

ST. STEPHEN.

Death of Mrs. Deborah Sinclair, Aged Ninety-six Years.

The Sports of May 24th—Samuel Mowatt Has Returned to His Home.

To Entertain the Methodist Conference—Personal Notes—A Moose and a Bear Near Rolling Dam.

ST. STEPHEN, May 10.—Mrs. Deborah Sinclair died at the Lodge road, a few miles from St. Stephen, on Friday last, at the age of ninety-six years. Her father, Neil McBean, was an officer on the British side in the revolutionary war, and was one of the earliest settlers on the St. Croix. Mrs. Sinclair was a consistent member of the Methodist church during many years and was beloved among her neighbors. She was the mother of ten children, seven of whom are living. There are fifteen grand children and six great grand children.

F. A. Gosdow, grand chancellor, paid an official visit to Frontier Lodge, Knights of Pythias, last evening and received a cordial welcome from the border knights. Members were present from the lodges in Calais and Milltown. The second and third ranks were conferred on candidates, a team from Border Lodge of Milltown working the long form third in an excellent manner. At the close ice cream, cake and other refreshments were served.

At the request of the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Fredericton, W. E. Ganong has added a half mile run to the list of events at the St. Stephen driving park on May 24th. Three entries are assured from Fredericton and others are expected from other towns. Entries for all the events are coming in freely from all quarters and a grand day of sport is assured.

The remains of the late Rev. W. H. Morgan, which have rested in the vault at Calais since his tragic death at Oak Bay a few weeks ago, were removed by C. F. R. to Uxbridge, Ontario, his former home. Mrs. Morgan accompanied the remains, a large number of her friends assembling at the train to bid her a sorrowful farewell.

Miss Roberts Murchis returned on Saturday from a visit of several months with relatives in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McKenzie of Andover are visiting Mr. McKenzie's parents. Miss Ethel Waterbury is visiting Miss Ella Payne in St. John.

Nehemiah Marks is slowly improving though still confined to his room.

Miss Beatrice Vroom and Miss Gretchen Vroom returned last week from an extended visit in Boston.

Samuel Mowatt, the disappearance of whose wife from his home on Bay road occasioned considerable newspaper comment a few months ago, has returned home and is receiving a cordial welcome from his friends. It will be remembered that Detective John Ring located the missing woman in Boston.

The will of the late Wm. Robinson has been admitted to probate, the property consisting of two thousand dollars real estate and five hundred dollars personal property. His son, Maxwell Robinson, is made executor.

Isabella T., relict of the late Joseph T. Lee, a prominent citizen of Calais, died at her home in that city on Tuesday, aged eighty years and six months.

Rev. T. Marshall and Rev. S. H. Rice will exchange pulpits on Sunday morning next. The Methodist congregation of this town is preparing for the entertainment of the Methodist conference, which meets here in June.

The directors of the Eastport driving park announced a meeting for July 3rd and 4th, with the following classes: 2:15, 2:30, 2:45, 3:00, 3:15, 3:30, 3:45, 4:00, 4:15. All are open to trotters or pacers and the purse is three hundred dollars for each class.

Several changes are announced in the commands of Calais schooners: H. C. Hill is to command the E. M. Cook, Joseph Huntley the Senator, G. W. A. G. the E. Waterman, T. H. Hooper the H. Kennedy, Stephen Gaylor the Harriet, and J. A. Carroll the Triton.

On Monday morning last residents of Rolling Dam, fifteen miles from town, saw a moose pass through the fields of Wm. Scullin and John McGowan and stride majestically into the woods. He was a fine looking animal, apparently about fifteen hands high, and estimated to weigh about nine hundred pounds. On the same morning, as Wm. Goss was crossing from Lever Settlement to Rolling Dam, he heard a noise in the bushes. Investigation revealed an immense black bear reaching up a tree and scratching the bark. Mr. Goss was unarmed and both man and beast hastily concluded to put as much space as possible between them.

E. A. Smith, who recently purchased the stable connected with the Queen hotel, has added new coach and handsome pair of black horses to his outfit. Some new carriages, with rubber tires, are expected in a few days.

FAIRLY STARTED.

Local Branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses Successfully Established.

There was quite a large attendance Tuesday night at the public meeting of those promoting the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses, in the C. of E. Institute room. Judge Forbes was in the chair and H. E. Wardrop was elected secretary for the evening.

In stating the object of the meeting, the chairman remarked that about a year ago the question of establishing the order in the city was raised, and at that time a provisional committee had been appointed.

This board had since that time worked with commendable perseverance and had met and overcome many difficulties, and it was now in order to hear its report, and he called upon Hon. R. J. Ritchie to give this report.

His honor said that he regretted the unavoidable absence of T. H. Bullock, the secretary, who probably had the figures and facts more clearly than any one else. As the chairman had said, a provisional committee had been appointed last year to take steps to establish a branch of the Victorian nurses here. At first the committee had believed, with many others, that there was sufficient room to accommodate the Victorian nurses in the public hospital, but after several consultations with the commission of that institution, it was found that the accommodations in the building were severely taxed at the present time for the regular staff, and in fact only one room was available. As the rules of the order were especially stringent in the matter of housing the Victorian nurses this one room could not be used for that object. The committee had been persuaded that in some cases, unintentionally perhaps, misrepresented, but it seemed now as if that time was over. The financial question was now the great and only difficulty. It was estimated that an annual expenditure of \$1200 was needed to carry on the work, and of this the committee, chiefly through the work of the ladies, had raised \$800. The question of housing the nurses was simplified by the King's Daughters new scheme, which would allow of board being obtained in their home for the nurses. There was no question of the advisability of establishing the order, now the only question was the financial one.

The chairman read a letter from Mrs. Dever, regretting her inability to attend, and one from Miss McLeod, the head of the Victorian nurses, stating that she would be able to supply the St. John branch with one trained nurse the first of June, and another shortly afterwards.

Dr. Thos. Walker, being called on, stated that he endorsed the scheme heartily, but would like to know what was gained by affiliation with the Victorian order.

Rev. A. G. H. Dicker asked whether there was not a possibility of obtaining aid from the provincial government through the hospital.

Dr. Walker said that as the hospital was not a provincial institution the government would not grant assistance.

Dr. MacLaren thought the amount to be raised could be obtained. He hoped the movement would be a success.

It was moved by Dr. Thos. Walker and seconded by Miss H. Peters, that we approve of the Victorian order and establish a branch in St. John.—Carried.

It was moved by Miss Mabel Peters that the old board of directors be re-elected, with the exception of the one member who desires to resign.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. J. M. Davenport and seconded by Hon. R. J. Ritchie that J. G. Taylor be appointed in the place of Geo. Robertson, resigned.—Carried.

The members of the board are now: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mrs. D. McLellan, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Miss Palmer, R. J. Ritchie, Dr. T. Walker, W. F. Hatheway, T. H. Bullock, Judge Forbes and James G. Taylor.

This board was instructed to proceed with the work and employ one nurse at once. The question of raising money by canvas was also brought up and left in the hands of the board.

MONCTON.

Exodians Passing Over to the United States By Every Train.

MONCTON, May 10.—Two more young men, Herbert McLean and Medicus Fryers left this afternoon for Boston. Almost every day takes its quota from this station and scores pass through here daily from different parts of the province. Among those who have left the little settlement of Rosevale, Albert county this spring, were Abner D. Jones and family, Benj. Bray and daughters, to be followed later by other members of the family; Archie Stevens, Charles Milner, Archie McRae, Harvey Walton and J. Talbot Steeves.

ST. ANDREWS.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., May 10.—The trial of cause Meredith v. Buzzell was concluded this afternoon and Judge Landry gave a verdict in favor of the defendant. The court adjourned sine die.

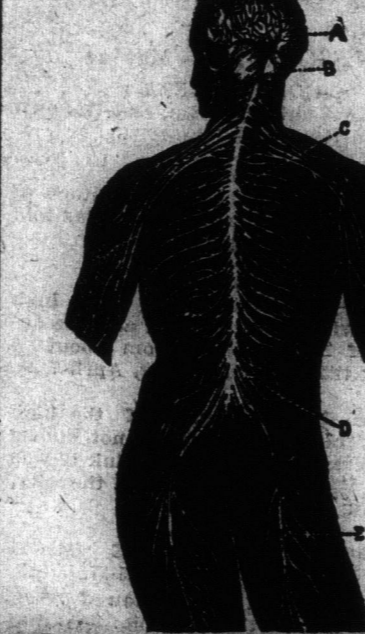
AN INFERENCE.

"They say the streets of Constantinople are never cleaned." Hasn't the sultan got any relations or political lieutenants who are in the contracting business?—Chicago News.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

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New Vigour for Spring.



Human vitality runs low in springtime, when the seasons are changing. The blood is thin, weak, and watery, and does not contain the nourishment required to sustain the nervous system. At no time is nature so much in need of assistance. The body cries out for aid in a thousand different ways. There are headaches, dyspepsia, backache, nervousness, sleeplessness, and irritability; brain fog, exhaustion, and weak, tired feelings, sluggishness of the liver and kidneys, and irregularities of the peculiarly feminine organs, trembling nerves, feelings of anxiety, and despondency, and all the miseries of weak, diseased blood and shattered nerves.

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THE H. D. TROOP.

Story of the Preliminary Trouble About Her Crew.

Boarding Masters' Association of Portland, Oregon, the Most Powerful Organization on the Coast.

They Demanded That Captain Corning Pay Them One Hundred and Twelve Dollars Blood Money Per Man—The Result of the Captain's Refusal.

(San Francisco Call, May 4.)

There will be lively times and may be a shooting scrape on the steamer Columbia before she lands her passengers at Astoria today. When the vessel left here yesterday morning for the Columbia River she had fourteen men for the British ship Howard D. Troop in the stateroom. Accompanying the sailors were two watchmen, armed to the teeth, while in another part of the ship are two boarding masters who have taken an oath to prevent the Troop in the stateroom. Accompanying the Troop in the stateroom are two men who are equally as well armed as the watchmen, and there is sure to be a clash when the attempt is made to put the sailors aboard the Troop at Astoria.

The trouble began on February 20 last, when the new law passed by congress went into effect. According to its provisions, the captain of any vessel, American or foreign, is only allowed to give one month's advance to a sailor. Before the law went into effect the rate in Oregon for a sailor was \$40 (two months' pay) advance, \$10 "blood money" and \$5 shipping fee. Almost every cent of this \$55 went into the pocket of the shipping master, and when congress cut the sum down to \$40 there was an outcry. The boarding masters and the watchmen determined to attack the law through the pockets of the British ship-owners. They reasoned that if the price of a sailor was advanced to \$100 ("blood money") the twist to the lion's tail would be more than he could bear, and that he would do something to make the United States "take its hands out of his pockets and once more put it in 'poor Jack's.'

THE BOARDING MASTERS now assert that they were correct in their surmise, and the such pressure will be brought to bear on congress by the British ship-owners that next November or December will see the law repealed. Whether the boarding masters will win their point and the way they say remains to be seen. One thing is certain—they are a power in the shipping industry. At the last session of the Oregon legislature a bill to abolish "blood money" was introduced, but it was pigeon-holed through the influence of the water front, so "tis said.

When the new law went into effect the boarding masters held a consultation, and then issued their ultimatum. They refused to accept an advance in any shape or form. They controlled the supply of sailors and told the captains that men would be supplied their vessels at a uniform rate of \$100 per man. Then the row began. The captain of the British ship Balmoral was ready for sea and wanted a crew. He laughed at the idea of \$100 "blood money," but the boarding masters only remarked, "He laughs best who laughs last." Not a man could be got for the Balmoral, and in despair the captain wrote to San Francisco.

In port here and lying at the seawall is the British ship Dunstaffnage, and the Balmoral belong to the same owners, and to Captain Forbes of the Dunstaffnage Captain Campbell of the Balmoral made his appeal. Now the Dunstaffnage only arrived from Calcutta a short time ago, and nearly all the crew was by her. Captain Forbes at once took them before the British consular agent in Portland, and he shipped them on the Balmoral, each man getting a "gift" over and above his pay. The men were shipped to Portland on the State of California in charge of a watchman, but the boarding masters' representative also went along, and the result was that the men from the Dunstaffnage refused point blank to go aboard the

Balmoral. They made all kinds of excuses, and finally in despair Captain Campbell paid \$50 apiece for the privilege of keeping his own men.

Then came

THE HOWARD D. TROOP, the source of the present trouble. The captain wanted thirteen men and a cook and the boarding masters asked \$400 "blood money" for them. Captain Corning offered \$85 a man with a "piece back" and the boarding masters promptly refused by raising the "blood money" to \$112 a man. Then Captain Corning sent his mate and an agent to San Francisco to gather up a crew, but the boarding masters followed the sailors from San Francisco to Astoria, took them off the steamer, in spite of Captain Corning's protests, and shipped them on another vessel, getting \$100 "blood money" for each man.

Now comes the tug of war. Captain Corning wrote and laid his case before Balfour, Guthrie & Co. of this city. The firm is agent for the Troop, and it was decided to get a crew for her. The job was entrusted to Thos. Chandler and Charles McCarthy and they secured the men—eight from the "Salors' Home" and five from Tom Murray. These men were signed before the British consul at the rate of \$90 a month, and each man got his month's advance and a "gift" of \$25 besides.

The men were now secured and it became a question of getting them to Astoria. Tickets to that place were purchased and two watchmen, named Robinson and Thomas, hired to look after the men. The watchmen get \$10 a day while they are away and all expenses, and their instructions are to fight at the drop of the hat. The men were rounded up and put aboard the steamer Columbia early yesterday morning and are now well on their way to the Columbia River. Yesterday afternoon Balfour, Guthrie & Co. paid the advance note and the incident was supposed to be closed.

WHILE THE MEN were being shipped the Boarding Masters' Association was not idle, however. Two of its members—R. McCarron and T. Murphy—were in the city and knew exactly what was being done. When they learned that the sailors' tickets read from "San Francisco to Astoria," they laughed in their sleeve and took passage on the Columbia, considering the fight as good as won. The Howard D. Troop has already been detained nine days waiting for a crew and the boarding masters say she will wait nine more, or until Captain Corning pays \$112 "blood money" per man.

What made the boarding masters jubilant is this. The sailors who shipped for the Troop cannot be put ashore except at Astoria, unless they do elect. The two men now in the Columbia will see to it that they are landed at Astoria only. If necessary each sailor will be given \$30 or \$40 to side with the boarding masters. The men will jump at the offer and then the fight will begin. When the fight between union and non-union men was most bitter some time ago a vessel was tied up at Eurika for want of a crew. The men were secured here and were shipped on the Pomona, but their tickets only read from "San Francisco to Humboldt Bay." When the Pomona got there the union men had got in their work and the men refused to go into the tug waiting to put them aboard the ships. Then there was almost bloodshed and one boarding master nearly lost the number of his mess. Captain Cousins soon settled the matter, however. He deputed to see the sailors' tickets, and when he saw that their voyage ended at the Humboldt Bay he gave them five minutes to get over the side or else be put in irons. The sailors boarded the tug and the union was outwitted. The men for the Troop are booked to Astoria, and there Captain Green must land them if they so desire.

The Boarding Masters' Association of Portland is one of the most powerful organizations on the coast. At the head of it are Larry Sullivan, Jack Grant, Peter Grant, John Bates and Mick McCarron. One of McCarron's relatives is mayor of the city. Sullivan's brother-in-law is chief of police, Bates is harbor master, and the Grant boys are prominent democratic politicians. McCarron is now aboard the Columbia and is prepared to fight for the sailors, whom the watchmen will try to put aboard the Howard D. Troop.

Gorham D. Steeves, general merchant of Hillsboro, Albert Co., has signed.

JOINT COMMISSION

Which Adjourned to Meet in August Will Not Re-convene.

Neither Side Will Yield Sufficiently to Warrant the Expectation of Any Successful Result.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—All hope of re-convening the joint American-Canadian commission in August has been abandoned. The conference adjourned after having made good headway, as it was thought at the time, towards the drafting of an agreement, owing to an unexpected and insurmountable obstacle, in the shape of the lumber and boundary questions. The joint conference adjourned to meet in August, with the understanding that the meantime the governments of the two countries would test public sentiment. It was also hoped that some of the difficulties that had presented themselves in the way of a conclusion of the work of the conference might in the interim be removed by diplomatic negotiations. It has been demonstrated, however, that the temper of neither side has yielded sufficiently to warrant the expectation of any successful result attending the re-convention of the commission.

It is said that our officials are thoroughly discouraged at the disappointing manner in which various propositions that have been put forward are bandied "back and forth" between London and Ottawa.

U. S. AND J. B.

Will Stand Together at World's Disarmament Congress.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The United States and Great Britain will stand together in the advocacy of the adoption of a scheme for the settlement of international disputes by arbitration which will be presented to the disarmament conference at its meeting in the Hague on May 16. The American delegates, headed by Ambassador White, are equipped with a fairly well digested plan for the execution of this long cherished project, while the British delegates are prepared with a plan which is almost identical with the American project.

The details cannot be procured for publication in advance of the presentation of the projects to the conference. It is known, however, that there are essential differences between this last plan and that embodied in the treaty drafted by Secretary Olney and Sir Julian Pauncefote, which failed of action in the senate when submitted for ratification. The differences are rather in the methods provided for securing an impartial adjudication than in the principles of the formal convention, and it is believed that on those points the British and American propositions are not precisely similar.

MOUNT ALLISON. Three Successful P. E. I and Students—The New Organ—Plans for Vacation General Notes.

SACKVILLE, N. B., May 8.—P. E. Island has furnished three successful graduates for Mount Allison concerning this year. The vocal recitals of Miss Moore and Wright have followed by the piano recital of Miss H. B. Smallwood. Character town, which was given before a good audience in Boston hall, Saturday evening last. The programme was well played, standard, and well carried out. Miss Smallwood is a very hard worker and has made exceptionally rapid progress. Her playing is marked by excellent technique, and her recitals were well received throughout and in the exclusive cadenza furnished by Reincke to the first movement of this masterpiece. Miss Smallwood's clarity of tone and fine finger movement was particularly noticeable.

The orchestra recital was played with a pleasing addition to the instrumental music. A just need of applause was awarded the performance.

The long-looked-for Kam-Warren pipe organ has at last arrived from Woodstock, Ont., and is being put up in Boston hall. It is a fine instrument, strictly up to date in all its fittings. It has 3 manuals, 17 speaking stops of complete register; 1 mechanical register; grand resonance doubling action; full organ pedals; 4 pedal combinations; 10 stop; pneumatic action. The instrument is being placed in the northward tower, the front being brought out flush to the platform, and to insure full volume of sound the pipes will be arranged in a bank at the back. This organ will not only add great addition to the appearance of Boston hall, but will be a large factor in the enjoyment of the various recitals and concerts in the future.

Plans for summer vacation are being made. Archibald contemplates going to Germany to visit her son, R. C. Archibald in Berlin. Miss Vroom expects during her trip in England to be the guest of Miss Harrington.

The annual trip of the geology class came off Saturday. A party of twenty, with Prof. Andrews as its guiding star, spent the day pleasantly and profitably at the Joggins shore.

The many friends of Miss Fullerton, matron of the ladies' college, will be glad to learn she has so far recovered from her late slight stroke of paralysis as to be able to walk from her room. Her illness has not been serious and numberless students all over the maritime provinces, remembering her kindly ministrations, will rejoice at Miss Fullerton's prospect of restored health.

At a business meeting of the alumni and alumnae societies last week, the usual social gathering with refreshments to be held in the art gallery, was decided for closing week. More elaborate programmes were mooted, but found impracticable at this busy season.

The baccalaureate sermon is to be given this year by Dr. Allison.

Chas. Richard met with rather a serious experience Friday while at his newly opened quarry at the head of York street. A block from the derrick fell, striking his shoulder and arm, and inflicting a bad scalp wound. He was able to walk to a doctor's and got the cut dressed, but is at present confined to his bed from the result of the accident.

The secretaries of the school trustees, who bought it something over a year ago for \$150. It was bid in by H. F. Farrow for \$200, but it is understood he is not the owner.

Mr. Bronxborough—Shall we go to the seaside this summer. Mrs. Bronxborough—What's the use? The girls are all married now. Let's stay at home and rest.

There is no substitute for thorough going, ardent and sincere earnestness.



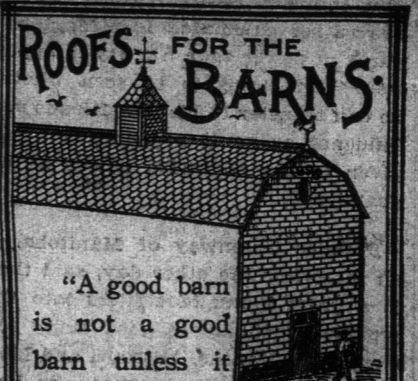
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