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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Atlantic Railway.

DAY, the 22nd June of this Railway will be completed as follows:

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A Methodist Clergyman Regards His Call as *Non Vido* and Gives up His Former Parish—The Engagement is Cancelled Through the Influence of One Man.

A large sized split has existed for some time in the congregation of one of St. John's leading Methodist churches and at one time the members of the congregation were so much at variance with one another that the very existence of the church was threatened. All the trouble and stormy meetings was caused by the brethren being unable to dwell together in unity, and instead quarrelling constantly among themselves.

Some time ago the pastor of the church resigned in order to accept a charge in

CAN'T EMPLOY AGENTS.

THE LEGALITY OF A MARKET BYE-LAW BEING QUESTIONED.

There is a Section Which Makes it Necessary for a Man to Attend to his Business Personally—It Will tend to Greatly Injure the Market Trade.

The legality of a certain market bye-law is troubling Messrs. Dunn Bros., meat dealers of this city more than a little, as on it depends considerable of their future success in business. For the past fifteen years this firm have occupied a stand in the city market without any idea that they were violating any of the market rules. During a good part of this time Mr. Stephen B. Smith has been acting as their agent and transacting much of their business. It was discovered recently

SAYS HE WAS FOOLISH

FOR HAVING ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE LEAR BLACKMAIL.

This is What Lawyer Tremaine Told the Court in Halifax this Week—'Progress' Was Right in its Exposure—The Facts Brought to Light at Last.

HALIFAX, July 8.—The Byron versus Tremaine case has occupied the attention of Chief Justice McDonald for two days in the supreme court. The old details of the disgraceful case were gone over again and Lawyer Tremaine, the defendant, must have found himself an awfully uncomfortable man. Depositions were made by the man who paid the sum of cash varying from \$400 to \$150 to secure immunity from threatened implication in the Lear divorce suit. Mrs. Lear was expected to put in an appearance in court but she did not come, and her presence was not necessary for C. Hudson Smith who has been acting throughout for Mrs. Byron or Lear, had a mass of evidence so full that additional testimony from the plaintiff was not required. The chief justice, who conducted the trial, expressed his views pretty plainly more than once, and caused considerable trembling in certain quarters. It was thought that possibly he would give judgment at once when the case finished today, but he reserved his decision. The rule requires that judgment be given within sixty days, and the public will join with F. J. Tremaine, the defendant, with Mrs. Byron the plaintiff, not to speak of C. Hudson Smith her lawyer, in awaiting with interest the delivery of that judgment. The time of the court was largely spent in listening to arguments on the question of Tremaine's trusteeship for Mrs. Lear. Lawyer Congdon had Tremaine on the witness stand; C. S. Harrington finally addressed the judge on behalf of Tremaine and Congdon for Mrs. Byron-Lear. Whatever may be the result of the trial what everybody says is this: "Well, one thing is sure, Progress had the right end of the whole sad story."

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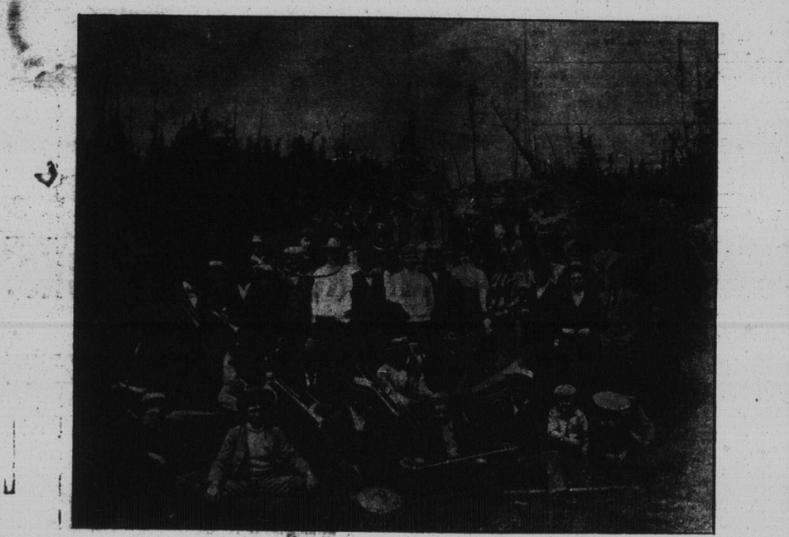
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GROUP OF THE HARKINS COMPANY, NEW PAPER MEN, AND FRIENDS.

another province where the emoluments of office were much greater.

The question of a new minister at once commenced to occupy the minds of the brethren and a faithful few hustled about until they procured a gentleman whom they thought would be acceptable to the rest of the congregation. The object of their choice was known to be an eloquent preacher and an earnest worker in the good cause and they congratulated themselves on having made such a find. They submitted the reverend gentleman's name and recommendations to the managing board of the church at a meeting which was subsequently held. All the members of the board were present save one and as those in attendance were all in favor of the new applicant it was supposed that he would be engaged.

Accordingly one of the gentlemen who had been most active in securing a new pastor wrote to the clergyman whose name had been under consideration and told him he might consider himself engaged, but he would receive official notification of the fact in a few days. Expecting to get a lucrative charge in this city the preacher who previously had been engaged in a rural district tendered his resignation also, which was at once accepted and for a few days he made bright plans for his work in St. John as pastor of the church for which he had been almost formally engaged.

His surprise may be imagined then when he received a letter from the St. John church notifying him that after reconsidering the matter the board of management had decided not to engage him.

It seems that the member of the managing board who had not attended the meeting was opposed to the new applicant and informed the board that he should not be called to the charge. The rest of the board protested that the minister had been as good as engaged but it was useless,—the dissenting one objected still more and threatened to withdraw his support from the church if the engagement were not at once annulled.

As he was a man of large means and contributed generously to the church's support he could not be allowed to leave it, so the contract was cancelled.

The minister who came so near being engaged feels greatly annoyed at the turn matters have taken and denounces the whole affair as a mean piece of business. However he is still out of a job with no immediate prospect of finding one and he is inclined to think that St. John churches are run on a strange system indeed.

Should be Improved Upon.

There are many comments being made upon the training method of the St. John boys who propose to row at Halifax. Mr. Ross only gets out at irregular intervals

and in the meantime there is no system to the training. The men all chew tobacco and do not retire until 10 or 11 at night. They do not arise until 7 o'clock in the morning and after a spin have breakfast at 9 o'clock. The wife of the stroke oarsman is at the Clairmont. It may be unpleasant to note these facts but when the people were generous enough to subscribe to send a crew to Halifax, the management should see to it that the training is done properly.

THAT NEWCASTLE BROOKING.

Some of the Facts of McKane's Career in the Maritime Provinces.

Apropos of the row in a hotel in Newcastle and the shooting of Mr. McKenzie by Dr. Benyon whom he and Messrs Hall and McKane were assaulting, a correspondent sends PROGRESS the following facts respecting McKane who appears to

that there is a section in one of the bye laws governing the market under which they can be prevented from having an employe attend to this business although it is open to either of the members of the firm to attend to it in person.

A complaint was made to the board of public safety by several stand holders who wished to see Dunn Bros. crowded out. At the instance of the safety board the opinion of Recorder Skinner was taken on the matter and as in his opinion the section was valid the offending merchants were reported. Under the act, the penalty for the offence is a fine of eight dollars but it is not here that the true importance of the case comes in. It simply means that if the bye law is powerful enough to prevent Messrs Dunn Bros. from employing an agent to do their market business it will cut out of most of the general business of the market and would prevent a farmer sending his son, his wife or his daughter with his produce as is now so generally done. It certainly seems strange that the law allows either member of the firm to be present in the market to transact their own business but prevents them from hiring an agent and they claim that it will have the effect of preventing stand holders doing any agency business at all.

This would hardly be beneficial as in the present state of trade St. John requires all the business that can be done either in the market or any where else.

The case is expected to come up in the police court but to late to report in this issue of PROGRESS. Geo. A. Henderson appears for the prosecution while Dunn Bros. interests will be guarded by A. P. Barabull. The result will be awaited with interest.

PHYSICIANS WERE BAFFLED

By Miss Elliott's Condition—She Slept a Week Before Death.

The peculiar death of Miss Ebel Elliott of High street North End on Tuesday last caused no little amount of excitement among the residents in that part of the city and the young lady's friends most of whom were acquainted with the phases of her extraordinary illness.

The fact of the deceased young lady having fallen asleep a week before her death and never regaining consciousness, not only baffled the physician in attendance, Dr. Addy, but also Dr. Murray McLaren. All sorts of rumors and theories were afloat as to the cause of the young lady's long slumber and her awakening was watched for with eagerness not only by the family and friends, but by the general public who had become fully acquainted with the strange case through the press, but the young lady did not awake in this life, but slept herself peacefully into eter-

nity. The physicians of course made especially sure that life was extinct before pronouncing it so, but the incredulous public worked-up more theories as to the possibility of animation being suspended, trance-like. The grief-stricken family were ready to listen to any argument regarding Miss Elliott's death, but it was not until Mrs. Armstrong, a lady now resident in this city in the interests of an Upper Canadian drug firm, called to view the body that a medical test was made.

Mrs. Armstrong, who is a lady of pleasing appearance and apparently highly educated, is giving weekly or bi-weekly health lectures in the W. C. T. U. building for ladies only. According to Mrs. Armstrong's own words she read of Miss Elliott's sad case and expressed a desire of seeing the remains simply out of sympathy for the afflicted family. When at the house Mrs. Armstrong suggested to Mrs. Elliott the advisability of having the body bled to prove either life or death, and stating that if it was her child she would certainly have it done, for the sake of peace of mind at least. Dr. Addy accordingly opened articles in Miss Elliott's body but death was proved certain.

Extravagant and utterly untrue reports were circulated about Mrs. Armstrong and what she is alleged to have said she could do in connection with this case, and only tended to place the lady in an undesirable position before the public. She comes to this city representing a leading Montreal drug firm and is holding her lectures under the auspices of the W. C. T. Union.

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THE MONKEY THEATRE COMING.

The Monkey Theatre opens in the Opera House Monday afternoon July 13, under the management of Rufus Somerby. PROGRESS printed an admirable account of the performances of these clever little animals, and showed by illustrations what tricks they are capable of doing. Mr. Somerby says that he has had great success with them. The show pleases the people and they flock to see it. More than this it is an agreeable variety and shows what patient training of intelligent animals will accomplish. Mr. Somerby was in town Thursday assisting his advance representative Mr. Sam Sampson to boom the show. Mr. Sampson, though not as venerable looking as his employer is almost as well known in