

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1906.

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Ladies' \$35.00 Mink Pillow Muffs.	23.00
Ladies' Musk Rat Stoles.	\$5.00 to 15.00
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Sterling Silver Manicure Sets.	\$2.75 to \$25.00
Sterling Silver Brushes, Combs, Mirrors, Baby Sets, and Work Boxes.	
Ladies' Fancy Back Combs.	25c. to 3.50
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THE RELIGIOUS CRISIS IN FRANCE

Rome, Dec. 10.—An article in the Observateur Romano entitled "Masked Persecution," says that M. Briand's circular will remain a memorable document in the history of modern France, showing how at the beginning of the twentieth century the French government's unscrupulous arbitrariness plays with the law and with rights.
"In fact," the paper continues, "the circular is based on the clearest contentment of the very law that Briand says he wishes to apply, but the Presbyteries and other buildings will take away from the clergy if they do not rest, while the seminaries are not only taken away from the clergy but are not even allowed to exist. His triple distinction does not exist in any law. If the cabinet wanted to leave the churches to the clergy for a year either it should not have imposed the making of an application, as doing away with the use of churches also means doing away with the rules connected with them, or the cabinet should have imposed the application features of the law according to the common law. Instead of so doing the cabinet has woven a web of arbitrariness and is preparing the winding sheet for the French church."
The chairman—"Mr. Leonard said when he considered his responsibility taken away?"
The chief—"I can't help that. His duty was plain."

A WOMAN'S BACK WAS NOT MADE TO ACHE

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WEDDINGS

Whitney-Vincent

A very pretty wedding occurred at the residence of Louis Whitney, New Bedford (Mass.), on Dec. 5, when Henry L. Whitney and Miss Mamie Vincent, of St. John, were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Robinson. The young couple both have their homes in St. John. There were no attendants, but the bride and groom were accompanied by their immediate friends.

Mills-Hickey

James Mills, proprietor of the Mill House, Alameda, Cal., and Miss Hickey, of St. John, were married recently by Rev. Mr. Robinson. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wm. P. Fitzgerald.

Wallace-Doucett

William Wallace and Miss Edna Thoms Doucett were married Monday afternoon at 41 Douglas avenue by Rev. D. Hutchinson, of Main street Baptist church. The young couple both have their homes in St. John. There were no attendants, but the bride and groom were accompanied by their immediate friends.

James E. Moore

James E. Moore came here from Portland (Me.), yesterday and assumed charge of the Keith interests in York Theatre. He expressed himself as delighted with the house and with the outlook for Keith here. The theatre will be conducted on the ten, twenty and thirty seat plan.

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THE FIRE INQUIRY HAD A PYROTECHNIC FINISH

Ald. Vanwart and Ald. Christie Contributed to the Fire Works --- A Hint of a Law Suit --- Director Wisely and Chief Kerr on the Witness Stand.

The fire investigation was concluded last evening. Chief Kerr and Director Wisely were the only witnesses examined. The former testified that Mr. Leonard had never used profane language in his presence, that he had never seen him under the influence of liquor and that he had always been an efficient member of the department. Chief Kerr admitted that in some instances he had not conformed to the by-laws. The director was questioned with much detail by the chairman with reference to the painting of No. 3 engine house and the general conduct of the department. He said that in some instances he had not carried out the by-laws. Ald. Bullock occupied the chair and Ald. Christie, Holder, Sproul and McGonick were present with the stenographer and common clerk. Ald. Vanwart and Christie also attended the proceedings.

Chief Kerr said he had been connected with the department for forty years and had been chief for twenty-five. He had visited the engine houses every day since the trouble in No. 3. He told of meeting Mr. Blake the day following Ald. Christie's visit and of being informed by him of the disgraceful condition of the windows in the engine house and of the dirt there generally. He gave instructions to have the place cleaned. In Mr. Leonard's room the men were had the windows dirty. Mr. Blake had not particularly Mr. Leonard's room or the bath room, but had said the engine house generally was disgraceful. He was surprised to see the painters there as he knew nothing of it. He saw only one spot on down stairs and would swear it was not running.

The chairman—"Was Mr. Leonard at fault?"
The chief—"He was as to his own room."
The chairman—"But Mr. Blake said the place was a disgrace to humanity."
The chief—"I can't help what Mr. Blake said. I saw no dirt. There was a perfume in Mr. Leonard's room which he kept to himself."
In reply to further questions the witness said Mr. Leonard had never complained as to the bath. Mr. Blake had never spoken about the engine house before. Mr. Leonard had never told him the men refused to obey orders or that they ran the place to suit themselves.

The chief—"Is it true that there has been trouble ever since Mr. Leonard went there?"
The chairman—"That's a very broad question and I could only speak from hearsay."

The chairman—"Mr. Leonard said when he spoke to the men about his swearing that he considered his responsibility taken away?"
The chief—"I can't help that. His duty was plain."

The witness then related the incident when the drivers were directed to report to Mr. Leonard if he swore at them. He had never reported the matter to the director.

The chairman—"Did you tell them to keep tabs on him?"
The chief—"Never, sir. I hope I'm too much of a gentleman to say it."

The chief said he might have spoken roughly to Mr. Leonard and the men at times. They all knew his failing. He was away. He did not think a conversation with Mr. Leonard had anything to do with it. He did not recollect why any order of April 1904 for ten salivary corps coats had not been attended to. It must have slipped his memory. He was always willing to do all he could for the different branches of the department. A new boiler or section was needed for the furnace in No. 3. He had not been told of it till the fire was on and did not know it was out of order.

The chairman took up the matter of Mr. Pullen's arrangement with the director for painting No. 3 house and the witness said it was not in the estimates but it was not a credit and done as cheaply as possible. He would say he was very wrong. He exceeded his duty as no order had been passed.

The witness, at the chairman's request, related how the work came to be done and said that in consequence of some previous work not being finished last April in the hall it was badly needed. He looked over No. 3 with Mr. Pullen but no price was given as it was done by day's work.

The chairman—"Is that the hall branch of the department he conducted?"
The director—"Well it is."

The chairman—"You meet a contractor, tell him you have a job for him and let him take it without asking how much? Do you own your work that way?"
The director—"Yes."

The chairman—"Why was the bill not to be rendered until next year?"
The director—"There was nothing in the estimates."

The chairman—"Don't you know that it is the custom of the common council to advertise for all bills to be rendered by December 31?"
The director—"Yes."

He said he ordered the chief's cost without authority, and certified the bill.

The chairman—"Was it not presented to the treasury board, contrary to the rules?"
The director—"Well it strikes me the chairman and I might have a little attitude in a matter of \$8."

A bill for \$84 from D. MacArthur & Co. for wall paper was taken up. In reply to questions the witness said it had been presented to the treasury board without the chairman's signature as it came in too late.

The chairman—"Is it possible all that paper was used on No. 1 hook and ladder?"
The director—"I don't think Mr. MacArthur would charge."

The chairman—"Would you swear it was all used?"
The director—"No, I would not."

The chairman—"What do you think of twenty rolls at 50 cents a roll worth it?"
The director—"The rooms were large and it's a good pattern. It may be a little late."

The chairman—"What about the ceiling at 50 cents?"
The director—"I might have been a little extravagant."

The chairman—"You acknowledge that. Now I ask you what do you pay yourself?"
The director—"From 50 to 75 cents. I believe a good paper is cheaper in the end."

The chairman—"Have you made any returns from the sale of the North End electric light plant?"
The director—"Will you allow me to explain."

The chairman—"Has part been collected?"
The director—"Yes, but the chairman will not take a part. I will be paid to me in a day or two. I have not spent the money."

The chairman then asked the witness if there had been complaints as to the unsightly state of the city hall and he said he had heard them. He didn't know when the last inventory of the department was taken but thought it should be done.

The witness was then examined on the over expenditures and other details in connection with the year's work in the department.

In reply to Ald. Sproul he said he would inspect No. 6 engine house in Carleton and report as to repairs necessary.

This closed the evidence.
Ald. Vanwart was not called but some animated conversation then took place between him and Ald. Christie. In reply to a question as to what it cost to run the department for the year Ald. Vanwart said he supposed it was somewhere round the estimates.

Ald. Christie—"How many horses are there in the department?"
Ald. Vanwart—"I never counted."
Ald. Christie—"Do you know where all the apparatus is kept?"

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Ald. Vanwart—"No."
Ald. Christie—"Do you think the exhibition building a good place?"
Ald. Vanwart—"I'm only a young fellow and didn't think I had to run round but all the same as to the charge you made against me if you were worth \$20,000 I'd show you how ignorant I was."

Ald. Christie—"I did not say you were ignorant. I said ignorant of your duties." The matter then dropped and the committee met in private.

G. Foster Camp, a member of the sophomore class at Acadia University, passed through the city last evening on the way to his home, near Fredericton.

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