

AROUND THE CITY

Fracture an Elbow. While working on the Manchester steamer yesterday, Humphrey James fell 18 feet fracturing his elbow. He was removed to the hospital.

Police Reports. Wm. Dalrymple has been reported by I. C. R. Policeman Smith for going beyond the stand at the depot allotted for coachmen.

Driver Thrown From Team. While turning from Main into Adelaide street yesterday morning, the driver of Peter McIntyre's grocery team was thrown from the sled and given a severe shaking up. The sled slowed in turning the corner and striking against a water hydrant, tossed the driver out.

Will Meet Miss Tonge. The members of No. 1 Salvage Corps will meet at their rooms at 8:30 o'clock this evening. It is the intention of Captain MacRae and his men to attend the Nickel in a body for the purpose of giving Miss Tonge, who is a daughter of John Tonge, a member of the corps, a hearty send-off.

Walked Five Miles with Broken Rib. A man named Gray was brought to the city last night on the Pacific express and removed in the ambulance to the hospital. Mr. Gray was working in the lumber woods in Charlotte County when he fell on his axe and fractured two of his ribs. The injured man was obliged to walk five miles before he arrived at the nearest station.

Struck by Bale of Hay. An Australian named John Penna who resides on Union street was injured yesterday while working on the steamer Montezuma. Mr. Penna was working in the hold and a bale of hay falling fifty feet bounced striking him in the back. He was removed in the ambulance to the hospital. It is thought his injuries will not prove serious.

The Pink Rose. An interesting entertainment was given under the auspices of the Girls' Association in the Temple of Honor hall last evening. The programme consisted of story and song. The music was under the competent direction of J. F. Bullock, ably assisted by Miss Minnie Dunlop, Harry Dunlop, Roy Robinson and Ronald Edwaris. Mr. and Miss Alcorn, Miss Oram, Miss Della Fox and Mr. Roberts sang the leading parts. The programme was choral. Miss Emma Heffer read with much feeling the story of The Pink Rose. She was presented with a beautiful bouquet of pink roses.

AN INTERESTING CASE BEFORE JUSTICE WHITE

An interesting hearing was had before Mr. Justice White yesterday on the petition of Benno Lenson for the winding up of the Maritime Coal Company Limited, which has its head office at Beersville, Kings County. The petitioner is a creditor to the extent of \$14,000. The application was made by E. B. Chandler, K. C., for the petitioner and opposed by George W. Fowler, K. C., and Emerson White, a New York lawyer, for the company.

The winding up of the company is asked for on the ground of insolvency but it was argued on the part of the company that it is not insolvent within the meaning of the Winding Up Act. This act declares that a company is insolvent when it cannot pay its creditors sixty days after a demand has been made for payment. No demand was made in this case, but it was contended by Mr. Chandler that the statutory provisions provided only one of the many ways which insolvency may be proved, while the opposing counsel set up that the act limited the proof of insolvency to the manner mentioned therein. Other issues also arise in this case but this is the most important point of law involved.

This question has never been decided by a New Brunswick judge but has been decided one way by a United States judge and the other way by Quebec and Manitoba judges. The matter being one which only comes before a single judge no decision has ever been given by a full court. Many affidavits were presented yesterday but His Honor stated that he would not decide the case until he heard the evidence. The hearing was therefore adjourned until March 6th that the different witnesses might be summoned to testify.

PERSONAL

Sir Thomas Tait left for Montreal last evening. R. W. Digory, of the Ottawa Journal staff, is in the city and will leave on the Empress of Ireland on Friday for England. George Black, a former St. John newspaper man, who has been spending a few days here, left last evening to resume his duties on the Montreal Gazette. H. G. Marr left on the Boston train last evening for New York.

EXCITING NEWS

The latest news from Rochester Canyon, the last property taken under control by the Codd Mines Co., is most intensely exciting. It is the sole topic at the San Francisco club. J. S. Currie, who recently returned from a visit to the different properties, advises every holder of Codd Mines Co. stock to get in communication with him at once. Make an appointment either by telephone or post card. News is expected here within the next ten days that will cause a joyful feeling and make Martine holders sit up and take notice.

REAL ESTATE

The following deeds of transfer have been recorded lately: Robert Good to Armstrong and Bruce, property at Simons. Harriet Mathers to W. H. Campbell, property on Sheffield street. Bessie Sadler and F. D. Sadler, to Harold Chadwick, property at Lancaster. Heirs of Edward Symonds to J. S. Gregory, property on Acadia street.

MOOSE MAY ACQUIRE THE SIMEON JONES PROPERTY

Members of Local Lodge, at Meeting Last Evening, Discussed Purchase of Handsome Home and Appointed Committee to Make Arrangements—Hold Option on Building. The members of the Order of Moose are thinking seriously of purchasing a new home and the matter was thoroughly discussed at a meeting last evening. It was announced to the members that the order have obtained an option on the Simeon Jones property on the corner of Sydney and Stockholm streets which is now owned by western parties. The amount of the option was not given out but it is believed to be a large sum of money. The members favored the purchasing of the property and it was decided to leave the matter of making suitable arrangements regarding the same to a committee. The property in question is one of the finest in Eastern Canada and has an excellent location. It will be known in a few days what comes of the matter and from what some of the Moose members stated last night, after the meeting, it will only be a short time when the building will become the property of the order.

EXCAVATION WORK FOR NEW REFINERY STARTS ON FRIDAY

Henry Holgate, Consulting Engineer here, Arranges to Put Men at Work Preparing Foundation—Will Rush Building to Speedy Completion. Before the end of the present week any who have been skeptical regarding the erection of St. John's new refinery, the sugar refinery, will have an opportunity to witness the preliminary work on the new building. It is expected that either Friday or Saturday will see a start made on the excavation work for the foundations of the proposed buildings. Henry Holgate, consulting engineer of the Atlantic Sugar Refinery Company, and Edwin Jarrott, of New York, representing the construction company, who are to do the work, arrived in the city yesterday. During the afternoon they visited the site of the refinery in company with F. H. Anson, general manager of the Atlantic Sugar Refinery Company, and L. R. Wilson, who will supervise the work. During the past two weeks test borings have been in progress to ascertain the nature of the sub-strata before starting the foundation. After examining the result of the borings, the party decided to start the excavation for the foundation this week. A large force of men will be put to work tomorrow on the site. A large consignment of equipment for the work is already en route here and unless a protracted period of wet weather should interfere it is expected that good progress will be made before summer. It has been decided to excavate about four or five feet below the old beach level. This will mean that the average depth of the excavation will be about twenty-five feet. Arrangements are being completed to start in work as soon as equipment and labor have been secured and it is the intention of the management to carry the work along as rapidly as possible.

DELEGATES SATISFIED WITH WEST INDIAN SERVICE PLANS

F. E. Williams Returns After Interviewing Hon. Geo. E. Foster in Reference to Conditions of West Indian Service—Canadian Trade will go via St. John and Halifax. The federal government has received two tenders for the West Indian service, said F. E. Williams, who returned from Ottawa yesterday where he went with members of the board of trade delegation from St. John and Halifax to interview Hon. George E. Foster, minister of trade and commerce, in regard to the conditions of the service. "One tender is for a first class service," Mr. Williams continued, "but the company attached a condition that the boats be allowed to call at Boston and to land at Boston delicious fruits such as oranges, lemons, grape fruit, and limes, from the islands during the months of December, January and February. All other freight bound to or coming from the islands must be taken aboard or discharged at the ports of St. John and Halifax, if the tender of this company is accepted the boats will start at Halifax, come to St. John and then proceed via Boston to the islands. On the return the boats will call at Boston and St. John and then Halifax. "The second tender," Mr. Williams said, "was from a company which would only promise a medium service."

LOCAL HOCKEY FANS MAY VISIT MONCTON

If Sufficient Number Agree to Take Trip Next Week Special Train May be Chartered. Several hockey fans are desirous of witnessing one of the professional hockey matches held in Moncton and an endeavor is being made to form a party to make the trip. Next Tuesday night the Sydney team plays the Victoria in the railway town and if a large enough party can be found desirous of taking in the match, arrangements will be made for chartering a special train to convey the party leaving here about five o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

PLEASANT GATHERING HELD IN CHIPMAN

The Presbyterians of Chipman indulged in an old-fashioned surprise party when on Tuesday evening last more than one hundred of them repaired to the manse where they made merry until midnight. The occasion was the second anniversary of their pastor's occupancy of the manse. During the evening Mr. Charles Baird on behalf of the congregation presented Rev. and Mrs. Smith with an address which testified to the respect and love of the people for their pastor and his wife and family. Reference was also made to the high character of the pastor's pulpit ministrations and he was assured that his efforts were highly appreciated by a grateful and affectionate congregation. At the close of the address Rev. Mr. Smith made a suitable reply on behalf of Mrs. Smith and himself.

Refinery Official to Live Here. L. R. Wilson, of Montreal is in the city and will represent the Atlantic Sugar Refinery Company here during the construction of the new refinery, and will take up his residence here. Mrs. Wilson and family are expected to arrive today to join Mr. Wilson.

MORE THAN 700 MEMBERS

Board of Trade Expects to Get Fifty More Before End of Week—Meeting this Afternoon. Up to the present the Board of Trade has secured over 700 memberships, and it is expected about fifty more will be enrolled before the end of the week.

Mr. Bender, who was left here by Mr. Chase to close up the campaign, said last night that including plural subscriptions, there were 706 memberships taken out so far. When the newspapers reported that there were 664 memberships there were really 688, and since then enough new names have been handed in to bring the enrollment over 700. Letters were set out to the committees and prospects yesterday, with a view to getting up more interest, and the committees will report the result of their work this evening. A meeting of the council of the Board of Trade will be held this afternoon at four o'clock when various matters will be dealt with and arrangements made for a general meeting of the board to set away for a campaign to boost the city.

CARPENTERS STRONG FOR EIGHT HOUR DAY

Commencing on May 1st Carpenters and Joiners will Intercept Campaign for Shorter Hours of Work. On May 1st the carpenters and joiners intend to start a campaign to make St. John a better city to live in for themselves. At the meeting of their union last evening it was unanimously decided that it was time for St. John to get in line with other cities, and adopt the eight hour day. A move will be made on the first of May to secure an eight hour day at the present union rate of wages \$3.00 day, all work after regular eight hour day to be paid for at the rate of time and a half. Since the appointment of a business agent the union has made good progress. Several new members were admitted last evening, and a number of applications were received. Last spring the carpenters made a move for a wage of three dollars a week and carried their point without much difficulty.

It is said several other unions in the building trade will be moving for better conditions this spring. It is expected there will be considerable building activity, and in view of the increasing cost of living the wage earners are being troubled with the pretty general desire for more money.

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THE GRAND TRUNK AND THE VALLEY RAILWAY

G.T.P. Engineer in City After Interview with Premier Regarding Plans for Bringing Road to St. John. A. M. Bouillon, chief district engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific, arrived in this city yesterday from Fredericton where, on Tuesday, he had a conference with Premier Fleming. Except to say that his conference with the premier was quite satisfactory, Mr. Bouillon said he had no information to give out.

The original plan of the Grand Trunk to come to this city over the Valley Railway still holds good, he said, but he could not definitely announce the exact point where the Valley Railway will tap the Grand Trunk, but it is understood that the project for the construction of a link to connect the G. T. P. and the St. John Valley Railway from Nappadogan to a point at or above Fredericton was discussed at the conference. The matter was discussed about a year ago, when it was said that there were two possible routes for the connection between Nappadogan and the Valley Railway. One of these was to utilize the Stanley branch line and the other was via the Keswick Valley to the Nashveak Valley to meet the St. John Valley by crossing the river. The other was via the Keswick Valley to cross the St. John river at a point a short distance above Fredericton. Except to say that he had had a satisfactory interview with Premier Fleming, Mr. Bouillon would not commit himself on the matter.

The March Designer, March Patterns and the Spring Standard Fashion Book can now be had at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s who are agents for the Standard Patterns. The Standard Patterns are the best patterns made. After people have tried every other pattern they come back to the Standard and so often tell this firm it is the best pattern made, that they are builders in saying positively "it is the best." The March Designer is a very attractive number, brim full with fashion ideas from cover to cover. Price to send a copy, The Spring Catalogue is so attractively complete that ladies are going in ecstasies over it. This book costs 20 cents and from it you can choose styles to your heart's content, and in addition you can get any fifteen cent pattern free of charge. The March fashion sheet is really a fashion newspaper. Much larger in size and it is about the last word that fashion dictates. Free at this store.

FREE HEMMING SALE IN LINEN ROOM

Specials for This Morning from 8.30 to 12. Slightly Soiled Embroidered Linen Pillow Cases, some with hemstitched ends, some with scalloped ends. Sizes 45 by 36 in., reduced to \$1.75 pair. Sideboard Covers, Hemstitched and Embroidered, size 17 by 50 inches, only 30c each.

WHITWEAR DEPARTMENT SALE OF WHITEWEAR CONTINUED TODAY

Bargain Sale of China, Cut Glass and Silver Deposit Ware There's a Place in Your Dining Room for Some of These Handsome Pieces—A Moderate Outlay Will Work Wonders in Gaining Possession of the Things You Desire. This bargain clearance will enable alert housekeepers to give a place in the dining room to more handsome China, Cut Glass and Silver Depositware. Everything in the sale has been very much reduced in price, so that you may count upon examining some exceptional values for prompt acceptance. As the quantities are not extensive it will be advisable to come early and make selections.

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February Sale of Clothing for Men and Boys

This Important Event Extends Extraordinary Saving Inducements in Fashionable Garments—Come Early and Inspect Them. We offer our entire stock of Boys' Overcoats in the finest fabrics, beautifully tailored and with linings of exceptional quality. Made from materials used in the best grades of men's overcoats, they represent the greatest amount of wearability and dressiness possible to put into a boy's outer garment. These Overcoats are Convertible Collar Style now so popular and come in plain effects. Wide stripe and check weaves, in nobby Tweeds, Chevots and Meltons. Former prices were from \$7.00 to \$12.00. Now your choice at one sale price, each \$5.95 BOYS' TWO AND THREE-PIECE SUITS will be included in this great price-reduction sale and mothers will have an unusual opportunity to clothe little men at a very substantial saving. Space will not permit a full description of the suits, but you have our assurance that they are genuine bargains. Sizes 24 to 30. Sale price, \$3.50 to \$6.00. Sizes 31 to 35, for larger boys, sale price from \$3.50 to \$10.00. BOYS' STRAIGHT AND BLOOMER PANTS, in good strong wearing Tweeds, in medium and dark shades. Straight Pants, sale price, pair 49c. Bloomer Pants, sale price, pair 73c. This sale also includes all of our MEN'S SUITS, MEN'S OVERCOATS, MEN'S WATERPROOF COATS and MEN'S TROUSERS at special reductions. A special lot of MEN'S TROUSERS, mostly worsteds in neat stripe effects, extra value, while they last, per pair, \$2.50. MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING DEPT.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd. Lake Michigan Signaled. The steamer Lake Michigan from this port, was signalled off Brown Head yesterday.