

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1904.

## LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

Architect G. E. Fairweather says the new Public Library building will be ready about the end of the present month.

It is reported that the earliness have struck in at Eastport in large numbers, and the fishermen are doing exceedingly well.

A big bush fire was raging in Covenham, Albert county, Friday afternoon. The smoke and flames were plainly visible from Moncton, and a very disastrous conflagration was feared as a high wind was blowing.

Last Thursday night some drunken men in Moncton attacked the Chinese laundry on the corner of Maine and Lutz streets, wrecking the front of the store and injuring two of the Chinamen with large stones.

The board of health is after Fairville people who have neglected to clean up their yards and outbuildings. Twelve offenders have been summoned to appear before Magistrate Mussey tomorrow and other cases will be up later.

The people around Indiantown are somewhat puzzled to know which route the steamer Champlain will be put on. It is stated that she will make her first trip with passengers on Saturday next. She will be a comfortable and well equipped vessel.

Haying is well under way in the country districts. The grass on the upland is now about half cut and averages well with last year's crop. The muskies will yield scarcely more than last year's average. Grain is looking fairly well, but in the main will be short, in consequence of the continued dry weather. Potatoes are looking pretty fair, but other root crops promise to be poor. Another Telegram.

The results of the competition for the governor general's silver medal, which is open to high school students in grade X, have recently been received by Dr. H. S. Bridges. The medal was won by Frank McDonald with a total of 75 marks in the various subjects. This medal will be presented at the Christmas closing of the school, when all the prizes won by the pupils are given to the winners.

According to Campbellton Events, big game, which is very plentiful all through the Tobeique and Charlottetown, is being slaughtered indiscriminately. A party of fishermen in the Charlottetown region recently witnessed the shooting of a couple of bull moose. The hunters in this case kept themselves concealed in the bushes. Last Friday evening, a party of hunters from Peterborough shot for shooting a moose of about seven years.

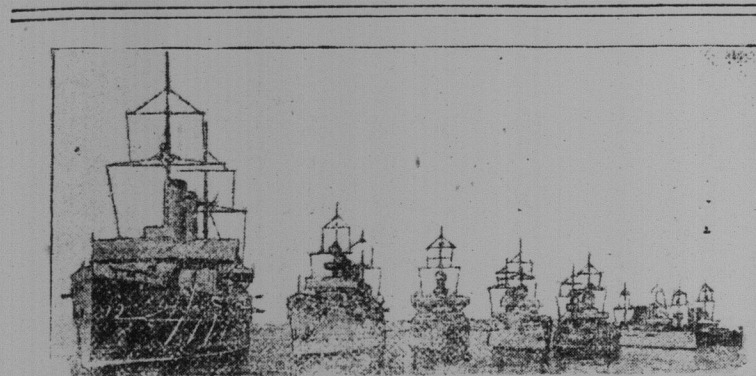
T. McLeod, contractor of the International Railway, is in Campbellton personally supervising the work of construction on this railway and in building things at a lively rate. A large number of men are wanted and he is employing all ways to get work, there being now a large crew working. It is expected that 800 or 1,000 men will be at work there this month. The building of this new road will create quite a stir in Campbellton. Campbellton Events.

Rev. George M. Young, of Fairville, has passed the minutes of the New Brunswick and P. E. I. conference of the Methodist church, held at Fredericton. The volume is a very neat one and contains in addition to the letter press, portraits of Rev. G. W. Hamilton, president of the conference, and Mr. Young, who was secretary of that body. Mr. Young had in his labors the assistance of Revs. G. F. Dawson, J. M. Rice, B. A., and J. S. Gregg, B. A.

The Telegraph has received a copy of the prize list of the agricultural and industrial exhibition, Woodstock, which will be held Sept. 27, 28 and 29. The list shows a large number of prizes in all the departments. Everything points to a most successful show. There will be two days horse racing under the management of Gallagher Bros. All communications should be addressed to the secretary, Charles F. Rogers.

The Moncton rifle range was officially taken over by the government Friday morning. Capt. A. J. Tingley and Secretary E. B. Hargy accompanied the officers to the range. After inspecting the work they pronounced everything satisfactory and that the location for the range was the best that could be secured. The inspecting board was composed of Lieut. Col. Wadmore, Ottawa; Capt. Marshall, St. John, and Mr. Sheehan, government engineer of St. John.

Sixteen deaths were reported in the city last week, from the following causes: Infants; 3; meningitis, heart disease, cholera infantum, and diphtheria, pneumonia, two each; diphtheria, pneumonia, heart disease, one each. Ninety-four cases of contagious diseases were reported to the board of health during the six months ending July 20. Of these 13 were in July, six being measles, four typhoid fever, and three diphtheria. There were two deaths.



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If Port Arthur Falls Russia Will Have Fifth Place in the World's Navies Instead of Third.

The town of Liverpool (N.S.), has sold its issue of \$25,000 4 1/2 per cent. 30-year electric light bonds to J. Morris Robinson.

H. F. Ball will sail from Liverpool for Canada on Thursday next. He will assume charge of the Bishopric (P.E.I.) Methodist circuit, at present served by Rev. E. Stockford.

Col. White, D. O. C., will go to Woodstock in a week or so to inspect the Lakeville military rifle range. There is some talk of establishing a battalion of cadets in this city in the near future.

The public schools will reopen on the 29th inst. Parents who intend sending children should get their permits now to prevent the rush and delay and inconvenience that will occur if they wait until the last moment.

At a meeting of the Bearer Company Club Thursday evening it was decided to hold the election of officers on the evening of August 15, and to arrange for a series of weekly lectures to parallel the nature of a "quiz" class.

H. M. S. Shearwater will be dispatched from Esquimaux about the end of this year with letters and parcels for Pictou and. All mail intended for that point will leave here on the 16th November next, and should be addressed care of H. M. S. Shearwater at Esquimaux.

An immense quantity of canned lobsters arrived in Halifax by train during the past few weeks and are still arriving. They came from Cape Breton, from points on the short line and from the north shore of New Brunswick. The Furber steamer Sicily is taking a cargo for England.

Rev. A. J. Prosser, pastor of the Hartland, Carleton county, Free Baptist church, has accepted a call from the Waterloo street Free Baptist church, this city. His first sermon will be preached here on the first Sunday in October. Rev. Mr. Prosser is a graduate of Bates College, and an active temperance advocate.

The marriage of Perry B. Perkins, B. A., of Charlottetown, Carleton county, and Miss Emma E. Porter, daughter of the late Rev. T. H. Porter, is to be solemnized at the home of the bride's brother, Arthur Porter, Westmount street, to-morrow afternoon. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of the U. N. B. and also of Harvard—Fredericton Herald Morning.

Of the purchase of the Maritime Sulphite Pulp Company mill by the Keys syndicate the Montreal Advance says: "There are yet some matters connected with freight arrangements, to-morrow afternoon, to be settled before we can say that the way to the purchase of the mill is sufficiently clear for the proposed purchaser to close the transaction. We are glad, however, to be able to say that during the past week much progress has been made towards the desired end."

A contemptible trick was played on Thursday night on Maurice Sater, a Jew peddler, who had collected a large quantity of old junk, which he intended to sell to Messrs. L. Goldberg & Co. As Goldberg's place was shut up when he got there, he took his horse out, leaving the wagon there. In the morning it was found empty and he had to look for the wagon down the steps leading to the water. Besides losing a large part of the load Mr. Sater's wagon was badly broken.

Robert Campbell, a brother of Peter Campbell of this city, was painfully injured last Tuesday night at Dartmouth. He was walking along the street from the ferry when he was knocked down by a horse and rider. One of the horse's hoofs struck Mr. Campbell on the forehead and the wheels of the carriage passing over his body broke two ribs on the right side. The driver of the team did not stop to ascertain the result of the accident.

Albert Henderson, of South Marguise, had a very narrow escape from serious injury last Saturday. He came to the city to dispose of a mare and drove to Henry Maher's. Here the animal, unused to the city, was scared by the car. Mr. Henderson tried to cross the street, but before he could do so the car was on him. The result was that two wheels on the wagon and left wheel of the car were broken. Mr. Henderson himself had some of his teeth loosened as well as being injured in the back and face.

James M. Palmer, M. A., was in the city on Thursday en route from Nova Scotia, where he has been in the interests of the Mount Allison Academy, of which institution he is principal. Mr. Palmer stated that the faculty of the academy, staff of the Academy caused by the resignation of George J. Trueman, M. A., has been filled by the appointment of Warren A. Dakin, B. A., of Pugwash (N.S.). Mr. Dakin is an honor graduate of the University of Mount Allison. Mr. Trueman has accepted the position of principal of the Charlotte county Grammar school.

## THE INQUEST HELD MONDAY EVENING

Relative to the Death of James E. Fraser in Ashburn Lake.

The Jury Decide That it was Caused by an Acute Attack of Melancholia—Evidence of Charles Nevins and Others Relative to the Tragedy.

The inquest over the death of James E. Fraser was held Monday evening, and the following verdict was returned:

"That James E. Fraser came to his death by drowning at 1 o'clock on Thursday, August 4, 1904, in Ashburn Lake, St. John county, during an acute attack of melancholia. The jury, however, found that the deceased was sane at the time of his death, and that he was not suffering from any mental disease at the time of his death."

The witness called was Dr. T. D. Walker. He attended deceased previous to his departure for Montreal. Dr. Emery was deceased's regular physician. The witness and Charles Nevins entered a separate boat and searched with a small apparatus. About 6:15 o'clock the iron hooked the body of deceased. When the body was brought to the surface it was seen that a weight was tied around the neck. It was a stone, tied to the neck by a piece of rope. (The rope and stone were shown to the jury). The depth of the water was about 20 feet.

John Rose, a relative, swore he had known deceased for 40 years. Of late he had talked as if not in his normal senses and showed signs of being unbalanced. He thought the house would be robbed or that he would be caught. He had never heard him express any suicidal or homicidal tendency. He was accompanied to Ashburn Lake, where a canoe was used to search the lake bottom. The witness and Charles Nevins entered a separate boat and searched with a small apparatus. About 6:15 o'clock the iron hooked the body of deceased. When the body was brought to the surface it was seen that a weight was tied around the neck. It was a stone, tied to the neck by a piece of rope. (The rope and stone were shown to the jury). The depth of the water was about 20 feet.

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## HOW LEGISLATORS SPEND SUNDAY

The Telegraph's Ottawa Correspondent Writes on the Subject.

What Diligent Enquiry and Visits to Charm the People on the Gatineau Revealed—Quite the Opposite of What Was Looked For.

Ottawa, Aug. 3.—With the week-day doings and sayings of their representatives in parliament, as portrayed by press gallery pens, the Canadian newspaper reading public is pretty well acquainted.

But, when it comes to this, to the Sunday, those humble observations have been concerned chiefly with matter pertaining to the political arena, and the walks and ways of our legislators on the first day of the week must be of public interest. Hence, during the past three months I have been acting as a self-appointed committee of one (having walked in vain for an opportunity to serve my country on a committee of any of the organizations for the better observance of the Lord's day) for the purpose of keeping a watchful eye upon our legislators on the first day of the week.

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## DEER AND HORSE AND MR. F. L. POTTS

The Tale of a Saturday Auction on the Market Square.

The Horse Was Young, Gentle and Speedy. But the Deer Excelled All These, and Gave the Greater Attraction—This is a Great Game Country.

Frank L. Potts, when conducting an auction, is a persuasive orator, but even an auctioneer sometimes labors under difficulties.

On Market Square, just before noon on Saturday, he was selling a horse. There was a large crowd—so large that one cynical person observed that there must be a lot of people in this town with nothing to do.

Mr. Potts was eloquent. The horse was cheap at \$125—was a bargain at \$120—was young, gentle, a good roadster, and sold for no reason except that the owner was going away and could not take the animal with him.

Bidding began at \$50 and went up to \$75, \$80 and \$81 and Mr. Potts was growing more eloquent and more persuasive all the time.

But at this critical juncture a rival to the horse appeared upon the scene. It was a deer, swimming up market slip toward the square, pursued by two boys in a boat. Where it came from, how it got into the harbor, and whether it really meant to disturb Mr. Potts will never be known, but it drew the crowd.

Somewhat saw it and ran down the wharf. Others saw it and ran. Others ran on general principles, because they saw their neighbors running. And in five minutes the edges of North and South wharves and the head of the slip were crowded with people, watching the bewildered visitor from the wild, standing knee deep in the water, hesitating whether to wade ashore, swim back toward the harbor, or board one of the schooners lying along the wharves. It finally compromised by trying to hide between a scow and a wharf.

In a short time it was lying broad in the bottom of a light express wagon, riding across Market Square, with its head up, complacently surveying the throng. Potts, the horse and the crowd. It was taken to the outskirts of the city, and set at liberty.

Mr. Potts was once more at liberty to cast the spell of his eloquence over an augmented congregation, and recall their wandering thoughts. This is a great game country.

Better Business This Month, But a General Falling Off for the Season.

Quite a large number of tourists spent Sunday in the city. The steamer St. Croix brought a large number of passengers on Saturday evening, and many of these remained until today.

The Portland Press says that business at Maine hotels has not been what the proprietors expected during the season, but there was a rush the latter part of last week, and this is expected to continue during August.

The Cambridge (Mass.) Times offers this gloomy comment to the general discussion of tourist travel: "It is noticed in New England that there has been a tremendous falling off in travel, amounting to 25 per cent. less than a year ago. Possibly the people have discovered there is no place like home, and are turning their backs on the numerous accidents to excursion trains; the prevalence of typhoid fever as a result of impure drinking water; and the general sagging of business in this part of the country has had the effect of making people both cautious and contented."

Colonel Blaine and Joseph H. Ritchie met the post office corner, Prince William street on Saturday afternoon.

"It is twenty-nine years today," said Mr. Ritchie, "since I first went on duty in the post office. I am now sixty-nine." He responded Colonel Blaine, "since I first went into the establishment of J. & A. McMillan, on the same date, I am now sixty-six years old. I have been a postman for thirty years. I have been a postman for thirty years. I have been a postman for thirty years."

The following Edgemoor have passed the local examinations in musical knowledge of Trinity College, London, England, June 18, and have received their honors certificates: Senior Division—Louise Longley. Intermediate Division—Gwendolyn MacKinnon, Helen E. Ross.

Junior Division—Hilbert E. Mackinlay, Elizabeth Davis, Grace Edwards, Mabel Power, Jessie Ruggles, A. delbora Freeman, Blanche Smith, Mirmie Ernesta Law.

Candidates at Edgemoor schools obtain at least 60 marks for a pass certificate, and 80 marks for an honors certificate.

The Maritime Board. At a meeting of the maritime board of trade the programme for the entertainment of the delegates to the maritime board of trade meeting on August 17th and 18th, was adopted.

This includes a trip to the oil wells at St. Joseph's College by special train on the 18th, and a base ball match on the 19th. An address of welcome will be presented by Mayor Ryan at the opening meeting on the 17th.

There will also be band concerts in the evenings and illuminations.

## REV. DR. SIMPSON

Again Rallies His Forces at Old Orchard, Maine.

Rev. Dr. A. B. Simpson is again at Old Orchard, and his followers are gathering to meet him. Sunday he will preach his first great sermon, having Friday and Saturday only delivered brief addresses.

The sick of body if not of soul, are also at Old Orchard, and for them every sermon, address, prayer and hymn, will have special reference to the spiritual recovery, if such is the will of God.

Whatever may be thought of Dr. Simpson, or of his methods, there can be no doubt of the simple childlike faith of many of his followers. They believe that God does hear and that he does answer prayer, and they are here. "In faith believing," as one said Friday.

"Will he get a record breaking collection?" is a question of great interest. People no longer throw in their pennies and their dimes, but they give largely, quietly, generously and in many cases beyond a doubt they give more than they can afford.—Portland Press, Saturday.

An attempt will be made to secure the largest possible offering for missions. Of late years the old time sensational features have dropped out, or been quietly given up. People no longer throw in their watches and jewelry, but they give largely, quietly, generously and in many cases beyond a doubt they give more than they can afford.—Portland Press, Saturday.

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