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ONE CENT.

THIRTEEN BELOW ZERO AT ST. JOHN'S

While in Moncton the Glass Showed Seven Below EARLY THIS MORNING

First Real Touch of Winter for the Railway Town--Maritime Express Delayed by Frozen Pipes--Death of Arthur Atkinson, I. C. R. Agent.

MONCTON, N. B., Nov. 10 (Special).--Arthur Atkinson, a well known I. C. R. operator and station agent, died quite suddenly at the home of his mother, Mrs. Wm. Atkinson, St. John's, last night, after an illness of a few days with pneumonia. The deceased was night agent at Colborne for some time, but has recently been promoted to be day agent at Evans. He worked only one day in his new position when he was taken ill. He was well and favorably known among I. C. R. train men on the eastern division, and his death will be heard of with surprise and deep regret. The deceased was a brother of William Atkinson, I. C. R. driver, of St. John's, and also Fred Atkinson, a well known drag clerk, formerly with A. E. Holstead, Moncton. Two other brothers and two sisters survive. He was 33 years old, unmarried, and a son of the late Capt. Wm. Atkinson, of St. John's.

Moncton experienced its first real touch of winter last night. The thermometer early this morning showed seven below, and at eight o'clock this morning the glass was still hovering around zero.

At St. John's the thermometer was thirteen below.

The Maritime express was delayed here a few minutes this morning on account of the pipe on one of the cars being frozen up.

TROUBLES AT VLADIVOSTOK

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 10 (Special).--Reports from Vladivostok indicate that the situation has not yet been relieved. Both sailors and fortress garrison participated in the outbreak. The situation got beyond its control, and a large part of the city had been destroyed. The population is being evacuated to the coast. Three hundred rioters, mostly sailors and fishermen, were killed or wounded during the first day of the outbreak.

COUNTY COURT

In the county court case of Thomas Worden vs. Henry G. Weeks was resumed this morning and W. A. Wall, S. E. Brinnell, W. C. Dunham and James Goff were examined as witnesses for the defence.

Yesterday afternoon Dr. Johnston, veterinary surgeon, stated that the death of the horse was probably caused by something which it had contracted anterior to the case in question and that the horse would have died probably even if it had remained in the stable. Dr. Johnston said that the route taken was not a hard one.

The defence is an absolute denial of liability and will set forth that the horse was engaged for a day, nothing being said by the defendant as to where he was going nor was he asked by the plaintiff. The only remark made by the defendant to the plaintiff and the defendant at the time of the hiring was, "so the defence alleges, that the plaintiff requested the defendant to see that the horse were fed up at Barker's."

H. E. McKenna, K. C. appeared as counsel with E. R. Chapman for the plaintiff, D. Mullin, K. C. for the defendant.

THE COLD SNAP

There was but slight change in the temperature yesterday and today. The low temperature this morning was 12 degrees below zero.

Three o'clock yesterday it was 22, and at five o'clock last night it was 21. The thermometer registered two degrees above zero here last night and on Monday night it was fourteen above. Last year navigation closed here on November thirteenth and in 1903 on the nineteenth.

RIVER IS FROZEN OVER FROM SHORE TO SHORE

Ice Over an Inch Thick Formed Along the Shores At Fredericton--Merely a Skim in the Centre and Pokanoket Broke Through Easily.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Nov. 10 (Special).--The cold weather of last night caused the river here to freeze over from shore to shore. Along the shores the ice formed over an inch in thickness, but in the channel it was little more than a skin. The steamer Pokanoket left for St. John this morning at the usual hour and had no difficulty in breaking her way through the ice. She will endeavor to return trip tomorrow. The mail arrived from Gagetown at 10:30 o'clock this morning on what will probably be her last trip of the season.

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SITUATION IN RUSSIA IS VERY GLOOMY TODAY

General Political Strike Ordered for Noon and Partially Obeyed --- Government's Position May be Rendered Desperate --- Georgians, Finns and Poles Demand Autonomy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 10 (Special).--The proletariat of St. Petersburg has summoned another general political strike beginning today at noon. This action was decided upon late last night by the workers' strike committee which is now completely under the domination of the social revolutionists whose leaders openly proclaim that their ultimate object is the complete overthrow of the monarchy and the establishment of a democratic republic. This also is the real aim of their brothers, the social-democrats of Poland, but the proletariat issued keeps this in the background and apparently supports the popular sympathy for Polish autonomy and the indignation against the application of the death sentence being imposed on the Czarist ministers. The proclamation says: "The imperial government continues to walk over our corpses. It court-martials the bold soldiers and sailors of Cronstadt who rove in defence of their rights and national freedom. It enforces weak and unpopulated Poland with the iron ring of martial law. "The workers' council calls on the revolutionary proletariat of St. Petersburg to renew the general political strike, which has already demonstrated its dread power, in order to show bolder solidarity with revolutionary soldiers and sailors as well as with the revolutionary proletariat of Poland. Let the workers of St. Petersburg cease work at noon November 10th, with the cry of 'Down with the court-martials! Down with the death penalty! Down with martial law in Poland and in all Russia!'"

The committee has appealed to the strike committee throughout Russia to join in the movement and has also appealed to the railroad men with the view of bringing about another general tie-up. Some of the delegates at last night's meeting protested that the political strike would interfere with the fight for an eight hour day, but they were rudely rebuffed by the majority, who claimed that it would be time enough to deal with economic questions when they had triumphed with the autonomy. The strike commenced promptly on Nov. 10th at 12 noon, and it is announced that all the other lines will follow suit.

Although the workers may be of the big establishments beyond the Moscow and the great industries in the Neva and Vassili Nary streets, the strike has not yet spread to other districts promised to obey the strike mandate, those of the Putiloff and other factories declined to join in the strike. The various professional organizations which participated in the other general strike are also likewise regarding the decision of the workers' committee as hasty and ill-considered. Nevertheless the present excited state of the public opinion they may be swept off their feet, especially should some untoward incident occur.

Should the general strike again spread over the country the government's position might be rendered desperate. It is important now to deal with many of the questions confronting it and might be rendered into making further concessions. The kingdom of Georgia, following the lead of Finland and Poland has now placed up courage and has demanded autonomy.

The attempt to restore order in the government of Kutais, Trans-Caucasia, with Russian troops has so inflamed the popular feeling that the municipal council of Kutais, Balich and Wazman railways, and it is announced that all the other lines will follow suit.

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FROST CAME TOO QUICKLY

Fredericton Boom Co. Was Hardly Prepared for Winter and May Lose Big Boom--The Logs Hung Up.

FREDERICTON, Nov. 10 (Special).--The Fredericton Boom Co. were caught napping by the sudden cold snap and unless the weather moderates some of their apparent prospects, including the big boom on Crook's Point, may be frozen in for the winter which means that it will be broken up or lost when the spring frosts come. A prominent lumberman estimates the quantity of lumber hung up on Crook's Point at 800,000 feet, which is about 100,000 feet of lumber. The boom is owned by the Fredericton Boom Co. and is managed by Messrs. Cushing, Kilburn, Cummins and Bondolph and Baker.

Joseph Elliott and his son, of Bear Island, charged with illegal fishing, failed to show up at the police court this morning and the case had to be postponed.

THREE PEOPLE ASPHYXIATED

PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 10 (Special).--Three deaths were caused last night by the falling of a heavy picture on the wall of the Woodcock children whom the escaping gas which broke a gaspipe while the family was asleep. Chris Schroeder, his mother, Elizabeth, and her grand child, Mrs. LeForge, were all asphyxiated. Neighbors who entered the house today found the fallen picture beneath a gas fixture which had been struck off short. They arrived in time to save the lives of two of the Woodcock children, but the mother and her grand child were not yet reached in large quantities.

MILITIA APPOINTMENTS

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 10 (Special).--The 71st York Regiment--To be provisional lieutenant, Charles Herbert Fowler; sergeant, 2nd New Brunswick Artillery--To be provisional lieutenant, Norman Phillips McLeod, gentleman; 8th Princess Louise New Brunswick Hussars--To be Veterinary Lieutenant, Walter Manohelzer.

Mr. Kilpatrick, of Bevelbrook, B. C., chairman of the Department of the Pacific Division of the C. P. R., arrived in the city today.

MUSIC IN SCHOOLS

Miss Edith A. Comber, who has been taking a course in public school music at the New England Conservatory, Boston, recently passed the examination on Friday, and received her certificate. While in Boston Miss Comber visited her superior and his assistant, and was decorated with the highest and correct way in which the pupils sang in the higher grades of the school. She was accompanied by Miss Edith A. Comber, who has been taking a course in public school music at the New England Conservatory, Boston, recently passed the examination on Friday, and received her certificate.

MR. HYDE HAD FOUR OFFERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (Special).--James H. Hyde, the insurance broker, had four offers today for his stock. He is reported to have received offers from Mr. Harriman and Mr. Morgan. Hyde is reported to have received offers from Mr. Harriman and Mr. Morgan.

WHY ALICE WAS ABSENT

Mrs. Roosevelt Forbid Her From Attending Social Functions Until Her Health is Improved.

WORLD USE GUN OR "AUTO CRIMINALS"

BOUGHT OUT BY COMBINE The Cigarette Factory on Prince William Street Will Be Closed.

The American Tobacco Company, which is probably the largest tobacco house in the world, has bought out the Imperial Cigarette Co. of this city. Abraham Isaacs, the head of the latter concern, when seen this morning said the sale had been made, and in future the American Tobacco Co. would supply the various brands which the local company have been putting on the market. They will not, however, manufacture here, but will discontinue the works on Prince William street and supply the goods from their upper Canadian factory. Mr. Isaacs will still continue the manufacture of cigars, and on or about January 1st will remove his stock and machinery to the newly acquired property on Princess street (formerly known as the Morley Conservatory of Music), where he will manufacture on a much larger scale than at present. The removal of the cigarette factory from here will throw quite a number of hands out of employment, though the enlargement of the cigar factory will mean an increase in the number of employes at work there.

THE RIVER

Nearly all the river steamers were late today. The Victoria did not leave Indianston this morning, and will probably tie up for the winter at the company's wharf. The Pokanoket remained at the upper end of the route last night, and is expected here about five o'clock this evening. She will make another trip tomorrow, proceeding up river as far as possible. As far as can be learned the ice has been broken and the water is very light. Should the weather turn very cold the May Queen will come down this evening. Otherwise she will not reach Indianston before tomorrow. The Crystal Steam had not arrived at 1:30. The Marjorie is still running on the upper route. The absence of the Springfield, are at Indianston for the winter, the former having arrived last night and the latter this morning. The Elsie arrived at 11:40 being an hour late, and the Hampden was expected to reach her wharf this morning.

SHOT BROTHER AND HIMSELF

Fritz Kafitz Committed Murder and Suicide to Lighten His Father's Burden.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 10 (Special).--A 29 year old man, Fritz Kafitz, shot his brother Ludwig, 22 years of age, twice through the head and once through the heart, instantly killing him and then fired a bullet through his own temple, dying on the spot. Fritz left a note addressed to his father saying that he had killed his brother and taken his own life because he believed the two were a burden to their father and were better off dead.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

At a meeting of the provincial government held this morning a report was submitted from Solicitor-General Jones about the advisability of having copies of the records of Madawaska lands transferred from the Victoria County registry office to that of Madawaska. Formerly there was but one office for both named counties. The government ordered the transfer to be made.

IS BADLY HURT

Lillian Cecil Cunningham, who narrowly escaped death while coasting on Carmarthen street yesterday, is reported to have a very restless night, and is somewhat feverish today. He suffers considerable pain, but is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances. It was found necessary to stitch the wound back of the ear. The outer bone of the leg is broken; there is a large lump on the back, and the side is somewhat chafed. It is not thought, however, that his condition is serious.

AMERICAN HOUNDS WON

UPPERVILLE, Va., Nov. 10 (Special).--The American hounds won the decision over the English in the Grifton Middlesex fox hunt match, which concluded yesterday morning with a score of excellent sport. The report is signed by Charles McEachran of Montreal, Haliam L. Morris of Buffalo, and Jas. K. Medford of Warrenton, the judges.

ALBANY HAS A QUARTER-MILLION DOLLAR BLAZE

One of the John G. Myers Company's Large Temporary Stores Burned This Morning--Street Cars Held Up and City Lighting Plant Interfered With.

ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 10 (Special).--Fire which broke out about 1 a.m. today totally destroyed the stock in one of the two temporary stores opened by the John G. Myers Company after the collapse of their building last August. Eleven persons were killed and upwards of 30 injured. The store burned this morning was on the east side of North Pearl street, between Steuben and Columbia streets, opposite the Kenmore Hotel.

The Myers people say their loss will probably exceed \$200,000, and the building, owned by the estate of A. B. Vanagsbeeck, is practically a total loss. The fire, fanned by a stiff southwest wind, early threatened the entire block, and called out the whole of the fire department, but by two o'clock it was practically confined to the building in which it started. The fire began in the sub-cellar, from some cause not ascertained. The Myers Company have a second store on South Pearl street, but their heaviest stock was in the store burned this morning. The special Christmas supplies were not yet in hand, but the heaviest blow upon the company lies in the loss of holiday trade.

When their building collapsed last August there was no fire, and therefore no insurance indemnity. The stock destroyed is believed to be fully insured. The business books were stored in a vault under the sidewalk and escaped destruction. The fire tied up the city and a large section of the city lighting system, all of the power feed wires passing in front of the buildings.

The Times New Reporter.

JIM HYDE'S UNHAPPY FATE. There is nothing in life so pathetic as the experience of a man who has been the plaything of a mocking and relentless destiny.

Had James Hazen Hyde been born in St. John he might have felt it his duty at some time to become an alderman, or to join the Citizens' League; but in a general way he would have been happy. As a boy he was fond of his neighbors, and perhaps to organize a Tanyard Gang and steal things under the very eye of authority. He would have been free and happy, and as he grew to manhood he would have had the wide, wide world in front of him to seek adventure.

But Jim was not so favored. When he was a mere boy his father took him one day to an orphan asylum, and pointing to the children, said with tears-- "James, when I am gone you must give son the widow and fatherless for an inheritance, even as they have been my own."

The boy was much impressed, for he saw in this the land of destiny. When at school he was continually thinking of the orphan, and when he travelled they were always in his thoughts. His father lost no opportunity to instill into his mind such notions as: "The poor ye have always with you."--"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these little ones"--"Suffer little children"--and others of like import.

Jim was naturally a boy of lively disposition, but he rested under the shadow of his fate. Two years before he graduated his father made him a director of the "Orphans' Helper Society," and a month after he graduated he was made its vice-president. Such responsibility made him old before his time, and when two years later the care of \$30,000 a year of orphan money was thrust upon him he began to let his whiskers grow. He had no time to think about appearance.

But his troubles were only beginning. Two years later he was compelled by force of circumstances to take charge of \$75,000 a year of poor funds, and a year later another \$25,000 was thrust upon him. It was the old story of the willing horse getting the load. Jim, brave man that he was, squared his shoulders under the burden and staggered on, when many a giant would have broken down.

We see here the value of parental training. All his life Jim had been taught to look forward to the time when he would be the maintainer of the widow and the orphan, and in the hour of trial he was true to his trust, and nobly refused to discount it by a single dime.

And yet, how fickle is fate. It was not Jim's fault that he has been compelled to give up the work for which he was so carefully trained, and to which he was so generously dedicated. It was the irony of fate that he who so loved the widow and the orphan should see his great and unimpaired work pass to other hands.

And now, at the age of 29 years, he finds himself cast adrift, with no training for any other career, and with the fear in his heart that the unhappy orphan will lay hands on their money and spend it before they can be taught its proper use.

Truly Fate indulges in strange freaks with her victims, including James Hazen Hyde.

The Times New Reporter has received the following license to proceed with his great work.

THE ALDERMEN.

"A patient in the Toronto general hospital has been asleep for four weeks. That's nothing. The St. John city council has been asleep since last April."

They need it and need it bad; and you've hit the nail on the head. Had the post them in mind when he wrote the above.

Death is a certainty. The life is a doubt. For some may be dead. While they're walking about.

TAXPAYER.