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HAWKS PREYING ON PIGEONS AT POLICE STATION

Bold One Entered Belfry Today and Captured a Young Bird—Suggestion for Marksmen.

What is amounting to an almost daily tragedy is being enacted right over the heads of the police department in King street east, usually about seven to 7.30 a. m. It is a continued attack of a cunning hawk on the other vulture upon a large and happy brood of pigeons domiciled in the belfry of the police building. The first intimation of the presence of the marauding visitors—for there are several of them at times—was about three weeks ago, when persons living in the locality were awakened and started by a raucous croaking and screeching. Investigation disclosed this strange bird making off with a young pigeon in its talons, flying in the direction of Courtenay Bay. There were possibly a hundred large pigeons flying around in a frenzied circle, evidently afraid to alight.

Almost daily since this first occasion the hawk has returned, with only occasional success. This morning, however, a bold one of their party entered the belfry, snatched a young pigeon, and started devouring it on a nearby perch. A citizen has asked The Times to start a movement to check the hawk, and suggests that the Chief of Police put a man on watch for the murderous birds and give it a dose of buckshot in the name of law and order. Discharging firearms within city limits is forbidden, but the police chief might interpret this case in much the same light as shooting a killing murderer, relieving an injured animal of agony or such. Neighbors have been promising to take pot shots at the hawk, but they say they are too near the police headquarters to risk it. When the hawk is making a raid the noise attracts hundreds.

RESIGNATIONS; APPOINTMENTS IN THE PROVINCE

(Special to The Times.) Fredericton, N. B., July 11.—The following resignations are accepted:—Hon. Robert J. Ritchie, as Registrar of St. John, to take effect on July 18; of W. F. Cassidy as high sheriff for Northumberland, St. John, as member of the N. B. Electric Power Commission. The following appointments are made:—Hon. J. E. Michaud, Minister without Portfolio, to be a member of the N. B. Electric Power Commission. Kent—F. X. LeBlanc of Beaubouche to be a member of the Kent sub-district board of health. Kings—John McFarland of Havelock, to be a commissioner for land affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court. Northumberland—William A. Skidd, City and County of St. John—Geo. A. Henderson to be Police Magistrate at St. John; John McFarlane, St. John, to be a provincial constable. Charlotte—Geo. L. Moore of St. Stephen, deputy sheriff for Charlotte county. Westmorland—J. M. McIntyre of Sackville, to be Justice of Probates, pro hac vice, in the matter of the estate of the late Thomas E. Hewson.

A NORTH END STREET CASE

Fred Johnson pleaded not guilty, in the Police Court this morning, to encumbering Durham street with a quantity of earth and old wood. The report was made by Policeman Gibbs. The policeman said that at the corner of Durham and Main streets repairs to a house had been effected by the accused. The old sills had been piled out in the street and sidewalk and earth had been thrown there. The repairs had been completed about a week and the refuse was still there. There had been a light on the pile at night and he had lighted the pile on several occasions. He did not know if there had been a permit to leave the stuff on the street. Sergeant Rankine said that Mrs. Green, who owned the house, said she had told Johnson to remove the stuff. The neighbors had complained about it. The accused said he had completed the job and removed everything belonging to him. Mrs. Green had said that she wanted the old four for fire-wood and the earth for grading around her summer place. He produced a permit which the magistrate said covered the time of repairs. A fine was imposed and allowed to stand on condition that the earth be removed at once.

WELL KNOWN ACTOR DEAD.

Halifax Recorder—William A. Whitecar, one of the best known actors of his day, died suddenly recently at New York aged 70 years. Mr. Whitecar was known in later years among actors as "the man with the umbrella," as he never went about, no matter what the weather, without an umbrella. He was a great favorite here in St. John, particularly in the great production of Michael Strogoff, when he played Ivan Ogaroff. He was also a member of the Three Wills Company which played at the Academy of Music some years ago, the three principal actors being Will Harkins, Will Whitecar and Will Morris. He was last here with a special company playing The Mummy and the Humming Bird. Many old-time theatre-goers will recall with pleasure the excellent performances given by Mr. Whitecar on the Academy stage.

Mr. Whitecar is also well remembered in St. John. He played in the Opera House with Harkins' Company.

TELEGRAPH AND TIMES TELEPHONS

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LOCAL NEWS

ENGAGEMENT.

Mrs. Adelaide M. White, 31 Golding street, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Ella Melissa, to William J. McKee of St. Camille, the wedding to take place in the near future.

BAND CONCERT.

Mayor Fisher said this morning that it was expected that there would be a band concert on Thursday evening in Alexandra square, with music by St. Mary's Band.

HAMPTON FAIR.

A mammoth War Memorial Fair will be held on the Consolidated School grounds at Hampton, Saturday afternoon and evening. If weather is unpropitious the fair will be served in curling rink—Band in attendance. 21988-7-12

BONE BROKEN.

Many friends of Miss Margaret McKenna, Watkinson street, will regret to learn that she met with a painful accident about a week ago in her home when she slipped and fell. She is now in the General Public Hospital for an X-ray examination, and is doing as well as could be expected.

CIRCUIT COURT.

In the circuit court this morning before Mr. Justice Crockett the case of McEwen vs. Fleet and Waite and McEwen vs. Fleet was continued. The evidence of the defendant, who is the same in each case, was concluded. G. H. V. Belyea, appearing for the plaintiffs began his address to the jury and adjournment was made to this afternoon.

LAST CAR CLUB.

Seventeen members of the Last Car Club met last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mofford, Charlotte street, and the usual five games of whist were played. The winners were Mrs. McLean and Leslie Caddell. Consolations went to Miss Mary Nickson and J. E. McEwen. The hostess served dainty refreshments during the interval. After the game the members with selections on the banjo.

MRS. JOSEPHINE WALLACE.

Mrs. Josephine Wallace, widow of George Wallace, died this morning at her home in Randolph. She was very well known in the community and news of her death will be heard with much regret. She leaves to mourn, five sons, James, Joseph, Charles, George and William, all of Randolph, and three daughters, Mrs. Amade LeBlanc and Miss Jennie Wallace, of Randolph, and Miss Mary Nickson, of Malden, Mass. The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon.

ROTHESAY BRIDGE AND TEA.

On the handsome grounds surrounding the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Allison, in Rothersey, the Duke of Rothersey Chapter, I. O. E. D. held a largely attended bridge and tea party on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The general convenor for the day was Mrs. J. A. McIntyre. She was assisted by efficient committee members of the chapter. Many people were present from the city, as well as from Rothersey and other suburban districts. The proceeds are for charity funds.

IN THE POUND.

The Public Works department man in charge of the Old Burying ground are looking for the owner of an Irish setter which was taken yesterday and which has license tag or owners mark on him. They say the setter did damage to one of the main flower beds and they will be glad to pay the damages as well as pound charges when he gets his dog back. There are four or five other dogs in the pound and arrangements are being made to sell them.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Peerless Lodge, No. 19, I. O. O. F. in Simonds street, the ceremony being carried out by the D. D. G. M., G. A. Chase. The following were the officers installed: N. G. W. Chipman; V. G. E. C. Tremaine; R. S. M. D. Morrell; F. S. C. A. Chase; treasurer, F. H. Sniller; warrant, C. Ledford; conductor, M. Alehorn; R. S. N. G. C. W. Segge; L. S. N. G. A. H. Washburn; Auley; R. S. S. W. J. Seely; L. S. S. G. Blizard; J. P. G. E. H. Marshall, and chaplain, W. A. Segge.

DEATH OF SOLDIER.

The death of Abraham William Reicker of 8 St. Paul street, occurred last evening in the General Public Hospital at the age of twenty-seven years. He was a son of Norman and Mary Reicker. Since his return from overseas service, where he served with the 118th Battalion and was wounded, he had been in the employ of William Trifts as an electrician. He leaves his wife, his parents, one son, Victor J.; one stepson, Walter M. Scott; one daughter, Della; one brother, Herbert W. of St. John, and two sisters, Miss Nora C. of St. John and Mrs. Edward Smith of Sussex. Many friends will be sorry to learn of his death.

HOME AFTER MEETING.

J. W. Flewelling, who was re-elected secretary of the Congregational Union at a meeting at Beach Meadows, N. S., and Mrs. Flewelling president of the Women's Mission Board, returned to the city yesterday after attending the meeting. Mr. Flewelling said this morning that both Rev. J. Lambert Alexander of Hamilton, Ont., chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada, and Rev. William T. Gunn, of Toronto, general secretary, would pass through the city on their return to their homes. Rev. Mr. Alexander is scheduled to preach at Sheffield on Sunday.

GARDEN PARTY.

A garden party and tea, the proceeds of which will be applied to the school fund, is being held this afternoon on the St. John Baptist school grounds in South End. Several booths and stands have been erected and are gaily decorated and a large and competent committee from the congregation is in charge of the arrangements. While most of the activities are staged out of doors, some of the large ones in the building are being used for the serving of tea. The City Cornet Band has arranged a delightful programme of music for the occasion.

FAREWELL WORD WAS TO SCOUTS

Governor General and Party Away from Rothersey

Baron Byng Had Round of Golf in Morning—Lady Byng Places Sheaf on the Cross of Sacrifice—Great Reception is Given at Sussex.

"Good-bye, Scouts."

These were His Excellency, Baron Byng of Vimy's final words to the special train which bore himself, Lady Byng and their party out from Rothersey station this morning at 11 o'clock on the way to Sussex which was the next stop of the vice-regal party on the New Brunswick tour. It was to the members of No. 11 St. John (Trinity) Troop that the words were addressed by the Governor-General reaching over the heads of the other members of his party on the platform of his car to wave them farewell. The boys were in camp on Long Island and came over this morning to give their Excellency a send-off.

Both His Excellency and Lady Byng, before leaving expressed their appreciation of a most delightful time while in St. John and vicinity and were hopeful of returning. A short time before the train pulled out three bouquets were presented to Her Excellency, one from the Byng Boys and the others from Mrs. G. G. Belyea, Hon. Wm. and Mrs. Pugsley, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Pugsley. The presentation of the Byng Boys' bouquet was made by R. A. McAvity, commanding officer of the club.

Baron Byng spent the morning prior to his departure at the Riverside Golf and Country Club where he indulged in a foursome with his sides and C. Skelton. Meanwhile Lady Byng remained at the train and while awaiting the time of departure conversed with those who were there to see the party off, including the Boy Scouts and three members of the Byng Boys who were present. On the arrival of His Excellency, he chatted for a few minutes with the Scouts, being particularly interested in the three visiting scouts from Providence, R. I., who are attending the Training School at Rothersey and bid them a large sheaf of flowers. The cross was recently erected to the memory of the Rothersey boys, who fell in the war.

At Lorneville.

On his visit to Lorneville yesterday he was accompanied by Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, M.P., and Dr. Murray MacLaren, M.P. Baron Byng found the village gaily decorated in his honor. A dainty luncheon awaited His Excellency and party at Dean's Hotel and Mr. Dean received a hearty welcome. The Governor-General for the way in which he had provided for their entertainment at his hostelry.

When to Critic.

A side-light on the general make-up of Canada's Governor General was afforded the Byng Boys yesterday when His Excellency visited their club house at Pleasant Point and incidentally exhibited one of the standard which governed his action in dealing with matters military.

In conversation with one of the boys who was formerly a subaltern in the infantry, the ex-lieutenant remarked that on his first meeting with Baron Byng when he was corps commander, the general criticised the manner in which he and his platoon carried out a mock attack on an enemy trench.

SUSSEX GIVES A ROUSING WELCOME

Sussex, N. B., July 11.—Lord Byng of Vimy and party arrived here at the station at noon. They were enthusiastically cheered by a large gathering of residents of Sussex and the surrounding country. From the station the party went to the Sussex Grammar School where an address of welcome was delivered by Mayor J. D. McKenna, to which His Excellency replied in a gracious manner. A bouquet was presented to Lady Byng by Miss Elizabeth Murray, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel L. R. Murray. After the speeches an informal reception was held.

The town was in gala attire in honor of the vice-regal visit. The places of business were closed at eleven o'clock and remained shut until two. The buildings, hotels, station, stores and many residences were gaily decorated with flags and bunting. Many people from country districts came into town and a long string of autos began arriving more than half before the train was due. The weather was all that could be desired, the day being fine with a gentle breeze that kept it from being hot. A guard of honor of sixty cadets was provided by the Fredericton High School corps now in camp here and the party left about two o'clock for Riverdale where they will spend the night after inspecting the sanatorium.

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