

AROUND THE CITY

Study Class this Afternoon. The diocesan W. A. Study Class will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in St. James' school house.

Good Roads. W. B. Tennant and R. D. Patterson returned last evening from Fredericton where they met the government on behalf of the Good Roads Association.

Queens County Couple Wed. Yesterday afternoon, at the parsonage of the Victoria street Baptist church, Margaret Beatrice Carney, of McDonald's Corner, Queens county, was united in marriage to Mr. Merritt Phillip Huestis, a prosperous blacksmith of Upper James, Queens county.

A Memorial Tablet. The tablet, which has been placed in St. Andrew's church as a memorial to the late Hon. William Fagan, will be unveiled on Sunday evening, March 9th.

Will Be Good Roads Exhibit. The members of the Good Roads Association, as well as all interested in the question, both in the city and throughout the province, will be given a chance to see a Good Roads exhibit shown here in the Maritime Motor Show to be held the last of the month.

52nd Officers Hold Smoker. An enjoyable and successful smoker was held by the officers of the 52nd Regiment in their mess rooms last night. Besides the officers of the regiment there were present as guests the officers of the artillery and medical corps and a number of stragglers.

NEW BY-LAWS PROPOSED FOR BOARD OF TRADE

Provision Whereby Persons who have Performed Signal Service for City may Become Honorary Members.

According to the proposed new by-laws for the Board of Trade it will not be always necessary to put up \$25 a year to become a member. It is proposed to create an honorary membership, eligible to persons who have performed some signal service for the City of St. John.

Sec. 20 says: The fees for membership shall be twenty-five dollars per annum, payable in advance, and due immediately after election to membership.

PRESENTATIONS TO MEDICAL SOCIETY

Two Valuable Gifts Presented Last Evening - One Comes from Toronto Physician through Dr. MacLaren.

The fortnightly meeting of the St. John Medical Society held last night was marked by two interesting presentations. The first of these was the presentation of a retro-scope made by Mrs. Sheffield, widow of Dr. M. Sheffield, for many years a practitioner in this city.

The other gift, which was presented through Dr. Murray MacLaren, was equally interesting and valuable, being the original address by the late Dr. Bayard, several years ago at the meeting of the Canadian Medical Society in London, Ont., the year he held the office of president of the society.

PRINCIPAL PETERSON, OF MCGILL, WANTS MORE MONEY AND SHORT DAY

Eminent Educationalist, Himself a Liberal, Says Both Parties Should have Agreed on Emergency Gift - Permanent Policy Could have been Worked Out Later.

It seems a pity that parliament could not have agreed on a contribution to the Imperial Navy without all this trouble," said Principal Peterson of McGill University, when seen at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

A great and growing country like Canada can afford to make a gift to the British people. I think it would have been better if the two parties had agreed on making a contribution. Afterwards they could have taken up the question of making out a permanent policy, and fought as hard as they like over whether they want a Canadian navy or not.

Technical Education. Speaking of the movement for technical education in Canada, Principal Peterson said its importance was becoming more and more recognized, and that some progress was being made.

McGill Improvements. At McGill arrangements are being made for big improvements in connection with the campus. On the extension of the main building, the new Mount Royal, between the Royal Victoria Hospital and Fletcher's Field, which has been presented to the university, it is intended to build a grand residence for the students.

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Provincial Superintendent of Immigration Gets Advice to this Effect - Will Help Pay Passage of Worthy Immigrants to this Province.

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When the provincial immigration office was opened it was difficult to secure positions for newcomers. The native farmers had a great faith in agricultural labor from the old countries, and they were not in the habit of employing much labor anyway.

With the work of Mr. Bowden on the other side, the showing of moving pictures of the province, and hundreds of satisfied settlers writing back home about the opportunities here, New Brunswick is becoming better and more favorably known and is beginning to get a considerable number of settlers.

Besides, it has not been the policy of the provincial department to get people to come here irrespective of whether there was anything for them to do or not. It was considered better that efforts should be made to place everybody brought out, instead of dumping them here to shift for themselves.

FIRE DOES \$3,000 DAMAGE TO MAYNES & RILEY'S MILL

About 9:40 o'clock last night fire was discovered in the cornmeal mill owned by Maynes and Riley, at 81 City Road, and an alarm was sent in from box 241. The fire caught in the upper story, near the roof, and was extinguished by the firemen.

The sky was brightly illuminated by the fire and a very large crowd assembled to watch the blaze. In quick time the firemen had a number of streams working and being able to fight it from all sides and from the roof they were not more than an hour at work when the fire was extinguished.

It is estimated that the loss to the mill and contents will amount to at least \$3,000, as it was a good building and was well stocked with oats and corn. It is fully insured, but, last night, Mr. Maynes was unable to say the exact amount.

Only yesterday a carload of corn, valued at \$700, was placed in the bins and in addition to these there was a large quantity of bags. Mr. Maynes states that these will be a total loss. The mill was badly damaged on the upper story and the contents were damaged by both fire and water.

After the fire had been extinguished Mr. Maynes accompanied Chief Kerr through the building in an effort to ascertain if they could, the cause of the fire, but they were unable to find out anything. Mr. Maynes explains that the nearest fire in the building to the part which was burned, is about fifty feet and he strongly believes that the factory blaze was the work of an incendiary.

Well-Tailored Spring Suits. Spring suits in abundance at Dykeman's. This season they have made special preparation for extensive business in ladies' tailored suits and near-by all the girls they have ordered have come in and their suit department now offers a great showing of most striking and well-tailored suits at most economical prices.

Masons Want Eight Hours and Increased Wages After May 1st - Woodworkers Discuss Labor Temple.

The skilled laborers of the city are out for shorter hours. They feel that they are justified in making the demand, and as they are strongly organized it appears as though after May 1st they will be working on the eight hour day system.

At a largely attended meeting of local lodge No. 918, Carpenters and Joiners' Union, in the Opera House building, last night, at which were present representatives from the Trades and Labor Council, the matter of securing a labor temple was fully discussed.

The masons in the city are now receiving \$4.05 per day, and they are after, it is said, an increase to \$4.40 per day, besides a reduction in the working day to eight hours.

At the meeting in the Opera House building last night, W. F. Hatheway addressed the gathering. He sized up the labor situation in the district with that in the other provinces, stating that in the province of Quebec the average salary per head paid to factory employees was \$103 a year in advance, which was paid in New Brunswick.

The other speakers of the evening were: James L. Sugrue, president of the Trades and Labor Council; A. W. Reynolds, George Redmore and C. E. Bettinson.

FOUR CASES IN POLICE COURT

Prisoners Remanded on Various Charges - May Johnston May Get Chance to Leave City for Maine.

Four prisoners were arraigned before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court yesterday afternoon. Joseph Stewart, charged with bigamy, was again remanded to jail. Kate Barrigan, found guilty of being an inmate of a Sheffield street bawdy house, who has been in jail for some weeks, awaiting sentence, was again remanded to jail, much to her displeasure.

William Forrester, an 18 year old youth, charged with stealing a pair of skates and boots from the Victoria rink, was asked what he had to say for himself. He stated he could not account for stealing the articles. He took them but did not know why. He was remanded to jail until the clerk's office has been able to have a talk with him and perhaps arrangements may be made to give him his liberty under suspended sentence as he is a very serious trouble.

May Johnston, a Scotch woman, was found guilty of being the proprietor of a disorderly house on Brunton street and her case took up a longer time than those of the other prisoners. The magistrate told her relatives to read in the papers that she was mixed up in such a charge.

When arraigned, the Johnston, had very little to say in court but yesterday afternoon she was quite talkative. In answer to questions she said she did not attend any church as she did not think it proper for her to attend church and live as she had been living. When asked about her father she said he had died when she was but six years of age, in Scotland, and that she did not remember anything about him; as for her mother, she was alive but she did not know where.

The prisoner explained that she came to this country from Scotland when she was thirteen years of age and she did not know anything about her mother.

When asked why she did not go out and work with some family in the city where she could earn a dollar a day as a domestic, the prisoner said she did not care to work here; that she had a small sum of money saved and she had a chance to sell what furniture she possessed would leave the city and go to Houlton or Bangor where she had worked before.

His Honor said the evidence given before him by the police showed her house was a very bad one. There was loud talking, swearing and much disorder in the place and, finally, a man ordered to leave her door badly beaten and severely injured, was freckled the citizen, the house was frequented by men and women of bad character. She was remanded to jail to give her a chance to arrange for the settling of her furniture and the matter will then decide if it will give her the opportunity to get out of the city.

PERSONAL

W. A. and Geo. H. Plimpton returned last evening to their homes in Waterbury, Conn., having been called here by the death of their mother.

Mrs. D. W. Stewart of Newcastle is visiting friends in St. John.

Mrs. F. L. Grant, who has been visiting her father, W. R. Wood in this city, has gone to join her husband in Buffalo, N. Y.

Girl Show Return Engagement. Two hours of birth and popular music will be offered by the Marcus Minstrel Maids at the Opera House beginning this afternoon and for the balance of the week. An all new programme and an augmented chorus of fifteen young ladies is promised.

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