

### AROUND THE CITY

**O. H. Warwick's Condition.**  
O. H. Warwick, who is dangerously ill with pneumonia at his home, was reported to be resting more easily last evening.

**Lady Fraser To Speak.**  
Lady Fraser, wife of Sir Andrew, will address the Ladies' Canadian Club in the Natural History Society rooms this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

**Injured Saturday.**  
John Chaloner was badly injured in a runaway Saturday morning, was reported to be resting comfortably at the hospital last evening.

**Belt Found.**  
Policeman McNamee found a lady's belt on Dock street, Saturday and the owner can receive the same on application at central police station.

**To Resume This Evening.**  
The private assembly held in Temple of Honor Hall, which had been unavoidably postponed on account of the Temple Fair, will resume this evening.

**Warehouse Door Open.**  
Yesterday morning about 10.30 o'clock Detective Eileen found Northrup and Co.'s warehouse door on Ward street open and secured the same with rings and locks. The key can be obtained at the central police station.

**D. A. R. Shops.**  
A despatch from Montreal dated on Wednesday last says that a deputation of leading citizens of Yarmouth, N. S., is in town to interview Sir Thomas Shaughnessy regarding the removal of the shops of the D. A. R. from Kentville to Yarmouth.

**A Correction.**  
In the report of the law examinations at Fredericton the name of Geo. P. O. Fenwick should have appeared as leading the class in the written examinations for admission as attorney-at-law. Mr. Fenwick ranked first on the list.

**River Will Soon Close.**  
The business on the St. John river is thought to be now about to a close, as the river is freezing over with every cold snap. The steam tug Alice R., with twenty scows loaded with lumber, arrived from Fredericton Saturday night. This is expected to be the last tow of the season.

**Fell From Staging.**  
John Ross, a carpenter, while at work fixing the windows in the rear of the custom house Saturday afternoon, fell from the staging about 17 feet to the sidewalk. He had a very narrow escape from being killed; as it was his ankle was badly sprained and his hands were cut. He was taken home in a coach.

**Sons of Temperance.**  
In the Loyalist Division Sons of Temperance hall, Paradise Row, last evening a gospel temperance meeting was held at which a large number were present. An interesting address was given by A. C. M. Lawson on the subject of temperance. Special music was rendered during the evening. R. B. Addison presided, and Mrs. R. Cotter acted as accompanist.

**Good Templars.**  
The Rev. Thomas Marshall, of Sackville, addressed the meeting of Thorne Lodge, I. O. O. F., yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Mr. Marshall is one of the charter members of the lodge and he gave a very interesting address on temperance. E. N. Stockford presided and the lodge was honored by the presence of A. G. N. Lawson, Grand Chief Templar of the order. Miss Bertha Campbell sang a solo.

**Hypocrite vs. Liar.**  
An interesting debate was held yesterday afternoon in the rooms of St. Peter's Y. M. C. A. The subject furnished an occasion for unlimited display of argument and oratory and was taken advantage of by the speakers. After hearing the arguments of both sides V. D. Shea, who acted as arbiter, declared the hypocrite more despicable than the liar. The winning side was led by R. Hansen, who was assisted by Joseph Smith and Edw. McBratney. The other side was upheld by J. J. McDonnell, J. P. Rooney and Leo Dever.

**Every Day Club Meeting.**  
The Every Day Club hall was crowded last evening. Rev. H. A. Cody delivered a brilliant address on Manhood. The minister of Jesus, in its length, breadth and height, was held up as the great example, and Mr. Cody asked if we dare to have lower aims. The various points in his discourse were illustrated in a striking way, some of the illustrations being drawn from his experience in the Yukon. Charles S. Humbert, who presided, asked ladies willing to assist the club in holding a rummage sale to meet with the club members this evening at 8 o'clock. The club will give an entertainment on Monday evening, Nov. 27th.

**To Improve Service.**  
The annual meeting of the Eastern Press Association, which comprises practically all the daily papers in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, will be held at Moncton on Friday of this week. Less than a year ago this association was formally organized, chiefly for the purpose of controlling the Canadian Press service in this territory. The arrangement entered into when the plan was first launched was in the nature of an experiment, and although the service has been satisfactory in certain respects, still there are weaknesses which it is believed can eventually be overcome. At a recent meeting of the association held in Halifax it was decided to look into the matter of a leased wire from Montreal to Halifax for the morning paper service, and representatives were sent to Montreal and Toronto to go more fully into this question. These representatives will report at the Moncton meeting and final action will be taken to complete what is expected will give the maritime newspapers a much improved news service.

### PERSONALS

E. A. Powers, of Montreal, is in the city the guest of Mrs. E. S. Hennigar, 26 Orange street.  
Mrs. W. B. Hentz and daughter, Phyllis, are guests of Mrs. H. C. Simons, 75 Mecklenburg street.  
His many friends in St. John will regret to learn that Matthew Neilson is seriously ill at his home in Montreal. Mr. Neilson has been confined to his bed for the past month by an attack of pleurisy which followed a heavy cold.

### TO INCREASE TAX ON VACANT LANDS

**Recommendation to be Made to Common Council this Evening—Report of Committee of Mayor's Address.**

A special meeting of the common council will be held this evening at which the committee on the Mayor's inaugural address will bring in a report, making a number of important recommendations looking to the adoption of the land tax in St. John. The question has been under discussion for some time, and it is expected some definite action will be taken by the aldermen this evening.

It is understood that the committee will recommend that 50 per cent. of the valuation of all buildings and improvements be exempted from taxation, and that the difference be made up by increasing the tax on land. An important feature of the report is that it will recommend that the tax rate on vacant lots be double the tax on occupied and improved land. This recommendation is made with the object of forcing holders of vacant lots to build upon them and either provide increased housing accommodation or more structures for industrial purposes. This plan has been tried in western cities, and apparently with advantage, assuring the speedy utilization of lots which might otherwise be held for speculative purposes.

In British Columbia, outside of the cities the Australian wild lands' tax is in force, and people holding lands which they do not utilize are compelled to pay eight times the tax required of people holding improved lands.

The report, which will be submitted to the council this evening is somewhat more radical than the report on the land tax previously submitted to the council, which recommended that the tax on improvements be limited to 25 per cent. next year, and a further exemption made at the end of three years' period until they were exempted altogether.

As Ald. McGoldrick has been away on a business trip, and no meeting of the Board of Works has been held to receive the report of the committee which has been conducting an investigation into the department under that board it is not expected that this report will be taken up by the council this evening.

**CAPTAIN R. P. WALSH DIES FROM INJURIES**

Loses Leg When Hawser Tightens and Dies Before Assistance Comes -- Well Known in St. John.

A shocking accident happened at Salmon River, St. John county, yesterday morning about 11.30 o'clock when Capt. Robert A. Walsh died half an hour after receiving severe injuries.

Capt. Walsh was employed by the Peleposcot Pulp and Paper Company, and at the time of the accident was on board of one of the company's tugs. There was quite a heavy sea running at the time and the tug was endeavoring to tow two barges out from Salmon River. Two hawsers had parted and the largest hawser on board the tug had been sent on board one of the barges and was fast.

Capt. Walsh was endeavoring to fasten one end of the hawser round the towing bit and got one of his legs caught between the hawser and the bit when the tug gave a surge in the sea, and in an instant the captain's leg was cut off. The injured man was taken ashore as quickly as possible and word of the mishap sent to St. Martins, Drs. Gilmour and Bailey hurried to the scene of the accident and while they were on their way every-thing possible was done for the injured man. He died however, before the physicians arrived.

Dr. Gilmour is the coroner, and after viewing the remains gave permission for their removal to Capt. Walsh's late home in St. Martins, which was done last evening, and it is expected that an inquest will be held.

Capt. Walsh is very well known in St. John, having sailed out of this port for a number of years. He was highly respected and one of the most popular residents of St. Martins. He was about 51 years of age, and leaves a sorrowing wife, three sons and one daughter.

### WINTER PORT SEASON OPENS WITH A RUSH

Considerable Freight Has Already Passed Through Sand Point Sheds and First Liner is Due Friday.

The Winter Port business will commence this week and in fact, the wharves, warehouses and grain elevators, are already being gotten in readiness for what is expected to be a very busy season.

On Saturday ten carloads of grain arrived at Sand Point for the C. P. R. elevator, eleven carloads arrived yesterday and twenty carloads are due this morning. It is expected that before the week is over there will be over 100 carloads of grain at Sand Point and many more on the line from the West. Besides the grain, a large quantity of other freight is arriving at Sand Point.

The first winter port steamer to arrive this season will be the Donaldson liner Athena which is due from Glasgow tomorrow and it is expected that there will be a full general cargo for her to take away next week.

The big C. P. R. steamship Empress of Britain is expected here about next Friday and will bring a large general cargo and passenger list.

Attend "Two Orphans" Matinees.

It is urged that children and as many adults as possible attend Nickel matinees while "The Two Orphans" is being played, as the evening crowd will be exceptionally large.

### CONSERVATIVE CLUB WILL HOLD A SMOKER

**Organization Aims to Promote Imperial Interests -- Rooms Fitted in 'Up-to-date Style' -- Good Programme Tonight.**

The St. John Conservative Club will be at home to their friends in their rooms in the market building tonight, Monday, Nov. 20th, at 8 o'clock. This, the formal opening of the club, will take the form of a smoker, and some of the leading talent of the city kindly offered their services for the occasion. A very enjoyable evening is promised those who attend.

The chairmen of the different wards Conservative club presidents and members of the local House have been invited to be present.

The rooms of the club have been thoroughly renovated, the woodwork painted, ceilings whitened, walls fully papered and electric light installed. Subscriptions have been placed for all of the leading newspapers of Canada as well as a number of magazines, and one of the rooms has been set apart as a reading room. This room is well lighted day or night. Stationery has also been provided for the use of members.

An excellent billiard table has been installed, with other leading games suitable for club use, for those who enjoy this kind of entertainment.

Those who are musically inclined have not been forgotten as a very fine piano adorning the platform in front of the room attests.

The walls are hung with pictures, among which are those of the King and other members of the Royal family, as well as the premier, Hon. R. L. Borden.

It is the intention of the executive to conduct one of the finest clubs in the city of St. John, and the appearance and appointments of the rooms augur well for the success of their undertaking. They are deserving of great credit for the energy and taste they have displayed thus far.

A complete constitution has been drawn up of which extracts are here printed:

1. It is the purpose of this club to advance the unity and integrity of the British Empire; to promote the best interests of the great Liberal-Conservative party of the Dominion of Canada; and to provide for better fraternal and social intercourse among the members of the Liberal-Conservative association of St. John.

2. Any man at least 18 years of age who is a British subject by birth or naturalization, and who is in sympathy with the objects of the club shall be eligible for membership.

The rooms of the club shall be open at all times for the use of members, and a janitor has been employed to keep the rooms clean and in order. Keys may be procured from the secretary on application. Blank forms of application may be had from members of the executive.

It is believed that this organization will fill a big felt want in the city of St. John and will be a means of forming a complete organization for all party purposes in the future. Some of the finest clubs in Canada are those conducted along similar lines and with similar objects in view.

Dr. Daniel and others will speak at the smoker tonight, but their remarks will be brief.

**TO HELP IN BUILDING THE VALLEY RAILWAY**

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Premier Fleming Arranges for Federal Assistance in Work--Conservative Administration. Realizes Importance of Project.

Hon. J. K. Fleming has returned from Ottawa where he was in conference with the Dominion cabinet on Saturday in reference to the St. John Valley Railway. This conference was the result of a series of previous consultations with Hon. Mr. Hazen and other ministers earlier in the week.

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The two latter bridges, at The Mistake and across the Kennebecasis, are very expensive propositions, that across the St. John river at Andover, being shorter, is less costly, but in all three cases, it means a great deal to the province to have the liability for their construction assumed by the Dominion government.

That such a very excellent arrangement has been reached is highly creditable to both the Dominion and the provincial governments, and shows that the new Conservative administration is alive to the need of the Valley Railway and prepared to aid in the undertaking wherever possible.

Messrs. Watson & Co., corner of Charlotte and Union streets, have opened and placed on display a very large stock of seasonable goods for the Christmas trade. It is to the advantage of shoppers to select their purchases early, and there is ample variety for the most exacting in Messrs. Watson & Company's store.

Rink to Open.

Saturday night's edition of an evening paper stated that the Victoria Rink would not be open this winter. This has been contradicted by Colwell Bros., who have taken over the rink. It will be open to the public as usual, and will be a better and more up-to-date accommodations than ever. Watch for their announcement in this paper.

Called to Pokok Road.

Sergeant Scott and Officer McFarlane, were called to the Pokok Road about 4.30 o'clock yesterday morning to quell a disturbance.

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