

AROUND THE CITY

FAIR AND WARMER

PURSE FOUND.

A pocketbook containing a small sum of money was found in King square late last night. The owner can have it by applying at the police station and proving property.

A LONELY ONE.

Business was not very brisk at the police station last night. One drunk, arrested on Main street, was given a night's lodging and will pay his respects to the judge this morning.

REMAINED TO JAIL.

Murray Miles, who was arrested on a warrant sworn out at Hampton on a liquor charge, was taken to Kings County on Thursday by Inspector Merryfield. He pleaded not guilty to the charge and was remanded.

TO ADDRESS THE CLUB.

Major (Rev.) A. T. Shatford, of Montreal, will be the guest of and address the Canadian Club some time about the middle of the month. The Club has tried on several occasions to procure the renowned statesman, as he is a noted speaker, and those who hear him will be indeed fortunate.

THE LARGEST TREE.

The city is rapidly losing its few trees for another one fell yesterday assisted by the axe. The tree was a victim of old age and was condemned by the city authorities. It was on the property owned by Mrs. Landry on Leinster street and is said to have been the largest tree in St. John.

SUMMONS FOR DIRECTIONS.

L. A. Conlon, who is looking after the interests of the Brayley Drug Co. Ltd. in the suit against Chief Liquor Inspector Wilson, has asked for a summons for directions.

The proceedings are the result of remarks made by Inspector Wilson concerning the Brayley Drug Co. Ltd. The company has not yet named the amount of damages for which it will ask.

PILOT REGULATIONS.

The secretary of the board of trade yesterday received a communication from the Department of Marine and Fisheries in answer to a letter re pilotage conditions here. The letter stated that the department was now engaged in the reorganization of the Vancouver pilotage service, under the recent legislation, and as soon as this had been completed the work of reorganizing the service at St. John would be undertaken.

ENGINEERS TO MEET.

The fifth general professional meeting of the Engineering Institute of Canada will be held in St. John on September 10, 11, and 12. The committee have arranged for a varied programme, and speakers prominent in the engineering profession in America will address the different sessions.

It is expected that many engineers from different parts of Canada will be present.

HARBOR AND TAXES.

The mayor and commissioners were again in session yesterday discussing the petitions received from citizens who desired relief in respect to their taxes. The matter of harbor commission was also taken up, and His Worship said that he had not yet received any word from Ottawa in reply to his letter asking about the ferry. R. W. Wigmore, M. P., had been asked to take the matter up with the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and to send information to the city. As soon as the necessary information is received the question of commission for the harbor will be submitted to the people.

ELECTRICAL MATTERS.

All electricians who wish to operate in the city will be required to have their certificates before the seventh of this month. For those who have been operating in the city five years or more, the examination is not necessary. For others successful examination and three years' experience are necessary. The electrician's report for the month above is as follows: permits, 39; new work, 15; alterations and additions, 24; inspections, 40; permits completed, 13; temporary permits, 2.

SCHOOLS OF TORONTO.

Appropos of the overcrowded condition of the St. John public schools, it is interesting to note that a Toronto paper devotes some space to a description of practically the same state of affairs existing in that city. The article states that while the increase of pupils last year was regarded as phenomenal it is expected that this year's enrollment will shatter all previous records and that in several cases emergency rooms have been built in the school grounds.

WIDOWS OF FRENCH SOLDIERS.

The Canadian government has decided by the Pension Act of 1919, to give all widows of French soldiers living in New Brunswick, who were killed during the great war a bonus to add to their pension. All widows of such French soldiers resident in New Brunswick are to be communicated with by W. Frank Hatheway, Consular Agent, St. John. Each applicant to state particulars about date and manner of husband's death and number and age of children.

NARROW ESCAPE.

At the corner of Main street and 72 1/2 avenue yesterday morning the trolley pole on car 74, eastward bound, collapsed, the conductor standing on the rear and several other street railway men standing at the corner narrowly escaping injury. The conductor was shifting the trolley to the street. The apparatus struck the roof of the car with a crash before bounding into the street and caused considerable excitement among the passengers, who rushed to the doors. The disabled car was taken to the car sheds.

DUPLEX HOUSES TO BE STARTED IMMEDIATELY

Housing Commission Has Decided to Go Ahead With Building as Soon as Lots Can Be Secured.

A meeting of the Housing Commission was held last evening in Commissioner Bullock's office, at which it was decided to start construction on four duplex houses as soon as possible if a plot of land can be secured on the West Side, which is considered suitable as a site, and which it is believed can be purchased without difficulty. The buildings would give accommodation for twelve families. Plans and specifications have been prepared by the architect, and will be submitted to the Dominion Commission at Ottawa for approval.

The commission will go ahead putting up buildings as fast as they can secure suitable building lots. This does not appear to be an easy matter. Mr. Bullock and members of the commission have inspected a lot of properties in the city, but good sites are not abundant, and the more desirable are held at pretty stiff prices.

The houses which it is planned to build on the West Side will be equipped with all modern improvements, and the construction work will be done under the direct supervision of the commission. They will be offered for sale at cost price on the terms of the Housing Act.

FREE PLAYGROUNDS

HAD A GOOD SEASON

Executive of Association Met Last Evening and Expressed Appreciation for Work of Teachers.

A successful season was reported at the meeting of the Executive of the Free Playgrounds held at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. Captain A. J. Mulcahy, the vice-president, was in the chair.

Reports from the Allison, Aberdeen and Centennial Playgrounds were handed in, but as all the reports are not complete, it was decided to wait until the remainder are received before discussing them.

It was felt that the teachers deserved a special word of praise for the way in which they had carried out the programme, but that next year more time must be given to free play, and that the children must not be allowed to depend on the apparatus. More attention will be given to sewing, and other useful arts.

The attendance was good, although it was greatly affected by the large number of holidays which occurred throughout the season.

Nearly all the bills for repairs on the grounds were handed in last evening and ordered paid.

For the West Side grounds, Mrs. Mulcahy stated that she had collected \$13 from the sale of articles made by the children. She said that there had been no serious accidents on the grounds and that the work went on smoothly and well.

The secretary, Mrs. W. C. Good, was asked to write letters of thanks to J. C. McIntyre for his donation of money given on the day of the closing of the Allison playground, to A. C. Skelton for assistance, and to A. C. Smith and the staff of the Empire Theatre for the entertainment given to the children of the West Side.

Directors Are Responsible

Act of 1916 Clearly Places the Responsibility on the Company.

Premier Foster and the directors of the St. John and Quebec Railway are coming in for some adverse criticism for their failure to secure running rights from Westfield to St. John, and establish the service for the people of the Valley have waited for so long.

Mr. Foster and the directors disclaim any responsibility, but the act of 1916 clearly places the responsibility for securing running rights upon the company, for sub-section (b) of section 12 says: "That the company (St. John & Quebec Railway Company) undertakes to acquire and secure by lease or purchase, or otherwise, the right of way, or the right of use, of the line of railway from Gagetown to Westfield, running from Gagetown to Westfield, and over the bridge and railway of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and over the bridge and railway of the St. John Bridge & Railway Extension Company, from Westfield to and into the city of St. John, upon terms and conditions to be approved of by the Dominion."

G. W. V. A. BAND. A meeting of the G. W. V. A. Band was held last evening in the room on Wellington Row. Major Morgan presided and there was a full attendance of the members. Matters concerning the administration of the band were discussed as well as plans for the coming winter's programme. It is understood that the G. W. V. A. Band will give the citizens an opportunity to hear them to advantage at a free concert to take place shortly on King Square.

Martello Hotel May Be Acquired For The Orphans

West Side Building Will Probably Be Used as Temporary Quarters Until New Home Is Erected.

It is probable that the Martello Hotel will be taken over by the Commissioners of the Protestant Orphan's Home and used as an extension of the present home, which is not adequate to present needs. While the idea of constructing a large up-to-date home is not being lost sight of it is said by the commissioners have come to the conclusion that it is not advisable to build at the present time when the cost of material and everything else is so high, and it is understood that they are prepared to take over the Martello Hotel as a temporary solution if satisfactory conditions are obtainable from the Government.

The Martello Hotel is a large three-story wooden building, having an excellent site and good surroundings. Beyond general cleaning and some whitening work, little need be done to make it suitable for an orphan's home. The building contains large rooms for school purposes and a practically taken in children from all parts of the Province. Recently different societies have been conducting a campaign to raise money to provide for an extension of the work of the home.

The interior is bright and airy. Immediately around the building is an acre or more of grass land, and near by are fields for playgrounds.

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DELICIOUS DISHES DERIVED FROM MILK

Demonstration Given Last Evening Showed How the Housewife Might Prepare Lactical Dainties.

Those who attended the demonstration of the uses of milk given at the Women's Institute last evening were fortunate in that they learned something about the uses and value of milk and also were treated to a share of the delicious results achieved by Miss Elizabeth Nutter who did the cooking.

The demonstration was held in the Congregational Hall and Mrs. Edmund Fiewelling was in charge, assisted by Mrs. Stuck.

Miss Nutter, who is one of the demonstrators on the staff of the Women's Institute and was, in St. John, teaching the free classes last spring, is a clever practical speaker who, with a short talk on the composition of milk and the great amount of nourishment which it contains, it is said to be the only perfect food for children, but is too bulky to be used solely for adults without some additions being made to it.

Valuable hints for housewives were given in baking custards the water in which the custard cups are set must never be boiling. For the lemon sherbet, both the milk and lemon juice should be chilled, then add the lemon juice to the milk and there will be less danger of curdling.

It was shown that skimmed milk while lacking the butter fat which is so healthful, still contains the proteins, carbohydrates, mineral matter and other ingredients, and is nourishing if not fattening.

At the close of the demonstration those present enjoyed a cup of hot soup and generous helpings of lemon sherbet.

WILL BUILD RATHER THAN PAY THE RENT

Sackville Will Have Its Own Fire Station—Rent Increased in Premises Formerly Occupied.

Rather than pay a yearly rental of \$50 for housing the fire apparatus, the Town Council of Sackville decided to build a fire station of its own and not pay any more rent. The matter came up at the meeting of the Town Council, Tuesday, when the owner of the building in which the apparatus was housed notified the Council that the rent would be increased from thirty-six dollars a year to fifty.

The fire committee was given power to construct a building for the fire department, and it was expected that the interest, etc., would only amount to about \$20 per year.

NEW NECKWEAR. F. A. Dykeman & Co. have just received their first shipment of Fall Neckwear. They are certainly pleasing the most of them of no lace. They are showing a smart lace collar suitable for round neck dresses, also the latest collar and cuff sets in the gamb material. One of the latest styles in neckwear are the Ficus which come in nets and Georgette crepe, and can be seen in some very smart designs.

There is also quite a variety of net and lace vests, all to be seen in neckwear department, first floor, Dykeman's.

FISH BUSINESS PROSPECTS ARE MUCH BRIGHTER

Sardine Factory is Not Working to Capacity on Account of Difficulty in Securing Tins.

"Men in the fish business are having enough of difficulties this year, what with strikes and high prices," said Lewis Connors, of Connors Bros., Black's Harbor, yesterday. "Our sardine factory is not working to full capacity this season. We find it very difficult to get tins and oils for canning purposes."

Asked about the market prospects Mr. Connors said that the market had been very dull, but was beginning to show signs of improvement. His firm is now shipping fish to Argentina and even to Australia, but the shortage of shipping and high freight rates do not favor an expansion of business at the moment. Some shipments are being made to Great Britain, but the market there is not so good. The New Brunswick product which sells in Canada, the United States and various other countries under the name of sardines is now offered for sale in England and France as table fish in salad oil, a rather vague description.

THE WIND TAKES A WHIRL AT THE PAPER

Dust and Paper Combined With a Gusty Wind Made Prince William Street Most Unpleasant.

St. John was struck by a whirlwind last evening. While not of very great magnitude it was strong enough to make matters particularly unpleasant for pedestrians.

The high wind had been in evidence during the afternoon, but about 7 o'clock last evening the wind eddies seemed to eliminate in Prince William Street the dust which was being raised by the great quantities of waste paper which were whirled about between the buildings.

The dust, too, played about and whirled about the eyes of the people who were in the street at the time. It was thought for a time that all the loose paper in the city had foregathered in Prince William street, but a Standard scout visited other parts of the city during the evening and found that there were still the few scraps of paper scattered about the other streets.

It seemed almost as though the act of the wind and paper had been arranged especially for the benefit of the mayor and city commissioners, but unfortunately the hour was past the official office hours and the city officials had departed before the whirlwind started its act. However, at a late hour this morning there was still plenty of paper in Prince William street, and perhaps the prank of the wind will be responsible for the materials being picked up.

Increase Rate On Sugar Shipments

The Board of Trade yesterday received a copy of the decision of the Board of Railway Commissioners in the matter of rates on sugar from St. John and Halifax to Montreal, which is that the Maritime Province refiners will have to pay the increased rate provided for in an order in council made on July 27, 1918, taking sugar out of the commodity class and placing it in fifth class. The Maritime men raised a vigorous protest and by an order in council dated August 24, 1918, the rate was fixed at 22 cents per ton, but this decision rescinds the order in council of August and that of July goes into effect. This means an increase of about 25 per cent in the rate from these provinces.

THE LABOR FAIR. Another good day was reported at the Trades and Labor Fair at the St. Andrew's Rink. The prizes were won as follows: Door prize, No. 9,882, an electric toaster donated by the N. B. Power Company; bean toss, ladies' first prize, a handsome silver dish, donated by O. H. Warwick & Co.; Mrs. Travis, score 290; men's first prize for the bean toss, a hat donated by the King Hat Company, Mr. Burns, score 290.

Today the door prize will be a ton of hard coal, donated by the Consumers' Coal Company. The ladies' prize for the bean toss will be a coat sweater, while the men's prize will be a thermos lunch box.

The Juvenile Band will be in attendance in the afternoon, when the orphans from all the institutions are to be the guests of the committee.

NINA MORGANA. Advanced tickets are selling rapidly for the social event of the fall, and may be procured at the following places:

P. W. Munro, Main street.
Win. Hawker & Son, Prince William street.
Hazen J. Dick, Charlotte street.
Gray & Ritchie, King street.
B. G. Nelson & Co., King street.
L. M. LeLachur, Tel. Main 3373.
A. C. D. Wilson, Tel. Main 2121-21.
Miss Kerr, War Tax Office, Imperial Theatre.

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THE GAY

Those of you who have dwelt even fingered—in Chicago, Ill. (this is not a humorous story), are familiar with the region known as Loop. For those others of you whom Chicago is a transfer point between New York and San Francisco there is presented this brief explanation.

The Loop is a clamorous, emerald district, embraced by the arms of the elevated tracks. In a boasting fever millions, it would known familiarly as downtown. From Congress to Lake street, from Water almost to the river, those thundering tracks make a complete circle, or loop. Within it the retail shops, the mercantile hotels, the theatres, the restaurants. It is the Fifth avenue (dotted) and the Broadway (dotted) of Chicago. And he who frequents it right in search of amusement cheer is known, vulgarly, as a Loop hound.

As Hertz was a Loop-bound. On occasion of those sparse first night grand metropolises of the Midwest he was always present, the r.v. side, left. When a new loop was opened Jo's table always commanded an unobstructed view of thing worth viewing. On entering was wont to say: "I don't careless cordiality to the head while the while eye roved expertly to table to table as he removed gloves.

That was Jo—a plump and loquacious bachelor of fifty. A plerotic, roved and windy man, clutching vast the garments of a youth that long slipped past him.

The gay-day business was a phase in the life of Jo Hertz. He been a queer different sort of man. The staid and harnessed brother three unweaved and selfish sisters is underdog.

At twenty-seven Jo had been dutiful, hard-working son (in wholesale harness business) of widowed and gunminded mother, called him Joey. If you had looked close you would have seen that, and then a double wrinkle would peer between his eyes, a warning that had no business there at twenty-seven. Then Jo's mother died, leaving him orphaned by a death-bed—promised to take care of the girls, and a bad-natured house on Calumet street.

Jo's wrinkles became a fixture. Death-bed promises should be broken as lightly as they are seriously made. The dead have no right to lay their clammy fingers upon the living.

"Joey," she said, "be high, voice," "take care of the girls."

"I will, Ma," Jo had choked.

"Joey," and the voice was weak, "promise me, be high, voice," "take care of the girls."

Joe had hesitated, appalled: "It's my dying wish, Promise!"

"I promise, Ma," he had said, "Whereupon his mother had comfortably, leaving him with a completely ruined life.

They were not bad-looking girls, they had a certain style, too. That Stella and Eva had, Carrie, the middle one, taught school over on the West Side. In those days it took her two hours each way. She said kind of costume she required should have been corrugated steel. But three knew what was being worn, they wore it—or fairly faithful copy of it. Eva, the housekeeping sister, a needle knuck. She could skin state street windows and come away with a mental photograph of every arate luck, hem, yoke, and ribbon heads of department stores, the things they kept in drawers, and went home and reproduced them to the aid of a two-dollar-a-day seamstress. Stella, the youngest, was beauty. They called her Babe, wasn't really a beauty, but some had once told her that she looked like Meredith. It was a compliment of worth of action was at the height of popularity. For years afterwards whenever she went to parties, she faced a single, fat curl over her shoulder, with a rose stuck through it.

Twenty-three years ago one's tatters did not strain at the household as some of her sisters. Carrie taught school, and hated it. Eva's house expertly and complacently. Babe's profession was being the fun beauty, and it took all her spare time. Eva always let her sleep until ten. This was Jo's household, and he was the nominal head of it. But it was empty title.

Most men of Joe's age were stand before their mirror of a Saturday night, whisking blithely and absently while they discarded a blue peridot for a maroon tie, whipped off maroon for a shot-silk, and at the moment decided against the shot-silk in favor of a plain black-and-white because she had once said she preferred quiet ties. Jo, when he should have been preening his feathers conquest, was saying:

"Well, my God, I am hurrying! G man time, can't you? I just hate it. You'd better have been around the house all day. No woman's ready."

On those rare occasions when business necessitated an out-of-town trip he would spend half a day foraging about the shops selecting handkerchiefs or stockings, or feathers, or furs, the exquisite pleasure gave him to select these things; their fine, soft, satins. There were