation were received. There were present: the mayor (chairman), Ald. Frink, Baxter, McGoldrick, Sprout and McGowan, with Chief Kerr of the fire department, and the common council.

Ald. Frink, chairman of the water and sewerage board, reported that the situation was improving somewhat. He told of his visit yesterday to the scene of the break. Repairs were being made. Water was turned on in No. 2 main at 9.40 p. m. last night.

At 10 o'clock this morning it had reached the Elliott Row and Mecklenburg street. In No. 3 main a joint had sprung and broken off from the opposing joint. A heavy force of men were at work all night and today. The lack of water yesterday was not heavy enough, and new tackle was sent out today. It was expected repairs would be completed on No. 3 main about 2 o'clock this afternoon, and water would be coming in through that main probably this afternoon.

What Caused the Breaks

In reply to questions Ald. Frink said the breaks were the result of extra pressure being put on the pipes. The water was under a great deal of pressure and the pipes were old and worn.

Measures for Relief

Ald. McGoldrick, chairman of the board of public works, told of the steps he had taken to supply the people with water from Carleton and Jones's brewery. The work had been carried on until one o'clock this morning. He had sent teams to Rock-Tind Road and other high points about the city where the water from No. 2 main would not reach, to supply the needs of the people at these points.

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Dr. Jones of Salisbury who attended the dead woman gave evidence similar to that at the inquest. When he arrived at the Horsman home he made a sufficient examination of the patient to satisfy himself that her condition was due to partial drowning and prescribed accordingly. Dr. Jones said he considered the woman's case hopeless when he left and all possible was done to save her. He didn't think the woman ever regained consciousness sufficiently to intelligently answer questions although he heard her answering.

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Inmate of Salvation Army Maternity Home Falls From Upper Window.

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CRIB SITE NOT READY YET

The site for No. 4 crib of the Clark & Adams wharf is not yet ready despite reports to the contrary, is evident from the fact that the dredge Dominion was working on it yesterday and today. Mr. Adams of the contracting firm said this morning that the crib could be held in place, and it could be built up the required height, as soon as the site was ready.

MARRIAGES

CARVELL-CURRIE--In this city on the 7th inst. at St. Mary's church, by Rev. Dr. W. G. Raymond, Thomas H. Carvell, of Sussex, to Miss A. Florence Currie, of this city.

UNFOUNDED FEARS

When Ald. Baxter was observed crossing the ferry yesterday after lunch, with a "long neck" in his pocket, a dark and horrible suspicion filled the minds of his friends at city hall. Several aldermen took the pledge, and Ald. Bullock was hurriedly called in consultation, as he is believed to have special gifts as a reformer.

A HANDSOME PICTURE FROM BANGOR FRIENDS

Another beautiful large picture was received today by No. 12 Wellington house from Bangor. It shows the combination wagon of No. 4 company of that city. It was sent with the complimentary of G. P. Clark, George Charlton, H. F. Clark and J. H. McAuley.

MAGISTRATE SCORED THE MEN WHO GOT DRUNK IN THE DARK

Lines of \$5 each also for drunkenness. Minnie Naim (colored) pleaded guilty to a charge of using profane language on Sheffield street, and went to jail for two months in default of a fine of \$5.

Eleven Arrests Made By Police Last Night--All Received the Limit Today.

They are not to be taken as a sample of the people, but a job lot of people that are no good. This is how Judge Ritchie characterized the morning looking bunch of prisoners who answered the docket roll-call this morning. There were eleven in all, and to each the reward of justice was handed out to the fullest extent.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A STRANGE HALLUCINATION. Mr. Hiram Hornbeam had a rude awakening last evening. The like was true of his old friend, the mayor's clerk and the city engineer. The three had met early in the evening.

Trick of fancy, at the sight of lamps and rickety chairs in store windows, the life of years rolled back and the trio suddenly found themselves living over again the life of fifty years ago.

Let's go to Cooper's Alley," said Hiram. "By Hen! I ain't been there for a week."

The suggestion was promptly agreed to, and with light and springy steps the three hastened toward the well-remembered haunt.

But as they proceeded a transformation occurred. The electric lights were suddenly switched on, the streets resumed their twentieth century aspect, and the

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