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A CIVIC COMMISSION

An alderman who has attended one hundred and four meetings in city hall in the last six months, many of them two and three hour sittings, has said to the Times that he would welcome the creation of a commission as suggested by Ald. Frink, if a workable scheme, with the right kind of men, could be devised. He believes that most of the aldermen would be glad to see a commission created. This is stated for the encouragement of Ald. Frink, that he may go on and submit for consideration a plan for the better government of the city. The question has aroused a good deal of discussion among the citizens at large, and the further action of the council is awaited with great interest. It is obvious that a man who in six months attends one hundred and four meetings in city hall must give to them a great deal of attention that could not doubt be more profitably spent in connection with his private business. It is this pressure upon time and energy that prevents leading business men from going into the council. It would be possible to get the ablest men as commissioners, well paid and devoting their whole time to the work.

THE CHAMBERLAIN

The question of the appointment of a city chamberlain is one that calls for serious attention on the part of the aldermen. The fact that a permanent alderman has been appointed does not overcome the necessity of having a competent chamberlain. The auditor's office is distinct and separate. He will have to do with all the city accounts in all departments. For the next few years the city will have a good deal of important financing to do, not only because of the public works expenditure past and present but because of the financial stringency. It will require a chamberlain a man competent to meet the bankers on their own ground, advise the city council and aid them to secure the most favorable terms in all financial transactions with the banks. There is no room for sectionalism or considerations of patronage. This is a business matter of the greatest importance to the city. Whoever the new chamberlain may be, he must be competent and thoroughly versed in financial matters.

THE WAGE QUESTION

A correspondent writes to the Times:—"In your issue of last evening you stated editorially that it would be a good idea if some fifty or a hundred of the longshoremen would keep a record of their earnings from now until the first of May and in the spring present a statement showing the average receipts, that the public might be in a position to pass judgment on their earnings, and leave no room for dispute. Would it not be fairer if the steamship companies submitted a statement of their profits for the winter season as well as the longshoremen? Then the public would have no trouble in deciding the question of the profits made by the steamship companies and the rate of wages they are able to pay to the longshoremen."

The Times was not discussing the profit or lack of profit in the steamship business. It does not settle one question to introduce another. It is the question of longshoremen's wages that is under consideration. There is no citizen and no newspaper but would rejoice to see the men get higher wages. The suspicion that anybody wants to see them ill-paid is unfounded. As the Times observed in the article referred to, a community cannot prosper if its wage earners are ill-paid. The suggestion made by this paper yesterday is a good one. If it can be shown, for example, that the average weekly wage of a longshoreman throughout the season is only five or six dollars per week, the public would at once declare that such a state of affairs was all wrong and must be remedied. The average pay of a street laborer, a moulder, a clerk, a railroad man or other wage-earner is well known. If the longshoremen are not well enough paid such a course as the Times has suggested would prove it beyond the slightest possibility of dispute.

As to steamship profits, if they are too great the people who provide them by paying too high a rate of freight have a remedy. The companies carrying freight through St. John must compete with others having Portland, Boston, New York or Baltimore as their winter port. But this is a question entirely aside from that of wages paid to longshoremen.

A GOOD ADVERTISEMENT

Mr. Donald Innes of the Tobique is in the city today. The fact in itself would be interesting, for Mr. Innes is an intelligent farmer who has done much in the interests of better farming in New Brunswick; but on this occasion he has with him a trophy which the people of the Tobique valley will regard with unusual satisfaction. It is the magnificent silver cup presented at the Maritime Winter Fair, at Amherst, "for the most creditable showing of seed grain for the whole exhibition." Mr. Innes competed with the farmers of other portions of New Brunswick, and of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and carried off the prize.

Wheat, barley and oats were among the grains exhibited, and there were also peas and beans in the list. The fact that the Tobique farmer can compete successfully with those of all other parts of the maritime provinces is one that should be of much value in connection with efforts to secure for this province a desirable class of immigrant farmers. The Tobique valley is not peculiar in this respect. There are large tracts in this province of equally fertile soil. To the old country farmer the nature of the country, the climate, the nearness to the sea-coast, the educational facilities, the social advantages, the proximity to centres of population, and the facilities for transportation, should appeal more strongly than the attractions of the western country. There is room in the province of New Brunswick for a vast acreage of such farms as that on which Mr. Donald Innes of Tobique grows his prize grain and vegetables. When the fact is made more generally known in the old country the province will increase its prosperous farming population.

Those interested in financial panics and that sort of thing, will read with interest the following item of news sent out from St. John on November 1st, 1888, and printed in the British Colonist:—

"St. John, N. B., Nov. 21.—The financial panic still continues unabated. Notes of the Falmouth (Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island) bank have been refused today. The St. Stephen bank notes are selling at 33 per cent. discount. The chance of the bank resuming payment is considered remote."

Of the recent Conservative convention in Vancouver, B. C., the Victoria Colonist says:—"No one will dispute that the convention of the Conservatives of British Columbia, which closed its session yesterday, was in point of attendance, harmony and enthusiasm, the best that has ever been held by any political party in this province."

SOCIETY

St. John society circles have been rather less active during the past week, which is due no doubt to the fact that the large majority of people are preparing for the Christmas festivities. There have, however, been several afternoon teas and numerous thimble parties, all of which have been very bright and enjoyable. The Millionaires' Club held a very enjoyable dinner at the Golf Club this week. After the members had partaken of a tempting repast the evening passed pleasantly with excellent music furnished by Piper Rose. Among those present were William Vassie, Cyrus Inches, Hugh McKay, J. D. Pollard, Lewin, Stanley Emerson, Fred Crosby, T. McKay, Stewart, Mr. Reid and others.

The members of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce were informally entertained at dinner on Thursday evening by the manager, F. B. Francis. Miss Barker was hostess at a very enjoyable sewing bee at her home, 100 Pleasant last Wednesday evening. Miss Marion Belyea entertained a number of her friends at a most delightful afternoon tea at her home, Hazen street, yesterday afternoon.

The Golf Club was the scene of a very delightful function on Saturday last when the members of the Golf Club held their annual dinner after a putting match on the grounds. The first gathering was held for E. A. Smith, who was the fortunate winner of the cup.

Among those present were George McAvity, Sheriff Ritchie, D. Arnold Fox, James U. Thomas, J. T. Hart, J. D. Hazen, E. A. Smith, Mr. Justice Barker, D. J. Brown, F. B. Francis, Fred Harding and others.

Mrs. W. Z. Earle entertained a large number of her friends at sewing bees and tea on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. J. R. Haycock received a large number of her friends at her home, corner of Wentworth and Mecklenburg streets, yesterday afternoon and is receiving again this afternoon.

A number of the young people of Douglas Avenue have formed a whist club which will meet each week during the winter months. The first gathering was held on Tuesday evening last at the home of Miss Gertrude Phillips, Main street. Among those present were Misses. Hatheway, Phillips, Vesely, Shaw and others.

SOCIETY PERSONALS.

Mrs. Beddom and her daughter, Miss May Beddom, of London, Ontario, who have been visiting in St. John for several weeks, have returned home. During their stay here they were extensively entertained by their numerous friends.

Stores open till 8 p. m. St. John, Dec. 6th. 1907.

Today and Saturday
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Read large advertisement on Page 7.

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Youths' " " "	-	-	1.20

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OTTAWA SOCIETY NOTES.

Mrs. J. de St. Denis Lemoine was the hostess at a very delightful luncheon today. The guests included Mrs. Reginald Beckett, Mrs. Robert Gill, Mrs. Crombie, Mrs. D'Arcy MacLachlan, Mrs. Leslie Macoun, Mrs. D. A. Shires, Mrs. Drury, of Halifax; Miss Tudor Montizambert, Miss Fielding, Miss Grace Ritchie, Mrs. Barrett Dewar, Miss Dunlop of Montreal.

Mrs. John Gilmore was the hostess today at a delightful luncheon when the guests included Lady Taschereau, Mrs. F. W. E. Wilson, Niagara; Lady Fitzpatrick, Lady Grant, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Montizambert, Mrs. Collingwood Schreiber, Mrs. George H. Perley, Mrs. Martin Griffin, Mrs. J. G. Foster, Mrs. David Pottinger, Mrs. Hanbury Williams, Mrs. Fred W. Powell, Mrs. David Gilmore—Citizen Tuesday, Dec. 3rd.

MY KINGDOM

Down by a shallow water well I found a very little dell,
No higher than my head.
The hush and the hush about
In summer bloom were coming out
Some yellow and some red.
I called the little pool a sea;
The little hills were big to me,
For I am very small.
I made a boat, I made a town,
I watched the catfish rise and down,
And named them one and all.
And all about was mine, I said,
The little sparrows overhead.
The little minnows too, I well,
This was the world and I was king;
For me the bees came by to sting,
For me the swallows flew.
I played there were no deeper seas
Nor any wider plains than these,
Nor other kings than me.
At last I heard my mother call
Out from the house, at evening,
To call me home to tea.
And I must rise and leave my dell,
And leave my dimpled water well,
And leave my beaver blooms,
And as my home I near,
How very big my nurse appeared,
How great and cool and grand.
—Robert Louis Stevenson.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

UNCLE EBEN'S PHILOSOPHY.
"Sometimes," said Uncle Eben, "us folks gets tired o' guessin' 'bout de honesty of candidates an' jes' turns in foan de one dat seems de bes' natured."
—Washington Star.

JUST AS DANGEROUS.

New England Lady (correcting waitress).—"You should not eat with your knife. You might cut your mouth."

Waitress—"Wasl, I'd as lief cut my mouth with a knife as jab it with a fork."

A STRONG SUPPORT.

Three-year-old George was being carried home on an icy winter evening. Suddenly, his uncle, who was carrying him, slipped, and by a superhuman effort, managed to save himself from going down with his burden. George regarded his porter with a patronizing air, he remarked, complacently, "that you would have gone down then you hadn't had time to hold on to."

A PROTEST.

A brave ship was wallowing in the waves that threatened to engulf her at any moment. Hastily the captain ordered a box of rockets and flares brought to the rail, and with his own hands ignited a number of them in the hope that they would be seen and the passengers and crew rescued. "Mid the rockets' red glare, a tall, thin, austere individual found his way with difficulty to the rail and spoke to the captain. "Captain," said he, "I must protest against this daredevilishness. We are now facing death. This is no time for a celebration."
—Success Magazine.

INGRATITUDE.

It was midnight, and a drizzle was falling steadily. A man shuffled along Oxford street, Manchester, England, hugging the walls for shelter. Presently he spoke to a passer-by: "Could you give me a copper, sir, to ward me out of this, or I shall lose my reputation."
"Twopenny, sir; and if I had another twopenny."

"You can get a comfortable bed in a warm room at the Salvation Army shelter in Shapstov street for twopenny."

"Salvation Army?" This is a decided snuff. "Thank you, sir, I haven't come to that yet!"

It was an experience which recalls General Booth's story of the drunken woman who was carried into the Salvation Army shelter. When she recovered consciousness and was told where she was, she exclaimed in horror-stricken tones: "Salvation Army! Goodness gracious, I must get out of this, or I shall lose my reputation."
—Illustrated Sunday Times.

PEOPLE OF NOTE



Charles N. Haskell, the Democrat who has been chosen as the first executive to rule over the destinies of the new state of Oklahoma, is one of the strongest characters in the Southwest. While not extremely wealthy he has been successful in his business ventures and has the confidence of the business element generally. He beat his republican opponent, Frank Frantz, by a big majority.

STANFIELD'S MAJORITY

Declaration Day in Colchester County Shows That Conservative Candidate Was 223 Votes Ahead.

Halifax, Dec. 5.—This was declaration day in Colchester. John Stanfield's majority, as announced by the sheriff, was 223.

Stanfield and Hill both made speeches. The successful candidate left en route for Ottawa today but will not take his seat for six days.

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Japanese China Cups and Saucers, 15c. to \$1.50 each; Plates, 15c. to \$1.00; Bon-Bon Baskets, 15c. to \$1.00; Berry Sets, Teapots, Chocolate Pots, etc. Special 4-piece Carlsbad China Tea Set, new shape and decoration, only \$4.95 set. New Glass Water Sets in Ruby, hite and Green, at 85c., \$1.20 and \$1.50 set. Special value in Rich Cut Glass. Musical Xmas Trees, \$2.00 each. Revolving Musical Xmas Tree Stands, \$5.00 and \$6.00 each.

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MISSIES' RUBBERS, ROLLED EDGE and TOE CAP,70c.
CHILD'S RUBBERS, ROLLED EDGE and TOE CAP,60c.
MEN'S RUBBERS, PROTECTED HEEL, \$1.10
WOMEN'S RUBBERS, PROTECTED HEEL,75c.

EXTRA LIGHT RUBBERS

MEN'S RUBBERS, fastening to sole of boot "Stacyon," \$1.10

MEN'S RUBBERS, one strap clog, \$1.10

WOMEN'S RUBBERS, One strap clog,75c.

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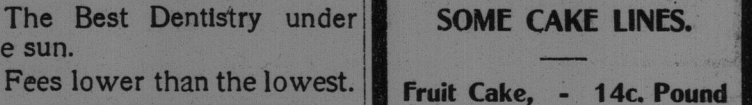
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