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WANT DAY OFF IN EVERY FIVE

Permanent Firemen Ask for Chance to Enjoy a Little Home Life.

The permanent men of the fire department are asking for better working conditions and the following petition was sent to the City Council and referred by that body to the Commissioner of Safety for a report:
We the undersigned members of the fire department have petitioned the heads of the Safety Department for a day off in five instead of a day in eight, which is now in force. As you know we are on duty 24 hours a day, having one hour away from the station for each meal. The day off we are under orders to attend fire. We hereby ask your consideration and support in securing for us better working conditions, which will enable us to have a little more of the home life.

Yours truly,
A. M. Colwell, F. G. Keefe, C. McCuskey, G. D. Douglas, H. T. Long, James Brickley, Charles Conway, G. D. Buchanan, S. T. Seels, W. I. Allen, W. Needham, S. K. Taylor, James Galloway, F. McLaughlin, F. C. Furlong, C. W. Pierce, W. W. Gray, W. A. Lamer, D. O'Keefe, W. M. Fraser, M. Finnigan, T. H. Nichols, L. P. Thomas, P. Totten, P. Nelson, W. H. White, G. F. Park, M. T. Cavanaugh, W. Dean, J. Ames, J. J. Brittain, R. Allen, J. H. Hayter, A. Johnston, P. Caples, C. W. Christopher, H. Howard, S. Speight, H. Collins, John Cunningham, D. Speight and John McLeod.

EXPECT REPLY TOMORROW P. M.

Reported Offer re Wages Made to Port Workers Here.

At a meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms between local shipping interests and delegates from the Longshoremen's, Coal Handlers and Ship Liners unions, an offer was made to the latter, which is subject to a reply tomorrow afternoon. It is understood that the local shipping interests represented refused to deal with the men in a body, but were willing to deal with the individual unions. They, however, had been informed as to their demands and made an offer, asking for a reply by Friday afternoon.
About thirty delegates from these labor organizations were present. In addition to the local shipping agents, representatives of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd. of Montreal, and Thomas Robb of the Montreal Shipping Federation.

SCRIBNER ON WAY TO DORCHESTER

Sheriff Foster and Deputy Sheriff Moore of Woodstock passed through the city today with "Scotty" Scribner, who is being taken to Dorchester penitentiary to serve a term of five years for stealing automobiles. He is the brother of the Boston train conductor who was arrested last week for stealing a car from the Boston train.

GOES TO ENGLAND
Dr. H. D. and Mrs. Fritz will leave this evening for Liverpool, England. The trip is a hurried one caused by the receipt of news of the illness of Capt. Reginald Fritz, brother of Dr. Fritz. It is the intention of Dr. Fritz to bring his brother home to Canada if he is able to be moved.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said The Times reporter, Billie Oct. 22, "was talking yesterday with a giddy youth of twenty-five who was just setting forth on a great adventure. He was going to British Columbia with a railway working party. He need not have been going to find something to do, but he wanted to see the country, and his passage was paid. The thing that struck me most was his remark that if he liked it he would stay there. At his age most men would be looking about for an armchair, but here he is off on a prospecting tour such as a youth of twenty might adventure."
"He's one of the old-timers," said Hiram. "That fellow 'll be takin' a trip back here when he's ninety to see what's happened since he went away. Well, I hope he'll find them grain conveyors built—an' that noo hotel—there vocational school—an' that breakwater—an' them there wharves an' elevators in Courtenay Bay—an' that Allison playground—an' a few other little things I might mention. Maybe by that time, too, we'll be seein' folk come in inistid' o' so many goin' out—yes, sir."
"Hiram," said the reporter, "you remember the poet's description of hope?"
"White as a white sail on a dusky sea,
When half the horizon's clouded and half free,
Fluttering between the dun wave and the sky,
Is hope's last gleam in man's extremity."
"Well, sir," said Hiram, "we haint got to the last gleam yet—but somebody better hurry up."

LOCAL NEWS

BANK CLEARINGS
St. John bank clearings this week were \$2,515,019; last year \$2,735,500; in 1921 \$4,113,646.

A HELPING HAND
The Board of Management of the Children's Aid Society is indebted to a good friend of their work for the handsome donation of \$30 which was handed to the treasurer this morning. The giver desired to remain unknown.

PAPERS WANTED.
Two copies of The Times of Oct. 18 are asked for, but are not available in the office. Can some reader supply them? Also two copies of the Telegraph-Journal of Oct. 1.

A TREE DESTROYED.
One of the fine young trees planted in Germain street, at the corner of Queen street, has been deliberately broken and will have to be replaced. Several of these trees have been damaged at different times in pure wantonness.

NEWS IS NOT GOOD.
Word has been received by friends in the city from George Gallagher, who recently went to Boston to be with his brother, James, who is seriously ill, that his condition was serious and no improvement had been shown. James Gallagher is train foreman at the South Boston railway station.

CHIMNEY FIRE
A little after 8 o'clock last evening a chimney in a house at 108½ Prince Edward street caught fire and an alarm was rung in. Members of the fire department quickly responded and the blaze was extinguished before serious damage resulted.

HOLD RUMMAGE SALE.
A very successful rummage sale was held this afternoon in the vestry of the Waterloo street Baptist church by the Willing Workers and a good sum was realized for the work of the church. The sale was under the charge of Mrs. Silas Gregg, Mrs. H. E. Hoyt and Mrs. H. Parlee.

THE LAST CAR CLUB
The usual weekly gathering of the Last Car Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moffat, 818 Charlotte street where the usual games of whist were played. The winners were first prize, ladies' Mrs. McClean, men's Mr. Angel. Consolations went to Mr. Cadell and Mr. Olson. A very pleasant evening was spent. Dainty refreshments were served and the evening closed with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

OPENING NEW AUDITORIUM.
The formal opening of the new auditorium at the Church of England Institute, given the institute by the late Senator Thorne and his brother, Arthur Thorne, will take place this evening at eight o'clock. Rev. Archdeacon A. H. Crowfoot will preside. It is planned to have some member of the family hand over the building and accepted by some of the clergy, after which the dedication service will be held. The balance of the evening will be devoted to music and social interludes. The annual sale of papers will also be held.

MAKES SPORTING OFFER.
Alfred Taylor, who keeps the post-office store at East St. John, put up a sign, jointly with James Reid, florist and returned soldier, at Kane's Corner, advertising their goods. It was artistic and harmonized well. On Saturday night or Sunday night last someone completely defaced Mr. Taylor's share of the sign, tearing half of it off. To The Times this morning Mr. Taylor said: "The person who did it will call on me at East St. John he will receive a present of ten dollars if he will explain his grievance against me."

USING NEW PIPE.
The old cement line from Spruce Lake has been abandoned in Fairville, Commissioner Wigmore said this morning and the people of Fairville are getting their supply through the new 24 inch main. The new main also has water to it. It is laid down to Watson street, but the services have not been connected as yet and that vicinity is still being supplied by the cement pipe. The service connections here will not be made until the main has been laid as far as the reservoir. It would take about a month to complete this job, the commissioner said.

WINS PRAISE IN WEST.
The following paragraph is from the Edmonton Bulletin Oct. 22, "letting to the second programme of the Women's Musical Club—
"K. Wyman played Godard's 'Adagio Pathetique' and Bonheur's 'Duetto.' Mr. Wyman is an exceptionally gifted cellist. He has true cello tone—a tone reminiscent of Victor Herbert, Joseph Holman and other giants of the instrument. Mr. Wyman is indeed a decided asset to the musical fraternity of the city, and future appearances by him are eagerly anticipated."
Mr. Wyman is a grandson of Robert A. Johnston, the veteran St. John printer and pressman.

HEAVY SHIPMENTS.
Harold L. Scott of the Furness Withy office staff is at present in Charlottetown, P. E. I., looking after the loading of a schooner with potatoes for Havana. It is expected that potato shipments from Charlottetown will be quite heavy until the close of navigation, and this may have a slight effect on the shipments through this port. Up to the present time the potato shipments this season have been the heaviest on record and from investigation will continue so far some time. So far this season eleven steamers and one schooner has taken potatoes to Havana. Practically all have been from this province, although some came from Maine.

WAS MUCH ENJOYED.
A very enjoyable birthday party was held last evening by the "Sunshine" Circle of Carmarthen street church. The room presented a very pretty appearance with its decorations of yellow and white strung with Japanese lanterns. The programme was enjoyed and each item heartily endorsed. It included: Solo, Miss Mildred Bustin; piano duet, Misses Styles and Fox; solo, Mrs. Ring; reading, Edwin Rupert; solo, Miss Bessie Tyner; solo, Percy Cruikshank; reading, Edwin Rupert; solo, Miss Elsie Roope. The Circle girls served refreshments at the close of the programme. Walter Brindle presided.

ADVISES DRAWING OF WATER SUPPLY

Commissioner Announces Repairs to be Made Saturday and Sunday.

Commissioner Wigmore said this morning that persons living on the higher levels would be well advised to draw a supply of water on Saturday afternoon as the pressure would be low that night and all day on Sunday. The water from Loch Lomond will be shut off at 6 o'clock on Saturday evening and remain off until early Monday morning to allow of repairs to the cement pipe from Lake Latimer to Phinney's Hill. While this main is off the supply will come from Little River.
After the cement pipe has been emptied of water the men will make the necessary repairs to the inside of a water-proof solution being used which will allow for turning on the water as soon as the work is complete. The commissioner said the pressure should be better than usual when Loch Lomond is shut off as now there are two 24 inch leads from Little River into the 36 inch main.

MASS FOR KNIGHTS WHO HAVE PASSED

Requiem This Morning in Connection With Council's Anniversary.

A large congregation attended at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 9 o'clock this morning when a solemn high mass of requiem was sung for the repose of the souls of the deceased members of the St. John Council of the Knights of Columbus. The ceremony was in connection with the observation of the nineteenth anniversary of the institution of the St. John Council, which is taking place this week.
The mass was sung by Rev. Raymond McCarthy, chaplain of the local council, and he was assisted by Rev. Roy McDonald as deacon and Rev. Eugene Reynolds, sub-deacon. His Lordship Bishop of Saint John pronounced the absolution at the end of mass. Rev. William M. Duke, rector of the Cathedral, Rev. J. J. Ryan of West St. John, Rev. Joseph Ward and Rev. Father Brown were in the sanctuary.
A memorial service will be held by the Knights in their rooms this evening at 8 o'clock.

EXHIBITION BY SCOUTS PLANNED

Will Show Hobbies and Handicraft—Monthly Dinner.

The scoutmasters and cubmasters of the St. John district met last evening at the Y. W. C. A. Cafeteria for the monthly dinner and discussed several topics of interest to the movement as a whole and the individual troops in particular.

It was decided to arrange for an exhibition of hobbies and handicrafts work in the near future and the appointment of a committee was left in the hands of Guy L. Short, district commissioner, who was in the chair. The present idea is to have the local Scouts place on display articles made by their own hands or collections of stamps, coins, post cards, or other hobbies, with a view to the staging of an open exhibition of the same kind at some future date. The idea was enthusiastically received.
The district commissioner announced that present indications were that about 12 teams from Scout troops would be entered from St. John in the Wallace Nesbitt Junior First Aid Competition, which will be held next May. Plans for courses in instruction for the boys were discussed. The matter of entering a team of scouts in the senior competition was brought up, but decision was deferred.
There was some discussion over the matter of combining operations under the direction of troop committees, but no definite decision was reached. Other details of scout work received attention and resulted in some helpful suggestions being made by many of those present. There was a good attendance of the leaders.

DECISION GIVEN IN RENT MATTER

Verdict for John O'Regan; Part of Counter Claim Allowed.

A verdict for the plaintiff for the full amount of his claim was returned by a jury in the case of John O'Regan against William Webber, heard yesterday in the County Court. The suit was for \$117.50 for rent of factory and garages between Princess and Orange streets. The jury also allowed the defendant \$42 of his counter-claim of \$60 for car storage during the time the Princess street entrance to the garages was blocked.
The verdict was brought in last night after deliberation of about one and three-quarter hours. The case was heard before Judge John A. Barry. W. M. Ryan represented Mr. O'Regan, and J. P. H. Teed the defendant.

ALFRED CLARK IS HURT.
Alfred Clark, 41 Marsh street, met with a serious accident at the Sugar Refinery this morning which will confine him at the General Public Hospital for days, sustaining a fracture of the wrist and ankle and a bad shaking up. Mr. Clark was working on a derrick on the dock about eight o'clock, and slipped and fell about fifteen feet. The ambulance was summoned and the injured man taken to the hospital.

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