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COUNTY COURT CHAMBERS.

In county court chambers this morning in C. B. Lockhart and H. C. Smith v. Benjamin Dean, W. W. Allan, K. C.

LOTS OF CORD WOOD.

More hardwood is now piled at Indiantown than for years previous.

CHURCH SOCIALS.

A social will be held in St. Andrews church tomorrow evening. A good musical programme has been prepared.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS!

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LOCAL NEWS.

The adjourned meeting of the united boards of the Methodist churches will meet in Centenary church on Thursday next at 8 o'clock.

The special committee to discuss the boy problem will meet in the parlor of Queen Square Methodist church on Tuesday evening at 7.30.

Special services will be held in the Waterloo street Free Baptist church this week. Rev. Mr. Francis, of Norton, will assist the pastor.

At St. Patrick's Hall, Carleton, tomorrow night a minstrel show will be given by some of the best local performers of the East and West sides.

A resolution expressing its sense of loss in the death of Arthur Everett, and of sympathy with his widow has been passed by St. George's Society.

The members of the St. John county W. C. T. U. are requested to meet with the St. John Union tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock in their hall on German street.

The Black Knight delivers his famous lecture on his escape from slavery in the Fairville Methodist church on Thursday, Nov. 6. The last chance to hear him.

Mrs. Davidson acknowledges \$25 for the Little Girls' Home from James F. Robertson; \$10 from a friend, and \$8.77, the proceeds of a sale by Katie Bates and Hazel Rutherford.

The statement in the morning papers that John F. Ashe was dead is incorrect. Mr. Ashe was still alive at an early hour this afternoon, but very low. He was brought to his home on Sydney street yesterday.

The youth, Jas. Kearsley, who stole the \$110 from a seaman in a house on Water street, Halifax, and who was afterward arrested in St. John, and taken back was on Saturday sentenced to three years in St. Patrick's Home.

Mrs. Wilson, wife of Rev. Dr. Robert Wilson, of Zion Methodist church, fell down stairs in her house on Burpee avenue Saturday and injuring one of her limbs. She was also badly cut over one eye and received a severe shaking up.

The steamer Sprague came down today from Springfield and Washademoak and will return to Washademoak this afternoon, returning in the morning at nine o'clock in time to take her regular trip to Belleisle. She will continue to serve both routes until the close of navigation.

THE CURFEW LAW.

After business was concluded at the police court this morning the magistrate spoke to the officers present and informed them that during the winter months, commencing November first, the law allows them to question any persons found on the street after seven in the evening without any certain object, as to what their business is. And if satisfactory answers are not obtained the persons may be taken to the station. This is especially applicable to children. In summer months the hour fixed is eight o'clock.

TWO MIGHTY HUNTERS.

The Star is informed that two well known stevedores of the North End left early on Saturday morning on a hunting trip in the vicinity of South Bay. On the shore of a lake they heard a noise and stole cautiously along seeking the cause until they almost stepped on a large bear.

The stevedores have arrived home. The bear is still at large. A searching party will go after the gun. The hunters dropped it in their anxiety to keep from scaring the bear.

MUSHROOM STUDIES.

Papers will be read at the Natural History Society meeting on Tuesday evening, Nov. 4, from Prof. W. F. Cannon, and by Dr. G. U. Hay. The former will be on Physiographic Notes of Northern New Brunswick, and the latter will give the results of some recent studies in mushrooms and toadstools. Small magnifying glasses will greatly aid in seeing the minute structure of the specimens to be shown of plants. Council meeting at 7.30 sharp.

REV. G. M. CAMPBELL.

(Fredericton Herald.) It is a matter of congratulation, not only to the Methodist denomination but to the whole province that Rev. G. M. Campbell has declined the flattering calls extended to him from prominent churches in western Canada. Mr. Campbell is a very talented clergyman, and an energetic man in other departments of the public life of this province, and we cannot afford to lose the services of such as he.

THE RIFLE CLUB.

The members of the Rifle Club are requested to meet tomorrow evening at R. J. Wilkins's, King street. A full attendance is requested, and any who are interested are also invited. The club now numbers 34, and any who wish to join are requested to enrol themselves at once.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

There was a very large congregation at the service in Carleton Baptist church last evening. Two persons were baptised. The special services will be continued this week, and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Nobles, will be assisted by other ministers of the denomination. A deep interest is being manifested by the congregation.

FOR AN ABATTOIR.

Company Willing to Spend From \$60,000 to \$75,000.

Walter O. Purdy, J. H. Doody, John Russell, jr., and W. J. Emerson, the latter of Boston, have sent a communication to the city council, stating that they have arranged for the purchase of a lot of land on Courtenay Bay flats, extending westwardly from the creek, commonly known as the Dunlop shipyard, a plan of which they submit, and state that they "are desirous of erecting upon said lot a thoroughly equipped modern abattoir, sufficient to meet the needs of the City of St. John both for the present and for many years to come." They ask to be heard and will furnish the fullest information.

W. J. Emerson, of Boston, accompanied by E. Carter, of Springfield, Mass., arrived in the city today, and will be heard before the board of health tomorrow and the city council board later in the week.

Mr. Carter is with the Springfield Provision & Rendering Co., and has built abattoirs from Frisco to Bangor. He told the Star today that there are abattoirs in Springfield, Cambridge, Somerville and Brighton, Mass., in the city of the city and causing no offence. They are now under construction in Worcester, Syracuse, Albany and Jersey City, also within the city.

Mr. Carter states that in every case all the by-products are used, and used up while fresh, so that there is no disagreeable odor. He is here with Mr. Emerson to discuss the subject from the standpoint of an expert.

The company, which has secured a site in the old Dunlop shipyard, proposes to expend from \$60,000 to \$75,000 in a plant that will employ from fifty to one hundred men, according to the amount of business that can be secured. The company with which Mr. Carter is connected in Springfield employs three hundred hands in that city alone. The St. John company ask no bonus, but simply the privilege of going on with the work. The gentlemen say that they are prepared to construct a modern abattoir, of the very best type, and ask no special favors at all from the city.

CITY COUNCIL.

Communications to be Considered at Today's Meeting.

William Hanson asked for a reduction of rent of lots 2 and 3 at Randolph, occupied by him for twenty-four years, and on which he had put many improvements.

The steamship owners and merchants at Indiantown and in the city proper ask that the wharves at Indiantown be extended into the harbor and the warehouses rebuilt, allowing an increased width of 80 feet to Bridge street. They also ask that the wharves be built and have terminals there, materially increasing the traffic.

G. E. Finley and Henry W. Fiewelling ask to be made road masters.

The Teamsters' Union ask when the coal which the city talked of purchasing will be available, as they consider the prices asked by dealers to be exorbitant.

Geo. McCarty, of Bridge street, and Jeremiah Kelly, of Military Road, ask to be heard before the appeals committee relative to their taxes, also Wm. Howard and J. L. Lester.

Amelia K. Lester asks to be heard by the water and sewerage board relative to water supply on premises on Richmond street.

W. B. Wallace notified the council that he had been retained by W. G. Abner to proceed against the city for trespass in his premises.

POLICE COURT.

The Magistrate Speaks About Sunday Liquor Selling.

Only two prisoners appeared before the magistrate this morning. They had been drunk and were arrested yesterday. Two other drunks, arrested Saturday night, left deposits and did not respond this morning. Before imposing a fine of eight dollars on the prisoners today the magistrate questioned the men as to the source of their over supply. One had bought it Saturday, and after slipping it during the next afternoon went out doors. The authorities knew the rest of the programme.

The other prisoner was more fortunate. He did not have to buy his liquor. Some kind, but hitherto unknown friends met him on Mill street and introduced a square face to him. Result \$8 or two months.

His honor commented strongly on this and similar stories and again impressed on the officers the necessity of apprehending the who sold liquor on Sundays. To bring one of the chaps who sold the stuff before the court, his honor said, was better than bringing half a dozen of the unfortunates who got drunk.

David Linton, who peddles vegetable without a license, refused to obey a notification to appear in court and answer this charge, was this morning fined \$2 or four days in jail for two separate violations.

ALL SOUL'S DAY.

Yesterday was All Soul's Day. On account of the event falling on Sunday, the Catholic churches throughout the city observed the feast today, by holding masses in the different churches.

THE HARRIS FESTIVAL.

An Associated Press despatch from Halifax today says: "Charles A. E. Harris has completed his grand scheme for festivals all over the Dominion. Halifax having arranged to hold a musical festival lasting two days. Sir Alexander MacKenzie is to conduct."

WEST INDIA LINE.

The steamer Oruro left Bermuda this morning and will arrive at St. John on Thursday night or Friday morning.

PERSONAL.

A. H. Learmont of the Learmont hotel, Truro, is at the Dufferin.

BOYS' MISSIONS.

The Evangelical Alliance Discuss Mr. Whitney's Scheme.

Some Frank and Free Discussion Concerning the Work and the Mill Street Mission.

The Evangelical Alliance discussed the scheme for the extension of the Mill Street Mission this morning. A special committee has been appointed to report on the scheme and it was on this that the alliance pondered. There was considerable of a discussion, a little over two hours of it, and one section was referred to the committee and another passed. However a notice of reconsideration was given concerning this later section. The Mill Street Mission came in for some little criticism. While those present expressed themselves as in sympathy with Mr. Whitney, a number wished to have a fuller and more definite statement of the work before recommending the establishment of other missions on similar lines. Finally an adjournment was made until next Monday afternoon.

There were present Revs. Dr. Fotheringham, Dr. Wilson, S. Howard, H. H. Roach, Stevenson, C. T. Phillips, Marr, Campbell, Kirby, Foster, Hamilton, Long, deSoysa, Nobles, Beatty, Penna, Deinstadt, Burnett, W. O. Raymond, White, J. Clark and C. Comben.

The special committee presented its report. After citing the fact that it was proposed to carry on the work under the direction of a competent and representative board of directors, and that missions be established in a similar manner to that at Mill street; that Sunday afternoon and evening meetings will be held, and that the promoters ask the privilege of access to the churches to interest the members, the committee reported: That the hearty endorsement of this alliance be given to this work and recommend the same to the Christian philanthropic workers with the understanding that these Sunday services do not interfere with the regular church services.

The report was on motion taken up section by section for discussion. Rev. Mr. Campbell thought before they could adopt even the first section concerning the representative committee, they would have to find out who these directors are, and how they are to be appointed.

In reply Mr. Whitney said he thought it would be well to have the alliance appoint the directors.

The president, Dr. Fotheringham, gave it as his opinion that it would not be well for the alliance to appoint the board. It would be easy for the friends of the scheme to meet and appoint the directors.

Mr. Campbell thought it would have been better for the special committee to have nominated the board. From his experience with boards of management he would suggest that the alliance move slowly in endorsing this one without knowing its personnel.

The adoption of this section concerning the election of the board was moved by Rev. G. N. Stevenson and seconded by Rev. H. H. Roach.

Before the question was put Rev. S. Howard said he was not prepared to vote for the section without knowing something concerning the personnel of the board.

Rev. D. Long questioned whether the mission in the North End would begin at the right place to remove the evil. He believed it would be better for Mr. Whitney to work up from a small beginning rather than commence on a large scale and do little.

Mr. Bullock explained that the mission was not kept open during the summer, because few of the boys could be brought together and yet the expense was the same.

Mr. Campbell stated that while he was in sympathy with the work for the boys, yet he felt strongly concerning the appointment of a board of management. He certainly would not open the doors of his church for those to apply for support unless the members of the committee were endorsed. Now he would speak frankly:

It has been said that good work has been done by the mission. There are other opinions. He had discovered concerning the Sunday meetings that no public meeting could be put on at four o'clock in the afternoon, without interfering with the Sunday school. A Sunday afternoon is bound to weaken that very important department of the church. It was the same with the evening service, a public meeting at eight or eight thirty was bound to injure the regular Sunday evening service.

The question was then called, but before the matter was put Dr. Wilson stated that something more definite should be presented than this section of the report concerning the appointment of a board of directors.

H. E. K. Whitney then asked for permission to speak briefly, and said: That he had not come forward to do any underhand work. He had to carry on the work by dropping a meal every day. He did not wish to handle a snap. It would be unwise to take up the time explaining about the Sunday services. All that he asked was that something be done.

Rev. B. N. Nobles thought perhaps it would be misunderstood if the alliance voted against the section. He would suggest that it be sent back to the committee to deal with the particular phases that did not appeal to the alliance.

This suggestion was embodied in an amendment and seconded.

Dr. Wilson moved an amendment to the amendment that the whole report be sent back to the committee as it enlarged.

Rev. H. H. Roach thought that about all that could be done would be to send the first section back.

Rev. C. T. Phillips did not see what advantage there would be in referring the matter to a committee. He failed to see how the alliance would make itself responsible for the action of the

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board of management, when all the alliance did was to give moral support. Speaking about the "spectacular in the opera house," he did not think it any more objectionable than the spectacular in the church. In fact it was simply confining the spectacular in the proper place.

Mr. Whitney explained that the delay of another month would mean that no definite work could be accomplished for four weeks more.

Rev. A. H. Foster stated that he was not afraid of committing the alliance or his church in this matter. If, when the scheme matures, he did not like it, he would not recommend it to the church. In the abstract the appointment of a competent and representative board of directors is all right, if in the concrete it does not recommend itself to the pastors they had the remedy in their own hands.

The amendment that the first section be sent back to the committee was put. The amendment was carried by a vote of ten to five. Nine of the members did not vote.

The second section recommending the extension of the Mill street mission under the supervision of the board of directors was then moved.

At this stage Rev. B. N. Nobles brought forward a resolution which cited the fact that church going people had provided buildings and other facilities and expressed the belief that the church going people should assume this mission work, and further that the city should provide playgrounds and buildings, and that a representative board made up of Catholics and Protestants be in charge. This scheme provided for the moral and physical good and left the religious training to the home, the priests and the pastors.

Rev. Alex. White said that this resolution should not be shelved. He had thought long and deeply and he had come to similar conclusions to those expressed by Mr. Nobles' resolution.

The president decided that Mr. Nobles' motion did not touch on the question before the meeting, so he was forced to rule it out of order, although he would like to see a full discussion of it.

Mr. Deinstadt would like to know where the new missions mentioned in the second section, as an extension of the Mill Street Mission, would be established.

Rev. J. C. B. Appel stated that four places have been mentioned, namely: Haymarket Square, Lower Cove, Mill street and Indiantown. Fairville and Carleton would later be taken in.

Mr. Deinstadt stated that as the matter was not definite, the section had better be referred back to the committee. In the Haymarket square section, considerable work was being done by St. Mary's church and also in Glad Tidings hall. Work in the latter was not suspended during the summer. He moved the reference of the section.

Rev. W. O. Raymond thought an attempt to pledge the alliance's endorsement before the details of the scheme were known would be a mistake.

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