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CLEAR SITE FOR WHARF FOR COKE PLANT THIS FALL

S. E. Elkin, Home Today, Reports Progress With Plans.

That the work of clearing the site for the wharf to be built on the new coke plant will be carried on this fall was an announcement made by Stanley E. Elkin this afternoon on his return from New York and Montreal. He said that they were working out plans of the other three plants in addition to the local one and steady progress was being made. He also said that it was expected that the contract for the lumber needed in the building of the wharf here would be let this winter.

Mr. Elkin said that everything was progressing steadily and the plans for the local plant were really in the most advanced stage of any. He added that he expected that his work would keep him in Montreal the larger portion of this fall and winter.

FEAR COLLAPSE OF N. END BUILDING

Commissioners Hear About It—Marsh Bridge Work is Discussed.

An informal discussion on the need of action to provide that buildings which were a menace to life should not be allowed to remain standing took place at a committee meeting of the council this morning, and attention was called to at least one building which it was said was likely to collapse.

Commissioner Wigmore reported that he was taking up with the Provincial Government and the C. N. R. the matter of repairs to the Marsh Bridge. The laying of a sewer in the Dalgrove Crown streets at an estimated cost of \$800, to drain properties at the eastern end of Duke street and the corner of Crown street, was recommended to the council.

Marsh Bridge Work.

Commissioner Wigmore reported that he had made an examination of the sluiceways at the Marsh Bridge and found conditions to be not only bad but dangerous, and as the entire water supply of the city was carried across this bridge he had taken steps to brace the structure to make sure it would not collapse. This sluiceway had been built in 1909 at a cost of about \$25,000, of which the city, province and railway each paid one-third. He was of the opinion that in any new construction granite should be used, saying concrete would not stand up in the running water.

Commissioner Frink said he remembered the work on the bridge, as he was chairman of the water and sewerage board at the time. It was felt then that a solution of difficulty at the Marsh bridge had been found, but from a recent examination he could support the claim of Commissioner Wigmore that something would have to be done soon. He felt that concrete was not the proper form of construction for this work at this time.

Mayor Potts said he thought a report should be submitted by the city engineer, road engineer and water and sewerage before action was taken by the council.

Commissioner Wigmore said he would have a full report from the government and railway before bringing the matter up again.

Commissioner Wigmore called the attention of the commissioner of safety to a building in Douglas avenue, in the rear of the Watson estate, which, he said, was in danger of falling over on the houses in Harrison street. He said that the building inspector had looked over this building and had expressed the opinion that it should come down.

Mayor Potts asked if the safety department had not the power to tear down a building which was dangerous and Commissioner Harding replied it had. His Worship then remarked that it was time they exercised this authority and removed some of the buildings in which persons were living at present.

Commissioner Harding said he had been endeavoring for two months to get a meeting of the committee appointed to draft a new building law for St. John, and hoped to get them together soon.

Commissioner Frink said there was difficulty in enforcing the law regarding the tearing down of dangerous buildings, as it called for a notice to all the heirs before doing anything, and this was sometimes an impossibility.

WM. S. GILL DEAD; ILL BRIEF TIME

The death of William S. Gill, marine engineer in the Courtenay Bay fleet, took place late last night after a short illness. Mr. Gill was taken ill during yesterday afternoon and was conveyed to the hospital, where he failed to respond to the efforts made in his behalf.

Mr. Gill was born in York county and was 60 years of age. He is survived by his wife and the sons and one daughter. The sons are Allan and Earle of Boston and Fred of St. John. Mrs. F. H. Sawyer of Boston. They will have the sympathy of many friends in their sudden and sad bereavement. There will be service at the Mission Church, St. John Baptist, at 4:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon and the body will be taken on Saturday to Fredericton.

OLD TANNERY.

Evidence that at one time a tannery was located in Leinster street was discovered by men of the water and sewerage department while digging for the new water main. They found quite a quantity of tan bark and three or four hides, still in a good state of preservation.

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, SEPT. 25.

High Tide... 9.07 High Tide... 9.23 Low Tide... 2.15 Sun Rises... 6.15 Sun Sets... 6.18

LOCAL NEWS

TWO ARE FINED. Two men pleaded guilty in the police court this morning to charges of drunkenness and were fined \$8 or two months in jail.

IS SUB-INSPECTOR. Albert E. Pearson of Sussex was sworn in sub-collector of customs and excise at Sussex on Sept. 23. The new official was sworn in by Inspector Hoyt.

TO VISIT COUNTY HOSPITAL. Tomorrow the members of the Municipal Council will make an inspection of the St. John County Hospital and have dinner at that institution on invitation of the warden of the county, R. W. Wigmore, commissioner of water and sewerage. There will be a meeting of the finance committee in the afternoon and at adjournment the councillors will proceed to the hospital.

WATER SUPPLY SHORT. People living on the heights in Lancaster have been short of water supply in their houses for the last three days and will have to put up with a short supply for about 10 days longer. It was said this morning. The Lock Joint Pipe Company have been renewing a section of the 86-inch concrete main which had been giving some trouble and it is necessary to shut off the water until the concrete sets.

WINS PROMOTION. Collector C. B. Lockhart has been advised that the Civil Service Commission has issued a certificate for the promotion and transfer of Miss Laura Graham from the position of junior stenographer at the Department of Public Archives to the position of clerk stenographer in the Department of Customs and Excise at the port of St. John. This promotion is effective on Oct. 1, 1924. Miss Graham has been in the Dominion Archives office in Princess street for several years.

THE BOSTON SERVICE. A. C. Currie, local agent for the Eastern Steamship Co., returned home today from Ottawa. When asked regarding the service to Boston, Mr. Currie said he expected to go to Boston and New York the latter part of next week to confer with the head officials. He declared that the steamer Governor Dingley would not be removed from the route before the last of October and it might be considerably later. He expected to have a definite announcement to give out on his return next week.

DIED TODAY. The death of Mrs. Sarah Jane Fetherston occurred this morning at her home, No. 4 Courtenay street, after a short illness. She was 80 years old, had been a lifelong resident of St. John, and was a member of St. John's church. Many friends will be sorry to learn of her death and will sympathize with those bereaved. Mrs. Fetherston is survived by one son, James C., and one daughter, Mrs. Sadie Millican, at home. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from her late residence, 4 Courtenay street.

PRESENTATION. At the close of the day's business at the Customs House on Wednesday afternoon, the staff gathered in the office of Collector of Customs Lockhart. Mr. Lockhart in a few well chosen words reviewed the years of service of Robert Clarke, who has been placed on the retired list, and on behalf of the staff assembled, presented to Mr. Clarke a gold-headed ebony cane, bearing the inscription: Robert Clarke, from staff of Customs and Excise, 1924. Mr. Clarke was taken completely by surprise, but in a short, witty speech thanked his brother officers for their kind remembrance. He said he had served under three collectors of customs. After the singing of "For He is a Jolly Good Fellow," three hearty cheers were given for the one honored.

TO CHICAGO UNIVERSITY. Thomas H. Robinson, son of Mrs. Robinson, Rev. R. Robinson, is en route to Chicago, where he will continue studies in economics at Chicago University. He was granted an assistantship with the university in research work in social problems. While en route there he intended to stop in Vancouver Island, and at the University. Mr. Robinson is a graduate of the High School and has been awarded the Ellis medal, and is also a graduate of Acadia University, where he took the Bishop medal for honors in economics and for business ability. While there he was editor of the university publication and was also a member of the football and basketball teams.

PERSONALS

Friends of Miss Margaret Foley Sewell street, will be pleased to know that she is improving after undergoing an operation on Saturday at the St. John Infirmary.

Passengers on the S. S. Empress of Scotland from Quebec on Wednesday were Sir Hamar Greenwood, K. C. and Lady Greenwood, returning to England after a month in Canada.

Hon. Dr. H. S. Beland, Canadian Minister of Health, sailed from Quebec yesterday on the S. S. Empress of Scotland. He will represent Canada at a world conference on the narcotic drug traffic, to be held in Geneva next week. He is accompanied by Mrs. Beland.

and Mrs. E. R. Hicks and their son, Albert, Hicks, of Cumberland, Vancouver Island, are in the city on a motor trip with Dr. Hicks' mother, Mrs. A. F. Hicks, and his sister, Miss Pearl Hicks, who reside in Upper Dorchester, N. B. On the trip east Dr. and Mrs. Hicks will visit the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rogers, Springfield, N. S., returning home via New York in November.

R. Edwin Armstrong returned yesterday from a vacation trip to Montreal and Ottawa.

W. A. D. Foster left yesterday for Toronto University. On the same train was Chipman McKay, son of James McKay, of Wright street, who will attend McGill University.

Lo. A. Gagnon, chief game warden of New Brunswick, was in the city last night on his way from Fredericton to Moncton. He registered at the Victoria Hotel.

STREET RAILWAY WILL EXTEND TO MOORE'S HILL

Manawagonish Road Work is to Be Begun in Few Days.

An announcement made this morning by M. A. Pooler, manager of the New Brunswick Power Company, that the street car lines would be extended from their present terminus at Barnhill's corner, Fairville, to the top of Moore's Hill, will be received with much pleasure by people living in that section of the Manawagonish road and vicinity.

This work is to be started in the course of a few days and will be carried on at the same time as the work in Langaster avenue, where new rails are to be laid. It will require about 2,000 feet of rails to make the extension, which will open up one of the best residential sections of the city for settlement. The extension of the line also brings the new Protestant Orphan's Home within easy walking distance of the street cars and will make it much more convenient for friends who wish to visit the institution.

Work of replacing the street car rails from the foot of Fairville to Tilton's Corner was started last night by a crew of men from the New Brunswick Power Company. The work will be rushed through to completion.

MAY BE BUSINESS FOR ST. JOHN HERE

Firms in West Indies and Other Places Make Trade Inquiries.

The Board of Trade received from the Commercial Intelligence Service, Ottawa, today, 142 addresses of trade inquiries along many lines. Trinidad firms are asking about biscuits, potatoes, oats, confectionery and flour. Cuban houses express interest in sardines, foodstuffs, oats, fish and potatoes. A Barbados house wants ham, beef and shingles as needed by West Indian firms. The addresses of these inquiries are obtainable at the Board of Trade office.

VALUABLE DOG STILL IS MISSING

Disappearance Probably Kept St. John Airedale From Championship.

Dog fanciers in St. John will regret to learn that William Kiernan's Airedale terrier, Belleview Ranger, which wandered away after the closing of the dog show in Halifax, has not yet been located. The dog was being shown by B. L. Leary of this city and so far Mr. Kiernan has not received word from Mr. Leary as to how the dog got away.

The missing dog, which was familiarly known as Bob, had nine points towards his championship and there was every possibility that he might have annexed the single point which would have made him champion at the New Glasgow show, in which he was entered, but his absence, of course, eliminated him from the competition.

It is of interest that two of Bob's offspring were among the nine winners in the Airedale class at New Glasgow, both being shown by Mrs. Francis Kerr of this city. One of them, Roxie, took special and reserve awards, while the other, Rowdy, was second. It is felt amongst local fanciers that Bob would have gone to winners in New Glasgow and thus attained his championship.

SAILOR FINED; HAD LIQUOR IN AUTO

Case Grows Out of Report for Traffic Law Violation.

Woody Kane, a sailor off the S. S. Deer Lodge, was taken into custody this morning charged with having liquor in his possession. Detective Saunders, Police Constable Quinn and two automobile drivers, named McAndrews and Cox, testified for the prosecution. William M. Ryan appeared on behalf of the liquor inspectors. The arrest, which was made by Inspectors Fred Killen, Frank Garnett and Police Constable Quinn was the aftermath of a report against Percy C. Cox, who had been reported for neglecting to stop when signalled to do so by a Police Constable in West St. John and also for operating a motor vehicle as a taxi cab without holding a license to do so. The sailor was a passenger in the automobile and he was seen with the liquor. He was fined \$50.

A. B. Gilbert appeared for Percy C. Cox. The case was unfinished and was set over until this afternoon.

WANT ST. JOHN PICTURES

Some time ago the secretary of the St. John Board of Trade forwarded to the Canada Gazette, London, some material concerning this port. Today he received a letter, thanking him for the matter sent, and asking that photographs of points of interest around the city be sent to them as they would be glad to use them in future issues.

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