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BOTH LIGHT. Murphy, a tall private in the First Battalion Blankshire Regiment, was being tried the other day for being drunk. The commanding officer knew the face too well for Murphy had been brought up on the old charge times without number. Punishment did not cure him, so the C. O. had drawn vivid word pictures of the horrible evils of the canteen. "Now, Murphy," he said, "didn't you promise me faithfully that you would act up to your uniform?" "I did, sir," replied the irresponsible one, "and, bedad, I did act up to it entirely. Me uniform was bright!"

ST. JOHN STAR. BUSINESS OFFICE, 55, EDITORIAL and NEWS DEPT., 117, ST. JOHN, N. B., MAY 24, 1904. PRIZE FIGHTS AND BOXING.

This arresting prize-fighters after their fight is all over is a nonsensical piece of business. If the law prohibits such things it is the duty of the police to stop them and not to stand idly by while the law is being violated and then try to atone for their neglect by arresting the perpetrators for an offense in which they, as consenting witnesses, were accessories.

The bout, boxing match, prize-fight—call it what you wish—which took place last night was plentifully advertised. Everybody knew what it would be; knew that two strong men would try their best to punch each other into insensibility for a cash prize and a title. A few months ago the same two fought in the same place for half an hour or so in full view of the police. They tried as hard as they could to knock each other out, as was apparent to all present, and only failed for lack of time to complete the job. But the police did nothing.

Do they contend that what marks the difference between a prize fight and a boxing match is an actual knock-out? Such a contention is absurd. A knock-out is liable to occur in the most friendly contest and is apt to be lacking in the most vicious prize-fight where the contestants are evenly matched in skill and strength. When two men are advertised to hit each other with their fists for a certain length of time with a substantial reward to the man who hits hardest and oftenest, the police will not go far wrong at any time if they make up their minds that the event so advertised is a prize-fight, even before they have had the excitement of seeing one of the men punched until he falls senseless.

THE CURE OF CONSUMPTION.

It has been announced that the executive committee of the Canadian Association for the Prevention of Consumption has appointed a committee to take steps to secure co-operation of the municipalities and of governments for the establishment of a large sanatorium in each province for the treatment of consumption, and that Dr. Moore, the secretary, will visit the maritime provinces in August or September and lecture upon the cause of consumption. It is sincerely to be hoped that the effect of the campaign is the awakening of the local government of this province to its responsibility in that matter. No menace in this country is so grave as the Great White Plague, and nothing has been more conclusively proved by medical science than that the disease is actively contagious and is amenable to only one remedy: open air, sunlight, nourishing food and care. In no way can this remedy be so well applied as in a sanatorium which, while saving the lives of their patients, also saves the lives of many who would otherwise be exposed to the deadly infection. Private beneficence can and has done much good in this direction, but as private institutions cannot be otherwise than optional, and as the proper fighting of the plague demands compulsory attendance, it must soon be evident to all governments that the provision of public institutions for the cure of consumption and the quarantining of consumptives is a work as necessary as any that now falls in their province.

A GRIEVOUS LOSS.

The news of Mr. Staver's wonderful escape lifts one circle of relatives and friends from the sorrow into which the report of yesterday's sad accident plunged half the people of St. John. But seldom has this city been called upon to mourn a loss at once so tragic as the drowning of Mr. Thomson and Mr. Foster, for whose safety there appears not the slightest hope. The departure of men so prominent in business and financial circles would be a loss grievous enough without the appalling suddenness and nerve-straining uncertainty of yesterday's disaster which has increased the natural grief of the mourners to an almost unbearable point. The deep sympathy of every friend goes out to them.

MR. HASLAM'S EVIDENCE.

The Winnipeg Telegram destroys the value of Mr. Haslam's eulogy on Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Grand Trunk Pacific policy as conservative testimony by explaining that when Mr. Haslam testified in public he spoke as a rabid opponent of the conservative party.

When last seen in Manitoba he was the enemy of the opposition at Ottawa and of the government at Winnipeg. At present, according to the Telegram, his residence is in St. Paul, Minnesota. He is engaged in real estate business, including, it is intimated, the purchase of lands from Mr. Sifton and the sale of lands to immigrants partly through the good offices of Mr. Sifton and his officers. The testimony of Mr. Haslam may under these circumstances be an act of worldly wisdom.

THE HAPPIEST HEART.

Who drives the horses of the sun Shall lord it but a day; Better the lowly deed were done, And kept the humble way.

LITTLEJOHN KNOCKED OUT.

Beaten by Beth McLeod in the First Round—Both Fighters Were Arrested. Five hundred people last evening saw Dan Littlejohn put to sleep in two and a half minutes by Beth McLeod. The men, who were trained to the hour, were both confident of victory when they entered the ring at the Queen's Rink last night. The end came so suddenly that all were amazed but when Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killen stepped into the ring and arrested both fighters they realized that there had been a prize fight.

The boxers shook hands, McLeod the cheater. He was a better trained man, too, and proved an excellent specimen of bodily ability. The bout showed Littlejohn in his usually aggressive style and crouching attitude, but McLeod, smiling, sailed right in with a couple of crashing avings. Dan retaliated, but not so effectively, and again McLeod collared hard with his opponent. Littlejohn was lost in the confusion of shuffling. It was a game of smash from the going. Presently Beth rushed Littlejohn and knocked him to the floor with a straight punch. Dan took six or eight seconds of a breathing spell, resting on one knee. The fight resumed more desperately than ever. Littlejohn grew visibly weaker, his eyes were watering, and he, and his vigor abated. McLeod lost no time and after a nice bit of heavy tapping, swung a side kick directly to the jaw of his opponent's jaw, knocking Littlejohn flat on his face, a semi-conscious and beaten man. Then the referee, who had intervened, went up. Littlejohn got a bad eye and a few body blows, and was not in a fit of mind to fight any more. McLeod emerged unscathed. He was given an ovation.

THE NEW CHAMPION.

Bethel McLeod, Jr., is son of Captain Bethel McLeod of north end. His father is a deep sea mariner, and his brother is "Jimmy" McLeod, the erstwhile backstop of the old Keweenaw baseball team. "Beth" is a machinist by trade, and has been in the boxing business but a few years. His advance has been steady, and a few months ago when he stood Littlejohn off for ten rounds, many predicted the result of last night. Littlejohn, on the other hand, has met and defeated pretty nearly every low Canadian boxer, and draws with more notable ones. He certainly has gone back in form or McLeod has improved. Most people say the latter.

QUAY'S HALF CIGAR.

Senator Quay likes to smoke cigars. He usually has one in his mouth when he is not in the senate chamber, and sometimes he then chews an unlighted one. A short time ago his doctor told him he must stop smoking. "I can't," said the senator. "But you must," insisted the doctor. "Can't I smoke at all?" asked the senator plaintively. "Yes," the doctor replied, as if he was conferring a great favor, "you may smoke a half of one cigar each day but no more."

EFFORTS BY THE PERRAGE.

Only the other day a noble lord said: "The noble and learned Earl on the Woolsack shakes his head, and I am sorry to hear it." A famous "bull" was that made by the Marquis of Londonderry during the discussion on an Irish Land Bill. "This," he declared, with great vehemence of gesture, "is the keystone of the bill. Are you going to kill it?" In the course of a subsequent speech he threw the house into roars of laughter by stating that "This is the reason why you have failed to settle the Irish Land question in the future as you have done in the past." And one noble lord greatly amazed the house by commencing a speech with these words: "My lords, I will open so far as to venture to thank—"

LOCAL NEWS.

The dominion government is building a lighthouse at Spencer's Island which will be of great use to vessels going up and coming down the bay. The police went last evening called into Alexandra Cafe to eject a man who was causing some little trouble there.

A meeting of No. 5 hose company was called for last night, but as there was not sufficient number present to form a quorum, the meeting was postponed.

The fishermen of the harbor are getting numbers as compared with other years, but the weather is somewhat against it. A salmon is being taken now and again, but it is early for them.

The river at Indiantown has fallen considerably since Saturday, was retained by the water. Access can also be had to the office of the D. D. Glasier Co. from Bridge street.

There was a meeting of the members of No. 3 fire engine company last night at their station to consider the part which they would advise the firemen to take in the forthcoming celebration. A long discussion occurred, but no action was taken. Another meeting will be held next Monday night.

William Unkauf, who fell from the structure of the new Union Bank in the early part of last April, was retained by the hospital yesterday. The unfortunate man is still unable to work and it will be some months before he will be able to get on his feet.

A meeting of the male portion of St. John's Baptist congregation, Broad street, was held last night, and it was decided to hold a picnic at Westfield on Tuesday, July 5, at which a four-oared boat race will take place, also a ball game between some of the local teams. Substantial prizes will be given.

Dr. T. D. Walker delivered a lecture before the St. John Hospital Nurses' Association on the Uses of Oxygen in Medicine. The lecture was of a technical nature, and was well received by the much greater use today of oxygen in such diseases as pleurisy and pneumonia.

DIVORCE RECORDS.

Comparison Between Divorces in Canada and United States. During one generation of thirty-four years—proceeding the year 1901—the divorces granted in Canada numbered only sixty-nine. In the United States during the same period the number of divorces was almost seven hundred thousand. The population of the United States has averaged twice as many times that of the Dominion, while its divorces were ten thousand times as many.

In divorce in the United States during the time mentioned had been the same per capita as the Dominion there would have been less than two thousand in this country—reduced, in fact, to the number of the Dominion.

AN AUDACIOUS WISH. "I wish my father was a Mormon," said the incorrigible infant. "How can you say such a thing?" asked the aunt. "Because the Mormons sometimes have such large families that they can't remember all the children's names, much less publish 'em."

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BOUGHT NANCY HANKS. READVILLE, Mass., May 22.—Seventy-six blooded horses, the entire complement of the famous racing stable and stock breeding farm of the late J. Malcolm Forbes of Boston, were sold under the hammer at Trotting Park here today. The horses brought \$115,450 or an average of \$1,523.25.

MONEY-SAVING PRICES

Boots & Shoes. \$1.75 Women's Patent Leather. \$1.35 Dongola Kid Bal. \$1.45 Dongola Kid Bal. Sanborn's Shoe Store, 339 MAIN STREET, North End.

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GOODS SOLD ON EASY TERMS. E. MARCUS, 35 Dock Street. CARLYLE WAS FRANK. A prominent English statesman when a boy at school was taken by his father to treasure in the depths of his soul the words of wisdom which would fall from the great man. At first Carlyle was taciturn and the boy, by way of opening the conversation suitably said: "I have seen two philosophers today, for as we came along papa pointed out Mr. Herbert Spencer in a bus." With majestic emphasis Carlyle replied: "And have ye seen Herbert Spencer, ladde?" Then ye've seen the most unending ass in Christendom.

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GOING TO YUKON. Last Saturday night the members of Greenwich Lodge, I. O. F., Round Hill, held a banquet with their wives and families, after which they presented to Rev. Mr. Coody of Oak Point, a handsome travelling companion. Mr. Coody is about to leave for the Yukon to undertake missionary work. He is very popular and always has been a prominent worker for Greenwich Lodge.

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