

## To Advertisers.

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## Take Notice.

Advertisements intended for Saturday's issue must reach this office Friday night. The Times CANNOT GUARANTEE the insertion of advertising copy left until Saturday Morning. Advertisers who are later than Friday night MUST TAKE A CHANCE.

## THIS EVENING

Stock's Moving Picture and Concert Co. at the Opera House.  
Empire Dramatic Club rehearsal at the Prince Royal Hotel at 8 o'clock.  
Trinity Preceptory, R. B. K. of I. meets at Orange Hall at 8 o'clock.  
Union Lodge, No. 2, K. of P. will meet in Castle Hall at 8 o'clock.  
A joint committee of the Uniform Rank K of P. will meet in the armory at 8 o'clock.  
L. O. B. A. No. 8 will meet in Union Hall at 8 o'clock.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast—Moderate to fresh northwest to north winds, fair and cool today and Thursday. No change is indicated at present in existing conditions. To Banks and American moderate to fresh northwest to north winds.

## LOCAL WEATHER REPORT AT NOON.

Wednesday, March 14.  
Highest temperature during last 24 hours 44.  
Lowest temperature during last 24 hours 34.  
Temperature at noon 40.  
Humidity at noon 65.  
Barometer reading at noon (sea level and 55 feet) 30.1.  
Wind at noon—Direction north-west, velocity 8 miles per hour.  
Fair and cool this morning.  
Same date last year—Highest temperature 44, lowest 34, weather clear.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—President-Elects and their wives, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Taft, left for St. John, N. B., on Tuesday, March 13, for a brief visit to the city.

## LOCAL NEWS

On Tuesday, March 13, Dr. Corbett will lecture in St. David's church on "Spiritualism."

The mercury registered eight above the cipher at Nas's corner at eight o'clock this morning.

The Jamaica steamer *Beke*, Captain Froehnd, arrived in port this morning from Kingston, Jamaica, with a cargo of fruit, etc. She will discharge her cargo at the Ballast wharf.

J. S. Edwards, head of the Acadia District, Manchester, Ontario, arrived from Halifax this morning and will preside at the installation of a new lodge of that order in Carleton this evening.

A grand concert and musical entertainment will be given by the Southern Jubilee Singers tonight in the Union Hall, Main Street, Portland. All are cordially invited. Admission 15c. Doors open at 7 o'clock.

F. S. DeForest has received a telegram from Rev. J. Edward Hand, of Middletown, Conn. in which he signifies his acceptance to the pastorate of St. James' church. He will be here probably about Easter.

The Eastern Steamship Company's steamer *St. Croix*, which arrived last night from Boston, via Eastport, landed 25 passengers. Commencing March 19, this line will make two trips a week, leaving here every Wednesday morning and Saturday night.

The city dredge is ready to go to work on the Allan line berth at Sand Point as soon as opportunity offers. Owing to the fact that the steamer keeps almost constantly coming and going it is difficult for the dredge to get started at the work.

The No. 1 crib of the new wharf being built by D. C. Clark on the west side has been towed out to the end of the wharf wharf, where there is more water. The work on the crib is proceeding along first rate and a gang of about forty men are employed on the building operations.

King J. Barry, the liverman is making extensive improvements on his barn, King Square, by extending the length of his stables. This will give him a larger amount of space for his rapidly increasing business. He is looking forward to a big tourist trade this summer and will be better prepared than ever to furnish his patrons the best in the market.

The installation of the new telephone system in the Royal Hotel will not be completed inside of six months. The wiring is well under way and the exchange will not be put in at once. H. A. Doherty said this morning that as the wiring was being revised for his bells they embraced the opportunity to have the phone wires strung at the same time. Then they will be all ready for connection when required.

At a meeting of the officers of St. David's Boater Corps, last evening, it was decided that a concert be given in the school-room of St. David's church on Thursday evening, March 22nd. The programme will consist of stroller drills, banding, physical drill and signalling, by members of the corps. Some of the best local talent has been engaged and the concert is sure to be an enjoyable one. The entertainment is the first to be given in this city by a medical corps, and the drills have been under rehearsal for some weeks.

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Ninety-two Cases and Eight Deaths Since the First of the Year.

This winter has been a busy one for the board of health authorities. Ninety-two cases of infectious diseases have been reported and the majority being quite serious needed close attention.

The number of different diseases reported in January was as follows: Diphtheria, 23; scarlet fever, 5; measles, 1. Three of the diphtheria patients died. For February: Diphtheria, 29; scarlet fever, 2; measles, 5; smallpox, 2. Four of those suffering with diphtheria died.

For March: Diphtheria, 19; measles, 4; typhoid fever, 2. One death occurred from typhoid fever.

Thus out of 92 cases only 8 deaths resulted. The board of health officials say that there was little difficulty in keeping any of the diseases from spreading much, as they were nearly all in one portion of the city.

During the latter part of February smallpox broke out in Kennedy's lumber camp, near Westfield and one of the men escaped quarantine and came to the city. He was taken to the isolation hospital, and has now completely recovered. The smallpox suspect who lived on Kennedy St. has also been released from quarantine.

At present all of the diphtheria patients are reported to be doing well.

## PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE

Walter B. Dickson, of Hillsboro, is a guest at the Royal.

A. D. Wetmore, of Turro, N. S., is in the city.

Andrew Hunter, who has been seriously ill at his home, Castle street, is speedily recovering, and expects to be able to leave the house in a few days.

Alex. H. Baillie, formerly of this city, but now of the Dominion Bank, Montreal, has recently been promoted assistant accountant in that institution. Mr. Baillie has many friends here who will be glad to hear of his success.

Mrs. Edwin McKay, whose serious condition with typhoid fever was a shock to her many friends is doing well and no serious results are now anticipated.

George J. McLean, a former St. John newspaper man who is now city editor of the Boston Herald is in the city renewing old acquaintances.

James L. McCarthy returned from Montreal on the Atlantic express.

F. A. Jones was a passenger from Boston on the noon train today.

Jas. V. Russell returned from Fredericton at noon today.

Judge Forbes went to Amherst on the noon train where he will attend a meeting on church union.

Bruce Forbes of the C. P. R. returned from Montreal today.

Thomas A. Peters deputy minister of agriculture arrived in the city from Fredericton today.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Titus of St. Martins are visiting Mrs. H. H. Mott, German St.

William McCarthy and Miss McCarthy of San Francisco, are the guests of Jas. McCarthy, at his home, Simonds St.

## THE MYRIKLE-HANDER CO.

The Myrikle-Hander Stock Co., consisting of 28 people, and 8 vaudeville acts, will open a week's engagement at the Opera House Monday, March 19th, playing six nights and two matinees. The play Monday will be "Pals," a piece made in last season in the States by Champion J. J. Corbett & Co. This will be given Monday and Tuesday, and Wednesday and Thursday "My Jim," the rural comedy, will be presented. For Friday and Saturday "The Fisherman's Daughter." The matinees will be Wednesday and Saturday, and "The Story Girl" will be played on Wednesday and Saturday. "My Jim" will be repeated. Each play will be given a complete scenic production, as no house scenery will be used during the entire engagement. Prices 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Seats on sale Thursday at the box office.

## THE MOVING PICTURE SHOW

The Stock's Moving Picture and Concert Company had a good audience last night at the Opera House. The pictures shown were excellent, and the music might be made of a Trip to Alaska, and The Automobile. Miss Grace Gilmore Hamilton's readings were excellent. Mr. Stock will put on some new pictures to night, some having arrived from New York today by express. The show is a good one and all who like moving pictures should go and see this entertainment. There will be matinees today and Saturday.

## A MILLINERY OPENING

The enterprising firm of H. G. Marr announce in today's issue their opening display of millinery, comprising all the new in pattern hats, bonnets and millinery novelties, direct from London, Italy and New York.

This will be a large and interesting showing. All the up-to-the-minute ideas in millinery have been reproduced and will be on exhibition. Attend by all means. See large ad. on page 5.

## FUNERALS

The funeral of Robert Carlgren took place at 8:30 this morning. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Chas. Maloney took place from her late residence, Clarendon street, at 8:45 o'clock this morning. Rev. Father Maloney celebrated requiem high mass in St. Peter's church, and interment was in the old Catholic cemetery.

The pallbearers were as follows: P. Griffith, E. F. McCarthy, F. Murphy, A. Gillen, J. McCormick, and H. Pierce.

The officers of the St. John County Lodge, L. O. L. will visit York Lodge No. 3 tomorrow evening.

Royal mail steamship *Sichuan* arrived at Halifax at 2:15 a. m. from Liverpool, and will sail at 5 p. m. for this port.

A meeting of the creditors of R. I. Cunningham will be held this afternoon in the office of J. K. Kelly, assignee. The report of F. L. Taylor and J. A. Smith, the inspectors, will be submitted.

J. H. Barber, division engineer of the C. P. R. Atlantic division returned to the city today. When asked as to the report that he had been promoted to the office of division engineer of the eastern division, he said he knew nothing of it except what he had seen in the morning papers.

## THE DOMINION EXPRESS CASE

Books are Being Investigated --When Finished There May be Developments.

It was known several days ago to the Evening Times as well as all the other city newspapers that all was not smooth sailing in the Dominion Express Company's office. It was also known that one of the clerks, Harry B. White, had left town and was held in Bangor, Me. He returned to St. John and kept in touch with the company.

White has been acting as cashier in the express company during the illness of Stephen A. Payne.

E. N. Abbott, local agent of the company, at the time White came back from Bangor, called upon all the local papers and requested them to withhold the story. In view of the unusual circumstances of the case, Mr. Abbott's request was acceded to, and there was a complete understanding between Mr. Abbott and the newspapers that no mention of the matter should be made until after the investigation into the books of the company, which is now going on.

Mr. Abbott accepted the promise of the newspapers and in his turn, agreed to give them anything that could be published when the proper time came. It is retained for the St. John Star to violate the agreement and break the faith. Last night that paper, under large headlines, published a story dealing with the whole matter, which in part at least was not warranted by the facts. It stated that an arrest would be made before four o'clock yesterday afternoon. The arrest has not yet been made, nor will it be unless the investigation into the company's books, which is a matter of some importance, shows that there is a shortage, the amount of it and who is responsible.

At the present time the company's books are being carefully audited and when this is done some legal action may be taken. Mr. Abbott when seen said that at present he would only say that the cashier, Mr. Payne, had been away through illness and that the young man who had charge of the cash appeared to have got into a bad way. The matter might be serious, but there had been no desire to injure any one or take any step hurriedly. "I saw all the papers," continued Mr. Abbott, "and asked that nothing be said until I was in a position to make a definite statement. They kindly consented and I was surprised to see the matter referred to in a paper this afternoon."

"The sum of \$3,000 is mentioned. Is that correct?"

"No, the report is exaggerated."

"Are there any other irregularities?"

"There are no other irregularities that can be charged."

"It would be interesting to know just where the Star secured the facts upon which to base its statement that an arrest would be made."

The St. John police have not at any time had a warrant for White's arrest. None has been issued, and the police have not been instructed to watch White more closely than is the usual case with many young men who hold responsible positions.

Mr. Abbott, who is a very quiet and unassuming man, said that he was not at all surprised at the publication of last night's story in the Star. They say it was unfair and calculated to injure the company and its employees.

Harry B. White is a son of Chris White of Mechanics street, and a brother of Albert White the ex-Albert ball player. He has been in the employ of the express company for several years, and enjoys a good reputation.

## "D." TO "H. P."

To the Editor of The Times.

Sir, I was delightedly gratified to find another of your readers so readily endorsing my plan for an improvement in the education of the young of New Brunswick as a possible means of mitigating the sorry results of excessive drinking. I could scarcely regard "H. P.'s" observations as criticism of my contentions; they were, indeed, rather a belated exemplification of what I endeavored to write in former words. He succeeded, however, in showing the evils of half-restrained drinking, which is confined on it being certain to Sunday, but extends to Carleton during every day in the week—that, whereas, by paying a few pence to journey from Glasgow to Paisley, men become "home fiddlers," entitled to refreshments, here in Carleton the same object is attained by a one cent journey across the harbor.

By no possible gymnastic feat could "H. P." have constructed anything I wrote into a plea for the members of the organization can look back with pride; and the manner in which they handled the three act drama "Won't You Drink?" indeed, have been a credit to the production. A noticeable feature was the entire lack of nervousness on the part of the players, and from start to finish the performance was without a hitch.

The young people were greeted by a large and appreciative audience, and perfect order was maintained throughout the performance. The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted entirely to charitable purposes.

## AN EARLY SPRING

J. S. Climo writes to the Times "A wood-cook was seen yesterday (13th) at the inlet of Lily Lake. This presages an early spring, or is thought to, by the birds. A man really wants to see a bird in a nest in the soft ground. I was near the inlet when the bird (a male) flew from the mud, and, pausing, he said he knew nothing of it except what he had seen in the morning papers."

## DISABLED SCHOONER

Tug Lillie Towed the Abbie and Eva Hopper into Port Today.

The tug Lillie, Capt. Fardie, arrived in port this morning with the disabled schooner Abbie & Eva Hopper in tow. The Hopper left this port on February 28th for Philadelphia with a cargo of laths and put into Southwest Harbor with loss of deckload and vessel leaking on the 4th of March. The vessel will be towed to the wharves and repaired. Her jib-boom and top-mast are broken, but it is thought that the hull of the schooner is very little damaged.

## CATTLE SHIPMENTS ARE ABOUT UP TO LAST YEAR

In conversation this morning with John Storen, who is in charge of the cattle shipments from this port to the old country he said the cattle business this year was about equal to last season. More American cattle have been shipped this winter than in previous seasons owing to the scarcity of stock offering in Upper Canada.

Mr. Storen said the markets on the other side are very dull at present and this might have a tendency to make shipments somewhat lighter.

The live stock can be shipped as from St. John, he said, just as cheaply as from Portland, Me. as they go through in bond and the shipping expenses are about equal.

## N. Y. STOCK MARKET

Wednesday, March 14.  
Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market. (Furnished by D. C. Clapham, Broker.)

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Am Steel & Wire	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Car Foundry	42 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Am Wire & Cable	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Electric	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Gas & Oil	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Paper	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Rubber	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
Am Tin	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
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## WALL STREET

NEW YORK, March 14.—First prices in the stock market today were a fraction higher than last night. The market was quiet and the volume of transactions small. Gains in excess of half a cent were noted in the following: Amalgam Copper, 1/2; Am Sugar Refs, 1/2; Am Steel & Wire, 1/2; Am Car Foundry, 1/2; Am Wire & Cable, 1/2; Am Electric, 1/2; Am Gas & Oil, 1/2; Am Paper, 1/2; Am Rubber, 1/2; Am Tin, 1/2; Am Zinc, 1/2; Am Lead, 1/2; Am Nickel, 1/2; Am Silver, 1/2; Am Gold, 1/2.

## N. Y. COTTON MARKET

NEW YORK, March 14.—Cotton futures closed barely steady. March, 10.20; April, 10.27; May, 10.40; June, 10.45; July, 10.50; August, 10.55; September, 10.60; October, 10.65; November, 10.70; December, 10.75; January, 10.80; February, 10.85; March, 10.90; April, 10.95; May, 11.00; June, 11.05; July, 11.10; August, 11.15; September, 11.20; October, 11.25; November, 11.30; December, 11.35; January, 11.40; February, 11.45; March, 11.50; April, 11.55; May, 11.60; June, 11.65; July, 11.70; August, 11.75; September, 11.80; October, 11.85; November, 11.90; December, 11.95; January, 12.00; February, 12.05; March, 12.10; April, 12.15; May, 12.20; June, 12.25; July, 12.30; August, 12.35; September, 12.40; October, 12.45; November, 12.50; December, 12.55; January, 12.60; February, 12.65; March, 12.70; April, 12.75; May, 12.80; June, 12.85; July, 12.90; August, 12.95; September, 13.00; October, 13.05; November, 13.10; December, 13.15; January, 13.20; February, 13.25; March, 13.30; April, 13.35; May, 13.40; June, 13.45; July, 13.50; August, 13.55; September, 13.60; October, 13.65; November, 13.70; December, 13.75; January, 13.80; February, 13.85; March, 13.90; April, 13.95; May, 14.00; June, 14.05; July, 14.10; August, 14.15; September, 14.20; October, 14.25; November, 14.30; December, 14.35; January, 14.40; February, 14.45; March, 14.50; April, 14.55; May, 14.60; June, 14.65; July, 14.70; August, 14.75; September, 14.80; October, 14.85; November, 14.90; December, 14.95; January, 15.00; February, 15.05; March, 15.10; April, 15.15; May, 15.20; June, 15.25; July, 15.30; August, 15.35; September, 15.40; October, 15.45; November, 15.50; December, 15.55; January, 15.60; February, 15.65; March, 15.70; April, 15.75; May, 15.80; June, 15.85; July, 15.90; August, 15.95; September, 16.00; October, 16.05; November, 16.10; December, 16.15; January, 16.20; February, 16.25; March, 16.30; April, 16.35; May, 16.40; June, 16.45; July, 16.50; August, 16.55; September, 16.60; October, 16.65; November, 16.70; December, 16.75; January, 16.80; February, 16.85; March, 16.90; April, 16.95; May, 17.00; June, 17.05; July, 17.10; August, 17.15; September, 17.20; October, 17.25; November, 17.30; December, 17.35; January, 17.40; February, 17.45; March, 17.50; April, 17.55; May, 17.60; June, 17.65; July, 17.70; August, 17.75; September, 17.80; October, 17.85; November, 17.90; December, 17.95; January, 18.00; February, 18.05; March, 18.10; April, 18.15; May, 18.20; June, 18.25; July, 18.30; August, 18.35; September, 18.40; October, 18.45; November, 18.50; December, 18.55; January, 18.60; February, 18.65; March, 18.70; April, 18.75; May, 18.80; June, 18.85; July, 18.90; August, 18.95; September, 19.00; October, 19.05; November, 19.10; December, 19.15; January, 19.20; February, 19.25; March, 19.30; April, 19.35; May, 19.40; June, 19.45; July, 19.50; August, 19.55; September, 19.60; October, 19.65; November, 19.70; December, 19.75; January, 19.80; February, 19.85; March, 19.90; April, 19.95; May, 20.00; June, 20.05; July, 20.10; August, 20.15; September, 20.20; October, 20.25; November, 20.30; December, 20.35; January, 20.40; February, 20.45; March, 20.50; April, 20.55; May, 20.60; June, 20.65; July, 20.70; August, 20.75; September, 20.80; October, 20.85; November, 20.90; December, 20.95; January, 21.00; February, 21.05; March, 21.10; April, 21.15; May, 21.20; June, 21.25; July, 21.30; August, 21.35; September, 21.40; October, 21.45; November, 21.50; December, 21.55; January, 21.60; February, 21.65; March, 21.70; April, 2