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THE WEATHER.
Light winds; fair today and on Saturday. Not much change in temperature.

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THREE FINES OF TWENTY

Business Was Brisk at Police Court Today.

CITIZENS LEARN THAT

They Must Not Assault a Constable, Call a Policeman Naughty Names or Strike a Lady--W. B. Vance May Go to the Country.

Business was brisk in the police court this morning.

One drunk was fined $4 or ten days. Wm. B. Vance, who said he hailed from Ontario, was arrested yesterday by Officer Collins, charged with boarding a train without a ticket and not giving a satisfactory account of himself. He stated that he was endeavoring to leave the city, and Magistrate Ritchie said he would give him a chance to go out into the country to work on a farm or at something else.

Fred Secord was arrested by Policemen J. H. Ross and Joe Scott yesterday. Secord this morning was charged with using threatening and abusive language to Officer Ross, and also with being a habitual frequenter of houses on Sheffield street, of ill repute. The houses named were those of Amelia Francis and Bridget Mahoney. Secord pleaded guilty to the first charge, and not guilty to the second. Officer Ross stated that Secord spends most of his time on Sheffield street, in and out of the houses of ill repute in that locality. Last night he had a dispute with Mrs. Dixon on that street, about a dog, and the officer ordered him away. He threatened to hit the officer and was arrested. Officer Scott corroborated Policeman Ross' testimony. Secord was fined $20.

Henry Close was given in charge by Vera Hoyt for assaulting her in her mother's house on Duke street, and also assaulting her on Duke street. There were several colored ladies in court from "Blood alley" to hear the case.

"Gloss," as Close is called, stated that he was staying with Vera's mother, and that about 6.30 last night he asked Vera where her mother was. Some talk resulted and, said Harry, "She (Vera) mashed me first and I slapped her back. She called me then a black — — — —."

Vera Hoyt (colored) stated in her testimony: "He has instigation of turning me from my mother's house." She also said that "Gloss" called her names and hit her three times in the mouth. Gloss kept interfering with the witness, saying several times, "She drawed off and mashed me in the mouth."

Annie Burns (colored) said she saw "Gloss" hit Vera, and said "Oh! don't, Harry." Here Harry interfered again and said, "No, yer Honor, I didn't." He was cautioned to keep quiet. Annie said that Harry then produced a bottle and threatened to knock her (Annie) head off with it, and she said to him, "You are going to pay for it, you might as well do it good."

When the witness had left the stand she had to pass the prisoner and when she did so she turned around and startled the court by saying:: "Yer honor, he just called me a big slob."

Harry said everytime he got drunk he got a good soaking, especially from his own color. He was fined $20.

Constable French preferred a charge of assault against Whittington S. Lunnergan, of Carleton. The constable said that he was serving bills for water taxes and that on the 29th inst. he went to the defendant's residence and asked for payment. He was talking to the defendant's wife when Mr. Lunnergan ordered him from the premises and placed his hand on his shoulder and shoved him out and passed the remark "I'll fix you later."

The defendant denied the last remark, and also stated that he did not shove the constable. The defendant stated that his wife was going the following day to pay the Chamberlain, and thereby save fifty cents. The defendant's wife stated that during the conversation between French and her husband, she told the latter to leave him. The defendant was fined $20.

William Lewis, aged 15 years, was arrested yesterday for stealing money from Mrs. Bowes, corner of Erin and Hanover streets; Mrs. McFarlane on City Road, on the 28th and 30th ult., and also for attempting to steal money from Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. O'Brien on Brussels street.

Willie is a son of Henry Harding Lewis of Hen fame and he worked his little game for some time. He went into several shops and asked the mistress of each to change a quarter, and when the change was placed on the counter he snatched his own and the change and skipped. Yesterday he went into Downey's candy store on Brussels street and purchased two cents' worth of candy. Subsequently he returned and demanded a ten cent piece, which he stated was between the two cents given for the candy. He was refused the money, and was soon arrested by Sergeant Campbell and Officer McNamee, who were looking after the young fakir.

In the police court this morning young Lewis said he was sixteen years of age, and stated that he wished to be tried by the magistrate. Henry Harding Lewis, the boy's father, was asked if he would consent to that and he replied: "Do as you like, he's a bad boy." Willie admitted his guilt, and was sentenced to three years in the reformatory. Henry Harding then stepped forward and said that he wanted his silver watch back which his son had stolen from him. Willie, who was in tears, stated that he had sold the watch to the Boston second-hand store, situated on the corner of Dock and Union streets, for twenty-five cents. Officer Ross was sent to bring the proprietor of that establishment to court, but the latter said to the officer that he bought no such watch.

FOR IMPROVED CAR SERVICE

Officials of Railway Company Met Aldermen

THIS MORNING

Changes Promised in Haymarket Square Route, with Cars Running Both Ways --May Double Track Paradise Row.

If the changes suggested by street railway officials at the meeting of the sub-committee of the board of works this morning are carried into effect the street car service should be very much improved.

The committee met at 11 o'clock this morning, Alderman Pickett presiding. There were also present Aldermen Holder, Sproul, MacRae and Director Cushing. The St. John Railway Co. was represented by James Manchester, R. B. Emmerson, Col. H. H. McLean, W. Z. Earle, H. M. Hopper, and H. A. Brown.

The question of a siding at Indiantown, opposite the ferry toll house, was first taken up. The recommendation made at the board meeting on Tuesday by Director Cushing was discussed, and the committee will recommend to the board this afternoon that it be adopted.

Regarding the Haymarket Square route, the street railway promised to guarantee a five minute service, with four cars (2 each way) making a loop, provided permission be granted for them to lay a double track from the foot of Brussels street, along City Road to Stanley street, and also to put down a track where it was formerly, from Charlotte street along the north side of King Square and down Sydney to Union street, joining the track there. They would also put up electric signals on Paradise Row, to do away with any inconvenience there. The idea of these signals would be to show the people which way the cars might be expected, etc. It was, however, suggested by outside parties that Paradise Row be double tracked, in whole or in part, and the director was asked to look into that matter before the meeting this afternoon.

The committee will recommend that the requests of the railway company be granted.

The merchants and hotel keepers of the north side of King Square, especially the latter, are very much pleased at the prospect of the cars again running round there.

I. C. R. IMPROVEMENTS

The vicinity of the I. C. R. depot is a scene of great activity these days. A large gang of workmen are engaged in making alterations that will greatly improve the present building. On the north side of the train shed, concrete piers have been formed and all is in readiness for rushing the work to completion as soon as possible.

It is the intention to continue the roof of the train shed so as to take in the extra track. This side of the shed will be left open and roller doors will be put in where the sections of the present wall are removed so that in winter time the shed can be closed up to keep out the snow. It is expected that the new track will be used in the summer only. During the winter it will be available for freights.

The foundation of the extension to the baggage room is now complete and men were engaged this morning filling in the excavation. The balance of the work will be proceeded with immediately.

TWO NEW PROVINCES ARE BORN TODAY INTO CANADIAN SISTERHOOD

Inauguration Ceremonies at Edmonton Being Carried Out With Great Heartiness --- Regina Will Have Grand Celebration on Monday---Governor Bulyea, of Alberta, Officially Sworn in.

EDMONTON, Sept. 1 (Special)—Inauguration ceremonies are being carried out today, with great heartiness on all sides. The whole city is in holiday attire and crowds swarm everywhere, while bands make the air lively with their music, patriotic Canadian airs having the preference. The parade of citizens and school children this morning was a striking feature and was viewed with great interest by the governor general and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as well as the lieutenant governor.

The parade ended up at the exhibition grounds, where the mounted police and the city forces were reviewed by the visitors.

The ceremony of swearing in the new governor, Hon. G. H. V. Bulyea, was accomplished with grave ceremonial, after the Governor General, Lord Grey, had been welcomed by the civic authorities. This afternoon is being devoted to athletic exhibitions on the exhibition grounds. The festivities will be wound up this evening with a citizens' ball.

Regina on Monday.

REGINA, N. W. T., Sept. 1 (Special)—Regina city now presents a very lively appearance in consequence of the preparations that are being made on all hands for the celebration on September 4. In some of the streets the old wooden sidewalks have been torn up and a granolithic pavement put down. The principal buildings in the city, both offices, stores and private residences are outlined by different colored dots of electric lights, with illuminated mottoes and other devices. Other decorations are in process of construction, and a gang of C. P. R. artists has made the depot a delight to the eye. Bunk houses are erected on the market place that will accommodate 250 sleepers each building.

At the exhibition grounds the grand stand has been enlarged and a dais constructed for the swearing-in ceremony. Work is almost finished on the triumphal arches; two of these will be evergreen arches, one a wheat arch, and another an oat arch. A magnificent float is being prepared, on which will be represented, by Regina ladies, the Dominion of Canada, and all its provinces, the two new ones being indicated by two little girls.

The proceedings will begin with a procession of school children, consisting not only of the pupils of Regina school, but of the schools within a circuit of many miles. An improvement, too, has been made in this portion of the arrangements. Another event that has been decided upon is an elaborate civic luncheon in the city hall; the most ample arrangements have been made for feeding the crowds, the assistance of Winnipeg caterers having been requisitioned.

Another excellent feature is the establishment of an information bureau, where every guest and visitor will be able to obtain information as to board and lodgings, as to the events that are to take place, and as to anything else that they may wish to know. A fifteen minutes' service of trains from the depot to the exhibition grounds will be established, and a staff of C. P. R. officials will arrange for the orderly arrival and departure of the visitors by train.

Considerable alterations have been made in the exhibition grounds for the review and military manoeuvres, and the latest addition to the programme is that in the afternoon there will be military sports, as well as lacrosse, baseball and football competitions between teams from all parts of the Territories. Hand & Co.'s firework men have arrived and are preparing their grand display in Victoria Park. This promises to be a most wonderful exhibition, and the portraits in fireworks of the king, the governor general, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Premier Haultain are looked forward to with great interest. The ball will be opened by the Governor-General and Lady Grey, who will also hold a reception in the ring auditorium, when the visitors will be presented to their excellencies.

Every available rig for miles around has been secured for the procession, which will consist of those who have taken part in the building up of the great Northwest, and of other sorts of old-timers. There will be Labor Day floats, mounted Indians, the 90th battalion and many other unique displays.

The swearing-in at noon will be a very brilliant affair. There will be a crowd of cabinet ministers and other notables. The military spectacle by the Regina N. W. M. P., the 90th battalion and the battery of artillery will give eclat to the proceedings. Bands of music will be numerous and the event of the swearing-in will be announced to the world by an artillery salute and feu de joie by the 90th battalion.

POLICEMEN SUSPENDED

Officers Crawford, Smith and Greer Laid Off and Another May Follow---Chief Clarke Won't Talk.

The chief of police has suspended Police Officers Robert Crawford, John Smith and James Greer.

The suspensions were announced on Wednesday night at roll call. Smith and Crawford, who were suspended for two days, will return to duty tonight. Officer Greer was not so fortunate, and will have a period of enforced idleness for ten days.

Many stories are told as to the events which led up to the suspensions, and it is freely predicted that as a result of further investigation Officer Bowes may also be suspended.

It is stated that Officer Greer's offence was that he purchased several pairs of chickens, cornering the market at Indiantown, and thus entering into competition with other citizens. From another source it is learned that Officer Greer was intoxicated while on duty, and that is the real reason for his suspension.

Officers Crawford and Smith are said to have refused to arrest an intoxicated man when he should have been taken into custody. The man in question is Officer Bowes, who is on his vacation and who, it is alleged, was intoxicated and acting in an unbecoming manner on the street. Officer Smith attempted to take him home, and it is stated that Officer Crawford, who was on Brussels street beat, left his beat and went to assist him. The suspension followed.

Officers Crawford and Smith felt that the suspension was unjust and intended to take the matter to the safety board. On enquiry, however, it is learned that the safety board could give them no redress as the appointment and direct control of the chief of police is not vested in the city.

Chief Clark this morning when asked would say nothing about the matter, saying that the public did not require information on matters of that kind. It was a question of internal discipline and of no public interest.

A YOUTHFUL MURDERER

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 1 — (Special)—Word comes from Bellacoola that while a little girl and an Indian boy were playing a quarrel arose, and the boy seized a shot gun and deliberately shot the child through the body killing her instantly. The girl was 10 years old and the boy 12. The young Indian will be tried for murder before the Indian agent.

D. R. A. MATCHES

N. B. Team Out of One Prize List---Some Winners.

RIFLE RANGE, Ottawa, Ont.—There was splendid weather when the final stage on the governor-general's started this morning at the long ranges. There was no wind, and the light was of the best to make all kinds of good scores possible.

In the Longon Merchants' Cup, the ticket of the Quebec team won third place, with 630. This put the New Brunswick team out of the prize list.

The ties in the first stage of the governor-general's for medallion resulted in Sgt. Nichol, 12th, winning with 21 at 600 yards, after a second tie with Capt. Sanderson, 74th.

In the tyros in governor-general's, announced after the shoot off for places, Pte. Daigle, Sgt. Chandler, Lt. McKay, won $4 each in extra series, at 800 yards. Lt. Semple, with a possible, won $8.

HOMEWARD BOUND

The transportation companies report that there is a great rush on all outgoing boats and trains to the United States and upper Canada. The great crowd of tourists, and people from outside who have been visiting their homes in this section of the dominion, are now going back, and the traffic is therefore very heavy.

This morning four extra sleeping cars were brought here empty, so that they would be in readiness when needed. The Boston boats have large passenger lists now also, and some days it is difficult to secure a stateroom unless ordered ahead.

EMMERSON AT FREDERICTON

Inspecting the I. C. R.---Death of J. T. Wheeler---Trade in August.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 1.—(Special).—Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways, accompanied by M. J. Butler, deputy minister; D. Pottinger, general manager; T. C. Burpee, engineer of maintenance; G. J. Joughins, superintendent of motive power; N. L. Rand, master mechanic; Evan Price, divisional superintendent; and Thomas Hoben, assistant divisional superintendent, arrived here from Chatham by the I. C. R. this morning. They made an inspection of the Indiantown and Chatham branches yesterday, and today will go over the Fredericton and Loggieville branch. They left here for Loggieville by special train at eleven o'clock.

Deposits in the government savings bank here during August amounted to $12,256, and withdrawals to $15,936. The sum of $1,097,589 was due depositors on Aug. 31st.

Imports to Fredericton during August were valued at $43,957, and duty collected amounted to $4,054; corresponding month last year, imports amounted to $44,108; and duty to $4,270.

James T. Wheeler, a well known lumber surveyor, died at his home here this morning after a brief illness. He was sixty-seven years old, and is survived by three unmarried daughters. William Wheeler of St. John is a brother.

Mrs. Catherine Lent Stevenson, president of the Mass. W. C. T. U., arrived here this morning, and will address a public meeting this evening.

Mrs. Neheidmer of Toronto, president of the National Order of the King's Daughters, was here yesterday and held a conference with the officers of the local branch.

Thomas W. Gregory left for Hartland this morning to attend the funeral of his mother, who died there yesterday.

The police are still investigating the origin of the fires of the 29th ult., which, it is thought, are cases of arson. As yet there are no new developments. Beyond suspicions the police have no clue to the culprits.

LABOR DAY AT MONCTON

Good List of Entries for Sports to Be Held There

COMING WEDDINGS

I. C. R. Official Gone to England for a Bride--Popular Cricket Captain to Wed Moncton Girl on Tuesday Night Next.

MONCTON, N. B., Sept. 1. — (Special). —T. R. Wilks, of the chief engineer's department, I. C. R., left yesterday for England to spend a few weeks at his former home after an absence of four years. Before returning to Moncton, he will lead to the altar Miss Beatrice Edwards of Dudley, near Birmingham. Mr. Wilks and bride expect to return to Moncton about the middle of October.

J. W. H. Roberts, of the I. C. R. audit office, and well known captain of the Moncton cricket team, will be married next Tuesday evening to Miss Jessie Dow, niece of James F. Sayre, of this city.

Entries for the Labor Day sports here are as follows:—

100 yards dash—F. Sweeney, St. John; Wm. Lowe, Frank Cormier, A. Blanch, Walter Spencer, Alfred Beith, Amherst; Wm. Balser, L. Teed, Hugh Linden, Earl Charters, Robert Cameron, Moncton; J. M. Balfour, Westville; A. Finnemore, Fredericton.

Quarter mile bicycle—George V. Smith, Windsor; Bud Howes, Sussex; Wm. Lowe, Amherst; George McAllister, C. H. Smith, Cecime Richard, Walter Davison, Moncton.

220 yards dash—F. Sweeney, St. John; W. Lowe, Frank Cormier, George A. Blanch, Walter Spencer, Alfred Beith, Amherst; W. Balser, L. Teed, Hugh Linden, Earl Charters, Robert Cameron, Moncton; J. M. Balfour, Westville; A. Finnemore, Fredericton.

Running broad jump—Wm. Lowe, W. Spencer, Alfred Beith, Amherst; W. Balser, L. Teed, H. Linden, E. Charters, Moncton.

120 yards hurdles—F. Sweeney, St. John; W. Lowe, F. Cormier, W. Spencer, A. Beith, Amherst; W. Balser, H. Linden, E. Charters, R. Cameron, Moncton; J. M. Balfour, Westville; A. Finnemore, Fredericton.

Half mile bicycle—G. V. Smith, Windsor; Bud Howes, Sussex; G. McAllister, C. H. Smith O. Richards, George Doucett, W. S. Davison, Moncton.

Hose reel race—Shediac Fire Department, I. C. R. F. D., and Moncton F. D.

High jump—W. Balser, H. Linden, Moncton.

Pole vault—W. Balser, L. Teed, Moncton.

Mile bicycle race (handicap)—G. V. Smith, Windsor; B. Howes, Sussex; G. McAllister, C. H. Smith, C. Richard, G. Doucett, W. Davison, Moncton.

Half mile bicycle for I. C. R. employes—C. H. Smith, C. Richard, George Doucett, W. S. Davison, Moncton.

THE HAMPTON CRUELTY CASE

The preliminary examination in the Rupert cruelty case opens at Hampton before Stipendiary Magistrate Morrison tomorrow morning at 10.30 o'clock. E. H. McAlpine appears for the authorities at Ottawa, who are interested in the boy, Wm. Low, and Fowler, Parlee & Jonah for the defendant.

Rupert is charged with stabbing the lad, who is from the Middlemore Home in England. He is also accused of knocking the boy down and brutally kicking him.

The boy referred to is lodging with Mr. Burgess, of Hampton, and is being attended to by Dr. Wetmore, the local physician. As far as has been ascertained, he is recovering from his wounds, some of which are said to be deep and long.

THE APPLE CROP

Although the apple crop in Annapolis Valley is reported to be short this season, no one need be scared by the statement that fruits, especially apples, will be scarce in St. John. It is simply a comparison with the heavy market of last year. Many will eat apples to their heart's content this season, but the rosy fruit will not be as plentiful as last year, and so prices for the commodity will be correspondingly high. A few apples are now coming in by the schooners at the Market Slip.

The best eyed people are those who are blind to some things.

COULDN'T SEE SINGLE THING

Astronomers Who Went to Labrador to View Eclipse

WERE DISAPPOINTED

Heavy Clouds Obscured Heavens, Making Observations Impossible--Party at Assouan, Egypt, Was More Fortunate.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Sept. 1. — The Lick astronomical observatory expedition which went to Cartwright, Labrador, to observe the solar eclipse of Wednesday last met with complete failure. Heavy banks of clouds obscured the heavens during the entire period of the eclipse and the result of the attempted observation was so unsatisfactory that the astronomers will not even attempt to develop the photographs which were exposed. The report of the failure of the mission was brought here today by Governor McGregor, who had accompanied the scientists to Cartwright, and who returned here today on the warship Scylla. The governor said he feared also that the expedition sent out by the Canadian government, which was located at Hamilton, only about 50 miles from Cartwright, was fully as unfortunate as those from Lick.

Early morning conditions last Wednesday were very favorable for observation of the heavens, the governor said, and every preparation had been made for the work which was to begin about 3 a.m. Before that hour, however, banks of clouds rolled up and during the whole period of totality of the eclipse the heavens were obscured.

LONDON, Sept. 1. — Professor Wm. Joseph Hussey, of the Lick observatory expedition cables to the Associated Press from Assouan, Egypt, that the expedition executed its eclipse programme as planned. The elongates were in the form of streamers of the fish tail type with marked rays from the sun spot zones, especially from the southeast limb. North Polar streamers distinctly recurred. Prominences were pronounced, especially those near the North Pole. The motion of the shadow bands was determined.

PRIZE DOGS BURNED

Thirty-eight of Them Met Death in a Fire in Yale Club Kennels, New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. — Thirty-eight pedigreed dogs were burned in a fire that damaged the Yale Club Kennels late last night. Among the prize winners to lose their lives were a French bull dog owned by Mrs. Richard Harding Davis and another the property of George C. Boniface, Jr., the actor. The keeper was showing some dog fanciers through the kennels when one of the dogs overturned an oil lamp. Before the fire that followed could be extinguished, all but five of the dogs in the place had been fatally burned. Those that escaped included the prize winning bitch Trixie.

THE TELEPHONE QUESTION

In reference to the report that the New Brunswick Telephone Co. had in contemplation the raising of their rates for telephones in this city, Senator Thompson, the managing director of the company, says: "If the city will give us the facilities we require, such for instance as laying our wires in conduits, I will guarantee not only that the rates shall not be increased but that in time we shall be able to reduce them."

In reply to a question if the company intended to open up the streets without the permission of the council, Senator Thompson said he would be quite willing to take the matter up with the city authorities and talk the thing over.

Dr. Montizambert, director general of public health, is in the city on his regular tour of inspection. He will visit the quarantine station at Partridge Island, and after leaving the city will go to Chatham, Tracadie, Rimouski and Grosse Isle. On this trip he has already visited Halifax, Sydney, Louisburg and Charlottetown. At all stations he has thus far visited he says that everything has been satisfactory.

UNPRECEDENTED NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS TO BALL PLAYERS

Lajoie, of Cleveland, Knocked Out---Eight Membres of Louisville Team Injured in Trolley Car Collision---College Pitcher Killed by Ball.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 1. — Capt. Lajoie of the Cleveland American League baseball team, was struck on his injured ankle by a batted ball yesterday and will have to quit the game for an indefinite time. Third Baseman Bradley and Catcher Bellis are on the sick list.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 1. — Eight members of the Louisville baseball club of the American League were injured yesterday, when a trolley car ran into a wagonette, in which the club was being driven from the ball park to the hotel. The most seriously injured was Ed. Kenna, pitcher, whose hurts are: Left arm fractured, slight concussion of the brain, right hand fractured, nose broken, knee and eye injured.

Kenna was caught in the fender of the car. He was sent to a hospital. Fred C. Clay and Roy Brashear, second baseman, will be taken to Louisville, as they will be unable to play ball for some time. Both suffered contusions, cuts and bruises.

MORRISTOWN, Pa., Sept. 1. — Word has been received here that Charles Townsend, pitcher of the Ursinus College baseball team, is dead at Sunbury, Pa. Townsend was hit in the head by a pitched ball while playing a game against the Mount Carmell Club, and his skull was fractured.

The Times New Reporter.

'TWAS BUT A DREAM.

For a brief time this morning there seemed a possibility that this paper would be compelled to engage a new staff. It was not that the present members of the staff were in immediate danger of discharge, but that there seemed a likelihood of the whole lot taking themselves off.

Of late, whenever a despatch came hot from the wires telling of a Rockefeller or a Carnegie or some other man giving a few millions to a deserving institution, it has been the habit of the staff to sigh in unison, and wish that they also had a few millions to give away. This morning it seemed for a few moments that their wish might be gratified. The new reporter strolled in and said:—

"Boys, I'm done with this drudgery. Let's get rich."

So alluring a prospect made every man throw down his pencil and put his heels on his desk.

"It involves some work at the start," went on the new reporter, "but who cares for that?"

The police reporter stiffened his muscles to smite any man who might say he was afraid of a little work, but the chastisement was not called for. No man on this paper fears a light job.

"You must have observed," pursued the new reporter, "that the city council asked tenders for clearing and grubbing near the Robertson Lake, and that none of the tenders was accepted. They were all too high."

The shipping editor took his feet down and picked up a paper, and there was a general decline of interest in the remarks of the new reporter. The staff had all been grubbing for years without clearing enough to pay pew rent. Besides, there was no relation between Robertson Lake and the road to wealth. At least it so appeared. But the new reporter went placidly on:—

"I propose to take that contract. I will tender low enough to get it. You will all join me. We will take it together."

"Oh! Will we?" scoffed the sporting editor. "I see my gird watching me get rich in that way. No grub stake for me." The sporting editor is a little addicted to the use of mining terms.

"But you don't understand," coolly rejoined the new reporter. "We will work on the contract—but we will get rich on the extras."

It was at this moment that the likelihood of the Times being compelled to secure a new staff was greatest. The prospect seemed so alluring that every man wanted to "get in on the ground floor," as the commercial editor phrased it.

A telephone message was at once sent to City Hall to reserve the contract.

To the great disappointment of everybody, word came back that to make the thing regular it would be necessary to put up a deposit. That settled it, so far as newspaper men were concerned, and the staff went wearily back to their desks. Their dream of wealth was o'er.

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PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Sept. 1.—(Special).—M. Witte took the press correspondents aside this morning and confidentially informed them that he was the man who discovered America. There is some curiosity to learn what he will have to say tomorrow.

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Willie Lewis, son of the hen-master, appears to have learned to scratch for a living.

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A man was discovered today secretly taking photographs of the aldermen. It is believed he is an emissary of the waterworks contractors and the pictures will be used in court to prejudice the city's case.

ST. JOHN TO HAVE BUT ONE OF PRINCE'S WAR VESSELS

Programme of Cruiser Squadron in Atlantic Waters---The Cruiser Cornwall Will Put in Here and the Berwick at Campobello Island.

SYDNEY, N. S., Sept. 1 (Special)—Following is the programme of the cruiser squadron in Atlantic waters:—The cruiser squadron will leave Quebec on September 2nd, and will be divided into three sections. The first division consisting of the Drake and Bedford, will visit St. John's, Nfld, on September 4th and remain there until Sept. 11th, when it will proceed to Sydney arriving on Sept. 12.

The second division, composed of the Cornwall and the Berwick, will go to Charlotte and thence to Pictou for a few days.

The third division, composed of the Essex and Cumberland, will proceed direct to Sydney from Quebec arriving here Sept. 14th. The first and third divisions go from Sydney to Charlottetown on September 14th, join the second division there and remain until September 18th, when they will sail for Halifax, where a stay extending over ten days will be made.

The second division will leave Halifax earlier and visit New Brunswick. The Cornwall will put in at St. John and the Berwick at Campobello Island, and they will both rejoin the flag at sea on Sept. 29th.

The whole fleet will arrive at Annapolis Maryland on Oct. 2nd, and leave that port on Oct. 7 for New York. Thence a trial passage will be made to Bermuda, where they will remain from Oct. 23 to Nov. 15th and have gun layers' competitions and battle practice. On Nov. 25th the squadron is due back at Gibraltar, where the winter will be spent prior to the West Indian cruise next spring.