

ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE TIMES YIELD RESULTS.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1916.

THE WEATHER.

Fresh southerly to westerly winds; Wed-nesday, fine and warm.

ONE CENT.

COUNTY COURT OPENED TODAY

One Criminal Case and Small Civil Docket

A SHORT SESSION Should Result, as There is Little to Do--The Docket and the List of Grand and Petit Jurors--Judge Forbes' Address to the Jury.

The county court opened this morning at the court house before Judge Forbes. After the formal opening of the court, the names of the grand jury were called and the members of the jury selected with the high sheriff and elected as their foreman G. Fred Fisher, who was subsequently sworn. The names of the petit jurors and constables were also called. The grand jury was sworn.

His honor in addressing the jury observed that amid all the business of various kinds that had been transacted in the court there had been very little crime. A fact which was highly gratifying. One case, however, would come before them, that of the King vs. Frank McDermott. His honor in reviewing the case to the jury said that if they concluded defendant had acted for the protection of his rights in Hamilton got nothing more than he deserved. If on the other hand the case proved to be one of gross negligence, then a fine should be levied. The case had come up before the police magistrate and it was unfortunate that the county should be put to the expense of trying such cases. From prima facie evidence the matter seemed to be one of simple assault.

He then read the indictment and asked the jurors to attend to the case with the master. A full attendance of the grand jury was held, of the utmost importance. He concluded by the last jury on the discharge of their duties and informed those present that should they find anything necessitating inquiry they would receive any assistance they may require.

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EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS FELT

St. Louis Had Three Distinct "Shakes" Last Night

ILLINOIS HAD IT, TOO In Southern Part of State it Was Severe, but it Didn't Move Chicago--Thousands of People Felt it in St. Louis.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22--Illinois was shaken by an earthquake shortly after 11 o'clock last night, the most severe in recent years. The shock, in the southern part of the state especially in the region surrounding east St. Louis was severe enough to rattle dishes and furniture. Houses cracked and in many instances their occupants rushed out in terror fearing that the straining beams and joints would give way.

As far north as Springfield, the shock was distinctly felt. Further north it grew less perceptible, until in the vicinity of Chicago it was not noticed. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 22--St. Louis was shaken by three distinct shocks last night. The first was a dull rumbling noise resembling the passing of a distant freight train.

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PHILADELPHIA'S MAYOR A VISITOR TO ST. JOHN

John Weaver, Who Made Grafters Tremble in the Quaker City, is Taking a Temporary Respite From His Labors--He Won't Talk, But Says He Likes St. John.

John Weaver, the now famous mayor of Philadelphia, who by his fight against graft in the Quaker City, has made an international reputation for himself, arrived in the city this morning and is stopping at the Royal.

Mayor Weaver is accompanied by his wife and young son.

A Times representative seeing the name--which a short time ago was connected with despatches almost every day--on the hotel register, immediately jumped to the conclusion that it was the man who had made the grafters tremble and had stood firmly for honest government.

The representative of this paper interviewed Mayor Weaver and found him exceedingly pleasant and affable. He is a man who impresses one immediately as being possessed of great strength of character. He is of medium height, rather heavily built, with iron gray hair and moustache. His eyes are bright and kindly, and a large scar adorns his left cheek.

In response to a query as to his visit here, he replied that it was purely a pleasure trip. He had left Philadelphia rather heavily laden with iron gray hair and moustache. His eyes are bright and kindly, and a large scar adorns his left cheek.

Asked as to his work in Philadelphia, he replied, with a smile, that everything had already been published and there was nothing that he could say that was not already known. Concerning his future plans he was equally reticent, except to say that the work already under way would be made permanent and he would continue to conduct affairs in the same manner this fall, when he expected there would be ample opportunity for it. In reply to a question as to whether he found many chances for reform in civic matters, he said there was no lack of them.

He had just returned from a trip around the city and remarked that St. John was a very bustling city. He was much interested in the great rise and fall of the tides here.

PEACE ENVOYS HAD NO MEETING TODAY

Secretaries Did Not Finish Preparing Protocols

Amherst Jury Suggests That This Course Be Taken

TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS Man Killed By Train--Jury Says That All Trees and Underbrush Occurring at Curves in the Road Should Be Cut.

AMHERST, N. S., Aug. 22--It has been decided to postpone until tomorrow the meeting of the peace conference which was to have taken place this afternoon. The failure of the secretaries to complete the protocols is given as the reason.

Japanese Press Comment TOKIO, Aug. 22--The Jiji in commenting upon the postponing of the Portsmouth peace conference today says: "The cessation of the island of Sakhalin and the reimbursement of the cost of the war are vital points of our demands, and leave no room for compromise. The moderation and reasonableness of these demands will be admitted, even by France. Should the attempt to promote peace fail, the responsibility will rest with Russia, not with Japan. If the Russians refuse to accept the proposed terms it will be advisable for our delegates to withdraw and tell them that the next meeting will be in Tokio."

The Asahi says: "The war has won a constitution for the Russian people. It declared that Japan as fighting the Russian government and does not entertain any illfeeling toward the oppressed subjects of the Russian. It expressed the belief that all true Russians must hold some appreciation for what Japan has accomplished for them."

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 22--The following official bulletin was issued at 10:30 a.m. Owing to the impossibility of finishing before the adjournment of the conference, the work of preparing the protocols of the meeting of the conference today's meeting has been adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

THE RUSSIAN LOAN ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 22--It is announced from Moscow that subscriptions there to the new internal loan are most satisfactory. The subscriptions thus far amount to only \$100,000.

An imperial decree will be issued Aug. 17, authorizing the issuance of a new internal loan of \$100,000,000 at 5 per cent.

A DISABLED STEAMER NEW YORK, Aug. 22--The Donald Steamship Company's steamer Athos, which was disabled at sea and was long overdue, arrived off Scotland this morning during the night in tow of a tugboat from the West Indies. When off the lights of the low line port, and as it was impossible to successfully run another line in the darkness, the Athos anchored, and a request was sent to the city for tugs to tow her to her dock. The eight passengers from the Athos were brought to quarantine by the towing steamer, the Athos.

A stocking gift party was held Saturday evening on Patterson street, Westfield Beach, by the congregation of St. James church. A good programme was carried out and a very pleasant evening was spent by the large number present. Refreshments were served at the close of the entertainment. A substantial sum was realized, which will go towards repairs on the rectory.

MANUAL TRAINING MAKES FOR PRACTICAL USEFULNESS Mrs. James Dever, of the School Board, Favors Its Introduction Into the Public Schools--Says It Cannot but be a Great Benefit.

That the need of a manual training course in our public schools is more than ever pressing itself to the forefront is acknowledged today by the large majority of the thinking public and its general value is unhesitatingly admitted by intelligent people in all departments of life.

Business men, physicians, manufacturers and tradesmen agree unanimously that the pupil who has had the privilege of instruction in manual training is largely the gainer and is much more practical in every respect than he would otherwise have been. Its manifold advantages are clearly apparent and the thinking man will welcome its introduction here.

An old school master informed the Times that manual training has from time to time been discussed at meetings of the Board of School Trustees, and the matter of favoring it, or recognizing its value was beyond question, as nobody doubted the advantages to be gained from it. He had, he said, reason to believe that it would be adopted inside of a year. It was also remembered that at the present time more room is needed in the city schools, as each year the number of pupils is increasing and a new school building is needed in Lower Cove. This will lessen the number of pupils at the Westfield, and to some extent at least improve the conditions.

In conclusion, Mrs. Dever said that she favored the introduction of manual training, but not at the expense of the present curriculum.

CUT TREES AND BRUSH

Man Killed By Train--Jury Says That All Trees and Underbrush Occurring at Curves in the Road Should Be Cut.

AMHERST, N. S., Aug. 22 (Special)--While some men were walking along the track of the Maritime Coal Company's works between Macan and Chignecto last yesterday afternoon they discovered the lifeless body of Robert Clark, an employe at the mines at Chignecto. Coroner Dyer and Dr. Hewson were summoned and an inquest held. From evidence to hand it was found that the company's train had passed about half an hour before the body was discovered, and that none of the train had witnessed the accident. The verdict was that the deceased came attached to any of the employes of the road, but recommended that underbrush and trees at certain curves in the road be cut and that the train handle keep a sharper lookout. The deceased was about 30 years of age, and belonged in Springfield, where his body will be taken for interment.

THE WATERWORKS

Should the City Now Take Over McArthur & McVey's Contract?

There is a report today that McArthur & McVey will not accept the \$100,000 offered by the city if it is to exclude all claims for extra. If that be true, an alternative of some kind must be found to finish the work--even assuming that it would take over the work.

A gentleman who has visited the works at the plant they have, and as it is the city should take over the work, get proper plant and plenty of it, put on day and night shifts, give Engineer Hunter charge of the work and direct the work.

This gentleman points out that McArthur & McVey have received something like \$110,000, which would leave nearly \$30,000. Add to this the proposed \$15,000 bonus and the city would have nearly \$45,000 to finish the work--even assuming that it would cost so much, which he does not admit. There are three points to consider, says this gentleman. In the first place the water must be brought in this year; in the second place, McArthur & McVey say they cannot complete their contract; in the third place, there is no guarantee if they are given a bonus that they will not come back for another one, or fail to complete the work.

Therefore let the city take over the work itself and put it through. Battle line steamship Evans, Captain Malinley, cleared today for Hopewell Cape N. B. The steamer took on board here part cargo of desks furnished by W. Malinley, and will finish her outward cargo at the above named place for Brown Head for orders.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22--It is understood that the viceroys and governors of this province have agreed to suppress the boycott against American goods which will probably be ended before American minister Conger arrives in Peking.

THE TURKEY AND THE AXE. Ald. Bullock told a story at the water board meeting yesterday about two brothers who got a turkey and an axe. One of them settled the question of ownership by saying: "You take the turkey and I'll take the axe."

TOURISTS--There are no signs on the street corners in St. John. They are kept in City Hall. You will find examples of them in the room where the boards meet. They are kept on file for the special benefit of tourists. If they were put on the street corners everybody would be looking at them, and they would also be exposed to the weather.

HOPE YOUNG'S TRIAL. DIARY, Aug. 22--(Special)--The trial of Hope Young for the murder of Baby Young in the woods near Plympton was opened this morning. Court was in session until 1:15 and previous to its adjournment Kingfisher testimony was discussed. It is now held as a witness. A true bill was found against Hope Young.

A PROPHECY. Ald. Lewis, he of the prophetic vision, startled the water board yesterday afternoon. Standing where the long shaft of afternoon sunlight streaming through the windows of City Hall formed an aureole around his head, the deputy mayor uttered a warning.

"There is something yet to come in this waterworks business," he said in solemn tones, "that will surprise some of the aldermen. We are treading dangerous ground. I had better examine the floor, and one timid alderman seized his hat and hastened into the street-room."

"I am not going to say just now what it is," pursued the deputy mayor, impressively, "but there's something in the wind."

A WISE DECISION. "St. Andrew's Society," said Mr. Peter Binks, this morning, "is quite right in declining to celebrate Trafalgar Day, now that President Louber has sent King Edward six cases of entente cordiale, vintage of 1895, as a token of international good will. The proper thing for the Society to do now is to send to President Louber a dozen cases of Scotch, and call it square."

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