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LOCAL NEWS

DEATH OF BOY.

The sympathy of many friends will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Burns of Pleasant Point in the death of their son, Thomas Gerard, aged six years, which occurred yesterday.

AUTO DAMAGED.

An automobile owned by Leo Collins of Fairville, was badly damaged this morning in Douglas avenue. While the front tires came off and the automobile took a quick swerve and crashed into a telegraph pole. The front of the car was quite badly damaged, but fortunately the driver escaped serious injury.

UTILITIES COMMISSION

A hearing of an application of John S. Leighton on behalf of the Public Utilities Commission of the Province of New Brunswick for permission to increase their rates was further adjourned until December 27 at a meeting this morning of the Public Utilities Commission in the Provincial Government rooms. Only routine business was transacted in addition to this. A. B. Colwell, K. C. of Woodstock, chairman, presided and all the commissioners were present with the exception of J. D. Folland Lewis.

BOARD OF TRADE.

The attention of the St. John Board of Trade has been called to the fourth official commercial fair to be held in Brussels, in a communication from Mr. Goor, General for Belgium at Ottawa. Mr. Goor wrote that he felt the importance of Belgium as a customer of Canada warranted his confidence that Canadian manufacturers would exhibit at the fair.

Another communication received by the Board of Trade was from a Toronto publication asking for a write-up on St. John port.

THIS WEEK'S WINNERS

The weekly meeting of the Last Car Club was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mofford. Mr. Olton being the host of the evening. Five tables of whist were played. The winners were: Mr. and Mrs. T. Olton. Consolation prizes were awarded to Miss Carter and Mr. Sampson. Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Mofford after the third game and a pleasant half hour spent. Final arrangements were made for a box social and dance to be held next week. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a pleasant evening to a close.

PARLOR CONCERT ENJOYED.

A parlor concert was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dryden, 389 Haymarket Square, under the auspices of the Leaders' Sunshine Class of the Tabernacle church. The evening was in charge of Mrs. Dryden and Miss Edie Reicker. There was a large number present and an evening of fellowship and of entertainment was provided. The programme was under the direction of Harry Dryden and consisted of—Piano solo, Mrs. R. D. Cogan and Miss Mary Owens; duet, Evelyn Dryden and Thelma Pitt; readings, H. Y. Copp; solo, F. C. Murray; piano solo, Miss Fairweather; reading, Mrs. E. B. Sprague; sketch, Mrs. Mary Murray; piano solo, Miss Edie Reicker; solo, Miss Reicker; reading, Evelyn Dryden; piano solo, Miss Kierstead; reading, Rev. A. T. Leighton; solo, Thelma Pitt; reading, Mrs. Joseph McKennie. The pace to make a few remarks with reference to the object of the gathering and an offering was taken for the Tabernacle Building Fund. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Dryden and Miss Reicker.

THIS ONE VERY MUCH ASTRAY

Correspondents in the Republic to the south of us, occasionally and unconsciously indulge in a practice of badly mixing up the geography of this province, particularly with reference to their own city. At times it has been found that the city—usually labeled by them as "St. John's"—has been transposed to the neighboring province of Nova Scotia or sometimes even as far away as the ancient colony of Newfoundland. It has been inferred from some of the superlatives on letters arriving here that New Brunswick has even taken as part of our sister province, there being evidently a belief in some quarters that any place down east must be in Nova Scotia.

The king of geography jugglers, however, has only now been discovered. His giant feat was to take the whole of the great dominion of ours and dump it bodily into our modest province, for amongst the mail received this morning by Mr. Wardroper, Common Clerk, was a letter, postmarked from Massachusetts, bearing the address:

"Town Clerk,
"CANADA, N. B."

NOVEMBER BRIDES

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Peter's Church at six o'clock this morning when Rev. Denis Coll, C.S.S.R., who was celebrant at nuptial mass, united in marriage Miss Mina M. Gupill, daughter of Mrs. Geneva and the late Ronald Gupill of Grand Manan, and Christie J. McKennie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McKennie, 478 Main street. The bride, who was given away by her mother, wore a becoming full-trimmed suit of brown velvet with opus trimmings and hat to match and carried a white prayer book. Mr. McKennie was accompanied by his bridesmaids, following the ceremony, the party drove to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conlogue, Langdowne avenue, where a dainty wedding breakfast was served. The house was artistically decorated for the occasion. Following a short honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. McKennie will reside in Main street. They were the recipients of many magnificent presents in silver, cut glass and furniture, among them a china dinner and tea set from the groom's associates in the Atlantic Sugar Refinery. Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bishop of Grand Manan. Many friends will unite in wishing Mr. and Mrs. McKennie happiness and prosperity.

J. M. ROBINSON FOR MINORITY RULE

Thinks Mayor Fisher Should
Not Obey Popular
Mandate

The "Interests" Again—The Mayor Declines to be Drawn Into Useless Controversy; Refers His Correspondent to Mr. Kribs.

The Daily Telegraph yesterday received a copy of a letter from J. M. Robinson to Mayor Fisher. Since it was a letter to the Mayor the Telegraph felt it would be but fair to wait the Mayor's reply and publish both together. The Mayor's reply is now available and the Times herewith prints both letter and answer.

His Worship, The Mayor, City.
Dear Sir—The interview published in the daily press in reply to my recent letter to you accuses me of lack of courtesy in too hastily publishing a letter in the daily papers. I apologize.

The interview further insinuates that I have an axe to grind, and, while I thought it well known just what my position is, nevertheless I shall state it to you as briefly as possible.

1. I represent a considerable holding of First and Second Preferred Stocks in the New Brunswick Power Company and have sold these securities to investors.
2. I have dealt in the bonds of the New Brunswick Power Company and have sold these bonds to investors.
3. I am a taxpayer in the City of St. John and I represent other interests who pay taxes.

The first letter was addressed as a taxpayer to you and in that letter I asked you:

1. To correct me, if my judgment was wrong.
2. To advise me what interests, other than the taxpayers would pay any loss incurred in the civic operation of a distributing plant for electric power.

In your reply, as published in the paper, you neither:

1. Offer any correction of my judgment, nor
2. Inform me who, in your opinion, will pay any loss.
May I ask you to answer these questions, either publicly or privately, bearing in mind that, as a taxpayer in this city, you represent me and my interests to exactly the same extent that you represent any other taxpayer under your jurisdiction.

I am informed that you have stated that you do not know just what the hydro power will cost the city up to the pole of serving the consumer and I take it that that is a very reasonable statement on your part, as there are certain factors, some of which have already referred to, upon which such cost would be based and which have not yet been determined. And I am informed that you expect to use the Ontario rates, and I would like to ask you:

1. If in your judgment as a business man, it is good business to name the rates you will sell before you know what the article will cost you?
2. If you, as a business man, backed by one section of the citizens, as you are today, would invest \$600,000 of your own money, or any other amount, in a distributing plant on the basis of cost of power and probable market on which you propose to expend the money of the taxpayers?

These questions are asked you, because I would like to know from you whether you are giving your best judgment to this question or, whether you are more or less automatically carrying out the instructions of one section of the population, and may I say to you in conclusion that in putting these questions to you, there is nothing personal intended. I am addressing you, as an individual, and I am addressing the Chief Executive of this city.

I am, Sir, Yours very truly,
(Sgd.) J. M. ROBINSON.

St. John, N. B., Nov. 20th, 1922.

Mayor Fisher's Reply

Mr. J. M. Robinson,
Dear Sir—Your letter of yesterday is received and I am sorry that it was necessary for me to use in the press an expression which might have two applications. Really I was not thinking of you when I used it.

As to opening a public hydro discussion to yourself or anyone else, it does not appear to me to be wise to do so, but I would like you to know that I cannot understand your holding to the idea that there will be taxation imposed.

It has not happened in Ontario cities, and there is no reason why there should be a deficit here after the business has become well established, and any deficit before that time will be either capitalised or paid out of future surplus earnings.

Mr. Kribs estimates that we will be on our feet in one year from time of starting and if you will call on him I feel sure that he will be glad to explain the matter to you fully.

Very truly yours,
G. FRED FISHER.

WOMAN'S "AID" IN CHASE
DRIVES BANDIT TO SAFETY
New York, Nov. 22—When a robber was being pursued down Post street, Yonkers, by Mrs. Mary T. Wheatley for snatching her purse, an autoist volunteered to assume the burden of the chase. His offer was accepted, but after overtaking the fugitive the driver drove away with the suspect. Mrs. Wheatley, finding she had been tricked, notified the police.

In the purse was \$7 in cash and more than \$80 in negotiable paper.

Montreal, Nov. 21—Matty Cordes of Boston, amateur flyweight champion of New England, fought a draw after an extra round with George Blain, local here tonight.

TELLS WHY SHE WAS OUT LATE

Further Evidence in Case of
Men and Women—Trouble in a Barn.

A case against Harold Winchester, Henry Mitchell, Rebecca Scott and Gertrude Chittick, charged with vagrancy, was resumed this morning in the police court. E. S. Ritchie said he had been requested by the father of the Scott girl to represent her. He said his client was able to make an explanation as to why she had been out until three o'clock on Sunday morning.

Rebecca Scott said that she lived with her father and uncle in Prince Edward street and had kept house for her father for the last twelve years. On the night in question she had been coming from her sister's house when arrested. Her sister was in the hospital. She had the Chittick girl, who, she said, had been drinking, with her and they met the two men by accident. They had been arrested as they were walking up the street behind the men. She had known the Chittick girl for six years.

Dr. J. H. Allingham again urged the magistrate to show as much leniency as possible for Winchester, who, he said, was inclined to be decent and he thought this escapade would be a lesson to him.

Winchester and Mitchell were allowed to go on condition that they return this afternoon with money with which to pay fines which might be imposed on them. Rebecca Scott was allowed to go in charge of her father who paid a fine and said he would look after his daughter. The magistrate ordered the fine imposed was for being out after nine o'clock in the evening.

The Chittick woman, who said this morning that she was married, was remanded to jail until her fine could be arranged.

John R. Shields, charged with assaulting the son of William H. Knox, pleaded not guilty. E. S. Ritchie appeared for the defense and K. J. Macdonald for the prosecution. The boy on whom it was alleged assault was made, said that he had been in a barn with two boys and that the accused had kicked him and thrown him down on some stones and punched him and twisted his arm behind him. His evidence was corroborated by Donald Smith and Harold Lord.

The accused said the trouble had occurred in a barn owned by H. A. Northrup. He was employed there. He had put the boys out of the barn and one of them had thrown stones at him and called his a bad name. He said John Knox, uncle of the former witness, had struck him and scared his face.

H. A. Northrup, said Shields was an excellent boy and a good living chap and very honest and reliable.

Wilfred Wellington said he had been in the barn when the trouble occurred and had seen Knox hit Shields. He admitted that he had said to Knox "Come out and see what you can do." After both lawyers had summed up their cases Shields and John Knox were remanded to jail.

CLOSE MURDER TRIAL IN KENT LIKELY FRIDAY

Twenty Jurors Absent Yesterday Must File Affidavits or Face \$10 Fine Each.

(Special to Times.)
Richibucto, N. B., Nov. 22—Testimony by Dr. Mark Delaney of Buctouche that Gordon Mesheau's death on May 11 at his home at Millereck had been caused by a fracture at the base of the skull when he was shot by Lewis, pastor of Buctouche Presbyterian church, who attended Mesheau, that the accused had admitted to him of fighting with Mesheau, and evidence by Charles Mesheau of finding blood on the ground near the barn, also a large glass with human hair on it, were the salient features of this morning's session in the trial of Ernest McEachern on a murder charge.

Good progress is being made by the crown prosecutor, Wm. M. Ryan, of St. John. It is understood the defence will not offer any lengthy testimony, and it is figured the trial may end by Friday.

Twenty jurors from the panel of fifty summoned by Sheriff Boudreau failed to appear yesterday when court opened. Judge Crockett said he would give the absentees until the end of the court term to present their reasons in affidavit form and if not a fine of \$10 would be imposed on each.

A night session might possibly be held in order to complete the case at the earliest possible date.

L. P. Robichaud, clerk of the peace, Leon Delisle, spendiary magistrate, who held the preliminary hearing, and Robert Amos, of Millereck, testified this morning.

GARRISON CLUB TO APPLY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

At a meeting of the Garrison Sports Club last night it was decided to get all the boxes in the club in training and to make a try for the provincial championships for the club. Johnny McIntyre has been secured as a coach and trainer for the Garrison boys to prepare them for the tournament to be held in West St. John by St. George's Athletic Club. The Garrison has several promising lads on its roll, among them being young Donovan, last year's 115-pound champion. It was also decided at last night's meeting to apply to the Maritime Branch of the A. A. U. of C. for permission to hold the New Brunswick championships under the auspices of the Garrison club. The first work-out will be held tomorrow evening at the armory.

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