

The Evening Times

WEATHER Southeast to south and southwest winds, becoming fresh to strong, showery during the night and on Thursday

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A SHARP ADVANCE IN PRICE OF FLOUR

Thirty to Forty Cents Higher in Last Few Days

WHAT CAUSED IT

Manitoba Brands Up Forty Cents and Ontario Flour Thirty Cents -- Other Staple Articles Are Also Climbing

The recent advances in the price of flour is a matter of great interest to all householders in this vicinity.

As there are some people who are under the impression that local jobbers are responsible for the higher prices, it might be well to sum up the events leading up to the present rates.

The two leading millers whose flour is most in demand here are the Ogilvie Milling Company for Manitobas and the Goldie Milling Co. for Ontario.

On August 29 the Lake of the Woods Milling Company advanced their prices 10 cents, on August 31 another advance was made of 10 cents, and on September 5 a still further advance of 20 cents was announced--making a total of 40 cents in all.

The Ogilvie Co. made advances of the same amount with a slight variation of dates.

The Goldie Milling Co. made their first advance in Ontario 10 cents on September 3, and followed it two days later with another 10 cents, while on Saturday last the third 10 cents was put on, making the total 30 cents a barrel.

The jobbers of the city have no control over the price the millers charge, but it is their practice, invariably, to follow the mill quotations, whether they advance or decline, so that no blame should be attached to them for the present prices.

One of the merchants seen this morning referred to a letter signed "Consumer" in last evening's Times, in which the merchants were blamed for the increased prices.

It is not one of those people who never give credit to the dealers for dropping the prices when there is a decline.

He added that the present advance was fully warranted by the returns coming in from the harvest fields across the border and in our own northwest.

Short crops in Europe have also assisted in strengthening the market.

It will not be welcome news to householders either to learn that cornmeal and oatmeal are much higher.

All chocolates and cocoa have likewise advanced within a week and cheese is considerably higher.

Owing to short crops of corn the starch manufacturers have advanced their prices.

Canned apples advanced 25 cents a dozen this morning. The price of sugar remains unchanged.

A local wholesaler who returned from a trip through Nova Scotia a few days ago reports that the crop of fall and winter apples will be very good.

The earlier varieties are not as good as usual. As the Ontario crop is said to be very good, the farmers of Nova Scotia should reap a benefit in better prices.

WEDDINGS AT ST. STEPHEN

Two Nuptial Events Took Place There Today in Which Much Interest Was Manifested.

ST. STEPHEN, Sept. 11 (Special)—The church of the Holy Rosary was the scene of a pretty wedding this morning, when Miss Mina Coyne and Henry Bevan were united in marriage after a nuptial mass, celebrated by Father Lavery.

WALTER MILLICAN JOINS BENEDICTS

Well Known St. John Man Married at Marysville to Miss Mary A. McConnell.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 11 (Special)—The beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. John R. McConnell, Marysville, was the scene of a happy event this afternoon when their eldest daughter, Mary Alexander, was united in matrimony to Walter Horace Millican, of St. John.

James Millican, of St. John. It was a quiet home wedding and the invited guests were limited to the relatives and immediate friends of the contracting parties.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. B. Thomas in the spacious drawing room, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion with green palms.

The bride was given away in marriage by her father, and was unattended. She was gowned in white silk trimmed with Irish lace and white silk tulle veil which had been used at weddings in the Gibson family for a number of years.

The bride wore a beautiful bouquet of white roses. At the conclusion of the ceremony the newly wedded couple received the congratulations and best wishes of the assembled guests, after which all repaired to the dining room where a sumptuous wedding repast was served.

The bridegroom wore a suit of dark blue cloth, and the bride wore a gown of white tulle with a train of cream broadcloth and lace with silk roses. She will carry a shower bouquet of white roses.

Miss Edna Titus, sister of the bride, will act as maid-of-honor and will wear a gown of white tulle over pale green silk, while the bridesmaid, Miss Emma Titus, also a sister of the bride, will wear Dresden silk mull over pale blue silk, and both will have black picture hats and carry bouquets of sweet peas.

The groom will be supported by his brother, Arthur Taylor, of Kingsport, N. S. As the bride enters the church, the choir, under the leadership of Professor J. S. Ford, will render "The Voice that Breathed over Eden." The bride will be given away by her father.

Among the other guests in the bridal party that might be mentioned are: Mrs. Taylor, mother of the groom, who will wear black broadcloth silk, with white trimmings, and a black and white picture hat; Mrs. Titus, mother of the bride, will wear lavender silk, with a flower hat; the little sister of the bride, Miss Mildred Titus, will wear white dotted mull, with a white hat and yellow plumes; Miss Mabel Taylor, sister of the groom, will be attired in a gown of cream-peau-de-seoie and a cream felt hat.

The ushers are Edmund S. Ritchie, Alexander Little, James MacMurray and Carter Titus.

At the close of the ceremony and as the newly wedded couple leave the church Mendelssohn's wedding march will be played.

The party will then drive to the home of the bride's parents, 88 Mecklenburg street, where an informal reception will be given.

The Canada White Company who have in charge the erection of the new Royal Bank building have refused to pay the necessary fees for the laborers and plasterers who have been reported for working without licenses and the men not feeling disposed to pay the \$7.50 each have filed a petition with the court.

This placed the foreman at considerable disadvantage and delay will result as it was learned today at the bank building that it is practically impossible at present to replace the seven men who have gone.

LATE PERSONALS Mrs. Albert J. Gross is visiting friends in Yarmouth. Miss Nellie McCallum of Yarmouth who has been visiting in the city and Fredrick returned to her home via the D. A. R. yesterday. Charles Whittaker came in from Fredericton at noon today. Hon. William Fugatey came in on today's Montreal train. Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, V. G. went east at noon today.

NEW QUEEN OF THE SEAS IS IN TOUCH WITH AMERICAN CONTINENT THIS MORNING

Cunard Liner Lusitania Spoken by Wireless off Cape Race-- Expected to Reach New York by 1 a. m. Friday, which Will Beat all Records for Atlantic Travel



THE CUNARD TURPIN-DEVEN QUADRUPLE SCREW STEAMER "LUSITANIA"

CAPE RACE, N. F., Sept. 11—The Cunard liner Lusitania, whose maiden voyage across the Atlantic is expected to eclipse all ocean records, came in touch, through the wireless telegraph, with the American continent early today.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11—The indicated position of the Lusitania is about 1125 miles from Sandy Hook, so that if the big steamer can maintain the rate of 25 knots with which she is credited, she will reach the entrance of the port of New York about one o'clock Friday morning.

It is known that fog materially interfered with the speed of the Lusitania for many hours after she left Queenstown, her speed being reduced at times to 20 knots, so she must have steamed faster than 22 1/2 knots to secure that average. The run from Cape Race down the coast is generally made at top speed as conditions are favorable, so that shipping men who learned of the Lusitania's position this morning, confidently predicted that, barring accidents, the Lusitania had travelled about 1655 miles of the 2780 between Queenstown and New York in approximately 70 hours. This would make her average speed up to that point a trifle better than 23 1/4 knots per hour.

Very handsome array of costly gifts testify to the popularity of the young couple. The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl and diamond pendant, and to the bridesmaid, pearl rings.

On Monday evening some thirty or forty girl friends of the bride gave her a "linen shower," when many handsome gifts of this nature were presented.

The following young ladies will officiate as bridesmaids at the reception this evening—Misses Gladys Campbell, Nora Mathews, Edith Fairweather, Ella Payne and Edna Godfrey.

Charge Against the Grand Union for Alleged Sunday Selling Not Substantiated.

The case against the Grand Union Hotel for Sunday liquor selling was again taken up in the police court this morning. Mr. Henderson stated that Lavigne, one of the witnesses wanted had gone to Boston and the remaining two had not been located. For lack of evidence the case was dismissed.

Harry McDonald, given in charge by Market Clerk, Dunham for being drunk and disorderly in the country market was remanded.

Robert Wilson and Louis Thompson were fined \$4 or ten days each for drunkenness and John Clancy was fined \$8 for a similar offence.

SIR WILFRID TO OPEN THE OTTAWA EXHIBITION

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 11—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will open the Canada Central Fair in Ottawa on Monday next.

Mrs. Thos. Jenkins and daughter have returned to the city after a pleasant trip of six weeks visiting friends in Maine.

REV. W. C. GAYNOR IN CITY TODAY

He Came in to Consult His Lawyers, but There Are No New Developments in His Case.

Rev. W. C. Gaynor was in the city today to consult his legal representatives, Hanington, Teed & Hanington, regarding what action should be taken in connection with the stories recently circulated concerning him. A. H. Hanington, when seen, said there was no new developments and nothing further to be said at the present time.

SEVEN YEARS FOR RUNYAN

China-Jap Plot for a General Strike in Vancouver Foiled by Hindus.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11—Chester B. Runyan, paying teller of the Windsor Trust Company, who confessed to stealing \$100,000 of the company's funds, was sentenced today by Judge Whitman in the court of general sessions, to serve seven years in Sing Sing prison.

WOOL WINDER WINS

LONDON, Sept. 11—At the Doncaster race meeting today the St. Leger Stakes, 25 furlongs each, for three-year-olds, about one mile, six furlongs and 132 yards, were won by Wool Winder. Balmings was second and Acclaim was third. Twelve horses started.

North end has a diphtheria epidemic, quite a considerable number of cases being reported by doctors in that portion of the city. One physician said that he had one case a day since Saturday last, all in different families. Bad sewerage in almost every case, is given as the cause of the spread of the disease.

Edward Moore and Robert Smith, who were arrested by Policeman Lawson, of Fairville, yesterday, on a charge of burglary, were brought before Justice Masson this afternoon and remanded while efforts are being made to capture the third party.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

POLITICAL INTELLIGENCE The smiling face of Mr. Corfield O'Hoo greets his old friends in the city this week. He is in excellent health and spirits. He has not been in town until now since the little affair in which he and Miss Birdie McWhat, of the lovely question of the favor of the lovely Miss Birdie McWhat.

Mr. Peter Binks jr. chafed over the delay in the favor of the lovely Miss Birdie McWhat. "Why yes," said Mr. O'Hoo to the Times reporter, "I have a little business to attend to in St. John at present. The by-election, you know. I always get busy at election times."

"What are your principles?" queried the new reporter. "I am in favor of elections," replied Mr. O'Hoo. "They put money in circulation and I do all I can to encourage it." "You think there will be a contest, then?" "Sure. Somebody must run. We'll just make him. We'll tell him he's as good as elected—that the country needs him—that it's his duty—that he's been badly used. We'll give him a good kick in the rear, and it is pointed out that delay would be extremely dangerous. A cargo of Bibles will be sent to Vancouver on one.

PERISHED IN AN OPEN BOAT

Two Fishermen Off Gloucester Schooner Lost in Fog off Scattery Island.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 11—Last evening Captain John Glynn, of the Gloucester schooner Judique, at North Sydney, says that while fishing about forty-eight miles off Scattery Island on Thursday, an imperishable fog spread up shutting everything from view. All his dories except two, manned by Patrick Nolan, of Arichat, failed to return after the others were on board. The Judique kept up continued towing of fog horns and firing of guns, but to no purpose, and when morning broke clear and fine, there were no signs of the missing crew. It is believed that their condition was such as to prevent them from rowing much, and finally giving up hope of reaching their schooner they perished in the open boat. Captain Glynn sent searching parties along the coast, and ever since has kept up a lookout in the hope of finding the men.

STUDENTS TO TOUR CANADA

Thirty British Universities Will Provide a Party of Budding Engineers.

MONTREAL, Sept. 10—Acting on the advice of Lord Strathcona, a party of something like a hundred engineering students from thirty universities in England, Scotland and Ireland, will next year, undertake a tour through Canada. The party will visit the great engineering works in Montreal and Toronto, will inspect the electric transmission works in Ottawa, and go to the Niagara Falls power plant.

AMHERST HAS ANOTHER FIRE

Only the Prompt Action of the Firemen Prevented Today's Blaze from Becoming Serious

AMHERST, N. S., Sept. 11 (Special)—Fire early this morning destroyed a small warehouse in the rear of McLeod Bros. grocery store, together with all its contents, consisting of the reserve stock of groceries and crockery belonging to McLeod Bros., whose loss will be about \$1,000, partially covered by insurance, the building belonging to W. W. and C. C. Black. The origin of the fire is unknown. The prompt action of the firemen prevented a most serious fire as the burnt building is in close proximity to a number of other wooden buildings.

A VISITING JOURNALIST

An interesting visitor to the city at the present time is Mr. K. Kingsland-Smith, special staff correspondent of the Weekly Northwestern Miller, a paper published in Minneapolis and devoted to the flour and grain trade. Mr. Smith was for some years manager of the European office of the Miller in London, is an extensive traveller and has made a tour of the interests of his paper. While in St. John he called upon many of the local flour dealers and bakers and is sizing up the situation in the trade in the maritime provinces. He will go to Halifax on Saturday.

Among the recent arrivals at the ladies' seminary, Mount Allison, Sackville, are Miss Laura Baxter and Misses Susan and Muriel Turner of this city.

YOUNG WILSON STILL AT LARGE

Arrested Some Time Ago for Obtaining Money Under False Pretences, He Enjoys Liberty

Last spring the management of the Times found it necessary to take criminal action against a youth named Ernest Wilson, who had been fraudulently collecting money from subscribers to this paper. He had been detected and warned several times, but continued to collect money. As a last resort a warrant was sworn out and two policemen went to arrest him. They found him at home, but he asked permission to go into another room to change his clothes. He was the last they saw of him, but shortly afterward he collected more money from Times subscribers. His total receipts from this source have been around forty dollars. The police were unable to locate him, and he left the city. Some weeks ago he returned, and ran into the arms of one of the policemen who had before arrested him. He was taken to court in the meantime the manager of the Times had been offered fifty dollars to discontinue the prosecution, but as the case was of a character so hardened and dangerous a character, it was not in the public interest to do so, and the case was brought up. Dr. Macrae appeared for the prosecution, stated the case, and reminded the magistrate that in the previous year this same boy had been up for tapping a till. The magistrate reserved sentence. Some days later Dr. Macrae went up and asked about the case and was told the magistrate had not time then to attend to it. (The next time Dr. Macrae went up the magistrate was away, and the police clerk stated that the magistrate had let Wilson go. He is still at large. Though said to be only sixteen years of age, he was seen in a bar-room on Saturday evening.

The question is—Why should such a character be permitted to go without punishment?

COAL FAMINE IS POSSIBLE ON THE I. C. R.

Unless Springhill Strike is Settled There May be Shortage

OFFICIALS ANXIOUS

Some Coal Has Been Secured in Cape Breton But Main Supply Comes From Springhill to Extent of 100,000 Tons per Year.

MONTON, Sept. 11 (Special)—That the strike of the Springhill colliers is likely to create a serious situation in the matter of the fuel supply on the Intercolonial Railway is the opinion of railway men. The I. C. R. has been accustomed to look to the Springhill mines for the greater part of its coal supply, and the shutting down of the mines is already seriously felt all over the road.

At the present time the management find it difficult to secure sufficient coal to supply immediate demands. The I. C. R. usually purchased something like a hundred thousand tons of coal annually from Springhill, and if the strike continues for any time it means that the road will be compelled to look elsewhere for this supply.

Recently the I. C. R. management have been able to secure a quantity of coal from the Cape Breton colliers, but with the output of the mines in that section already taxed to fill contracts, it is by no means certain that the I. C. R. will be able to procure its full supply of fuel from this source during the coming winter.

At the present time the I. C. R. is transporting coal by steamers from Cape Breton to Lewis and hauling it by rail down as far as Campbellton.

There is no actual shortage of fuel on the road at the present time, but on the other hand there is not the usual supply on hand at the different coaling points and it is feared that unless the main source of fuel supply is in operation before winter sets in great difficulty may be experienced in keeping the coal filled. The settlement of the Springhill miners' strike may therefore be said to be a matter of very great concern to the management of the Intercolonial.

The district superintendents of the I. C. R. are here today discussing the winter arrangements with the railway department. The usual coal supply goes into effect about the middle of October.

I. C. R. MACHINISTS WANT SIX PASSES EACH PER ANNUM

Their Request is Now Being Considered by the Management—Monton Weddings.

MONTON, Sept. 11 (Special)—Two weddings in which interest is taken will be solemnized here today and tomorrow. This evening at eight o'clock in St. John's church Miss Beatrice Thomson, daughter of the late D. Thomson, will be wedded to A. M. McLellan, secretary to W. B. Mackenzie, chief engineer, I. C. R. Tomorrow in St. Paul's Reformed Episcopal church, C. Lionel Hanington, son of Judge Hanington, of Dorchester, will be married to Miss Mary Willett, daughter of Geo. E. Willett, of this city.

D. A. Storey, I. C. R. freight agent at Halifax, is acting general freight agent here during the three months' leave of absence of J. J. Wallace.

The I. C. R. machinists expect to have another conference with the management in reference to the pass question. The machinists are asking for six passes annually for themselves and their families and the concession is still in dispute. This is the one point of the new schedule that has not yet been agreed to by the railway department. At present the employees are limited to one pass a year, and if the machinists should win in their fight for an increased number, of course, other employees would expect the same treatment.

WILL HAVE CHOIR OF ONE HUNDRED VOICES

New Brunswick Choir Leader to Enlarge Choir of St. Paul's, Montreal.

MONTREAL, Sept. 11—F. H. Blair, organist and conductor at St. Paul's Presbyterian church, has completed arrangements for augmenting the choir by some thirty voices, making it one hundred strong in all. During the winter the choir will rehearse a number of oratorios, and it is hoped that their performance will attract a large number of hearers. The choir has a big reputation, and Mr. Blair's sanguine of success.

In the probate court this morning, letters of administration in the estate of the late John Donovan were granted to his widow Harriet M. Donovan, the executor named in the will. The estate values at \$1000 personal property. Silas Alward, probator.

Joseph Donnelly has returned to St. Francis Xavier's Academy, Antigonish, N. S. to resume his studies.