

FAIR VALE HAS HYDRO TODAY

Current Turned on This Afternoon—Nineteen Out of Twenty Canvassed in City Subscribe for Musquash Light.

The residents of Fair Vale are now among the users of the Musquash hydro-electric current, and they seem to be enthusiastically satisfied with what they have seen of the service. The current was turned on about one o'clock today, and the connection was made in fourteen minutes.

A resident of Fair Vale said this afternoon that all the houses were blazing brightly. Everything was working smoothly, he said, and everyone to whom he had talked was enthusiastic over the prospects for good lighting.

The time consumed in making this connection—fourteen minutes—during which the power on the whole line was shut off, was considered remarkably good for this class of connection on a main transmission line.

Speaking this morning of a letter he had received from the New Brunswick Power Company, the Mayor said that he took no stock in their announced intention of applying to a Judge of the Chancery Division of the Supreme Court for an injunction to restrain the city from issuing bonds for the purpose of entering into the electric light, heat and power business. A summary of the contents of the letter had been telegraphed to the City Solicitor, but no stock was taken in it and no delay would ensue as the result of its receipt. With reference to St. Roy A. Willet, secretary-accountant of the Civic Power Commission, said, "Business as usual."

The Mayor said he did not give the letter to the press. Roy A. Willet said this morning that four new canvassers for hydro current had started out yesterday and two more today, each being paired off with an experienced canvasser. One canvasser who spoke to twenty of nineteen of them to contracts. Things such as this made the commission feel that the people were behind them. The Mayor said of telephone calls were being received daily from interested persons asking for information.

BURIED TODAY.
The funeral of Duncan Fraser McLean was held this afternoon from St. David's church where service was conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller. Interment was in the cemetery.

The funeral of John Gillen was held this morning from his late residence, 24 Harding street, where service was conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller. Interment was in the cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Ethel R. Jenkins was held this morning from her late residence, 100 Long Reach, where service was conducted by Rev. Hugh Miller. Interment was in the cemetery.

EXPORTS OF CANADIAN LIQUOR BEING LARGER.
Ottawa, March 27.—(Canadian Press)—Canadian whiskey and beer were exported in much larger quantity during the twelve months ended February than for the preceding twelve month period.

Exports of whiskey for the last year amounted to 839,181 gallons, valued at \$2,494,277; for the previous year, the quantity exported was 192,910 gallons, value \$882,729.

Ale and beer exported during the last year amounted to 1,454,029 gallons, value \$2,782,622, while for the previous twelve months the amount was only 421,960 gallons, value \$754,854.

GYRO HEARS SCOUT CHIEF.
Sir Robert Baden-Powell delivered a stirring address at the weekly luncheon of the Gyro Club at the Uptown Tea Shop today. He spoke on the Boy Scout movement and made an appeal for boys and men of the right stamp to get behind it. He was preceded by A. C. Skelton, chairman of the local Scout executive, who spoke briefly. Alex Macnam was in the chair.

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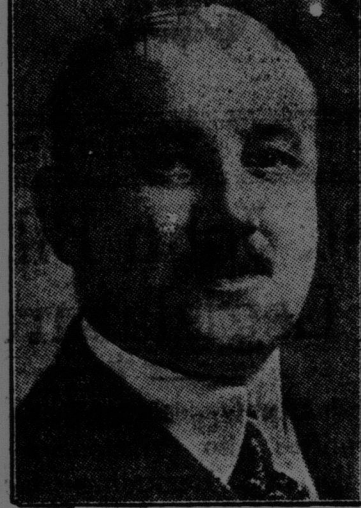
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MOTHER, SISTER SADIE.

DETERMINED TO FIND SMALL



Mayor Maguire of Toronto, chairman of the Police Commission, who declares that Detective Mitchell must disclose the whereabouts of the seventy acres in which he says Small is buried. If necessary, the Mayor declares, steam shovels will be employed to turn over the seventy acres in the search for the missing magnet.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THE THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

LEATHER PUSHERS IMPERIAL TODAY

In addition to the magnificent Mae Murray super-Metro feature at the Imperial today there will be the final story of the Leather Pushers' story under the title "Joan of Newark." This story could not be shown last week because of the snow blockade to the east, where it was tied up in the traffic.

Twenty Below At Shubenacadie

Halifax, N. S., March 27.—At Shubenacadie the thermometers registered more than twenty below early this morning. The recovery of the mercury was equally phenomenal, climbing fifty degrees in about six hours. Halifax experienced zero weather during the night.

SYDNEY SITUATION

Talk of Strike, But Rumor of Iron and Steel Wages Increase.

Sydney, N. S., March 27.—The outlook for the predicted strike of steel workers and miners was regarded here as more threatening last night. The one bright spot is a persistent rumor that the Dominion Iron and Steel Company intends to announce soon a fifteen per cent. wage increase retroactive to March 1. This was not so far confirmed.

New Taxes For Alberta Folk

Edmonton, March 27.—The government expects to obtain \$300,000 from a tax on mineral leases, according to the budget speech of Premier Greenfield in the legislature here last night. Other new taxation proposals were: Tax on soft drinks to yield \$500,000; tax on slot gambling machines to yield \$150,000; and a succession duties act to yield \$46,000.

TIGRIS IN FLOOD.

Bagdad, March 27.—The Tigris River, swollen by the melting snows in the northern mountains, burst the left bank of the stream 12 miles above Bagdad, flooding hundreds of miles of the desert land.

King Faisal, accompanied by a bodyguard, hastened to the scene and assisted in repairing the break, which threatened the northern division of this city.

FROM WEST INDIES

The R. M. S. P. Chignecto arrived early this morning from Bermuda and the West Indies and docked at eight o'clock at the Pettyway wharf. She carried forty passengers, thirty-four first class, three second class and three third class as well as a large freight including about 1,000 tons of raw sugar for the local refinery and Montreal and about 600 puncheons of molasses. Among the first class passengers was M. P. Dalton, of St. John, returning after a trip to the West Indies. The voyage was made in good time and there was little to mar its smoothness.

Scandinavian countries bought a large amount of prunes from Northwest producers in 1922.

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HOLY LAND SOIL IS NOT FERTILE

American Consul in Jerusalem Says Life in Palestine is Difficult and Expensive.

Jerusalem, March 1 (by mail).—Addison E. Southard, American consul here, has just completed an exhaustive survey of the commercial and agricultural resources of Palestine. He has also investigated the activity of the port, development of hydro-electric resources, irrigation and banking, and as a result entertains serious doubts regarding the agricultural resources of the country.

"Approximately one-third of the area of Palestine proper," says he, "or roughly 3,000 square miles, is barren land capable of little, if any, agricultural development. Fully an additional fifth of the total area, or more than 3,000,000 acres, has definite agricultural possibilities, but irrigation and other more or less expensive requirements will considerably prejudice the profits to be obtained from farming. The country is sparsely settled and much of the land has been left fallow for centuries. At the present time the estimated area under cultivation in all Palestine amounts to fewer than 1,000,000 acres."

American business men who have recently visited Palestine have found confirmation of Mr. Southard's observations in the great stretches of rocky and barren land. Only in the broader valleys and plains is it at all fertile, and the Arabs, who form 85 per cent of the population, have a difficult time eking out an existence. The number of Hebrews who have come to settle here from the United States and other countries is relatively small. Of the 700,000 population of Palestine only 11 per cent is Jewish. Those particular callings for which Hebrews throughout all times have shown an especial predilection—clothing manufacture, merchandising, banking and money-changing—are singularly lacking in the Holy Land, and industry and commerce are negligible. Fruit-growing and souvenir making are the principal pursuits.

Most of the Jews who have left America for what they believed to be "the promised land" have found life in Palestine difficult and expensive. Many of them have engaged in small farming and fruit culture. Others have set up small retail stores in Jaffa, Haifa and other large towns. The main streets of Jerusalem and Jaffa, now resplendent with retail centers in the East Side of New York. The Hebrew and English languages vie with Arabic as the prevailing tongues in the commercial markets.

"Palestine," says Consul Southard in his report, "is a small country without demonstrated natural resources of any particular importance. Its population is small, and will not for some years possess any considerable purchasing power. Within its own limits it will produce or consume little, and will depend on the average world political or commercial unit."

The Arab population is proverbially little, and produces little. The staples of the farm and vineyard, the Jew, who is essentially a merchant and trader, finds it impossible to live off the Arab, and American visitors, suffering from a pin of boiling land, which struck her back, was reported this afternoon to be improving nicely when he was stricken down again. It was hoped that she would be able to return to her home in a few days.

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Dr. Murray MacLaren, M. P., will return home from Ottawa Thursday and expects to remain until April 7.

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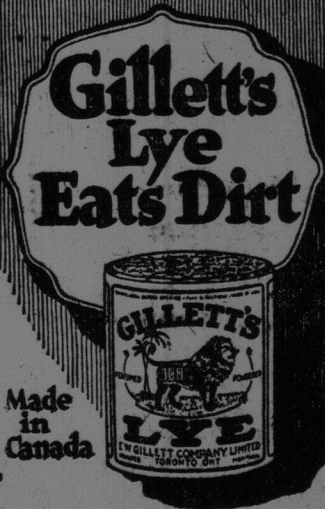
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Household Necessity

Make Gillett's Lye your household assistant. Use it for making soap for washing dishes for cleaning sinks for washing greasy pots and pans. It cleans and disinfects.



LOCAL NEWS

Band, Arena, tonight. Good ice.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. K. Robertson have returned to Montreal after spending their honeymoon in Boston and New York. Mrs. Robertson was formerly Miss Florence Lockhart of Dorchester, N. B.

Hon. Dr. and Mrs. J. H. King of Ottawa expect to spend the holiday season at Boston and Atlantic City.

Hon. and Mrs. John Stanfield will leave Ottawa tomorrow for the home in Truro, where they will remain for the Easter recess.

Hon. and Mrs. Frank B. Carvell will spend the Easter season in New Brunswick.

Miss Helena M. Sweeney, R. N., of South Devon, leaves on Friday for Orange, N. J., where she has accepted the position of office nurse with Dr. Charles and Winifred Banks.

Mrs. Fred B. Edgecombe and Mrs. N. N. MacCunn left Fredericton yesterday for Boston and New York.

Mrs. Harry Black of St. John, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Toner, Fredericton.

Friends of Louis F. Wright, of Lynn, Mass., will be sorry to hear that he is again in the hospital. He had been feeling well until five weeks ago when he was stricken down again. It was hoped that she would be able to return to her home in a few days.

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ST. JOHN BILLS IN LEGISLATURE

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was objection to the Retail Clerks Association of St. John.

Mr. Flewelling asked if it were fair to close shops by compulsion.

Commissioner Thornton said that the chief concern of the city was the relationship of the second hand shops to the police in the matter of the sale of stolen goods. Chief of Police had been unable to come but he had brought Sergeant Detective Powers who probably was closer in touch with the situation.

Commissioner Wignmore said the city was not concerned directly because this was not a city-by-law but a Provincial Act. John, young opposition to this bill had materialized but was not represented before the committee.

Merchants' Opposition.
Mr. Hayes read a telegram just received from the Retail Merchants' Association from St. John young opposition to this bill on both moral and business grounds.

Mr. Foster said the bill stood in his name. He suggested that the bill be referred to the committee to go into private session to hear Sergeant Detective Powers, who was in the city to take the bill into private consideration.

Assessment Act.
The committee took up consideration of the bill to amend the act relating to assessment in the county of St. John. King Kewey, county secretary, St. John was heard. The chief point was that on income in excess of \$500 the assessment would be payable in the city of St. John by residents of the county employed in the city.

Councillor Murray Campbell opposed the bill. Commissioner Thornton said he was surprised that opposition had developed.

W. H. Harrison, solicitor for the city, was heard in support of the bill. Councillor Campbell said that the bill would do away with the principle of payment of assessment on income by the place of residence.

Commissioner Thornton thought that the bill went through last year on misrepresentation, he would not say so. Councillor O'Brien said that he had been mistaken in the bill. On account of so many of the residents of Lancaster parish being compelled to earn their living in the city of St. John he thought that the county people should meet the city part of the way.

The committee decided to take the bill up in private session.

Board Issues for U. N. B.
The committee then considered and decided to recommend the bill to enable the City of Fredericton to issue bonds to grant financial assistance to the University of New Brunswick to the amount of \$25,000 and the bill to authorize the City of Fredericton to issue bonds to the amount of \$50,000.

Into Private Session.
The committee then went into private session and heard Sergeant Detective Power in connection with the bill to amend the St. John Police Act.

NEWSPAPERMAN TO OUT-TUT KING TUT
Vancouver Journalists Will Receive Visit from Pharaoh at Institute's Cabaret.

(Vancouver Sun.)
The resurrection of King Tut at the cabaret of the B. C. Institute of Journalists to be given in the Hotel Vancouver on Easter Monday, April 2, will mark the most brilliant of the Pharaoh's brilliant and original cabarets given by the journalists during the last three years.

Departing from their usual custom of interspersing a number of turns between the dances, they are only offering one feature presentation but this is of such a nature as to lend to the Pharaoh's influence to the whole of the dance. This presentation will take the form of one of the most gorgeous and original ballet productions ever staged in Vancouver and will include, in addition to the highest expression of the dancers art, a certain element of burlesque and humor. The gorgeous costumes of the Land of the Nile and the seductive perfumes of old Egypt will be mingled with radio voices from the other side of a band of earnest explorers. The whole of the dances and the form of the pageant of King Tut is being arranged and carried out by Miss Stella Rex.

In the prologue Lord Carnarvon and Mr. Carter will be seen heading for the tomb of Tut armed with picks and shovels, the "tools of ignorance." Their disappearance into the tomb will be heralded by a loud explosion and the liberated spirits of the golden age of the Pharaohs will invade the ballroom followed by the tomb itself. From that moment artistic and exotic dances will alternate with the most brilliant and original cabarets given by the journalists during the last three years.

Not only will the ball room be decorated in the Egyptian manner but the guests will all be provided with local color or "scenery" of an Egyptian flavor in the year during the festivities. The Goddess Isis.

The queen-goddess Isis will be presented by Miss Helen Spryck, the queen by Miss Mollie Frazer and when the windings of "Tut-tut" of the revived king are unrolled they will be found to contain the delightful personality of Mr. G. Muller. The lotus flower, without which no Egyptian picture is complete, will be represented by Olga Anderson and the dancing of the lotus by Gertrude Le Vaughdale. Patsy Anderson will appear as a particularly lively mummy and the enchanting dancing of the lotus will be by the Misses Dorothy Hay, Florence Stocks, Helma Haig, Deirdre Vandall, Mary Francis, Velma More, Ruth Montgomery and Kathleen Welsh.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS AWAY THIS AFTERNOON
Sir Robert Baden-Powell and Lady Baden-Powell enjoyed a sleigh drive this morning about the city, going also to Rockwood Park where they were greatly charmed with the surroundings. Later they went to the new drydock in process of construction at East St. John. Returning to the city about lunch time Sir Robert went with A. C. Skelton to attend the luncheon of the Gyro Club and Lady Baden-Powell was the guest of the Girl Guides of the city at a luncheon at the Sign O' The Lantern. The Chief Scout and Lady Baden-Powell will leave on the 4:30 train for Ottawa. While in the city they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Skelton.

Says Shipping Rates Fixed In Secret Session

Ottawa, March 27.—(Canadian Press)—"The greatest curse of transportation is simply this, shipping rates are made in New York on the first Thursday in every month behind closed doors."

This testimony was given by W. H. Chase of the Nova Scotia Apple Special Association, before the special House of Commons committee on agricultural conditions this morning.

"All" was the reply, "not excepting the Canadian Government Merchant Marine."

PIGGLY WIGGLY
New York, March 27.—All deliveries of Class A common, Piggly Wiggly Stores under contracts executed on the last day of the stock market on the "big board" of the New York Stock Exchange, were completed yesterday, officers of the exchange announced last night.

Memphis, Tenn., March 27.—Clarence Saunders last night announced that he will enter suit "against each of the brokers who were in default" and "in addition thereto, I will sue the New York Stock Exchange for conspiracy" as a result of failure to deliver class "A" common stock of the Piggly Wiggly Stores within the customary 24 hours after trades were made during the trading in Piggly Wiggly stock last week.

SCHOONER PURCHASED.
Captain Daniel Desmond and Burpee L. Tucker of Parrishboro, have sold the two-masted schooner Mayflower to the Gullitt Fishing Company of North-end, Grand Manan, N. B. The vessel is now at St. John loading lumber for the United States and will then go to the Magdalen Islands for frozen bait. She is 182 tons register, built at Lower Schmah in 1906, and sails from Maitland, N. S.

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The Tonic and Laxative Effect of Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets will keep the system in a healthy condition and thus ward off all attacks of Colds, Grip or Influenza. 50c. Made in Canada.

Engagement Announced.
Fredericton Gleamer.—The engagement of Miss Alice Dickson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dickson, New-castle, is announced, to Frederick Campbell of Prince Edward Island, the marriage to take place in June.

The service in Ludlow street Baptist church, W. E. last evening under the auspices of the Young People's Society was very impressive. Emory Cosman sang solos. "When my Ship Comes In" and "He is Not a Disappointment." He afterwards told something of his religious experience. His message made a deep impression on those present. Ernest F. Campbell conducted the meeting and Pastor Rev. W. A. Robbins and A. J. Rupert spoke appreciably of Mr. Cosman. During the last three weeks the meetings in the church have been largely for prayer and there are now evidences of quite a religious awakening in the church life, although no special meetings have yet been undertaken. It is hoped to have Mr. Cosman assist at the other service this week.

RESTIGOUCHE COURT
Campbellton, N. B., March 27.—The March session of the Restigouche court opened today at Dalhousie with Judge McLatchey presiding. There are not any criminal cases.

A young man named Boudreau was arrested on Saturday night here and charged with stealing butter and eggs from the Fairview Hotel. Magistrate Matheson committed him for trial.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.
London, March 27.—The stock exchange here will be closed March 30 and 31 and April 2, Easter holidays.

HOMER KING
W. H. King, drilling superintendent of the N. B. gas and oil fields at Hillsboro, received a telegram Saturday evening conveying the news that his only son, Homer King, was killed Friday as the result of a boiler explosion at the Smackover Oil Fields, Arkansas. The deceased, twenty-four years of age, came to Hillsboro from Pennsylvania with his parents when a boy. Prior to departure for the Smackover fields in January of this year he had been continuously in the employ of the N. B. Gas & Oil Fields Company for nine years and for several years past had been one of their stars.