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A GOOD PERFORMANCE.

The York Theatre is proving itself to be a very popular playhouse. Last evening the Robinson Comic Opera Co. put on Fra Diavolo before a large house. The opera was carried through with a swing and spirit that has characterized all the performances of the company during their engagement here.

"Mr. French," in the title role, showed himself to be a clever actor as well as a good singer, and he was well supported by the remainder of the cast. The work of Messrs. Young and DeLacey was well received and they had to respond to several hearty recalls. Mr. Ferguson's solo in the last act was one of the best things of the evening, and was enthusiastically encored. This evening the company will sing The Chimes of Normandy.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Flora McIntyre of Sydney was Monday struck by an engine and rendered unconscious. Her injuries, though painful, are not considered serious.

The schooner Charles J. Willard cleared at Portland, Me., on Monday, for Hillsboro, where she is to get a cargo of rock plaster for Newark, N. J.

The ladies in charge of the north and memorial fountain fund desire to acknowledge the receipt of one dollar from Wesley B. Waters, who went to Africa last spring as a member of the S. A. C.

The Albert County municipal elections resulted as follows:—Hopewell: J. H. Carver and Levi Downey; Harvey, Tingley and Anderson; Elgin, Goggin and Goddard; Caledonia, Ryan and Leamon; Hillsboro, H. J. Stevens and G. Stevens; Alma, Cleveland and Rommel.

Last evening, while engaged in putting freight on board the steamer Victoria, at Indiantown, a man by the name of Walter Kitchen had the second finger of his right hand badly crushed by the iron hoop of a barrel which he was handling. Dr. Roberts dressed the wound.

It is stated that a man by the name of Byrne, belonging to Sussex, was run over here by the C. P. R. train last night. He was lying between the rails. Fortunately the train did no other injury than scraping a little skin from his hands.

Word was received today from the U. N. B. stating that Saturday would be a suitable day for them to play the Y. M. C. A. football team at Fredericton. A general practice is called for tomorrow afternoon from four until six. The team will probably be picked from the men on the field then.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Yesterday was the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. David S. Roberts and it was celebrated in a most enjoyable manner. During the evening between sixty and seventy relatives and friends assembled at the residence on the corner of Metcalf and Albert streets, where the Rev. J. C. Appel, on behalf of the others, presented Mr. and Mrs. Roberts with an address accompanied by a purse of gold from their sons and one from their relatives. A number of other beautiful gifts were also presented.

Among those present were the five sons and fifteen grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, also an aunt, Mrs. Roberts, who came from Boston to attend the celebration. Supper was served and the evening was passed most pleasantly with music and games. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were married in a house on Dorchester street on October 29th, 1851, by Rev. W. W. Eaton, of the Christian church.

WEDDED TODAY.

St. Stephen's church was this afternoon the scene of a very pretty wedding, when Miss Nan Burpee, daughter of Mrs. Teas Burpee, united in marriage to H. H. Hansard, formerly of this city, but now of Ottawa. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Fraser in the presence of a large number of guests.

The bride was attended by Miss Louise Burpee, of Bangor, while the groom was supported by Gerard Ruel. Masters Caruthers and McLeod acted as pages. Miss Burpee was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Burpee will leave by this evening's train for Boston. After spending a few days there they will visit Mrs. Burpee's sister, Mrs. Caruthers, in Kingston, Ont., before going to their future home in Ottawa.

QUEBEC, Oct. 30.—Miss Estelle Beemer, daughter of H. G. Beemer and niece of H. J. Beemer, was wedded today to Rev. John Macpherson, a minister of the Anglican church, who was Anglican chaplain with the first Canadian contingent to South Africa, and is now in charge of the Anglican church at Grand Mere. The ceremony took place at the Cathedral of Holy Trinity, E. C. Jones, of this city, supported the groom.

PERSONALS.

Henry Chestnut, of Fredericton, who has been enjoying a European tour for the past three months, is expected to sail for home from Liverpool, England, tomorrow.

Mrs. Wesley Vanwart, of Fredericton, who has spent the summer at Nelson, B. C., is about leaving there to visit her sister at St. Louis, and will probably return to Fredericton during the coming winter.

Mrs. J. F. Hawke, wife of the Moncton Transcript editor, returned home Saturday morning from a visit to Western Ontario. She was accompanied by Miss Ethel Hawke, who has for nearly a year and a half been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. E. Murray, an Aylmer, Ont.

THE HAY TRADE.

Contractor Jamieson is closing up his hay business at this port. During the season he has shipped about 15,000 tons to South Africa. Of this about 8,000 tons was New Brunswick hay, chiefly from Carleton Co., the average price being \$14.50 per ton. During the past year about 50,000 tons in all has been shipped from this port. Two companies are now getting improved presses in Carleton Co., and will compete for business.

PORTLAND'S WINTER TRADE.

The preparations for the trans-Atlantic business for the coming winter at this port are now about completed and all of the details will within a few days be arranged. There are indications on all sides that the season which is about to start, will be one of the most prosperous that has ever been known.

HORSES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

There is little doubt about Portland sending horses to South Africa this winter. Dr. Huntington said yesterday that plans had practically been completed for sending out about 300 horses from here during the last of November, and that a steamer was now on its way to Portland for this purpose.

SMALLPOX.

No New Cases Today—Free Vaccination Will be Discontinued at the

Next Meeting of the Board of Health.

There were no new cases of smallpox reported at the board of health rooms today. But the board had a number of matters to occupy their attention at the meeting today. It was decided to order the disinfection and fumigation of Miss Robinson's private school, of which Miss Ketchum, now down with the disease, was a pupil. The house of Daniel Sherwood, at Upper Loch Lomond was ordered to be disinfected and the members of the family vaccinated. Lemuel Sprague, of Hatfield's Point, who died yesterday of smallpox visited this place during his visit to the city. The members of B. V. Wetmore's family, City Road, where Mr. Sprague stopped while in the city, will also be vaccinated.

At noon tomorrow the medical men will meet with the board of health and discuss the subject of free vaccination. Yesterday the board decided to allow one clergyman from each denomination to attend those who are down with smallpox. Rev. Mr. deSoyres is acting for the Church of England and is now at the DeBow house. Other denominations have so far not appointed representatives.

Yesterday two deaths occurred from smallpox. One in the city was that of Miss George DeBow of 23 City Road, who was reported a week ago as having the disease. The other was Lemuel Sprague, a prosperous farmer of Hatfield's Point. Mr. Sprague had been in St. John about three weeks ago, and put up for the night at the home of E. V. Wetmore, City road, and eleven days after his return was taken seriously ill. The physician in attendance pronounced the disease black measles. Yesterday Dr. Bishop of Norton, was sent for and upon investigation found the patient suffering from a fully developed case of haemorrhagic smallpox. He immediately notified Dr. Wetmore, of Hampton, chairman of the Board of Health, and together they went to Mr. Sprague's house, where they found him in a dying condition, and the end came just before midnight. Deceased was buried at sunrise.

All houses, the occupants of which had been in communication with the Sprague residence, have been quarantined, and the occupants being vaccinated as speedily as possible. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

It was reported that a Miss Vall named Mr. Sprague during his illness and had evaded quarantine and was in the city. She came down the river yesterday and was here seen by Sec. Burns of the Board of Health. She said that she lived at Hatfield's Point, but had not been within a half mile of Mr. Sprague during his illness.

The Telegraph says this morning that Miss Vall, who came down from Hatfield's Point, came on the Bellisle boat did not come down at all yesterday.

At eleven o'clock this morning the remains of Miss DeBow placed in a sealed metallic casket, were interred in the Church of St. John the Baptist. Rev. John deSoyres, who was admitted to the house last evening, conducted a funeral service there this morning.

Chief Clarke this morning visited all the lock-ups to see if anything was being done in the way of fumigating them. Dating from Monday the American consul now gives out foul bills of health for all vessels leaving port. This means a restriction for St. John's coastwise business. Another condition that is also greatly hampering the shipping business is the lack of seamen. All sailors coming to this port of late have been vaccinated and many are laid up with the disease. Their indispositions consequent to the operation. It is almost impossible to get capable men, and many vessels are now lying here through inability to obtain crews.

The expense of vaccination will bear rather heavily on very poor people who have large families. Some provision should be made so that the cost to such people will be made as light as possible.

PUBLIC SHUT OUT.

Before taking up the regular police court business this forenoon, Magistrate Ritchie said: "Every precaution is now being taken to prevent the spread of smallpox through the city. In this building especially, great care is taken, the different cells and passages being thoroughly disinfected. As a further precaution, I have ordered that all those who are usually present in the court room as spectators to remain away for a time, even though they have the privilege of being here. The rule, therefore, commencing with today, will be that only those who are interested in the work before the court or have other business here will be allowed in. This rule will continue in operation until the disease is stamped out. As another precautionary measure, no persons applying for protection at the police station will be received or admitted to any of the cells."

(Parashoro Leader.)

There are at least a dozen well developed cases of smallpox in Kings county, N. S., and six cases have proven fatal. In each fatal case the victim had not been vaccinated. Great care is being taken, but the spreading out of the disease in various parts of the country show the most cautious is needed. The county jail at Kentville is under quarantine, smallpox having broken out in the family of Jailer Coleman. On Friday last two prisoners developed cases of the disease.

NEW TUG BOAT.

The Fredericton Boom Company are to build during the approaching winter a new tug boat to take the place of the Randolph. The new boat will be considerably larger and more powerful than the Randolph. Work has already begun upon the tug, which will be built on the company's premises at St. Mary's—Gleason.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisements in the STAR are requested to send in copy not later than TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON, in order that the matter may be set up in time for that day's issue.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Of the N. B. and P. E. Island Methodist Conference Make Their Annual Grants.

The final session of the annual meeting of the missionary committee of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Methodist conference was held this morning. There were present Revs. G. W. Fisher, Dr. Chapman, Dr. Reid, F. H. W. Pickles, R. Ople, G. F. Dawson, Geo. Steel and Messrs J. J. Weddall and D. Rogers. Rev. George Steel was appointed secretary.

The committee on appointments consisting of Revs. J. Ople, G. Steel, G. F. Dawson, Dr. Evans and D. Rogers, submitted their report. The amount of the missionary grant to the conference is \$7,694. The unprovided deficiency for married ordained ministers is \$187, on a basis of \$500 salary. Each man in addition is allowed \$50 for a home; where required, and \$30 for every child in his family. Apportionments were made to the different circuits as follows:—St. John, \$153; Courtenay Bay, \$236; Springfield, \$128; Upham, \$217; Jerusalem, \$168; Welsford, \$207; Kingston, \$308; Kingsclear, \$154; Nashwaak, \$148; Stanley, \$53; Boyston, \$183; Keswick, \$158; Grand Lake, \$80; Gagetown, \$168; Chipman, \$84; Cartersburg, \$85; Dorchester, \$218; Lindsay, \$93; Andover, \$268; Richibucto, \$102; Buctouche, \$158; Harcourt, \$228; Mt. Stewart, \$228; Grandville, \$78; Bideford, \$183; West Cape, \$207; Campbellton, \$128; Bayfield, \$33; Sunabrac, \$248; Shediac, \$181; Dorchester, \$148; Alma, \$83; Hillsboro, \$143; Pettitcodiac, \$144; Salisbury, \$78; Elgin, \$238; St. Andrews, \$218; St. David, \$128; St. James, \$168; Bocabec, \$138; Deer Island, \$273; Grand Manan, \$188.

P. E. Island circuits:—Windsor, \$125; Vernon River, \$83; Montague, \$23; Souris, \$148.

It was reported that Rev. Geo. E. Hartwell, a returned missionary from China, was ready for deputation work and the following itinerary was drawn up for him: Nov. 10th, Charlottetown; Nov. 11th, Summerside; 12th, Shediac; 13th, Salisbury; 14th, Gagetown; 15th, Maryville and Fredericton; 16th and 17th, Nashwaak; 20th, Gibson; 22nd, Welsford; 24th, Portland and Queen Square churches; 25th, Carleton; 26th, Hampton; 27th, Sussex; Dec. 8th, Moncton.

The secretary-treasurer reported that Newcomb and Derby missions had increased their incomes as to require no further grants. The committee then adjourned.

POLICE COURT.

Father and Mother Arraigned for Neglecting Their Child—Sunday Fines Imposed.

James Ramsay, arrested on a warrant charging assault on Jacob Nofel, did not think he was guilty of the charge. He admitted that he struck Nofel and gave him a black eye, but did not know whether the latter formed an assault. He was remanded.

A matter between Henry Blair and Constable Gibbons occupied considerable time this morning. It appears that Gibbons, bearing authority to arrest Blair in a civil action, had done so while the latter was attending to his duties as shunter in the I. C. R. yard, and Blair being in a position of responsibility, had refused to leave his work until he had attended some cars which were in motion at the time. There was a scuffle and Blair failed to catch the car which on this account was somewhat damaged. As the constable did not wish to have Blair advised the parties to settle the matter peacefully among themselves.

John Tutts was found lying on King Square, suffering from an overabundance of nose paint, and this morning fined eight dollars or twenty days in jail.

Andrew Miller, reported for doing a junk business in the city without a license, produced a license which he had since taken out, and was dismissed.

Mary Dugan, bearing an infant, a feeding bottle and a black eye; John Dugan, looking like a much worried individual, several police officers and the secretary of the S. P. C. A., appeared in connection with the charge against the Dugans for neglecting their infant. Officer Finley stated that when he visited the hotel occupied by the family there was no fire, no light, no fuel and no food. Mary Dugan and Flo Creagan were drunk, as was also John Dugan, the father, who came in later. The officers went out and bought oil, cut wood to kindle a fire, and did their best to make the baby more comfortable. Officer Crawford said that on Friday night last, affairs were in much the same condition. He had purchased milk and medicine for the baby, and believed the whole trouble was due to Mrs. Dugan. This view of the case was shared by John, who claims that he does his best to keep things straight. He promised faithfully to take the pledge and keep sober. The matter was allowed to stand over for one week, during which time the police are to report to the magistrate on the condition of the house, and if it is not satisfactory the parents will be punished, especially the mother, who the magistrate stated, is one of the worst women in the city.

CONFERENCE AT TRINITY CHURCH.

This forenoon the first regular session of the missionary conference was held in Trinity church schoolroom. At half past nine o'clock divine service with holy communion was conducted by the Rev. A. G. H. Dicker.

The conference opened at half-past ten, Bishop Kingston presiding. After the opening prayer and remarks by the chairman, the Rev. J. A. Richardson delivered an interesting address on the Ideas of the Conference. This was followed by the most important item on the programme, the paper on the Study of the Missionary Outlook, prepared by Rev. J. P. Sherman, D. D., of Toronto. In Dr. Sherman's absence

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the paper was read by the Rev. W. O. Raymond. It was most powerfully written, and dealt with missionary work in almost every country. After the reading, Mr. M. Jarvis spoke on the same subject.

A number of curios from the mission fields were on exhibition in the schoolroom.

The session closed with Bible reading by Miss E. M. Etches, of London, England.

This afternoon papers on the Progress of Missions and Jewish Missions will be read by Rev. F. Wilkinson, of Dartmouth, and Rev. A. F. Burt, of Shediac.

TORONTO.

Change in Street Railway Control—New Order of Railway Men.

TORONTO, Oct. 30.—Dr. A. E. Shuttlesworth, professor of chemistry in the Ontario Agricultural college, Guelph, has resigned, to become agricultural superintendent and chemical expert for the Ontario Sugar company. Prof. Harcourt, Dr. Shuttlesworth's associate for some years, will succeed him.

A meeting of those interested in the organization of the proposed new Canadian Order of Railway Men will be held in Ottawa November 20, when it is hoped to establish what will be known as a grand division.

Toronto gentlemen have secured control of the Toronto Street Railway Co. and a change in directorship is likely to occur within three months. For a number of years past Montreal capitalists have had control of the company's affairs.

OTTAWA.

TORONTO, Oct. 30.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says Sir Wilfrid Laurier has not, as stated in some paper, received an official invitation to attend the coronation ceremonies in London. It is understood, however, that such invitation is on its way to Ottawa and may reach the capital within the next few days.

OTTAWA, Oct. 30.—The cabinet met yesterday and disposed of a good deal of routine business. Nothing was settled about the bye-elections, and it is understood they are not likely to take place until winter weather has set in and the roads are in good condition for driving.

A WINNIPEG SUICIDE.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 30.—Twice failed in an attempt to destroy his life, Robert Nichols, a young clerk, was successful on a third attempt yesterday afternoon, when he cut his throat with a razor.

THE ROYAL CARS.

The cars of the Royal train are today on exhibition at Fredericton, where quite a number of people are taking advantage of the opportunity offered for inspecting them. While the cars were here about eight hundred persons visited them and the proceeds amounting to nearly two hundred dollars, will at once be handed over to the city to be equally divided between the Protestant and Catholic Orphan Asylums.

All of the employees of the Globe Laundry were vaccinated this afternoon.

COTTAGE HOSPITALS.

The Duchess of Cornwall and York Contributions to Lady Minto's Scheme.

Before leaving Halifax her royal highness showed her interest in the Cottage Hospital scheme, by taking one of her excellency's collecting cards, which she duly filled up, thereby adding the sum of \$25 to the Lady Minto Fund.

The card was the 25th series, or 50 cents unit, being numbered B 47, and in filling it up her royal highness paid her excellency's scheme a pretty compliment by allowing her own children to participate in the collection, thus identifying themselves with the Cottage Hospital. Accordingly the first page was contributed a contribution from her two eldest children, and was signed "Edward" and "George."

"Victoria" and "Henry" were responsible for the second page (subscribing for the next 18 lines, or nine dollars), while for the remainder of the card, Victoria Mary was the signature.

A further card, of the 25 cents series, "C" 104, was undertaken by Lord Crichton, who was on their royal highness' staff, as a side-de-camp. Though nominally only of the value when filled up, of \$12.50, so energetic was the collector, that between the time of leaving Ottawa and returning to Toronto, a sum of \$45 had been collected, which has been duly paid into the fund.

GOOD HEALTH.

(Burlington Hawk-Eye.)

"Laugh and grow fat," is a saying as old as the hills. It has long been an accepted fact that humor is a promoter of digestion and merry words the deadliest foes of disease. Dr. J. E. Kennedy, editor of the Iowa Health Bulletin, writes an interesting article on the value of laughter, in which he shows it is not only a remedial agent, but is also a valuable preventive against a host of diseases. The physical effects of laughter are thus put down by Mr. Kennedy:

Laughter increases the blood circulation.

It enlarges the heart.

It expands the lungs.

It stimulates the diaphragm.

It promotes the evacuation of the spleen.

In other words, laughter stirs up the vital regions of the body, gives them healthful exercise, and produces a mental exhilaration which acts upon the system much as a brisk walk in a crisp atmosphere does upon the appetite. As strong allies to laughter Dr. Kennedy gives the following directions for mental peace of mind:

Beware of theobismians who have no sense of mirth; they are not altogether human.

Keep your chin up.

Don't take your troubles to bed with you; hang them on a chair with your trousers or drop them in a glass of water with your teeth.

Dr. Kennedy has surely hit the nail on the head. If his prescription and advice are followed his own bills will be decidedly cut down.

"Pa, what's the first requisite of a patriot?"

"That he belong to your party."—Chicago Record-Herald.