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Clothes cleaned, repaired and pressed at short notice.  
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THEIR TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

About sixty persons, most of them connected with Exmouth street Methodist church, called on Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ratcliffe at their home on Erin street last evening. It was the twentieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Ratcliffe, and Geo. Gardner, on behalf of friends, presented them with an oak sideboard. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening was spent.

**PATTERSON**

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**WE HAVE THE BEST**

25c. Cashmere Hose in Town for Ladies and Gents. All sizes in Stock. Seamless feet.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS.

**NOTICE!**

A Meeting of the Clergy of all denominations in the City of St. John, will be held at the City Hall on MONDAY, the 9th inst., at 3 o'clock p. m., to arrange hour of services and confer with Sub-Committee on the Programme.

JOHN B. M. BAXTER,  
Deputy Mayor.

**NOTICE!**

An adjourned meeting of the presidents or representatives of societies and organizations will be held at the City Hall on MONDAY NEXT, THE NINTH INST., at half-past 3 o'clock p. m.

JOHN B. M. BAXTER,  
Deputy Mayor.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

A Dollar isn't much, but it buys a lot of useful articles at McLean's Department Store, 565 Main street.

A special purchase of Summer Corsets is advertised by Messrs. Morrell & Sutherland on page 4 of today's Star.

Sergt. Geo. Baxter is out today for the first time for three weeks, and will go on duty this evening. He has been laid up with a sprained knee.

Registrar Jones reports that eleven marriages were recorded during the past week. There were twenty-three births, twelve of them being males.

A freehold lot on Hasen street was offered at Chubb's corner by auction today, but bidders were scarce and it was withdrawn.

McCarthy's bus leaves Douglas avenue corner tomorrow morning at 8.30 for Spruce Lake, returning in the evening. For particulars see ad in another column.

An alarm was rung in from box 135 about nine o'clock this morning for a fire on Sheriff street. A tar pot used in repairs to a building was upset. No damage was done.

Rev. C. T. Phillips will preach, morning and evening tomorrow in the F. B. church, at Woodstock. On Monday evening, in the same church, Mr. Phillips will give a reading on "What the Deacon said."

In the Cathedral at an early hour this morning His Lordship Bishop Casey conferred the sacrament of confirmation upon a large number of candidates.

Capt. Arthur S. Daley, of Hopewell, Albert Co., and Miss Ellen M. Allen, of Jones Mills, were united in marriage at Jones Mills on Thursday, June 5th, by Rev. Thos. W. Street, rector of Douglas and Bright.

Geo. Nixon, Reed Bros., and F. E. Holman & Co., wall paper dealers, will close their places of business on Saturday at 1 o'clock during June, July and August. The McDiarmid Drug Co., Ltd., will close on Saturdays during the summer at 1 p. m., commencing today.

Up to the present about thirty teamsters have taken out their licenses. On account of the early run on dog licenses, of which about two hundred and fifty have already been taken out, no organized effort has as yet been made to get in the teamsters.

The difference between the customs authorities and the Lake Superior people as to the valuation of the wrecking plant brought here is still unsettled. The matter now stands about as it was yesterday. It is understood that the stuff has not been seized.

Meetings of both of the ship labor societies will be held the first of the week in regard to the question of wages. At present the men are getting thirty cents an hour, which they believe to be too small for the work done and an effort is to be made to have the wage raised to forty cents an hour.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Catherine A. Nichols took place at half-past two o'clock this afternoon from the residence of her son, C. W. Nichols, 219 Rockland road, to St. Paul's church, where service was held by Rev. A. G. H. Dicker. Interment was at Fernhill. There were no pallbearers.

The St. John team for the interprovincial rifle match to be shot at Charlottetown (P. E. I.), next week, will be made up of Major J. T. Hartt, in command; Major F. H. Hartt, Major G. S. Kinnear, 5th Hussars; Capt. O. W. Wetmore, 74th regiment; Sergt. W. E. Forbes, 73rd regiment, and Sergt. J. T. McGowan, 3rd regiment artillery.

The same curiosity that makes a woman wonder why a rabbit wiggles his nose, often makes a man read our advertisements, that's why we advertise. We are anxious to scatter our hats all over town—Derbies, Panamas, Fedoras, and Crushers from 60c. to \$2.25. We find lots of men who are anxious to know how we can sell such good hats so reasonable. Here's the secret "small profit margin and quick returns." No three dollar hat in town better than our best at \$2.25. Wm. A. Wetmore, 155 Mill street.

**FAITH CURE AND CANCER.**

He Gave the Twenty Dollars But Got No Cure.

William Mercereau, an old man belonging to Hoyt's Station, is an applicant for admission to the Home for incurables. He is suffering from a cancerous growth on the face, and is in a very weakened condition. Mr. Mercereau has met with hard luck, but in spite of his many misfortunes he makes only one complaint, and this is in regard to an expenditure of twenty dollars which he paid to a faith cure doctor a few months ago.

For thirty-eight years Mr. Mercereau worked as head repair man on the Western Union telegraph line, earning a good salary. He is unmarried and had saved a considerable amount with which he expected to find comfort in his old age. But, being of too generous a nature, his money has all been lost and he found himself a few months ago with scarcely anything left. On account of his disease he was compelled to give up his work and came to the city for treatment. Several doctors attended him at different times, but his disease being so far advanced, no improvement was effected. About two or three months ago Mr. Mercereau was persuaded to try the faith cure process. He went to live at a hotel on Germain street and there met the doctor, who promised to cure him simply by the laying on of hands. The fee for this was twenty dollars, and he was informed that nothing could be done until he had first paid down at least half of this amount. This he did, and later on paid the other ten. The faith cure gave him a couple of little white powders, which he took and which, as he expected, had no effect. This, however, was only incidental to the principal treatment. Mr. Mercereau says the doctor put his hands on his face, rubbed the cancer, and allowed him to hope for a speedy cure. He admits that he acted foolishly in ever believing that any good could result from such treatment. But he had suffered so long and had not gained any relief, that he was in a condition to try anything. Besides this, he was influenced by others, whom he believed to be friendly to him. Now he wants his twenty dollars returned, as in his present condition it is no small amount for him to lose.

An overmake of a manufacturer of wrappers has been purchased by F. A. Dykeman & Co., and the wrappers are now on sale at about half their regular price, from 60c. to \$1.69.

**WILL GET ALL OUT.**

F. H. Hale, M. P. for Carleton county, was in town today. He said that the recent rains have been of great assistance to the lumbermen, and it looks now as of the main part of the cut would be got out safely. There may be small portions of the drives hung up at various points, but on the whole the outlook for the lumbermen is very satisfactory, which is a considerable change from the general appearance earlier in the season. There have been two distinct raises in the streams caused by the rain.

**A WEEK'S DEATHS.**

Ten burial permits have been issued this week for the following causes:—  
Consumption . . . . . 2  
Pneumonia . . . . . 1  
Convulsions . . . . . 1  
Old age and bronchitis . . . . . 1  
Bronchitis . . . . . 1  
Appendicitis . . . . . 1  
Paralysis . . . . . 1  
Cerebral softening . . . . . 1  
Suppurative peritonitis . . . . . 1  
Total . . . . . 10

**THE OTTAWA DELEGATION.**

The members of the delegation who have gone to Ottawa to confer with the government in regard to the proposed harbor facilities have arranged to give additional force to their representations by inviting the St. John delegates to the board of trade conference in Toronto to join them in Ottawa. The invitation has been accepted and quite a strong delegation from St. John will endeavor to secure the assistance of the government.

**A GOOD TOURIST SEASON.**

Manager J. J. McCaffrey, of the Dufferin, told the Star today that the prospects for a good tourist season this year are exceptionally favorable. There are no attractions, similar to the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo last year, to turn pleasure seekers away from this portion of the country. In fact everything seems to be the other way. Already he has had at the Dufferin some twenty tourists, an unusually large number for so early in the year. Everything points to a good business this season.

**SHARP ADVANCE IN ONIONS.**

J. F. Estabrook and Son, the fruit men, today received advices from London to the effect that there has been a sharp advance in onions there, and that they are now quoted at 11 shillings. The market is strong. Messrs. Estabrook have in stock about two hundred and fifty bags of onions, bought before the advance, and their customers will have the advantage of this early buying.

**REV. DR. WILSON DISSENTS.**

"The Terms of Surrender" will be the theme discussed in Zion church tomorrow evening. It is understood the pastor, Rev. Dr. Wilson, is not in accord with several of these, and will show reasons for his dissent from what is, perhaps, the general view. He will also preach in Zion in the forenoon.

A meeting of the central committee of the Independent Order of Foresters was held at the office of High Chief Ranger Chapman last evening. It was decided to hold the anniversary service in the Carleton Baptist church on Sunday June 15th, at 3 o'clock, "Atlantic" or "Intercolonial" time. Resolved that the Temple of Honor and the Carleton Cornet bands be engaged for the occasion.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

**KILSON AND BRIGGS.**

The Latest Developments in This Interesting Case.

Yesterday afternoon Chief Clark and a number of his men started out on the search for Kilson and Briggs. Sheriff Ritchie also joined in the chase, but the two officers failed to agree as to the direction which should be followed. While the chief directed his efforts to all trains and boats and different parts of the city, the sheriff moved towards Golden Grove. Turnkey Cunningham went along with Sheriff Ritchie, and when near the woollen mills they sighted the two escaped boys on the road. Briggs was the nearest, and when Turnkey Cunningham threatened to shoot something, he stopped and was taken back to jail. Kilson went back to the woods and is now probably enjoying himself among the tall timber.

In the meantime Chief Clark's men had not met with any very great success, and this, together with his own good luck, affords the sheriff an excellent excuse for self congratulation. He is highly tickled over the affair, and from appearances the relations between the chief and sheriff are somewhat lacking in cordiality. This morning following the information given by the sheriff, Chief Clark, Detective Kinnear and Officer Greer went out to Golden Grove to continue the search for Kilson.

Briggs, the prisoner who was captured, tells an interesting tale of how they escaped. He says that when they were arrested by the police their clothing was searched and among the articles found on them were keys, files and nails. These the police returned to them as they were considered worthless and had no bearing on the cases against them. Yesterday, at noon, after they had done speaking with Mr. Baxter, they opened one of the inside doors with a key, picked the lock of another with a nail, and walked out. It was quick work with very little trouble.

In the absence of Chief Clark today Deputy Jenkins stated that Briggs' story concerning the keys, &c., is not correct. When the prisoners were arrested they were searched by Officer Greer. No such articles were found. Later in the day Deputy Jenkins and Officer Earle again went downstairs and made a second thorough search. They examined the clothing of the prisoners and also searched the cells to see if anything had been hidden. Deputy Jenkins says that the statement about the police returning any articles to the prisoners is false.

Some remarks have been made about the city with reference to Mr. Baxter's interview with the prisoners, and it has been hinted that the boys had a good chance to make plans while they were with him. Sheriff Ritchie said today that he had looked into the matter and was prepared to say that Mr. Baxter was in no way to blame for the escape of the prisoners. He had acted properly through the whole affair, had not exceeded his privileges and rights as their counsel and was completely exonerated from all suspicion of blame in the matter. And the sheriff is prepared to say so to anyone who wishes to ask.

Up till two o'clock this afternoon no word had been received concerning Kilson.

**POLICE COURT.**

Musie in the Jail Now—Good Little Boys—Where's Van Tassel?

The only interesting individual before the magistrate this morning was the colored professor, James Belett, who, with a banjo and mouthorgan combination, has been entertaining the public for some weeks. As might be expected in one of his artistic temperament, he is very high strung—so is the banjo—and his nerves being so finely balanced, very little is sufficient to upset him. Last evening he was overcome. The banjo was sober. This morning he and the mouthorgan were sent to jail for ten days and the banjo, as has been its custom, accompanied him. There will be no music at the baseball game today, but the attractions of music will be added to jail life.

John Cook and Joseph Godfrey, both selected Prince William street for their scene of action while under the influence. Cook got ten days and Godfrey twenty. Michael Fitzmorris being an old offender, was given two months, and Alex. Alexson, from Russia, who was profane on King Square, was sent in for thirty days. Thomas Campbell, drunk on Peters street, got off for two dollars, and a young fellow named Ivan Smith, who had been lurking about the streets, was remanded.

The usual Saturday matinee was held, and all the little boys who were out on probation reported that they had been models of innocence and goodness during the past week. They were allowed a further extension of time upon the same conditions.

The Gethuro liquor case will probably be dropped, as Arthur Van Tassel, who is said to have purchased liquor, is still missing. He is believed to have taken yesterday morning's steamer for Nova Scotia, the home of Evangeline and Van Tassels.

Linen batiste muslins in the new colored stripes will be very much worn this summer. They are shown in a large variety at Dykeman's.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH.**

At the closing of the Novena to the Sacred Heart, at St. John the Baptist (Broad street) church, last night, the Rev. W. C. Gaynor thanked the juvenile choir for their services during the May devotions and the Novena just closed. The rev. gentleman also referred to the kindness and painstaking efforts of the organist, Miss Nellie Coholan.

An unusually large number of the parishioners attended these evening services. At the Friday morning mass the communicants were far above the average number.

**THE GREAT COAL STRIKE.**

A telegram from New York to W. S. Barker today stated that twenty thousand soft coal miners in West Virginia decided to go out on strike today.

Among your Saturday evening purchases remember Red Rose tea. It's good tea.

**SUMMER FANGY****CORSETS, 53c.**

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