

DENIES THAT CANVAS MADE ON LIQUOR LAW

Hon. D. A. Stewart, Minister of Works, in City Today

Hon. D. A. Stewart, Minister of Public Works in the provincial cabinet, in Saint John today, said there was absolutely no truth in a report published in Fredericton that a canvass had been taken of government members of the legislature regarding a possible change in the prohibition law of the province. While some members had voiced their opinion, the government had not considered this subject, he said.

When asked to comment on the result of the Ontario election, the Minister refused to do so for fear that anything he might say would be construed as an opinion of the government. He did say, however, that he was very glad, from a party standpoint, to see Mr. Ferguson elected.

BUS LEGISLATION.

The matter of new motor bus legislation would be considered at a meeting of the government in Fredericton, probably on December 15. The question as to how the buses would be taxed and also if they would come under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission, would be decided. Following the government meeting a conference would be held with the bus interests, whose disposition the minister said, was to be very friendly and willing to co-operate.

The minister had a long conference with Premier Buxton here this morning but said that it was merely an informal discussion of party matters. He is on his way to his home in "Ampleforth," via Moncton, for which since he will leave this evening.

MELITA TO LEAVE PORT THIS EVENING

Prominent Passengers For Old Country—Shipment of Foxes For Antwerp

When the Canadian Pacific S. S. Melita sails this evening she will take a shipment of 20 live silver black foxes from Merrill, B.C., for Antwerp. A special train arrived at Sand Point from Montreal this morning at 11.15 with passengers for the steamer.

The Melita also is taking about 100 boxes of apples, mostly individual shipments to people in Great Britain. Among those sailing on the Melita are Admiral Kingsmill, General Stewart, Mrs. Moody and Mrs. H. L. Brittain with his wife and two other family members.

The amount appropriated for snow removal and street cleaning was \$82,000 and already there had been spent \$78,988.40, with December still to account for.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. William Bailey, of Nashua, N. H., who has been the guest of Mrs. Byron Cameron, Manawagonish road, has returned to her home.

Mrs. R. R. Reid, of Gagetown, N. B., and daughter, Miss Mary Reid, who have been spending a week with Mrs. Clifton Sutton, Church avenue, Fairville, have returned to their home with the Misses Eason, King Square.

In his Ottawa social notes the Montreal Gazette says: "Stanley E. Elkin of Montreal has been here for a brief visit."

Miss Edith Schofield, registered nurse, arrived today from New York to spend the Christmas season with her mother, brothers and sisters in this city.

J. M. Robinson arrived from Montreal on the noon train.

Rev. F. F. Walker, pastor of Stella Reformed Church, East Saint John, returned from Montreal today.

Walter S. McManis left for his home in New Brunswick this morning, after having spent the last week since his arrival here from Everett, Mass., as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Mann, 79 Mecklenburg street.

Glendon Conrad returned last week from Kentville, N. S., to spend the winter at his home, 179 Wentworth street.

Rev. Gideon Swin, who has been ill at his home, 50 Elliot row, is slightly improved.

Funerals

George B. Jones

The funeral of George B. Jones was held at 8.30 Wednesday evening from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. George McAllister, 208 Duke street, with Rev. E. R. MacWilliam officiating. On Thursday morning the remains were taken to Shannon, Quebec, for interment today.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful among them being the following—Pillows, the family; sprays from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. L. Farris, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gibson and family; Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Harding, wreaths from Mrs. A. L. Smith, Miss A. Miller, Mrs. J. P. McAllister, Miss G. McAllister, and the staff of W. H. Thorne and Co., and a sheaf of wheat and carnations from the staff of Northrup and Co.

The funeral took place at Shannon this morning, Rev. R. W. Hopkins officiating.

MUCH GOOD CAME FROM ADVERTISING

C.N.R. Displays in New England Brought Many Tourists Here

During the recent tourist season a great deal of good work has been done on behalf of the Maritime Provinces by advertisements published by the Canadian National Railway in newspapers throughout the New England States. Large space advertisements, outlining the attractions of the district as a whole and of the three separate provinces, have appeared in the journals of the principal cities and towns of the Eastern States and have resulted in a large number of enquiries for information having been received by the railway authorities.

In many cases these enquiries have been followed up and additional tourists brought to the Atlantic seaboard. Among the outstanding features emphasized in the Maritime advertising are included bathing, boating, deep-sea lake and river fishing, riding, hiking, golfing and yachting. Appropriate pictures showing prominent beauty spots of one or more of the recreations, have been included in the layouts.

It is expected that the good results achieved last season will be followed up again during the coming spring and summer.

NOISY PARTY WAS CAUSE OF BREAK

Charlie Chaplin Will Not Pay Any Debts Contracted by Wife

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 3.—Al Reeves, general manager of the Charlie Chaplin studio, said today he had authority to announce for Mr. Chaplin that the film comedian would not be responsible for any further debts contracted by his wife, the former Lita Grey.

Chaplin denied last night charges that he had ill-treated his young wife, Lita Grey Chaplin, and declared that she left him when he objected to a drinking party in his home.

CHARLIE'S VERSION.

"In her story of our separation, my wife refers to an incident last Monday night. It was this: I objected to a noisy drinking party of men and women who came to my home at eight minutes past 2 o'clock in the morning while I was asleep, and roused the entire household, including the nurse and the baby."

"Well, when I heard the piano, organ and victrola all going at once it got the best of me, so I called my wife up stairs and told her to get the people out at once. She did this, and the next day she left."

That a legal battle over the custody of the two Chaplin children, Charles Spencer, Jr., 2, and Sydney Earle, 1, would be waged in the event of a permanent separation has been indicated by both the actor and his estranged wife.

Mrs. Chaplin yesterday reiterated that she would never "go back" to her husband and said she was determined to keep her sons.

HERE ON SUNDAY

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COMING FOR GRAIN STEAMER GROUNDS IN SYDNEY HARBOR

Two Steamships Bound Here For Mediterranean Cargo

S. S. Lima L. D., consigned to J. T. Knight and Co., sailed from Rotterdam on December 2nd in ballast for this port, to load grain for Mediterranean ports.

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Canadian Press Despatch.

SYDNEY, Dec. 3.—Up to noon today tugs sent to her assistance had been unable to refloat the British steamer Hindustan, 7,500 tons, which dragged her anchors and went ashore at Westmount in Sydney harbor early this morning.

A stiff northeast breeze all day developed into a strong gale at nightfall. The Hindustan had "looked" out, but the bottom having been broken by so much anchoring of ships on that particular spot, her continual sawing broke out her anchors, and they did not take hold again.

Owing to the short distance between ship and shore, the crew were unable to get a sternway on the Hindustan before she piled broadside on at Westmount, opposite the city. At daylight the British Empire Steel Corporation

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Woman Before Privy Council For 1st Time

LONDON, Dec. 3.—For the first time on record, a woman appeared before the judicial committee of the Privy Council today as an advocate.

Miss Joan Clarkson, Miss Clarkson is a daughter of Lt. Col. Bertie St. John Clarkson, a well known soldier who has served in India and who won military decorations in the world war. She held a brief along with two other lawyers, in an appeal to the Privy Council from New Zealand, but she did not actually address the court.

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Here To Meet New Salvation Chief

Major Fred Knight, divisional commander of the Salvation Army, this morning received word that Col. Robert Henry, chief secretary of the eastern division, was en route to Saint John and would arrive here tomorrow.

Col. Henry is coming to meet the new territorial commander, Commissioner William Maxwell, who is coming on the Metagan, due here on Sunday.

CARDS AT EASTMOUNT

The first card party of the season held at the Eastmount Parish Hall last evening proved highly successful. 25 tables were occupied. The ladies' first prize was won by Mrs. William Devlin, second prize by Mrs. John Crozier, Stephen Desmond won the gentlemen's first prize and Win. Brophy the second prize.

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