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Good Things Coming —TO— Theatres of St. John

GRIPPING NEW BILL AT THE OPERA HOUSE

The new vaudeville programme at the Opera House tonight bids fair to be the best show of the season with the Manon Four, a high class singing quartette in operatic gems and popular ballads; Kennedy and Rooney in a comedy singing and dancing skit, "The Happy Medium"; Musical Irving, wonderful left handed 'cellist and comedian, who has just returned after a triumphal tour through Australia; Bosan and Granger, two happy colored chaps in comedy singing, talking, dancing and instrumental novelties; Hazel Moran, champion lariat thrower and swinger, and, last but not least, the last and concluding chapter of the Crimson Stain Mystery, which exposes the real identity of Pierre La Rue and brings this gripping serial story to a satisfactory close. Usual two shows tonight at 7.30 and 9. Every afternoon next week at 2.30.

THIS AFTERNOON AND TONIGHT AT THE GEM

At 2.30 this afternoon and again at 7.15 and 8.45 tonight, the Gem will present its entirely new programme. There are two promising vaudeville acts and a striking picture feature. The latter is "The Love Thief," a master offering—melodramatic, exciting, gripping—a big Fox production with Gretchen Hartman and Alan Hale in the leading roles.

BRITISH AND FRENCH BOTH MAKE GAINS

(Continued from page 1.)

Just Rifle Firing.

Petrograd, May 25, via London—"On the Russo-Galician and Roumanian fronts the usual rifle firing occurred," says today's official statement.

"An enemy aviator dropped bombs on Shlok, west of Riga."

British Active at Loos.

Berlin, May 25, via London—The official statement isued today by the German army headquarters staff reads:

"Western theatre: Army group of Crown Prince Rupprecht: In the Wytschaete sector and northeast of Armentieres, folowing strong artillery preparations, English reconnoitering detachments advanced but were driven back after hand-to-hand fighting.

"On the Artois front the fire increased in the evening, especially northwest of Lens and at Bullecourt. Near Loos English forces penetrated our first line trenches but were driven out again by a counter-thrust. Fighting still continues at one point to a limited extent.

"Northwest of Bullecourt advances by several English companies failed in front of our positions.

"Army group of the German Crown Prince: At Craonnelles and west of the Corbeny-Pontavert road French local attacks in the evening after lively artillery preparations broke down.

"In the western Champagne fighting activity and artillery fire increased.

"Yesterday the enemy lost ten airplanes, brought down in aerial battles and by our anti-aircraft guns.

"Eastern threatre: The situation was unchanged."

Keeping It Up.

Berlin, May 25, via London—The supplementary war office statement tonight says:

"On the Artois front, along the Aisne and in the western Champaigne, there were today artillery duels of varying intensity."

Austrians Say Ground Held.

Vienna, May 25, via London—On the Julian front the Austrian troops maintained their positions Thursday against Italian assaults on both the Isonzo and Carso sectors, according to the official announcement from Austro-Hungarian general headquarters today. Prisoners taken Wednesday total 4,600, the statement adds, and the number was increased yesterday. The statement follows:

"Powerful Italian assaults on the Isonzo front yesterday resulted in an unusually fierce struggle. Our troops resisted vigorously, and our positions were fully maintained. The northern wing of the Italian army was again driven forward against the heights of Vodice and Col Santo. There was especially fierce and obstinate fighting for Hill 692, south of Vodice, which was overrun by the Italians in the evening but was recaptured at night by our brave troops, after hours of hand-to-hand fighting. Here and on Col Santo the enemy left hundreds of dead.

"The Carso plateau was again the scene of an attempt to break through on a great scale the Italians throwing masses of troops against our entrenchments. Although the latter suffered considerably from the preceding bombardment, the enemy was received by the undaunted defenders. All day and through the night the struggle for our positions on Faitihrib, near Castagnivezza, and south of that place to the sea, continued, but all the enemy's efforts were vain. He got through nowhere.

"Thirty Italian officers and 4,600 men were made prisoner Wednesday, and the number was increased considerably yesterday."

George Mattall, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nixon, of Moncton, was on Thursday found dead in his bed. Mr. Mattall was a native of Truro, and was in his forty-sixth year. Some twenty years ago he had the misfortune to lose both his legs in a railway accident in the west. Conductor Mattall, of Truro, is a brother.

DEATHS

NURSE—On May 25, at the St. John, N. B., General Public Hospital, Barnard F. Nurse of Georgetown, British Guiana.

Funeral from Chamberlain's undertaking rooms on Monday at two o'clock.

MAXWELL—Died suddenly at Upham, on the nineteenth instant, James Maxwell, in the seventieth year of his age, leaving a sorrowing wife and one son, three brothers and four sisters, and a large number of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

WORDEN—At his late residence, 276 Douglas avenue, on May 25, C. Jarvis Worden, aged 73 years, leaving four daughters to mourn.

Funeral service at his late residence on Sunday evening at 8.30 o'clock. Body will be taken to Brown's Flats on Monday morning by steamer.

World's Master Conjurer Dead

Greatest Fakir—Who Admitted It—Ever Known

Maskelyne's Triumphs

Exposed Conjuring Tricks as Well as Inventing Them—Secret of the Disappearing Boy

Even in time of war such an event ought not to go unchronicled as the death of John Nevil Maskelyne, who stood at the top of the tree in his own avocation. It may be that the name is not familiar to thousands of readers who think of Hermann, Kellar, Houdini and others when thinking of the great prestidigitateurs of history. Yet these were children compared with Maskelyne. They came into public favor after he had practically retired. In one sense they began where he ended. In another sense they ended where he began. He was the master of all magicians, the greatest faker—who admitted it—since the world began, so far as we have proper means of making comparison. As a conjurer his name is unfamiliar to this generation, and if it is recalled at all it is because of his exposure of spiritual fakes. He would undertake to imitate any of their wonders and even surpass them, and after he had given the demonstration he would display the cords and wires and pullies and dummies which he had used.

The Indian Rope Trick

Maskelyne was an Englishman, and from his youth up a student of conjurers and their tricks. As he developed he wearied of repeating what he had seen, and began to invent new devices. In his sphere he was more successful than any other conjurer whose name is preserved. It was in vain that conjurers from Japan or India or any other land tried to show him something new. Those whom he had not anticipated he had discredited, and yet it is astonishing to reflect that some of the famous tricks he imitated or exposed have passed almost into our legends while the exposure has been forgotten. The reason is, probably, that while Maskelyne had no particular reason for advertising what he had done, the fakers had a reason for advertising their success. In this connection the famous rope trick of the Indian jugglers occurs to mind. It has been explained in the New York Sun. Most people who have friends who have visited India have heard of the marvelous tricks of the Indian fakirs who toss a rope into the air, up which a boy climbs and suddenly becomes invisible, the theory being that he escapes into Heaven.

What They See

There have been thousands, if not hundreds of thousands, of trustworthy witnesses of this feat, among them many who do not believe that the boy really goes to Heaven. The explanation most generally adopted is that the effect is produced by collective hypnotism—the performer hynotizing the audience, an explanation which does not detract from the marvelous nature of the performance. This explanation, it is said, was invented by the writer of a short story. Maskelyne exploded it. He duplicated the trick, and then explained how it was done. He showed that it was never attempted except in broad daylight—a circumstance which others had supposed added to its miraculous nature—and that the spectators were always arranged in a balcony. At a certain moment they see the boy swarm up the rope and disappear. If they glance under the awning to see what has become of him, the sunblinds their eyes, and as they invariably do try to follow his skyward passage, there occurs a second in which they can see nothing. At this second the conjurer emits loud cries of triumph, and gesticulates to indicate that the lad has vanished.

What Really Happens

In reality he seizes this moment to slide down the "rope"—the word being here mentioned with ironic emphasis—drop behind the performer and be immediately covered with a cloth in the hands of an assistant. What happened, as Maskelyne showed, was that the rope was merely a cleverly-joined bamboo rod. Therefore, when he appeared to toss a coil of rope into the air, which remained rigid, as though standing on end, he was merely unfurling a stiff rod up which an active urchin could readily climb. The first miracle, as it would seem to the credulous crowd, prepared the minds of the spectators for what was about to follow. When practised in England the rope trick did not make an unqualified hit, probably because the stage setting semed unnatural, and because the sun was not glaring enough. After being exposed by Maskelyne, a noted Indian conjurer said naively that the wonder could only be worked properly in India.

The Box Trick

But Maskelyne invented tricks as well as exposing them. His most notable production was the "box trick." He produced a box into which he could just squeeze himself, leaving only a few cubic inches of space. In this he was tied, and the box was bound and sealed. He extricated himself in seven seconds without breaking the seal. The explanation, which was not forthcoming until a lawsuit brought it out, was a sliding panel over which the rope was not too strictly knotted. Maskelyne performed this trick for many years and offered a large prize for anyone who could imitate it. Finaily another conjurer produced the same effect and claimed the prize. Maskelyne asserted that the imitation was not correct. The other conjurer sued him; the case went to the House of Lords, and the final decision was that while Maskelyne's "secret" had not been discovered, the trick had been successfuly imitated, and so judgment went to the imitator.

The death of Mrs. Harry Stultz, of Moncton, occurred on Thursday. She was fifty-nine years of age, and besides her husband is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Frank Leaman, Toronto; Mrs. Ayles and Mrs. Ora McKenzie, Moncton, and two sons, Stewart at home and Harry, overseas with Gunn's Ammunition Column. Two sisters, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Whitehead, of Massachusetts, and one brother, John Stevens, at the Sumner Co., Moncton, also survive.

At the Glades on the morning of May 23, Dorothy, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Geldart, was united in marriage to James R. McCoy of Fredericton.

CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG IS SUEING SELZNICK

Film Star Wants Contract Annuled—Some Reported Profits

Detroit, Mich, May 26—Clara Kimball Young, film star, is beginning suit in the Supreme Court of New York to have her five-year contract with Lewis J. Selznick annulled on the ground that the movie promoter fraudulently took advantage of her business inexperience and made representations to which he has not lived up.

Through the manipulation of stock of the Clara Kimball Young Company and the Lewis J. Seiznick Enterprises, Inc., Mrs. Young aleges Selznick has obtained the bulk of more than half a million dollars made in the exploitation of the four pictures in which she has already appeared. She claims to have received only $1,000 a week and that no dividends have been paid in her stock in the Clara Kimball Young Company.

For the exhibition of the four pictures "The Common Law," "The Foolish Virgin," "The Price She Paid," and 'The Easiest Way," from Oct. 15 to Dec. 31, 1916, it is alleged that $200,648 were taken as total receipts. The Lewis J. Selznick Enterprise, Inc., which has the rights of releasing the pictures, and for which privilege Mrs. Young says she has received nothing, is alleged to have made $800,000. "The Common Law," 'The Foolish Virgin," and 'The Price She Paid" are declared to have netted $600,000 during the first six months of exhibition.

NEWS OF FREDERICTON

Fredericton, N. B., May 26—At a joint meeting of the city council and board of health last evening, an offer was received from Percy Gerow to remove garbage from the city for $700 a year. He wanted a ten year contract at this price and at its expiration would be willing to do work free of charge. He intimated that it was his intention to establish a large piggery. No action was taken.

Edward James of Tweedside, caught in the North Branch Oromocto, a few days ago, a trout which weighed five pounds.

Potatoes were scarce at $8 a barrel in the country market here this morning.

The kilties will hold a drum head service on Officers' Square at ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

The Motion Pictures Exhibition League members here went to St. John today to protest against increased taxes imposed by several cities and towns. They will probably ask that legislation be enacted to place a limit on the power of municipalities to tax houses.

Although it has been said that the late government gave all attention to the bridges of the province, Hon. Mr. Venot is responsible for the statement that during the last month no fewer than 100 have been reported to the department as being in a dangerous condition.

The following officers of the Knights Templar were installed at Masonic Hall: Austin Dunphy, P. P.; John S. Allen, Con.; R. B. Barker, Mar.; J. A. Morrison, Chap.; A. S. McFarlane, Treas.; Jas. H. Hawthorne, registrar; S. L. Morrison, Sub. Mar.; Whitman Brewer, almoner; H. V. B. Bridges, C. C. of G.; R. G. Lee, 1st S. B.; W. A. Perkins, 2nd S. B.; A. B Brown, guard

ORANGE YOUNG BRITONS

Shawville, Que., May 26.—The Grand Lodge of Orange Young Britons of Canada concluded its annual convention here yesterday.

It was announced that 2,000 members are overseas with the Canadian forces. Captain Thomas A. Kidd of Burrits Rapids, was re-elected grand master.

ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED

S. B. Hunter, M.L.A., of Harvey Station, announces the engagement of his neice, Miss Grace C. Kitchen, to Everett C. Fraser. The marriage will take place on June 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis S. Hayward of Riverside, Albert county, announce the engagement of their daughter, Edna Alleyne, to Andrew George Gunter of St. John, the wedding to take place in June.

The death of Earl Doull, son of James Doull, occurred at his home in Moncton, on May 24. He was nineteen years of age and leaves, besides his father, one sister, Miss Bessie, living at home; also three brothers, Harry Doull, of Campbellton, and Rexford and Walter Doull, living at home.

Douthwright-Douthwright

At Colpitts, Albert county, on Friday evening, May 18, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Douthwright, their youngest daughter, Clare, was united in marriage to Alfred Douthwright.

Bishop-Wilson

On Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Naaman Wilson, Moncton, their eldest daughter, Beatrice Helen, was united in marriage with Walter A. Bishop of Amherst.

Saturday for Cash

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KELLOGG'S CORNFLAKES, 9c. pkge.

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FRESH PINEAPPLES Ripe and Sweet, 14c., 19c. and 25c. each

WHEAT FLAKES.... 25c. pkge.

SUGAR (With Orders)
2 lb. pkge. Lantic..... 20c.
5 lb. pkge. Lantic..... 49c.
10 lb. bag Lantic..... 97c.

Golden Dates..... 10c. pkge.
1-2 lb. cake Baker's Chocolate ..... 20c.

1 lb. pkge. Boneless Cod... 17c.
1-2 lb. tin Baker's Cocoa ..22c.
DICKASON'S TEA at before the war price, 20c. 1-2 lb. pkge.

GILBERT'S GROCERY

LOCAL NEWS

M. R. A advertisement, page 5. T.F.

Special sale of men's pants tonight from 7 to 10—Corbet's, 194 Union street.

GIVE AND MAKE.

Give our pure, pasteurized milk a trial and make up your mind to use it. You will not be sorry. Our stores, 518 Main street, 3 Brussels street, corner Union. 'Phone Main 2720.

Special sale of men's hats tonight from 7 to 10.—Corbet's, 194 Union street.

Spades, hoes, forks, rakes.—Duval, Waterloo. 5—29.

Chalet shirtwaist dance Tuesday; class tonight.

HOW ABOUT THAT SUIT?

When we say credit, it makes you smile. But if you have not opened a charge account with us on the $1 week plan, why not do it now? Come in and see us before the end of the week ,and get that suit for father, mother, sister, or brother.—Brager, The House of Dignified Credit, 185-187 Union street.

WHY?

Yours is not to reason why, yours is but to go and try our pure, pastuerized milk in sealed, sterilized bottles. Our stores, 518 Main street, 3 Brussels street, corner Union. 'Phone Main 2720.

We have all the best makes in Union Overalls.—Corbet's, 194 Union street.

DAILY TRIP TO ST. MARTINS

There will be a daily trip to St. Martins and return by automobile, leaving Love's stable 8 a.m. 5—28

Four experienced sales ladies wanted. Apply immediately. D. Bassen, 14-16-18 Charlotte street. 5—27

Mrs. J. P. Gamblin of Cole's Island, N. B., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Foshay, Victoria Lane.

WHEVER YOU GO.

Whatever you buy—you are confronted with the high cost of things. We must admit that everything has advanced, although you'll find it hard to notice this in our store—for the reason that we are selling our goods this year at practically the old prices.—Brager's, 185-187 Union street.

We have a special line of men's underwear for summer, made by Stanfields. Corbet's, 194 Union street.

REINDEER CONDENSEO COFFEE

An error in Cheyne & Co's. ad. in this paper last night quoted Reindeer Condensed Coffee at 15c. This standard line, of course, should have been priced at 28c.

AT HUNT'S BUSY UP-TOWN CLOTHING STORE

Men, if you value money, come to Hunt's big sale of clothing and furnishings tonight. This is the sale that has truly opened the eyes of the public just as we promised it would some two weeks ago. When merchandise of the Hunt calibre is selling at prices such as we are quoting, make haste and get your share.—Hunt's, 17-19 Charlotte street.

AT ARNOLD'S CHARLOTTE ST.

Window shades, 58c.; window screens, 25c., 28c., 30c.; screen cloth, 10c. yd.; curtain rods, 5c., 9c., 10c.; curtains pins, 4c. doz.; stair plates, 15c. doz.; decorated crepe paper, 10c. roll; china plates reduced to 10c.; cups and saucers, 15c.; rubber balls, hosiery, underwear, shirtwaists, dolls and toys. 5—28.

SERGE SUITINGS.

This is the logical time to buy your summer blue serge suit. The stage is all set at this live store and we have a large and complete stock of ladies' and gents' blue serge suits in many models, and at prices to meet every pocketbook.—Brager's Cash and Credit Store, 185-187 Union street.

C. P. R. SUBURBANS

On Saturday, May 26th, suburban will leave St. John at 1.10 p.m. Atlantic for Welsford, returning will leave Welsford 8.15 p.m. Will leave St. John again at 10.15 p.m. On this date the 6.10 p.m. suburban will not run. 5—28

We have it, just what you're looking for, a crest shield of any N. B. Battalion, suitable for hanging on a wall or den, including 26th, 55th, 104th, 115th, 140th Batt. St. John Picture Framing Store, corner Brussels and Exmouth street. s.o.a.

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The following subscriptions are thankfully acknowledged by the treasurer:—Macaulay Bros. & Co., $15; Col. E. T. Sturdee, W. Malcolm MacKay, $10 each; Jas. Fleming Co., Wm. G. Smith, Jas. Robertson Co., Dr. W. E. Rowley, R. E. Armstrong, John Sealy, Norman N. Gregory, Moore's Drug Store, A. C. Fairweather's Sons, $5 each; Dr. A. H. Merrill, J. T. Knight, "E. H. F.," "Anon," $3 each; J. S. Gibbon, Mrs. G. E. S. Keator, Mrs. Jas. Fleming, Florence McCarthy, J. B. McMurray, J. K. Blenkinsop, A. B. Gilmour, "Friend," Mrs. F. Brock, F. C. Wesley, M. V. Wilson, $2 each; Wm. Magee, Mrs. W. G. Campbell, John Willet, Mrs. Douglas Malcolm, D. McClelland, W. A. Johnstone, Mrs. H. H. Pickett, Mrs. C. Lowe, $1 each.

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ALEXANDER NOT TO TRY FOR SHUT OUTS

(From the Juen Baseball Magazine.)

Grover Alexander, who holds the record for the greatest number of shut outs ever won in a season, says he will never pitch another shut out game. At least he makes that odd statement in an article in the June Baseball Magazine, of course, with a few reservations. Among other things, Alec, who is the highest salaried man in the National League, puts over the following fast balls and in-shoots:

A pitcher is strong for a shut out. I won't deny that I rather like to put over a goose egg score on the enemy myself. There is a certain satisfaction in getting the third strike on a dangerous batter. There is still more satisfaction in retiring the side when three men are on the bases. But the thing a pitcher likes more than anything else next to a no-hit game, is a shut out.

Last year I was pretty forunate in my shut out score. I guess I was too liberal with the whitewash. At least I managed to write sixteen zero signs on the opposition score board. That looks like a good many at this distance. I am not sure that I will ever do the stunt again. I would say it was quite an undertaking, standing as I do at the beginning of a season and looking ahead. There are too many sluggers in this league, too many strong teams to make that stunt any bed of roses for a pitcher. And yet it would have looked just as impossible to me last year if I had cared to indulge in any day dreams and considered the chances of scoring sixteen shut outs.

Baseball, of course, is a game of skill. But there is enough luck in it to upset all guesses. No, I hadn't banked on anything wonderful last year. I felt all right and intended to do my best. But I had no pipe dreams about any little thing like a broken record when I entered the grand old game last April.

Perhaps that explains my good luck. The chances are, if I had tried to accomplish anything out of the ordinary I wouldn't have done so well. In fact, I will lay this down as a rule I have learned from my experience in the grand old game. The fellow who does the best is the fellow who goes on the firing line without any intention of doing anything unusual. He is merely determined to do his best and lets it go at that. If he tries to let out a few reefs he will get nervous and fall all over himself. Keep your head, use your head, and plug away. That is about all that can be said on the subject.

To show how little I worked for a record last year I will say that I didn't even know what the previous record was Coombs, they tell me, pitched thirteen shut outs one season with the Athletics and was high man. Last year I managed to better that mark by three. But it wasn't premeditated. I didn't realize I was breaking any record at the time.

Now that I have that record anybody can take it away from me if they want to and can get it. I shall never try to improve upon that mark. A pitcher, when he has one of his best days, can breeze through a game in almost unhittable form and perhaps not suffer in the least. He doesn't seem to have to exert himself. But if he is going to pitch many shut outs through a season he will have to work for them and that is death on his arm. When I was a young pitcher I used to put all the stuff I had on every ball I put over the plate. But I learned better. If I hadn't, the probability is I wouldn't be in the game today.

A wise pitcher saves his arm. He makes that one of his main objects in life. Of course there are plenty of times when he can't do this. Sometimes he has to put every ounce of stuff he has on that little old ball. But he wouldn't be able to call up the necessary strength to do this if he hadn't made it his policy to save his strength.

I had to use up a lot of energy in order to get those shut outs. But in most cases I had no choice. The games were tight. I couldn't afford to allow the opposition any leeway. I had to pitch full speed all the way through in order to be sure of winning.

But that's all ancient history now. I haven't any ambitions this year except to do my best work and earn the salary the club is paying me. A shut out doesn't dent the records any more than a game won by the score of six to five. That was my initial performance this season. It was a victory and that is the only thing that counts. A victory is a victory and whether it was a goose egg or not doesn't make any difference. I will let any club in the league have five runs any day I am pitching if they will let me have six. It's a good bargain. If the other seven clubs in the league will agree to it I will agree not to pitch another shut out as long as I live.

PERSONALS

Archdeacon and Mrs. W. O. Raymond are in Ottawa attending the annual meeting of the Royal Society. They will be in St. John about the first of June for a short visit. The numerous friends of Dr. Raymond will be glad to learn that he is much improved in health, though not yet strong enough for active duty.

Major and Mrs. Donnelly have gone to Kingston (Ont.) for a month and upon their return will spend the summer at Westfield with Mrs. Donnelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Macauley.

Mrs. William Allison, Miss Audrey Allison and Miss Frances Allison are leaving Rothesay this evening for a visit to Boston.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Dorothy Blizard, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Blizard, Orange street, to Lieut. Wallace Alward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Alward, Mount Pleasant, St. John. Lieut. Alward is now overseas on military duty.

Mr. John McAvity, his daughter, Mrs. Angus, and her little daughter, have gone to Clifton Springs.

Colonel DesRosieres, who has been at the La Tour during the winter, is leaving soon for Halifax. Mrs. DesRosieres and daughter will join her husband there to reside for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Atherton Smith were at Lamy, New Mexico, when friends in St. John last heard from them.

Dr. T. Dyson Walker, jr., arrived home yesterday after spending the winter in the Southern States.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Biggar, of Foreston (N. B.), announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Gladys Myra, to Charles Edwin E. Colwell, of St. John, the wedding to take place early in June.

Who'll Pay That Mortgage?

That mortgage—or other indebtedness—may cause you no worry. You know you can repay it if all goes well. But there's the rub. What if things go wrong? Supposing you should die—could your wife pay the mortgage without your income?

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REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows:

St. John County

J. M. Roche to R. W. Lawton, property in Lancaster.

East St. John Land Syndicate to H. A. Porter, property in Simonds.

F. G. Spencer et al to Benjamin Hanlon, property in Simonds.

W. G. Watters to H. R. Weatherhead, property in Midwood.

Kings County

W. P. Brown to G. J. Sherwood, property in Upham.

H. A. Clark to Daniel McEwen, property in Sussex.

Ellen Durnan to Thomas Pollock, $1,500, property in Norton.

Mildren Earle to T. and W. H. Ganong, property in Kingston and Springfield.

J. A. Gilliland to F. H. Gilliland, property in Westfield.

Annie Hourihan to Mert Hourihan, $500, property in Sussex.

Margaret Jordan to H. E. Manning, $250, property in Havelock.

Nina M. Keefe to H. E. Manning, property in Havelock.

Sophia Pott to Thomas and W. H. Ganong, property in Kingston and Springfield.

Martha Putman to Ina B. Spence, $200, property in Springfield.

J. E. Snider to A. E. Perry, property in Studholm.

Reverdy Steeves to H. L. Smith, property in Rothesay.

BIG MERCHANT SHIP LAUNCHED AT BATH

(Bangor Commercial)

The steamship Maine, the largest merchant ship ever constructed at Bath, was launched late Thursday for the Texas Steamship Company. She was christened with champagne by Miss Helen A. Drake, of New York, daughter of the manger of the company. No one was admitted to the ship except members of the launching party.

The Maine is 415 feet over all and will register about 9,000 tons, when measured. She was built on a special system of longitudinal framing and has triple expansion engines and three boilers.

TODAY'S BALL GAMES

National League — Chicago at New York, clear, 3 p.m.; Pittsburg at Brooklyn, clear, 3 p.m.; Cincinnati at Philadelphia, clear, 3 p.m.; St. Louis at Boston, clear, 3 p.m.

American League — Washington at Chicago, cloudy, 3 p.m.; Philadelphia at Detroit, clear, 315 p.m.; Boston at St. Louis, cloudy, 3 p.m.; New York at Cleveland, clear, 3 p.m.

A CHURCH UNION MATTER

In preparation for the consummation of church union, the Congregational church of this city is seeking legislation to vary the conditions of the trust deed providing for the disposition of the proceeds in case of a sale of their church building. Under the old deed it was provided that, in such event, the proceeds could be used only for the purpose of continuing the work of the Congregational Church in St. John. As this would be impossible if church union goes into effect, permission is being asked to transfer the funds to the home mission committee of the church, in such an event. Notice has been given and the bill will come before the legislature next Tuesday.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Bernard Flannigan took place this morning from the Mater Misericordiae Home to the Cathedral, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Miles P. Howland. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

The body of Robert McCready, brother of John T. McCready, who died in Boston recently, was brought here on the Boston train at noon today. The funeral will take place from the station. Services will be conducted by Rev. R. P. McKim, and interment made in Fernhill.

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TRUANCY CASES

In the juvenile court this morning four boys were before Magistrate Ritchie for truancy. Two were arrested on a warrant sworn out by Truant Officer McMann. Their father was in court and gave no legitimate reason for the boys not being at school. Both the boys and the father were sent to the guard room to await the good will of the magistrate. Blame was laid upon the father. Another boy had been in his father said. He was given until next Saturday to secure a physician's certificate. Still another lad was shown to have been absent fifty-eight days. His mother said that he had no clothes although she said that her husband was at the front and she got money regularly. She and her boy were also seen below.

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