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ENTRANCE KING AND GERMAIN STS.

THE GIRLS' CLUB

A group of working girls who are not residents of the city took tea last evening in the Girls' Club. This is a regular feature of the Girls' Club work. These girls were not all members of the club, but members were there to look after their comfort and pleasure. Miss Perry played the piano, and there was singing after tea. Mrs. W. C. Good was present during the evening and took part in the musical programme. The aim is to make the club a social centre for working girls. Several games for week evenings have been contributed.

CAPTAIN GEORGE GALE

The death of Captain George Gale, aged forty-four years, occurred this morning at his home, 194 Metcalfe street, after an illness which had continued for more than a year. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gale of Cumberland Bay and is survived by his wife, one son, Russell, and one daughter, Georgie. For the last fifteen years he had made his home in St. John, sailing from this port as master of coasting schooners. The funeral service will be held at his late residence on Tuesday evening and the body will be taken on Wednesday to Cumberland Bay for interment there.

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FERRY DEFICIT WOULD PAY FOR HARBOR BRIDGE

Equal to Interest on Expenditure of \$1,400,000

\$25,309 FOR CURRENT YEAR

Council Voted Balance Today, in Addition to \$10,000 Appropriation at First of Year—Cannot Find Hall for Soldiers' Banquet

The need of a harbor bridge, not only to improve communication with West St. John but also to enable the city to avoid larger ferry deficits was urged on the common council at the committee meeting this morning by Commissioner McLellan. The suggestion arose from the fact that it was found necessary to vote \$15,809, in addition to the \$10,000 appropriated at the first of the year, to meet the ferry deficit for the current year. Commissioner McLellan said that the deficits were likely to become greater rather than less and that the amount now paid would go a long way toward paying the cost of a harbor bridge. With the co-operation of the provincial and dominion government and the railways interested in the city's share would be less. The discussion of the war anniversary and it was reported that it would be difficult to find a hall suitable for a banquet. This feature may be abandoned and it was suggested by Commissioner McLellan that, instead, the city might give the veterans' association a check towards their building fund.

Mayor Hayes presided at the meeting and Commissioners Fisher, McLellan and Russell and the common clerk were present.

A communication was presented from James Wilkes, owner of a property in White street, which is being expropriated for the use of the hospital. He explained that when he acquired his deed from the city nine years ago, the description was given incorrectly and the deed appears to be for lot 29 instead of lot 16, the former being the property of Miss Julia Murray. He wished to secure a corrected deed so he could collect his award. The matter was referred to the city solicitor to report back.

Commissioner Russell presented a statement of the ferry finances, showing the prospect for a large deficit by the end of the year, despite the fact that the falling off in revenue was only \$275 less for the first six months than for the corresponding period last year. The deficit was due to increased cost of fuel, a matter of \$2,500, increased wages, \$8,000 for Ladlow repairs and other increased costs of operation. Commissioner Russell's statement of estimated expenses and income for the balance of the year is as follows: Insurance, \$1,500; fortnightly wages, \$2,000; salaries, \$11,400; steam coal, \$3,900; monthly accounts, \$10,000; east side piling, \$500; west side piling, \$1,000; total \$38,800. Estimated earnings for balance of year, \$13,000. Estimated deficit, \$25,800.

Would Pay For Bridge.

Commissioner McLellan remarked that the annual deficit on the ferry now represented the interest on capital of \$1,400,000 and said that the sooner the city sought the co-operation of the government and the railways in building a new bridge, the better. The city might even effect a saving through such an arrangement.

In reply to a question regarding the advisability of issuing bonds at present, Commissioner McLellan said that with the city's per capita debt at \$11, as compared with \$70, which is the lowest of any other city in Canada, there should be little trouble in selling bonds.

The mayor then asked for the estimates for harbor expenditures and Commissioner Russell explained that they would be ready soon, the engineer having been delayed by the collapse of the west side warehouse. It was his intention, he added, to call for tenders for the reconstruction of the warehouse.

The amendment to the sidewalk occupation act were again laid before the meeting but the matter was laid over until all the members would be present. A letter from the Maritime Mail Co., Ltd., asking for repairs to Camden and Portland streets was presented by Commissioner Fisher. He reported that he was making some repairs out of his appropriation.

The War Celebration

Commissioner McLellan, referring to the plans for the observation of August 4, pointed out the difficulty in arranging a satisfactory banquet for the men and their families. He suggested, as an alternative, that a theatre be hired for an entertainment for which each soldier would be given several tickets for his friends and that, during the evening the mayor should hand to the representatives of the Veterans' Association a check for \$2,500 towards their building fund.

Commissioner Russell said that the committee had found it impossible to secure a hall suitable for the purpose. The high school assembly hall was the best available.

Mayor Hayes said his original idea did not include banquet and, if a suitable hall could not be secured, they could do little else than abandon the plan. He did not think the men would want to erect a permanent building until all the soldiers had returned; the city had no money to spare at present and he thought it would be better to defer the grant until the money was required.

Commissioner McLellan said that the men wanted the building as soon as they could get it, to have quarters in which to receive the others as they came back. The matter was laid over until after the committee and sub-committee had reported.

The mayor reported that a delegation of labor leaders had waited on him to protest against the continued imprisonment of striking plumbers and also the way in which the coroner's inquiry had been conducted. He had informed them that the matter was in the hands of the police and he could not interfere.

HIS WOUNDS SEVERE

Sergeant Edgar G. McEachern
Seriously Injured in Back, Both
Arms and Left Leg

John D. McEachern of 549 Main street has received official word from a hospital in France, telling of his son,



Sergeant Edgar G. McEachern, being seriously wounded in the back, both arms and left leg. Before enlisting he was employed in the office of the George McKean & Co. Ltd., lumber dealers, and was a very popular employee. He was later transferred to the same company's office in Amherst, where he enlisted with the 108th Battalion N. S. Highlanders. After landing in England he was employed as an instructor and was promoted to be a sergeant. After serving as instructor for several months he crossed over to France where he received his wounds. Before leaving for Amherst he was an active member of the Y.M.C.A. here. Mr. McEachern has another son, Robert, who enlisted with a Winnipeg battalion and was invalided home. Many friends will be sorry to hear of the young soldier's wounds and hope for a speedy recovery. He passed his 20th birthday in last March.

ALONG THE RIVER

Three week-end pictures of river life were not taken because the observer was without a camera. One was a bevy of maidens at the wharf at Carter's Point, waiting for the Ocoee, and so prettily posed that a photographer could suggest no improvement. The second was two maidens swimming around a motor boat at Watters' Landing. The third was three boys asleep on a veranda at six o'clock in the morning, wrapped in blankets laid on the floor, with a dog at the head and the family cat curled up between two of the boys. Indeed a camera man would probably have snapped a group of girls at Bely's Point, and many another interesting feature along shore.

He could not, however, nor could an artist paint the glories of last night's sunset at Public Landing. It had been a day of variable weather. In the morning rain was falling, but by noon the sun was shining. During the afternoon thunder showers swept around the horizon, but did not visit that part of the Reach. As the sun went down great mountain ranges of clouds were piled high in the east and bathed in wonderful colors, partially reflected on the surface of the river. But the clouds passed with the twilight and when darkness fell the stars shone from a cloudless sky.

The first bay will be cut at the Landing next week if the weather is favorable.

The crop is heavy. All crops are flourishing. The potato bugs are in evidence, but they are not at all plentiful as yet, and the farmers are eating potatoes of this year's crop.

The first dance of the season for patriotic purposes will be held at the pavilion at the Landing next week-end. There has been a dance each Saturday night at a private house, and quite a number of young people from the city have attended.

"I miss the young men," said one man this morning. "We used to see them in their yachting flannels, and they were things lively, but now it is only the older men, the women and children. The young men are at the front or engaged in war work."

TOMPKINS ADMITS HE KILLED THREE

Johnstown, Penn., July 23.—George C. Tompkins, held for the murder on Sunday of E. I. Humphries and the latter's wife and son, has confessed his guilt. He told jail Warden E. H. Kneel that he "killed those three persons."

"They hounded me," Tompkins said. "I was in trouble financially, but they would not let up, and insisted on the payment of obligations that I could not meet."

Five hours after making his voluntary confession Tompkins was trying to butter his brains out in the cell which he has occupied in the county jail here. The remarkable fortitude of the prisoner gave away almost immediately after he confessed, and he is like a raving maniac.

Tompkins' father, his wife and little boy were admitted to the jail to see the prisoner. They sat in the warden's office for fully an hour conversing about various matters. Tompkins showed great agitation. He kept watching his wife and son. Finally the boy went from the room to get a drink of water. As he had passed through the doorway of the office into the corridor outside, Tompkins turned to Warden E. H. Kneel and said:

"I have been crucified for three nights. I can't stand this any longer. I killed the Humphries family."

Later, Tompkins repeated his brief confession to Rev. Brainerd F. Harney, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Eldersburg, and Edgar Evans of the law firm of Evans & Evans, retained as counsel by Tompkins. While he did not go much into details of the crime he told voluntarily that he had cheated the elder Humphries through a counterfeit of a letter, and that he had finally killed him at the fence near the woods.

"The bullet that struck Humphries when I fired at him in the car," he said, "must have killed Mrs. Humphries, too."

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