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## GREATER INTEREST BEING SHOWN IN TRAP SHOOTING

Members of St. John Club Aroused to Benefits of the Sport and Are Prepared to Go Ahead on Greater Scale Than Heretofore.

The annual meeting of the St. John Trap Shooting Association was held last night in the Board of Trade Room. A great deal of interest was shown by the members present, and prospects are exceptionally bright for the future of trap-shooting in the city. O. J. Killam, President of the Association, was in the chair. After the minutes of the last regular meeting had been read and adopted, the President presented his report covering the year's activity of the Association. It showed that St. John had won an enviable place in the trap-shooting world. Many cups had been won by the Association. Moreover, the Eastern Trap-shooting Association of Canada had recognized the Maritime Trap-shooters as a separate body. He was happy to state that the club was in good financial circumstances. During the past year there had been many obstacles to overcome but the executive had carried on to the best of its ability. However, affairs had read that stage where the members had to decide whether they would carry on or let the Association break up.

He had with him a paper with the signatures of 14 of the best trap-shooters who will come here to a tournament. We cannot have a tournament, though, unless we have a decent club house for the visitors. He had with him the names of ten men who would guarantee \$100, apiece with payments stretched over a period of two years. A suitable house would cost about \$1,000, \$200, to \$300, was needed to put the grounds in shape and fix up the firing platform. He felt sure that once the Association had a club house that a rapid increase in membership would follow. Personally, he was in favor of carrying on. The Association has been recognized as a separate body. The trap-shooters of Ontario and Quebec give us their generous support. They are delighted at the revival of trap-shooting in the Maritime Provinces.

As a result of Mr. Killam's remarks the following subscriptions were received:

Carl Carvel, \$50; Walker, Andrews, \$25; Dr. G. F. Sanction, \$25; Allan Gundry, \$50; H. W. Berry, \$50; Col. J. L. McAvity, \$100; O. J. Killam, \$100; Friends of O. J. Killam and members, \$300.

The Treasurer's report showing a balance of \$25.00 was presented and adopted. Following this the officers for the ensuing year, were elected, as:

President—O. J. Killam.  
Vice-President—Col. J. L. McAvity.  
Secretary—Walker, Andrews.  
Treasurer—J. J. Gills.  
Executive Board—H. W. Berry, Geo. Blizard, Robt. Anderson and J. J. Shreve.  
Field Captain—Dr. L. A. Langstroth.  
Jack Learmont of Halifax then briefly addressed the members. He assured them that both the Halifax and Dartmouth Clubs were with St. John in every way. He congratulated the Association and assured the members present that if they held a tournament this summer that the Nova Scotia Trap-shooters would be here.

There was considerable discussion on the matter of dues. Many of the members considered the present rate too low. F. J. Shreve gave notice that he would move at the next meeting that the initiation fee (\$2.00) remain the same while the annual dues be increased from \$3.00 to \$5.00.

The date of the coming tournament was then discussed. As the Nova Scotia Games Meet takes place on July 29 and 30, it was decided to hold the St. John tournament on August 1st and 2nd. It is expected that representatives from the Nova Scotia clubs as well as Trap-shooters from all over Canada and the States will be present at this tournament when the Maritime Championships will be decided. Harry Allen is in charge of the Games Meet at Yarmouth.

The Olympic Trials (semi-finals) will be held in St. John on May 8th, 19th and 22nd. The final shoot takes place in Ottawa. These trials are to decide who will be the seven trap-shooters to represent Canada at the Olympic Games in Antwerp.

The St. John Association will hold a practice shoot on Saturday afternoon. Non-members of the club are privileged to attend.

### WEDDINGS.

Kerr-Cass.

A wedding of local interest took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. Johnston, 152 Leinster street, when Rev. G. Dawson united in marriage Miss May A. Cass and Mr. J. Kerr. The bride was neatly dressed in a navy blue travelling suit with Knox hat and carried a bridal bouquet of roses. She was unattended. Following the ceremony a wedding luncheon was held and later Mr. and Mrs. Kerr left for Quebec via Montreal. The groom is a member of the staff of the C. P. O. S. and he and his bride will reside for the summer in Quebec where his duties are located. They received many valuable wishes will follow them to their new home.

### FUNERALS.

The funeral of Patrick Dillon took place yesterday morning from his late residence, Richmond street, West Side, where solemn requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Zeol Landry, with Rev. Raymond McCarty, deacon, and Rev. Simon O'Connell, sub-deacon. Rev. W. M. Duke was officiating at the graveside. The body was taken to the funeral home of the late residence, Pleasant Point. Service was conducted by Elder Young of the Brethren and interment was made in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Mrs. J. K. Long took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Guilford street, West Side. Service was conducted by Rev. Jacob Heaney and interment took place in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Mrs. John Standring took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, DeMonts street, West Side. Service was conducted by Rev. Jacob Heaney and interment took place in Greenwood cemetery.

The body of Mrs. William J. Touchborne was taken to Oromocto train for interment. A short service was conducted last evening at Brown's mortuary chambers by Rev. H. L. Bessner.

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A considerable trade movement is expected as a result of the services established between Canada and the West Indies by the Canadian Government Merchant Marine. Last week a Government boat sailed from St. John for the Bahamas and Cuba, and this service will be made as regular as trade demands, with a possible extension beyond Cuba to Mexico.

What the Canadian Government Merchant Marine is doing to protect the Canadian consumer from the sugar shortage which threatens to send sugar up to 25 cents a pound is one of the present day romances of the shipping world. The whole weight of the Government fleet has been thrown into the situation, with the temporary result at any rate that the Canadian sugar business has achieved a certain independence of New York, which heretofore has been the controlling factor in the sugar situation on this continent.

The fact that the Canadian sugar market has through the Government's action been able to do without the New York middlemen is one of the reasons why sugar has not been jumped up to the same extent as in the States, and has produced a favorable sentiment towards the government's shipping enterprise.

The question which is now interesting local shipping men and exporters is whether by the use of the Government fleet the whole trade between Canada and the West Indies can be diverted to Canadian ports and placed entirely under the control of Canadian houses. With the extension of Canadian lines to the West Indies in the past few years this is regarded as a possibility. Montreal and Toronto in the past did a good deal of their West Indian business through New York agents. Much of this business will be diverted this summer to Government boats running between Montreal and the West Indies.

This departure, however, should redound to the advantage of St. John and Halifax in the long run, for the Montreal traders being able to achieve their independence of New York in summer, will be inclined to do their winter business with the West Indian ports through St. John and Halifax and mainly through St. John.

taken to his former home, Port Hault, Cape Breton, N. S., for interment. A short service was conducted at noon yesterday by Rev. Isaac Brindley at 10 Pitt street.

### IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL.

To the Editor of The Standard,

Dear Sir—I noticed a paragraph in a recent issue (see Town Election) which was held here on the 20th instant, from your Campbellton correspondent. The report is very misleading and does not give the facts, which are as follows:

About two weeks before nomination day I published my card, stating that at the request of a number of ratepayers I would be a candidate for the office of mayor, as the present mayor had quite frequently stated he would not seek re-election for 1920.

I made it quite plain that I favored a representative council, a down nigger, and a get-together movement. After my card appeared in local papers the railway employees and other labor unions held a meeting which was attended by Mayor Murray and he was asked by them to again be their standard-bearer, and on nomination day he became my opponent. We carried on an open letter and published it in the Graphic, setting forth his mistakes during the twenty-five years he held office as councillor and mayor. Besides this I bought space in the Graphic to put forth my views in reference to town affairs and management. He published his card and proposed other things and he would hold a public meeting. This he did not do. I may say that I am in the privilege of meeting him to fully discuss various questions in the interest of the ratepayers.

Last year's Council was composed of a majority of railway employees. Three of these were allowed to remain in office as no opposition candidates offered in Ward II. The contests in Ward I and 2 created quite an interest and a very large vote was polled. I absolutely wish to reform the state government made by your correspondent that I, personally, or through the columns of the press, used any false canvasses against my opponent—in fact, I took very little interest when I found the railwayman, with the other labor men, did not have opposition in Ward III, and as I had sought to have the varied interests represented at the Board, I was quite content to have Mayor Murray remain in office for the reason I was more interested in the purchase and development of a valuable property on our main business street. This, I believe, with my interests, fully take up my time. Mayor Murray's record is in no way flattering. He has promised much for this year—cheaper electric power and light, paved streets, permanent sidewalks, and has also promised the fire underwriters to complete the 16 in. main which he had put in at a cost (with interest) of some ninety thousand dollars some twelve years ago, and though it's not being completed has been a white elephant on our hands. Last year's Council, at his request, started to build a fire station to cost \$17,000, which is not yet completed and it is said will cost over \$24,000.

However, the use of the late Hon. J. E. Paré's cry some years ago in Quebec, "Wake and see us next year," is again in office, and will no doubt again revise the by-laws, etc.

In closing, permit me to say that your correspondent failed to state that without any effort on my part I polled the largest vote ever polled in my own ward, and let me repeat by nearly a third. Had I made any effort I could easily have had a much larger vote.

Thanking you for space.

Yours truly,

WM. H. WALLACE.

## RALLY OF MISSION CIRCLE OF GIRLS

Interesting Programme Carried Out and Prizes Awarded Winners in Essay Contest.

A rally of Mission Circle Girls of the city took place last evening in the parlors of the Methodist Centenary Church. The purpose of the rally was to award the prizes for the best essays on "The Stewardship of Money." The prizes were awarded by the Branch Superintendent of the Department of Christian Stewardship.

There was a large number present, all the circles being represented. During the various exercises very great interest was shown and the event was declared a pronounced success. Mrs. A. Goodwin presided.

After an appropriate hymn had been sung, Miss Langley gave the Bible reading. Then followed the first number on the programme for the evening, a solo beautifully rendered by Miss Myles. Mrs. J. B. Gough of Silver Falls then addressed the gathering. Her subject was "The Stewardship of Life" and she handled it in a very capable manner. At the close she was the recipient of very hearty applause. A duet by Miss Skidmore and Miss Fitzgerald followed adding greatly to the interest of the evening. After the duet the Branch Superintendent presented the prizes. The first prize fell to Miss Blanche Myles, of the Star Circle, Elm street. Mrs. Synnys of the Portland Church Circle was the winner of the 2nd prize, while the third was won by Miss Brown of Carmarthen Church Circle. The Portland Church Circle was awarded the greatest number of essays. Following the presentation of the different prize essays were read by their authors.

## CHANCERY COURT HEARING TUESDAY

In the Chancery Court yesterday morning, before Sir Douglas Hazen, C. J., the petition of Lillian M. Robertson was heard, praying that the appointment of Samuel D. Robertson as guardian of the personal estate and body of the infant petitioner, be annulled and revoked and that Herbert N. Beech, the infant's paternal uncle, be appointed in his place. Affidavits of M. N. Cockburn, Lillian M. Robertson, Herbert N. Beech, Annie M. Beech, James B. Brown, John H. Pinerton, Margaret M. Beech, Vera Irving, William M. Cameron, Levi M. Stewart and Edith Fowler were read in support of the petition. M. N. Cockburn, K. C., appeared for the petitioner; N. Mark Mills and Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., for the defendant.

Affidavits were read on behalf of the defendant in the afternoon and the case was adjourned till Tuesday, May 11th, when it will be resumed in Sir Stephen when all those who have made affidavits will be cross-examined and further evidence taken.

### OBITUARY.

**Mrs. Eliza Sisson.**

Andover, N. B., April 27.—The villagers were shocked on Saturday morning to learn that Mrs. Eliza Sisson had passed away about 8:30 o'clock. Although Mrs. Sisson had been in rather poor health for some time her condition was not considered serious and on Friday she was feeling better than for some time. About 11 o'clock p.m. she had an ill turn and medical help of no avail, death being caused by hemorrhaging of the brain. Mrs. Sisson, who was 59 years of age, was held in high esteem by all and will be much missed, especially in church circles. Besides her husband she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Murray Ryan, Mrs. J. W. Beazley and Miss Violet; also one sister, Mrs. Isabel Bishop, and three brothers, Messrs. John, Fred and Hanford Grant of Kiburn, all of whom have the deepest sympathy of many friends.

**Mr. Duncan Walker.**

Andover, N. B., April 27.—Mr. Duncan Walker, of Tobique Narrows, passed away on Thursday, after a lingering illness, aged about sixty years. Besides his widow he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Hazen Chapman, of Wollaston, Mass., and two brothers, John and Alexander, of South Tilley. The funeral was held on Saturday at South Tilley and was conducted by Rev. Gordon Fringle.

**Miss Farrell.**

Moncton, April 27.—Miss Farrell, a prominent farmer of McKee's Mills, Kent County, died suddenly at his home this morning. Deceased was 67 years old, and was well known in Kent and Westmorland Counties, being an active church and Sunday school worker. He is survived by his second wife, four daughters and one son, John Farrell, of McKee's Mills.

**John C. Larder.**

Halifax, N. S., April 27.—Captain John C. Larder, General Manager of Larder Brothers, and one of the owners of the steamer Amphitrite, died suddenly tonight. He went to Samba today to examine the wreck of the

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