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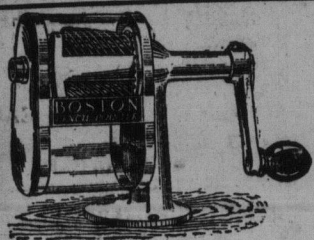
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FIGHTER BATTERY AT CHURCH

(Daily) Capetown Siege Battery attended services at the Main street Baptist church yesterday morning where they listened to a timely and inspiring sermon by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, on "Sonship and Service." The church was well filled and appropriate music

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Rev. A. D. Cormier, now of the Archdiocese of Vancouver, B. C., who has been visiting friends in Dorchester, was in the city on Saturday.

COMMISSIONER McLELLAN REPLIES TO CRITICISMS

Commissioner of Public Safety Writes Regarding His Recommendation of Frank P. Vaughan to Install Fire Alarm Service for West Side Docks and Sheds.

To the Editor of The Standard.
Sir,—The public is entitled to know why one out of many who are permitted to install electrical apparatus in this city was given the contract for the fire alarm service for the West Side docks and sheds.

Mr. Vaughan was selected because he is recognized as the only electrical engineer in the city offering his services to the public. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, of whom there are only five in Canada and only ten hundred and seventy-six in the world.

The fire alarm service is of such importance to the community at large that it is necessary to secure the best electrical brains in our midst to install any additions to that service. This is one of the services which demands that the best work be obtained irrespective of the criticisms of the few, who are simply considering the individual benefit and not the public. It does not always follow that tendering for work and the acceptance of the lowest tender secures the best results.

When the colored lights were placed in King Square the lowest tenderer, Mr. Webb, was given the contract, and his work was most unsatisfactory and has cost the city many dollars to replace inside lamp sockets, which never should have been used for the purpose, with outside sockets adapted for the work. The lamps installed were not of a uniform size and the globes which were colored red and blue did not retain their colors after the first rain-storm or two. All these defects in the work had to be remedied at extra cost to the city, as Mr. Webb refused to make good.

Mr. Webb believes that he installed the present fire alarm service. The following letters will more properly convey to the reader whether Mr. Webb is correct or not in his definition of the word:

St. John, N. B., Sept. 30, 1916.
H. R. McLellan, Esq., Commissioner of Public Safety, City.

Dear Sir,—I am averse to be drawn into a controversy as to whom the credit is due for the installation of the St. John fire alarm, the more so as it cannot be a matter of much public interest, but as my name appeared in the press in connection therewith, and as a question of veracity has arisen, I am constrained to give the facts as I remember them.

The system was constructed in the summer and fall of 1903 by the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co. of New York, under contract with the city authorities, I acting as business representative here of the Gamewell Company.

The former system consisted of one circuit operated by gravity batteries, which circuit was to be divided into six separate box circuits with additional bell circuit. Plans for the work were drawn by A. D. Wheeler, now representative of the New England Gamewell Co., and the preliminary work consisted in the replacing of the iron wire heretofore in use, by insulated weatherproof, triple braided copper wire on the same poles and insulators as had been used in the former circuit. The late Mr. E. P. Leonard, the then superintendent of the fire alarm, was assigned by the department as inspector, he giving this work his strictest personal attention, and it was carried on under his sole instructions and direction.

As the work was necessary for this branch I employed Mr. Hiram Webb as foreman of these, he bringing with him as assistants his sons and I think one or two others, all of whose wages were determined by me. Besides these there were hired by me as the work progressed three or four other men whose names I could give were it at all important.

The duties of Mr. Webb and his fellow men consisted of climbing poles, stringing wires and generally replacing the old lines with the new, and when the circuits were completed it became his work to remove the old boxes from the poles and buildings, set the new ones in their places and connect them up. These in a general way were the duties performed by Mr. Webb and I am not aware that he acted in any other capacity and on the completion of the outside work, which I think was in December, 1903, his connection with myself ceased, and I may say in addition that his work appeared to meet with the approval of Mr. Leonard, the inspector.

Mr. Rogers, a Gamewell expert from Boston, and who is now, I believe, in charge of the Manchester N. H. fire alarm, then came to St. John and set up and connected the switch board, storage battery, repeater and other central station apparatus, thus completing the system, with the exception of Mr. Bowman of this city, who did

the cabinet work at the central station. I do not know of any others who were concerned in the erection of the St. John fire alarm.

In conclusion I may say that I have no doubt that Mr. Piercy, Mr. Shannon and others who were connected with the department in 1903 are cognizant of many of the above facts.

Yours truly,
CHARLES D. JONES.
St. John, N. B., Sept. 30, 1916.
H. R. McLellan, Commissioner Public Safety.

Dear Sir,—Those concerned in the construction of the St. John fire alarm in 1903 were Mr. A. D. Wheeler, the New England agent of the Gamewell Company, Mr. C. D. Jones, who acted as the representative of the Gamewell Company, Mr. Rogers, who set up the central station apparatus, who is now superintendent of the Manchester, N. H. fire alarm, and who put the system in operation, and Mr. E. P. Leonard, superintendent at the time, who in the interest of the city directed the outside work of construction on which Mr. Webb was foreman.

C. W. PIERCY, Supt.
From the above it would appear that Mr. Webb was foreman of the line men, and as such now considers that he installed the system.

This may be all the requirements at present called for in this city to be classed as an electrician, and if so, it is about time that the public is afforded some protection from electrical fires, and also the extra expense of new installation, when insurance engineers demand it or suffer the loss of insurance altogether, or the cost of increased rates.

The recent inspection by insurance engineers revealed the fact that one of the most prominent buildings in this city was wired in, to use their expression, "an abominable manner," and must be changed. Mr. Webb wired that building and Mr. Vaughan is now making the necessary changes to prevent an increase of rates or the removal of insurance.

H. R. McLELLAN.
St. John, N. B., Oct. 1, 1916.

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MARRIAGES.

Mirry-Murray.
A quiet wedding took place at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, 80 Main street, Saturday afternoon at two o'clock when he united in marriage Mrs. Mary Murray and Benjamin Mirry, both of this city. They will make their home on Meadow street.

Deaths Last Week.

Nine deaths were reported to the Board of Health last week. There was one each from the following causes: Senility, inanition, result of burns, premature birth, angina pectoris, paralysis, penit tuberculosis, broncho-pneumonia and ulcer of the stomach.



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Rev. Dr. J. A. Morison Preached on Significance of Word "Dominion", in Carleton Presbyterian Church Yesterday Morning.

The officers and men of the Field Ambulance Training Depot, under command of Major Corbett, paraded to the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning when the Rev. Dr. J. A. Morison preached a forceful and instructive sermon.

The members of the Field Ambulance presented a smart appearance, and as they filed into the church many complimentary remarks were passed by the congregation.

Dr. Morison took for his text, "He shall have dominion," and said in part:

"Our text contains one great word—a word that represents all that we are fighting for today; that word is Dominion.
"Let us think about that word—It is a word that has come to us from the greatest fighting race of antiquity. In its English form it very nearly corresponds to that Latin word of authority, of mastery, of power so familiar to the Roman soldiers and to the Roman citizens—I mean, of course, the word 'Dominus.' That Roman word means 'The Lord,' 'the Master,' 'the Mighty Leader.'"

"For the establishment of his power the intrepid legions of ancient Rome hurled themselves against their national enemies. For the maintenance of his authority these Romans did not only train and equipped soldiers but their best thinkers devised laws, wrought out a peerless constitution and crowned all their other efforts at the task of government by devising and introducing those measures of colonial control which have only been matched by the great Commonwealth of free nations under our flag."

"The word Dominion suggests the centre and substance of the message I bring you today. This word which long ages ago found its place in Holy writ, and which later was accorded a most honorable place among the Romans, has a place of its own in our own Canadian nomenclature and vocabulary."

"We call our country 'the Dominion' and rightly or wrongly some of us seem to feel that not only our name but also our dominant spirit—I mean the spirit of our laws and institutions at their best, are those which must ever become to a very considerable part the characteristic marks of our world-wide Empire."

"Britain is great—Britain was never so great as she is today—but withal Britain is not perfect, and Britain needs in her policies not a few of those principles which have proved their worth throughout our Dominion, which have demonstrated to all the world as apt an utility and efficiency in our domestic life as our Canadian soldiers have manifested on the battlefields of Europe."

"The word Dominion—I cannot get myself away from it this morning—I do not want to get away from it—none of us must ever get away from it. Soldiers of the king take it with you to the battlefield—fellow citizens take it with you to your homes and to your daily work. It is a conqueror's word—used by the greatest soldiers, governors and citizens of antiquity. It is a holy word. It is found in a Holy Book. We found it there this morning. It is staring me in the face as I talk to you. It is a great, big, prophetic, victorious word. Listen to it in its Scripture setting. It stands in the verse among the other words like a captain over his men—imparting to them tone and color and force and glory. Let me direct your attention to it. 'He shall have Dominion also from sea to sea and from the river unto the ends of the earth.'"

"There is only one greater word in all the text than this word Dominion, and that is the word and good only when it involves and represents the Spirit and laws and the love of God. I cannot speak the word Dominion without thinking of two things—the first is my country, and the second is my God."

"You have learned the why of the second—our text makes it all so plain. It is God that shall have Dominion over all the earth. What a word of hope to a world that today is torn and lacerated by the poisoned claw of the devil. And in effecting this splendid and earnestly longed-for consummation our country, Canada, must have a large and notable share. I cannot but here recall the manner in which our land got its name—the glorious, stainless name of the 'Dominion.'"

"The fathers of Confederation were assembled and the matter was under consideration as to what name should be given to these united provinces. I cannot but here recall the manner in which our land got its name—the glorious, stainless name of the 'Dominion.'"

Canada. Surely the Lord had chosen the name, and these venerable fathers of our country listened to Sir Leonard's plea. His words were those of a prophet statesman to them, and so they were accepted, and the God-given name was conferred upon our land, and now after all these years it has been confirmed to her as she has willingly submitted to the baptism of her maturity, wherein plunged deep in the blood of her valiant sons she has received from the Most High the pledge, by this sacramental rite, both of death and life—of death to the old and of life to the new that is to be. The old world is passing—the new world is almost come. In this war two opposite ideals of nationhood are being brought into collision. The future of humanity has breathlessly awaited the issue. Over against the ideal of the super-state which is the ideal of the Prussian hegemony, by which every state which she fails to conquer must forever become an armed camp, we with our allies have dared to assert the principles of nationality, of freedom, of democracy, of a Christian commonwealth, of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God—He shall have Dominion also from sea to sea and from the river unto the ends of the earth. A great goal to fight for, a noble end to gain, a glorious victory to win, the liberty of humanity, the Dominion of God. Well may we all join with the inspired Psalmist in declaring, as we have it in the Latin version of the Psalm, 'Et dominabitur a mari usque ad altum, et a flumine usque ad terminos terrarum.'"

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