

ST. JOHN STAR THURSDAY, AUGUST, 3, 1905.

Thursday, August 3rd.

WORK AT LOCH LOMOND IS AWAY BEHIND SCHEDULE.

Unless a Change Is Made at Once the Job Will
Not be Done This Year, Says Engineer
Barbour.

Engineer Barbour's report was read yesterday afternoon at the board of works meeting, but owing to the desire of the mayor, the report was not given to the public, but it was decided to treat the information given therein as secret and as desirable to be kept from the taxpayers' knowledge. As the report contained reflections on the executive ability of one or more of the contractors, it was not by several aldermen that the latter should have been allowed into the meeting and have been given a chance to answer in their own behalf.

The report, it is learned, summed up the situation as follows:

Work on No. 1 section is proceeding along well, and will probably be finished in the time limit.

No. 2 section, as far as the cuts and fills along the hillside are concerned, is quite satisfactory. The laying of the aqueduct should be three times as expeditious as it is, but with plenty of men it can be finished within, to all purposes, a satisfactory period of the expiry of the contract time. But that portion between Ellersley Brook and Lake Latimer, which should be finished by August 15th in order to drain Lake Latimer, will not now be finished by November 1st if the present rate of speed is maintained, and even if all possible appliances and an unlimited number of men were at once obtained and set to work, it will be prolonged until early in October.

No. 3 section has been delayed near Lake Latimer by the slowness in tunnelling, and will be further delayed by the fact that the lake will not be lowered by August 15th, as the contractors call for. The aqueduct, while of good quality so far as laid, should be placed down twice as fast as it is; one hundred feet a day should be laid, and not fifty as at present.

No. 4 section is delayed because the rock formation was found not as the borings indicated, but being farther below the surface than at first thought, an extra amount of concrete is necessary, and with present appliances Messrs. Mooney cannot hope to finish the dam before the winter sets in. This is very serious, as exposures during the winter months would work great havoc upon a half finished structure of this kind. Patent mixers of cement should be employed, in order that a sufficient quantity of cement could be prepared each day.

Speaking of the work done on Nos. 2, 3 and 4 sections, where the difficulties of the work occur, Eng. Barbour says the contractors have not shown a sufficiency of ability or experience in this kind of the work to cope with unexpected difficulties and states that their appliances are not numerous enough or on a large enough scale to suitably undertake a work of this magnitude. On No. 2 section he says there should be eight steam drills where there is only one, though the contractors state there are four at this point.

Eng. Barbour is not satisfied with the progress made in the tunnelling, and states that the trenches are not braced in the most economical and labor-saving manner. All these things tend to work delays.

The engineer pays a high tribute to the work already done by the contractors and declares all up to the highest quality. The whole trouble lies in the fact that the local men did not realize the size of the proposition they were up against; and when confronted with strange difficulties could not surmount them, as could firms

more experienced in this line of work. In regard to the difference between the actual geological features of the soil and those indicated by the borings, the engineer called attention to the clause stating that the city did not guarantee these to be even approximately correct, so that no claim for damages can be preferred by the contractors.

Mr. Barbour called attention to the clause giving the right to the city to demand that the contractors place a certain number of men on any particular section which the council felt was not being completed sufficiently fast, and in the event of refusal, the right to take the work out of the contractors' hands.

Some members of the council have gone so far as to say the city will have to finish part of the work of No. 2 section. The engineer has asked the council to notify the contractors that their work is not proceeding fast enough for them to state in writing how much they will guarantee to do per day and to come before the board next Wednesday when he will be present and will say whether or not their guarantees are such that the work will be finished this fall.

If the contractors give a guarantee to send the work along fast enough to complete all in November, it is presumed no change will be made; but in case they cannot guarantee such rapid progress, it is open to the council to take action.

The first thing, says Mr. Barbour, is to get the work done. After that the question of reimbursing the contractors to any extent the city may see fit, can properly come up.

It was decided to send copies of the report to the contractors and ask them to state in writing what they would guarantee on their various sections and appear before the board next Wednesday.

Geo. E. Day tendered to print 250 copies of Engineer Barbour's annual report at 75c per page of report and \$1.25 for the appendix—Accepted.

Tenders for excavation of Lowell street water main were read. Henry Crawford's tender of rock per lineal foot \$2.50 and earth per lineal foot 32 cents was accepted.

J. A. Wheaton surrendered his contract for work on Cranston avenue pipe line because of inability to perform the same owing to lack of capital. Only 170 feet out of a total of 300 feet has been laid. Over 400 feet of trench has been opened. Mr. Wheaton offers to do the work by day labor, he himself getting \$5 per day and allowing the city the use of his tools and steam drill.

The matter was left to the chairman. The director reported on the location of the 19 catch basins to be laid this season. The aldermen were each to apply for as many as they wished. Only four were asked for by the aldermen, and another trial will be made.

The chamberlain said the sewerage maintenance account is over-drawn. Ald. Baizer said that as one department sewerage had an expenditure of \$9,000 and the water \$90,000, the salaries of officials should not be divided evenly, but proportionately, in the ratio of 1 to 10. "Are we a common council," said he, "or a lunatic asylum?"

The construction of the basins was recommended, provided the money could be found. The question of bookkeeping will come up in the treasury board meeting.

PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



REV. ANNA H. SHAW, president of the National American Woman's Suffrage Association, who predicts that the day is close at hand when the destinies of the nation will be presided over by a woman.



ROBERT W. BROWN, prominent citizen of Louisville, Kentucky, who was elected by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at their recent meeting in Buffalo to the highest post in their gift, that of grand exalted ruler.

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DEATH OF J. E. PRICE.

General Superintendent of I. C. R. Passed Away Yesterday After Painful Illness Due to Overwork.

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 2.—Though the event had been expected for some time, this community was deeply affected by the news of the death of J. E. Price, general superintendent of the Intercolonial railway, which occurred at 2:30 this afternoon, after two months' illness with diabetes. Mr. Price was a thorough railway man and during the snow blockade last winter, though in anything but robust health, remained at his post of duty day and night. His death was probably hastened by over-work and exposure at that time. Deceased leaves four brothers and five sisters. The brothers are: Claude W. I. C. R. dispatcher at Moncton; Dr. C. B. of Moncton; Morton of Sydney, and E. B. locomotive engineer at Campbellton. Sisters: Mrs. Lawrence, Petticoat; Mrs. Bray, Campbellton; Mrs. Seely, Moncton; Mrs. Daley, Sussex, and Mrs. Hanson, Bathurst. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Price was a son of W. W. Price, I. C. R. station master at Petticoat, and was born October 15th, 1854. He entered the service in July, 1867 as telegraph operator and assistant agent at Petticoat. In March, 1872, he was appointed telegraph operator at Moncton, and in August, 1873, train dispatcher at Moncton. In April, 1876, on the opening of the northern division he was appointed assistant superintendent of the Moncton and Campbellton district, and in March, 1879, on the reorganization of the staff became assistant train dispatcher at Campbellton. His record since that time is as follows: October, 1881, district superintendent at Campbellton; September, 1892, district superintendent, Halifax and St. John district; October 17, 1898, general superintendent at Moncton; November 9, 1901, superintendent Moncton and St. Flavia district; August 16, 1902, to date, general superintendent at Moncton.

COSTIGAN FAVORS BEST ROUTE.

OTTAWA, Aug. 2.—In connection with the deputation which visited Ottawa last week to ask the government to change the route of the national transcontinental railway so that it might run down St. John valley, John Costigan says that he was not present with the deputation to support the request. When he heard that the deputation was coming to Ottawa he wrote the first minister pointing out that as his constituency would be affected by any decision that might be reached he would like to be present when the deputation met the government in order to hear what arguments they had to advance in support of their request. He received a cordial invitation from Sir Wilfrid to be present at the discussion. Mr. Costigan states that he desires to leave the government entirely to the choice of the route. All that he wants is the shortest and best line.

M. J. Butler, the new deputy minister of railways and canals, assumed the duty of his position today. Tomorrow he leaves for the maritime provinces to inspect the route of a tour of inspection over the I. C. R.

HAMPTON AND CONSOLIDATION.

The Hampton school question came up before a meeting of the board of education in Fredericton yesterday afternoon. As stated in the Sun, the people of Hampton village, fearing that they have made a mistake in refusing consolidation with Hampton village, have prepared a largely signed petition to the board asking that steps be taken to secure the consolidation previously refused. Hampton village now gets the superior grant, and is about to erect a new \$10,000 school.

This petition from Hampton Station was presented to the board yesterday and taken into consideration. It was decided, as a preliminary, to ask Dr. Inch to go to Hampton Station at once and endeavor to find out exactly what the feeling of the people is on the subject. Dr. Inch will also see the trustees of Hampton village, who are about to erect the new school, and find out if the work can be delayed until something definite is decided about the plans of the Station people. This will be done at once.

ROYAL GAZETTE NOTICES.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 2.—Today's Royal Gazette contains notice of the assignment of R. Blair Taylor, carriage manufacturer, Sackville, to Albert age merchant, of Queensbury, York county, to Sheriff Sterling.

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MORE RAIDS AT SPRUCE LAKE.

Officer Lawson of Fairville has made still another raid to Spruce Lake. He went in search of liquor, and found it, and for the third time seized a quantity of it in the place kept by Mrs. McConnell. It was in the same hole in the floor, and the officer will make another charge against the woman. There are now two charges against her, but on account of her health she has not yet appeared in court.

The officer also visited John MacFarlane's place, the Spruce Lake House, and it is said found there some liquor which he promptly confiscated. These cases are set down for hearing before Justice Mason on Friday.

August CLEARANCE Sale!

All summer Goods must be cleared up during this month!
Great reductions will be made on all lines of summer dress goods, cottons, Silks—children's dresses—ladies' shirt waist suits, &c., &c.

Silks at 39c Yard

Fancy silks suitable for waists as well as a lot of odd lengths—short ends &c., all to be put in at the above small price—some were 75c
choice 39c yard.

1000 Yards Fancy Wash Goods Reduced.

You can pick up some beautiful dress lengths and numberless waist lengths among this lot. Prices have been cut away down to make August clearance.

Beautiful Foreign Voiles—Regular 35—39c
Now 19c
Best Embroidered Spot Voiles—Regular 35—39c
Now 19c
Fine Organdies and Muslins were 30 to 38
Now 19c
Shepherd check Voiles for children's dresses—
Sale price 16c
American Mohair lustre suitings. Regular 25c
Now 19c yard
66 inch linen Suitings in blue, green, cream, oxblood
Regular 30—35c. Now 19c yard

Great Bargains in Ladies' Shirt Waist Suits and Dresses.

Women's Suits \$1.75 Each—Good fast color two piece percale suits, colors blue, brown or grey. Regular \$2.98. Sale price \$1.75
Women's Suits Reduced \$2.50—Fancy knicker suits, with flock in white, colors sky, navy, oxblood, linen shade. Regular \$3.75. Sale price \$2.50
Women's Suits Reduced to \$2.95—Fancy etamine suits in colors—linen, green and sky—sizes 32 to 36. Regular \$4.65. Sale price \$2.95
Women's Suits Reduced to \$3.75—Very pretty light color fancy etamines or canvas suits, knicker ground, embroidered spots, colors sky, grey, dark grey, etc. Regular \$5.75. Sale price \$3.75
Women's Suits Reduced to \$1.50—These white duck suits and one grey linen suit—were \$6.75 and \$7.75. Choice for \$1.50 each

Children's Sailor Suits and little Summer dresses Bargains at 98c each.

All children's dresses to be cut in price during this sale.
95c White Dresses at 68c—Pretty little white muslin dresses, sizes 6 to 10 years. Regular 98c. Sale price 68c
\$1.25 White Dresses at 95c—Fine white tucked lawn dresses, with ruffles and insertion, sizes 6 to 12 years. Regular \$1.25. Sale price 95c
\$1.65 Infant's Dresses \$1.19—Pretty lawn dresses for infants 2 to 5 years, trimmed wide insertion. Regular \$1.65. Sale price \$1.19
Navy Sailor Suits 98c—Children's two-piece sailor suits of navy blue duck, sizes 6 to 10 years. Sale price 98c each

Boys' and Girls' Pique Coats Reduced to 98c each to clear.

\$2.15 White pique coats for 98c
1.85 " " " " 98c
1.75 Linen " " " " 98c
1.65 " " " " 98c

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SHIPPING NEWS.

Domestic Ports.
HALIFAX, NS, Aug 2—Arr, str John City, from London; Halifax, from Boston; Olive, from Charlottetown and Hawkesbury, and did for Boston; barkin Stranger, from New York. Sid, str Sicily, Keys, for Liverpool via St. John, N.F.
CHATHAM, Aug 1—Arr, bark Vega, Gabrielson, from Maranhan, Brazil.
HILLSBORO, July 31—Arr, str Hind, Jacobsen, from Newport, GB; Grave, Billekevid, from Philadelphia. Cld 31st, sch Melrose, Marston, for Newtown Creek, N.Y.
British Ports.
LIVERPOOL, Aug 2—Arr, str La-goma, from Tilt Cove.
LIVERPOOL, Aug 1—Arr, str Aastain, from Newcastle, NE, and Sydney, CB.
GREENOCK, Aug 1—Arr, str Basuta, from River du Loup.
DUBLIN, Aug 1—Arr, str Lewisport, from St. John, NB.
HAWTHICK, July 29—Arr, bark Poly-lad, from Cambrillo.
LIZARD, Aug 2—Passed, str Sardinian, from Montreal and Quebec for Havre and London.
BARBADOS, July 29—Arr, sch Arthur H. Wight, Wambach, from La Have; 21st, str Caribbee, Saunders, from Halifax, etc, for St. Vincent and Demerara (and sid); sch Minnie T. Trenholm, from Cape Breton.
Sid 15th, brig Maggie Belle, Smeltzer, for Halifax; schs H. H. Kitchener, Vaughan, for Halifax; 19th, Vera Cruz VI, Salegado, for New Bedford, with cargo ex brig Vera Cruz III.
Foreign Ports.
BOSTON, Aug. 2—Arr, strs Georgian, from London; Idaho, from Hull; Eng. Yoruba, from Cuban ports; Prince George, from Yarmouth, N. S.; Kikael, from Hillsboro, NB; schs Olivia, from Clementsport, NB; Walter Miller, from St. John, N. B.; Race Horse, from Bangor.
Sailed, strs Alice, for Sama, Cuba; Prince George, for Yarmouth, N. S.; Symra, for London; CB; Ann, P. Ward, for Bangor, NB; Val-dare, for Bear River, NB; Cora B, for Clementsport, N. S.; Maud Carter, for Esch, NB; Maggie Miller, for Walton, NB; Utopia, for Sydney, C. B.; Stella Maud, for St. John; Evelyn, for do; Silver Wave, for St. Martins, NB; Rowena, for Sackville, NB; Elsie Muriel, for Waterside, NB.
VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Aug. 2. Arrived and sailed, sch Jordan, L. Mott, from South Amboy for Rockland.
Sailed, bktn Enterprise, from New York for Hillsboro, NB; schs Sardinian (from Port Johnson), for Rockland; Grace Seymour (from South Amboy), for Portland; Maggie Todd (from South Amboy), for Talamo, Grosbeak (from St. John, NB), for do; J. Kennedy (from New Suffolk), for do; Puritan (from New Haven), for Bangor; Edward Stewart (from New Bedford), for do; Abbie Ingalls (from Greenwald), for do; Wesley Abbott (from Orient, L. I.), for do; Province, Chas. (from Woods Hole), for do; D. M. and Joanna, (from St. George, S. I.), for Gardiner; Brigadier (from Elizabethport), for Rockland; Maud, Seward (from South Amboy), for Vinal Haven; Mary A. Hall (from New York), for St. John, NB; M. H. Read (from Port Reading), for do; J. Kennedy, for do; Rescuer, from Bangor (from do), for do; W. H. Waters (from Bridgeport), for St. John, NB; E. C. Gates (from New Bedford), for do; Raaburn (from Port Johnson), for Richmond, NB; Onward (from New London), for Jacksonville; Charles H. Sprague (from New Bedford), for do; Chester B. Lawrence (from Jersey City), for Kennebec River; Agnes May (from Shuile, NS.) for Providence.
Passed, str Volund, from New York for Windsor, NB; Duncan, from do for Hillsboro, NB; schs George Brainerd, from Port Johnson for Bangor; Me; Emily F. Northam, from New York for Spencer's Island; Rewa, from New York for St. John, NB; Wanda, from do for do; Rescuer, from Hoboken for Charlottetown, PEI; Jennie A. Stubbs, bound west.
NEW YORK, Aug 2—Arr, schs Elvie B. Hall, from Norfolk; N. H. Burrow, from Norfolk; Thelma, from Brunswick; Massachusetts, from Norfolk; Emma S. Briggs, from Port Reading for Augusta; Flora Condon, from do for Bangor; Andrew Peters, from South Amboy for New York; Thelma, from Port Reading for Provincetown; Beale Brown, from Norfolk.
Sid, str Teutonic, for Liverpool; schs Florence Shaw, for Virginia; James Boyce, for Lynn; Helena, for Boston; George W. Truitt, for Charleston; John R. P. Moore, for Seaford, Del; Linah C. Kaminski, for Seaford, NC; Sarah Quillen, for Newbern, NC; Sarah Eaton, from South Amboy for an eastern port; Abbie G. Cole, for Deer Isle; A. P. Emery, from Mount Desert for Bangor; Island City, for Calais; Lucy Wheatley, for Virginia; Jas. M. Hall, for Virginia; Florence A. Howland, for Virginia; oceanic, for Philadelphia.
CITY ISLAND, Aug 2—Bound south, schs Hartney W. for Parrsboro, NS; Elsie F. for Bangor.
PHILADELPHIA, Aug 2—Arr, schs Ella G. Wells, from St. John; William Booth, from Long Cove.
DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Del, Aug 2—Passed out, sch Lavinia, from Philadelphia for Yarmouth, NS. Read.
DOUGLAS, July 31—Arr, bark Venus, from Campbellton, N. B.
RUNCORN, Aug. 1—Arr, bark Aleida, from Puywash, N. S.
IPSWICH, Eng., Aug. 2—Arr, bark Polykarp, from Campbellton.

FIVE YEARS IN PRISON.

Young Man Admits Forgery and is Sent to the Penitentiary.

EDMUNDSTON, N. B., Aug. 2.—Albert Hebert, who escaped from the jail here just before the last sitting of the county court, and who was arrested on Sunday last, was this morning tried before Judge Carleton under the speedy trials act on the charge of forgery of a check. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to imprisonment in Dorchester penitentiary with hard labor for five years. Sheriff Gagnon started for Dorchester with the prisoner on the noon train.

HAD A GOOD TIME.

Scholars of Murray Street Baptist Mission Traveled to Car Ride About the City.
The scholars of the Murray Street Baptist Mission enjoyed a very pleasant and unique picnic last evening. A special street car was chartered and the youngsters taken on board. The car left the corner of Murray and Main streets, proceeded down Main, up Mill and down Doctore street, to the city loop, out Douglas avenue as far as the bridge, returning to the foot of Portland and back to Murray street. The young people thoroughly enjoyed themselves on the car by singing and cheering. After reaching the Mission building they enjoyed a good programme. One of the very pleasing pieces on the programme was a solo by Daisy Oram. Her father, George Oram, singing solo, as well. Sports were indulged in, the potato race being won by Miss J. Carle. Hop race (for boys), Fred Oram; hop race (for girls), Effie Scott; wheelbarrow race, Capson and Logan; four-cornered race for girls was won by Misses Sinead and Anderson.
Refreshments were served. After singing "God be with you till we meet again," the pleasant time was brought to a close amid the cheers of the scholars for the success of the Mission and for the superintendents.
The picnic was under the management of A. J. Dearness and C. R. Wasson, superintendent and assistant.

MINSTRELS ARRIVE TODAY.

The Prince Rupert will bring the famous Georgia Minstrels that are to appear at the York Theatre for the first time this evening. The big street parade will start immediately on the arrival of the boat, taking the principal streets in the city. In the evening a big free concert will be given at 7 o'clock in front of the theatre. The advance sale of seats is large and crowded houses are expected.

REV. MR. PROSSER WILL STAY.

The congregation of the Waterloo street Free Baptist church held a business meeting last night. Rev. A. J. Prosser was invited by a very large favorable vote to remain another year, and he will probably accept. The annual report was read and adopted. It showed ten additional members, five by baptism and five from other Free Baptist churches. There was a loss of nine by death during the year. The church has raised \$632.61 for current expenses, \$189 for church debt and \$129 for missions, home and foreign; the Sunday school for a like purpose raised \$217.9. The societies in connection with the church showed good work done. The pastor in conclusion said that the congregation would hold their next meeting no longer as Free Baptists, but as a united Baptist body. The delegates chosen for the district meeting were P. L. Cosman, Thos. Robinson and Thos. Graham, with James Paterson, Mrs. J. Robinson and Mrs. H. I. Smith as substitutes.

VISIT OF REV. DR. JOSEPH McLEOD TO LONDON.

Letters received in this city from Dr. McLeod tell of that gentleman's doings during the past month.
On Sunday, July 16th, Dr. McLeod preached in the Cambden road church in London, and on the following Tuesday he addressed a congress in Exeter Hall on the Temperance Situation in Canada.
At this congress was organized the Baptist World's Alliance, of which great organization Rev. Dr. McLeod was elected vice-president for Canada. After his stay in London Dr. McLeod visited Paris, and is at present touring Scotland. He sails for home on August the 10th—Gleaner.