

BRANCH ROAD WAS "TAKEN OVER" Dr. McAllister's Words Made Good in Much Different Way from What He Led People to Expect.

Albert, Jan. 9.—Quite a flutter of excitement was created in this village Saturday when an engine with a train of flat cars was run down from Hillsboro with a large crew of men, and the rails lately taken from the Harvey Branch Railway quickly loaded upon the cars and the special run out on the return trip.

At the time these rails were removed from the road bed in the parish of Harvey last summer by John Garland of Elgin, and a crew of men, strong protests were made by Captain George A. Cosman, a shareholder, and one of the old Harvey Branch Railway Company, and others, disputing the right of Mr. Garland or those employing him to take up and remove the rails.

It was understood that an appeal was made to the Attorney General of the province concerning the matter at that time, with the result that the work of removing the rails was discontinued. They were piled beside the Salisbury and Albert tracks here ever since, until last Saturday.

Not much information was received from Mr. Larsen, the foreman of the crew of men who loaded the cars, but it was understood from him that A. Sherwood, manager of the Salisbury and Albert, and the Central Railway, had purchased the rails from W. B. Jonah, the solicitor for parties holding a judgment of the Supreme Court against the Harvey Branch Railway.

The only joke, which was really appreciated by parties interested in the Harvey Branch over this whole matter was the one cracked by John Garland. The first day, Mr. Garland with his crew began lifting the rails and loading them on team wagons on the Harvey side of the Shepody river, preparatory to hauling them over the highway bridge into the parish of Hopewell.

An elderly gentleman always financially concerned in the line, approached the foreman and asked:—"What does this mean, sir, what are you doing to our railroad?" Mr. Garland stopped close to his questioner's side and in low and respectful tones replied:—"Well, Captain, you remember Dr. McAllister promised that if he was elected, this road should be taken over, I am here to do that now, and as fast as we can load our teams we will take it over."

Two car loads of fine beef cattle for St. John butchers were shipped here Saturday morning. Among the stock raisers who made up the shipment were—E. B. Baker, A. S. Milton, J. Stiles, Valentine Smith, and Howard Woodworth.

Harry Kirsh has leased a part of the residence and premises of Roscoe Fillmore, and has taken possession. On Friday evening last a social party was held at the residence of Vaughan, and was much enjoyed by the large number of young people who were the invited guests.

IN THE COURTS

CHANCERY DIVISION. In the Chancery Division which opened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, the trial of the case of J. J. McGinnis vs. Willet Fruit Co., Ltd., was commenced. M. G. Teed, K. C., appeared for the plaintiff, and A. A. Wilson, K. C., and J. King Kelley for the defendant. This is an action to determine the ownership of a wall between the properties of the plaintiffs on Dock street. The plaintiff claims that the ownership vests in him exclusively, while on the other hand the defendant alleges that it is a party wall and that they have a title by prescription.

H. H. Mott, William Murdoch, C. E., Dr. D. A. Pugsley, R. B. Humphrey and the plaintiff testified yesterday. This closed the plaintiff's case, the defence will open theirs this morning at 10.30.

PROBATE COURT.

S. Z. Dickson Estate. Estate of Sylvester Zobieskie Dickson, merchant. Last will proved, whereby deceased gave to his wife, Eleanor, his farm, situate at Jubilee, parish of Robesay, together with the stock, farming implements and everything connected therewith, also his household effects; to his son, George A. Dickson, his business and everything connected therewith, including book debts, notes of hand, horses, etc.; his stock and bonds the directs shall be equally divided between his wife, his sons, the above named and Edgar, and his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Simon. He nominates his son, George A. Dickson and his brother, Hedley V. Dickson, executors, and sufficient cause being shown, probate is issued without waiting the usual lapse of fourteen days from the death of deceased. Real estate \$2,000. Personal estate \$23,000, besides life insurance. Jack H. A. L. Firfirwater, proctor.

Mary B. Gilbert Estate. Estate of Mary B. Gilbert. Return of citation to pass the accounts of the Rev. Wm. C. Gaynor, the executor. After reading the affidavits of publication, posting and service of the citation, further hearing adjourned until Thursday, 19th inst., at 11 a. m. Stephen B. Bustin, proctor for the executor, Daniel Mullin, K. C., Amos A. Wilson, K. C., and E. P. Raymond proctor for the devisees and legatees.

Golf Links off Sale. One of the consequences of the boom in real estate is that the St. John Golf Club will probably be forced to look for other quarters. The property on which their clubs are located is owned by the Parks, Millidge and DeVeber estates, the golf club holding it by lease. It is stated that the land will be thrown open for building. The golfers are looking for a new site, and it is said a suitable property has been found near Fair-

COUNCIL FAVORS PLEBISCITE ON COMMISSION GOVERNMENT

Continued from page 1. city for which they were obliged to make a special grant, should look after the parks and squares on the West Side.

The Vote Results. Ald. Scully's motion for a grant to the West Side parks, was decided by the casting vote of the mayor, who declared against it.

The motion to give the Agricultural Society \$300 and the Every Day Club \$250 carried, over Ald. Scully and McLeod voting against them.

When the estimates were taken up Ald. Scully moved for the larger appropriation of \$5,100 asked for by the safety board to put on extra policemen. He thought the New Year's disturbance was not sufficient excuse.

"It has apparently never occurred to the safety board," he said, "that they should make an investigation to find out why only two inexperienced policemen were stationed near King Square on New Year's eve."

Continuing he said he was in favor of voting money for better police protection on the West Side.

Ald. Scully said the police should do their duty and they would be backed up by the citizens. He moved that the appropriation for police purposes be \$47,500.

Ald. Elkin called attention to the fact that the police expenditure had doubled in 10 years, yet St. John was essentially a large city.

Ald. Vanwart read a memorandum, showing that American cities with about the same population had more policemen than St. John. Most of these cities had also a patrol wagon system, he added.

Ald. Sprout was in favor of more policemen, but thought they could get along with two policemen in Carleton. He moved that the appropriation be \$48,000.

Ald. Potts said the reason that good order prevailed in Carleton was that two policemen were kept on duty at the east side ferry slip to pick up drunken men. He said that if the city had a police alarm and patrol wagon it would not need more policemen. St. John was behind the times in many respects. He thought the aldermen would stand in the way of good government if they did not vote for the appropriation asked for.

Ald. Elkin thought \$47,500 was enough. If the chief of police had shown himself on New Year's eve and proved unable to deal with the trouble, the council would have been ready to give him more men.

Ald. Smith said a man lost his life in Carleton the other day owing to the lack of police protection. They had only 14 policemen by day and one by night. If they weren't all God-fearing people they would all be killed.

Ald. Jones opposed the increase of the police force. Good order was maintained years ago with a smaller force. He thought the council was full blast, and there was more drunkenness than now.

Long Chats Together. Ald. McGoldrick said the police might have long chats, but they also had long chats together. He thought one or two good men should have been able to control the boys' arrests for participation in the New Year's riot.

Ald. Scully's motion to make the police appropriation \$47,500 was carried. The estimate for the maintenance of fire hydrants aroused some discussion.

Ald. Elkin said only twelve new hydrants were asked for. The Mayor said the good of twelve new hydrants when 150 are needed.

Ald. White said new mains were as much needed as fire hydrants. Three or four new pipes had been ordered in various places, but little had been done. He thought the engineer had mapped out a plan to lay a number of new mains this year.

The estimates were passed. The report of the Board of Works was adopted, with the exception of the section relating to the application of the Union Foundry and Machine Works Ltd., for a lease of land on the southeastern side of Union street, nearly opposite their foundry.

The Mayor said that the recommendation in the matter involved the alienation of the harbor front. The recorder, when asked his opinion, said he had advised that the city could not lease the portion of the public slip asked for. As to the other, he had nothing to do with leasing it, as no legal question was involved.

Ald. Elkin said that lot No. 1, in block D and such portion of lot 8, in block D now under lease to the Dominion government, as was asked for, did not include a portion of the harbor front that could be used for navigation purposes.

"Pulman" Holdup.

The report of the Market Committee was then taken up. In reference to the section reporting that certain persons had been visited for five months, Ald. Potts said it looked to him like a penny-wise pound-foolish policy. He thought the market committee had perpetrated a hold-up, something like the Pulman hold-up.

If the market committee had been fair, it would have amended the by-law and not started to impose them on the tenants by the Pulman hold-up. The market committee had acted like a lot of children.

Ald. Jones thought the committee should be arranged until they had had a chance to remedy the conditions they had found in the market. The section was adopted.

The adoption of the report as a whole, Ald. Scully moved that Mr. Dunham be reinstated as clerk of the market. Ald. Elkin seconded this.

Ald. Elkin thought the motion was a mistake. Mr. Dunham was a worthy man, but the council should wait for a recommendation from the market committee before reconsidering the motion suspending Mr. Dunham.

Ald. Scully said Mr. Dunham had been carrying out the instructions of those over him. He thought they should get after the heads, and remove the ban from the market.

Stand of Committee. Ald. White said the committee had come to the conclusion that Mr. Dunham was a worthy man, but that they should wait for a recommendation from the market committee before reconsidering the motion.

Ald. Vanwart said that the market committee had never considered whether Mr. Dunham should be reinstated.

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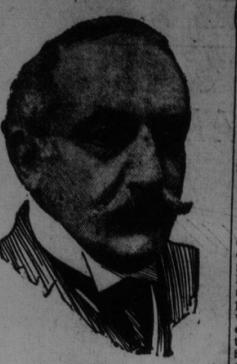
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NEW PRESIDENT TERRIFYING THAT OF ARGENTINA HAS EXPECTED



DR. SANENZ PENA.

Who has just moved into Argentina's "white house," and has announced his intention of making the South American republic the chief producer of the world's grain and meat supplies, taking from North America that distinction. The Argentine Republic has in the past few years made immense strides forward in the world of nations. It is making its influence felt in the world's markets.

WORKED WONDERS IN THIS CASE

Rheumatism And Weak Heart Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

The Doctor helped Mrs. Stephen Roy, but there was no complete cure till she tried Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Rock Mills, Grey Co., Ont., Jan. 9.—(Special).—"I must say Dodd's Kidney Pills worked wonders in my case," says Mrs. Stephen Roy of this place. "I suffered with inflammatory Rheumatism in my right arm, and though I tried several remedies the swelling increased and was very painful. My hands and limbs were also badly swollen."

"I got a doctor and he helped me, but the swelling never entirely left. He said it was because my heart was weak. Then I decided to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and, as I said before, they worked wonders."

Rheumatism of any kind is caused by disordered kidneys falling to drain the uric acid out of the blood. Dodd's Kidney Pills cure it by curing the kidneys. They also cure the weak heart by making pure blood and lessening that organ's work of propelling the blood through the body.

Dodd's Kidney Pills only cure the kidneys, but healthy kidneys you can't have Rheumatism, Lumbago, Heart Disease, Dropsy or Bright's Disease.

The Bills and By-Laws Committee be requested to prepare and submit to the legislature a bill providing that civic taxes be based on land values, with a business license and poll tax.

Ald. Scully said the committee should have definite instructions. Ald. Hayes thought the present assessors should see that vacant lots were valued.

Ald. Potts thought the aldermen should know something about taxation. The present assessment act taxed the property and personal property. It prevented the city progressing as rapidly as it ought. Vacant land was held for speculative purposes. He instanced a block on Prince Willet street owned by Montreal parties.

Ald. McGoldrick said they ought to have a chap named Henry George put on the Bills and By-Laws Committee. The Mayor said he thought the matter had not been given enough consideration. He thought the motion should have asked for amendments to the assessment act.

Ald. Potts said he proposed something quite new. He wanted the old assessment act thrown out altogether. The motion to reform the taxation system was lost, only Aldermen Potts, Holder, Vanwart, Christie and Russell voting for it.

Ald. Potts moved that any alderman wishing to be appointed to a position in the city's employ, must resign 30 days before his application is referred to council. The motion was adopted.

A resolution to convey the fore-shores of Courtenay Bay to the Government, provided the Government maintained the sewers running through them, was adopted.

West Side Transfer. The Recorder made a statement in regard to the negotiations over the West Side transfer. He said that the C. P. R. would not agree to insert a recital which would provide that the company would use the property for the purpose of developing the harbor. The difficulties in regard to the sewers and other matters could be arranged. The question now was whether the city was willing to give the land to the C. P. R. without any stipulation in regard to the purposes for which it should be used.

Ald. Elkin said they ought to trust the C. P. R. He moved that the Recorder make the conveyance without requiring the C. P. R. to designate the uses of the property.

The Mayor said he thought the transfer would be a benefit to St. John. But the city had met the company more than half way—had in fact purchased nearly all points raised by the C. P. R. In view of this he thought the city should have backbone enough to stand up and say that some clause should be placed in the agreement defining the purpose for which the land was to be conveyed. If the C. P. R. would not agree to this, then the negotiations would doubtless fall through.

The matter was allowed to drop. Ald. Potts introduced a motion that adjourned.

Famous English Actor Given Ovation When He Appeared in Favorite Play Last Evening—Strong Support

Once more St. John has had an opportunity of seeing Edward Terry, the famous English actor, in the role which he has made particularly his own, that of Dick Phenyl in Sir Arthur Pinero's well known play of Sweet Lavender.

Mr. Terry and an excellent company opened a brief engagement in the Opera House last evening, and it was in the role for which he holds the long service record of the English stage, that the star made his first appearance of the week. There was a very large audience in attendance and every evening the evening's entertainment proved an artistic treat. Such an occasion comes but seldom and the present opportunity should not be neglected.

St. John has been criticized, and possibly with some show of justice, for its lack of appreciative discrimination in matters relating to the theatre. Unfortunately the true cause of fault has been fostered to some extent by some newspaper writers who are prone to apply the warm coloring of the character actor's art, respectively to the city, irrespective of their merit. Such an error could not be made in the case of Mr. Terry for the warmest praise of his work and of his company would be but a mere repetition of fact. Last evening he gave theatre goers a glimpse of the very highest and most subtle achievement of the character actor's art, convincing by its simplicity, such as has not been the privilege of a St. John audience to witness since Mr. Terry's previous appearance here some years ago.

Sweet Lavender, as a play, is a study in subdued tones, a little story as sweet as the flower which gives the heroine her name—a play to be remembered for its sweetness rather than for any strength in the plot or shrewdness in its development.

Characters Well Fitted. The characters are well drawn and fit one to another like cunningly wrought sections of a well-matched machine. In this it bears the unmistakable mark of the British dramatist who turns out the finished product for the consumption of actors and actresses, rather than a dominating role for one star and small parts for his support.

In the role of Dick Phenyl, a briefless barrister, who, judged from worldly standards would be accounted a failure, but who is in the possession of a heart of gold and a delicate whimsical humor, Mr. Terry was superb, and it was easily understandable why he has met with the unusual success of the characterization before the most exacting audiences in the world. He possesses in a greater degree than any other actor in this city the faculty of getting his meaning across the footlights, gaining an instant hold on the sympathy of his audience and gripping them by the marvelous artistry of his presentation, rather than by any great strength in the written lines. His characterization is essentially one of "business." While he stars in the more serious roles of dramatic art he possesses, nevertheless, numerous little whimsicalities of gesture and expression which blend perfectly with the more serious parts.

It is difficult to say just when he was at his best, but in the opinion of many in the audience his drunken scene came very near to the acme of art. His question of the scene with Clement, his sprightly lines, "our Aunt" or his grief and remorse at the knowledge of his inability to keep his promise to abstain from drink all showed the true dramatic genius which was traditionally correct. He will be a long time before another actor can equal Edward Terry's Dick Phenyl, as witnessed in St. John, a production to be smiled at through a mist of tears.

Excellent Support. As Lavender, Miss Christine Rayner was the sweet innocent lass the audience loved, and she made an excellent impression, which was to say the least, affords little opportunity for anything more than the assessment of a type.

Miss Barton, in the emotional role of Ruth Roll, realized the opportunities of her part and played it through with ability. As Minnie, Miss Kathleen Leigh to whom Mother Nature has been very kind, she was the lively English girl who, in the life of Miss Leigh, has a splendid stage appearance and her work in her role showed an artistic perception.

Miss Eugenie Verne, in the role of Mrs. Gilliland, presented such true conception of the society matron with her daughter's welfare on one conjure up a dozen women or one's acquaintance of which she was the prototype.

Aside from the star of the evening probably the most notable work was done by Robert Pateman in the role of Geoffrey Wedderburn. His was not a long part, but a most important one to the development of the story and the few minutes he was on the stage he showed that he was the possessor of great ability.

Perival Mawewick as Clement Katholn, the hustling American, supporting parts, a juvenile lover, being more to heart than head. He was did well with the role. Mr. Dexter as Dr. Delaney, Mr. Bell as Bulger, and Mr. Steele as Maw were seen in minor character parts. Temple Powel gave a very good representation of Horace Brown, the hustling American, and compared favorably with the actor who essayed this part in Mr. Terry's previous company.

The scenery was adequate and the entire production well staged and handled. It might not be amiss to say a word regarding the audience. There were a number of late comers and they might very well have waited at the rear of the theatre until the conclusion of the act rather than disturbing those already seated by passing their seats. In this respect St. John audiences do not compare favorably with those of other cities, but the defect can very easily be remedied.

Tonight Mr. Terry and company will be seen in The Magistrate, a Pinero farce in three acts.

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CUBS GET WILLIS FROM ST. LOUIS TEAM

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Pitcher Vic Willis of the St. Louis Nationals, has been awarded to the Chicago Nationals, Word was received from President Lynch of the National League yesterday that the Chicago club had won Willis away from Cincinnati by lot.

Manager Griffiths of Cincinnati refused to waive claim to the veteran pitcher when the St. Louis club sought to dispose of his services to the Baltimore Eastern league team. Knowing that Manager Chance thought well of Willis, President Murphy of the Chicago Nationals also interposed to secure him. That made it necessary to draw lots and the luck of the drawing was with Chicago.

The pitcher was obtained in Chicago at the waiver price of \$1500.

M'GILL WINS AGAIN FROM AMERICANS

New York, Jan. 9.—The hockey team of McGill University of Montreal, defeated the Crescent Athletic Club seven by 3 goals to 2 here tonight.

The game was exciting from start to finish, the team work of the Canadians featuring the match.

PACKEY COMES BACK.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 9.—Packey McFarland, of Chicago, won the decision over Johnny McCarthy, of San Francisco, in a ten round bout here tonight.

Insurance Changes. Ralph A. March, has been appointed manager for the Province of New Brunswick for the Travellers' Life Assurance Company of Canada. Mr. March assumes his new duties at once. H. L. Cole, of Kentville, N. S., has been appointed manager for Nova Scotia and removes to Halifax, N. S., at once to assume control there. Mr. Cole is in the city accompanied by the general manager of the company, Geo. H. Allan, Montreal. The Travellers' Life Assurance Company of some of the best commercial salesmen in the Maritime Provinces, having recently engaged John Ogilvie, of St. John, formerly of Gault Bros. Montreal, as manager for British Columbia, and Geo. McBean, of Halifax, N. S., formerly of the Ogilvie Flour Mills, as manager for the Island of Montreal. The Travellers' Life Assurance Company of Canada purposes opening offices in this city at once.

LATE SHIPPING.

Halifax, Jan. 9.—Arrived—Strs. Preston, Glasgow. Str. John's. Nfld. Jan. 9.—Arrived—Str. Carthagenian, Glasgow. Liverpool, Jan. 8.—Tunisian, St. John, N.B.

Portsmouth, N.H., Jan. 9.—Sailed—Schr. Hatlie Shipman, St. John N.B. New York N.Y., Jan. 9.—Sailed—Schr. Waegwolt for Lunenburg, N.S.

POLICE COURT.

Joseph Chamberlain, aged 19, who makes the fourteenth young man arrested as a result of the New Year's Eve trouble, was yesterday committed for trial on the charge of being one of a riotous and tumultuous assembly. Surety of \$1,000 being accepted, G. Searly Logan, who represented the prisoner, at the outset agreed to the admission of the testimony previously given regarding the riotous and disorderly character of the mob. Joseph Chamberlain in the crowd, following Police-men Perry and Wittren along the north side of King Square and of hearing defendant call out "Sausage" and "Sourkraut." Perry saw the prisoner at Breeze's Corner and again at the head of King street. On the former occasion he was with the crowd. William Melanson was remanded on a charge of stealing two boards from the Sussex Milk Co. on Pond street, after Officer Wittren had given evidence of seeing the defendant walk off with the two boards in front of the Sussex Milk Co.'s store on Sunday.

IN ROPED ARENA.

Sam Langford, who was unjustly barred from boxing in Philadelphia, is to be allowed to appear there again. Perhaps he will not want to, as he has been doing pretty well in other cities. It would be a good thing if their managers but in other places. Joe Woodman, a manager of Porky Flynn, received a cable message last Wednesday from promoter McIntosh in London, asking Woodman to send Flynn to England at once so that he could box Battling Jim Johnson, the colored American heavyweight, on Feb. 2. As Flynn has couple of matches in this country Woodman wired that it was impossible for Flynn