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ST. JOHN STAR. ST. JOHN, N. B., MAY 12, 1904.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLE. The city of Glasgow, Scotland, which leads the world in the municipal ownership advance, provides some lessons in the benefits of civic control of street railways, which should not go unheeded in St. John.

To begin with, the city built street railways in 1870 and leased them to a company which was compelled to pay to the city the annual interest charge on the full amount of the investment; a yearly sum to the sinking fund sufficient to clear the entire cost of the lines by the time of the expiration of the lease; an annual depreciation charge of four per cent, so as to keep the plant in perfect repair, and on top of all this an annual rental of \$750 a mile.

The rates of fare were limited to a penny a mile, with morning and evening cars for workmen at a penny (two cents) a ride to or from their places of employment.

The franchise expired in 1894, when the company's methods having been unsatisfactory, the city decided to operate the line itself. As the company owned all the rolling stock and equipment and had a monopoly of the omnibus and cab service, a bitter fight followed, in which the city won and in spite of having to cut rates to drive the company's busses out of business, made a clean profit of \$125,000 during the first eleven months of operation.

The second year, 1896, showed a profit of \$416,000. In 1897 the city took over the last of the private lines in or near the city. It increased the wages of its men \$25,000 and again reduced the fares.

In the annual statement the tramways committee called attention to the fact that the average citizen only faintly realized what was being saved by passengers on account of the longer hauls and lower fares. In that year it amounted to a total of \$900,000, but despite this, the enterprise paid \$423,000.

Then came the substitution of electric for horse cars, which was completed in 1897. The city invested more than \$4,000,000 in new equipment, but the returns for the ensuing year justified the policy of those who urged the improvement.

In 1902 the net profits passed the million dollar mark and last year they amounted to \$1,125,000. \$125,000 annually of these profits go into a civic treasury fund called "The Common Good," which, when the debt on the railway is paid off, will fall heir to all the profits.

This money, which under the system prevailing in St. John, would all go for the enrichment of the company's shareholders, goes to investments for the good of the people, the upkeep of parks, the purchase of real estate for public purposes, and other purposes which directly benefit all the people, instead of a privileged few.

Besides the benefit they derive from these profits the people enjoy fares far lower than any company would impose. The charge in Glasgow is by the mile, and averages about 13-4 cents per fare. During the early morning and evening hours a special rate of a penny is charged, no matter how far the distance.

INTO THE BREACH. Mayor White's willingness to accept the onerous duties and thankless responsibility of the water and sewerage chairmanship, which had been emphatically declined by several aldermen, will raise him still higher in the esteem of the citizens. His prompt action shows that he has made up his mind what is to be done and is determined to do it without delay.

Some of the aldermen may complain of his methods as autocratic, but the average citizen will approve. A committee is never any better than its chairman, and if the chairman is not prepared to accept at times the responsibility of the initiative and trust to reconciling the jangling elements of his committee afterward, the business in hand goes slowly; as this city has learned by long and painful experiences.

The mayor has arranged for the coming of an expert to examine the water conditions here and report. If, after that report is delivered, he can choke off the talk-talk-talk of his aldermen, who fancy themselves as amateur experts, and get that report accepted and the work of improvement started within a reasonable time, there should be a monument coming his way.

The long unsolved puzzle, "Where's Emmerson," has been answered by the Moneton Transcript, which, doubtless after a diligent enquiry, announces that "The Hon. Mr. Emmerson is just closing arrangements for the purchase of a large clock to be placed in the Post Office building. It will be purchased before one month has passed, and Mr. Emmerson thus accomplishes in a few weeks that which Messrs. Wood and Powell failed to accomplish in eighteen years."

No wonder the poor overworked man has had no opportunity to assist his colleagues in their arduous defense of the G. T. P. mistake.

TO IMPROVE WATER SUPPLY. Expert will be Brought at Once—Mayor White Chairman of Water and Sewerage Board.

The first meeting of the new water and sewerage board was held yesterday afternoon and the matter of selecting a chairman was decided by the appointment of Mayor White to the position. Since the election, when Alder Milne, the former chairman of the board, was defeated, the matter of selecting a new chairman has been the principal topic of conversation at City Hall.

Before Mayor White agreed to accept the position he secured the consent of the several members to certain steps of a pronounced and decisive nature, with the view of solving the water problem of the city.

It was decided to engage the services of Frank A. Barbour, of the firm of Snow & Barbour, Boston, to examine the water supply and advise the city as to what is best to be done. Mayor White has wired Mr. Barbour and it is expected that he will immediately come to the city.

Mr. Barbour is a son of George L. Barbour, of this city, and a graduate of the University of New Brunswick of the class of '88, taking honors in classics and mathematics.

Ald. Maxwell proposed to support the chairman, opposed the bringing here of an expert, claiming that it is an unnecessary expense and that it is an additional man to supplement the low water service.

The board, however, decided to bring the expert here and Mayor White expects to hear from him tonight.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT. OTTAWA, May 11.—Government speakers after two days and a half in useless discussion came to their senses this afternoon and settled down to business about five o'clock when the G. T. P. debate was resumed in committee of the whole. Mr. Borden's first amendment was accepted by Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick and other amendments were under discussion at six o'clock.

The amendment to the G. T. P. bill tonight was defeated by 25 to 41. The government accepted as an amendment to section 14 of the bill, words that made its meaning more clear. They fought against every other amendment in its terms.

Mr. Halifax pressed his amendments with vigor, but the brute majority was too much for him. The debate on the other amendments was kept up by Sir Wilfrid, Mr. Barker, the minister of justice, and others, till a late hour.

Four of the opposition amendments to the G. T. P. bill were voted down tonight. The house adjourned at midnight last Friday.

Tomorrow being Ascension day, the house will take a rest and no business will be done till Monday.

FOR THE TRICENTENARY. The Neptune Club tricenarian committee held its annual meeting last night and began active steps towards the big tricenarian celebration by Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick and other amendments were under discussion at six o'clock.

The club will devote \$50 of their grant towards the professional race, amateur singles, and man-of-war races. Committees were appointed to look after the procuring of games, to get the Indian costumes and to decorate the rooms and boat house.

The club will devote \$50 of their grant towards the professional race, and hope a sufficiently large purse will be made up to induce some crews to take part. If outside places would take up the idea a good race could be had here and the winners sent to St. Louis to represent the maritime provinces.

NEW CABLE TO CARLETON. The telephone service to Carleton has for the past week been very unsatisfactory. The cause was located in the submarine cable which runs in the harbor and across the harbor some time ago. The cable was lifted and about the middle of the harbor it was found that the tubing was punctured and some of the wires broken. A new cable has been sent for, but it will be run instead of being placed under the water. For the present a temporary arrangement has been made which will keep the cable in place open until the new cable is placed in position.

SETTLING THE SENATORSHIP. An interesting solution of the senatorship problem is said to be under discussion among the party members. This is the restoration of ex-Governor McClellan to the red chamber, and the candidature of Mr. Emmerson in Kings and Albert. By this plan Speaker Robinson of the local legislature would be the candidate in Westmorland, with the understanding that he would retire in favor of Mr. Emmerson if he should be elected, and the government sustained.

BIGGER CROWDS EACH NIGHT. Wednesday night's audience at York Theatre was the largest yet, the house being completely filled. Tonight's performance is exceptionally large, with Friday and Saturday will be the banner crowds of the engagement, particularly Saturday, when Clan Mackenzie and other local Scots will attend in a body with their pipers. There will be Scotch musical and dancing specialties incidental to the great play. The Bonnie Braw Bush has captured St. John; everybody is talking delightedly about it. Big matinee Saturday.

FEMALE FAKIN IN NORTH END. William H. McConnell, the Main street "honest" bootlegger, was seen yesterday by a feminine shopper. This woman, of middle age, entered the store, asked to be under her cloak while Mr. McConnell's back was turned, and left before the proprietor's suspicions were aroused. She tried the same game in Wm. Young's boot store, but owing to the alertness of Mr. Young's clerk, she did not succeed. She has not since been seen.

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

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Mr. Benjamin Brooks, a well-known farmer of West Cape, P.E.I., tells of how his son was cured of Kidney Disease, and how he was cured of Backache.

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LOCAL NEWS. The Porto Rico molasses market is steadily advancing, and within the past few weeks the price on that island has gone up three cents. It is now selling for twenty-four and twenty-five cents, with the prospect of a further increase.

At the meeting of the hod carriers and builders' laborers last evening it was decided to change the night of meeting to Monday, instead of Wednesday as at present. A vote of sympathy was given to the men who are now on strike and passed by the union. It was worded similarly to that passed by the committee.

The Victoria hotel has undergone many changes of late, and all seem to have been for the improvement of the comforts of that popular hostelry. Yesterday G. Arthur Abbinette, formerly clerk at the Dufferin and more recently on the staff of Young's hotel, Boston, came to St. John and entered upon the performance of his duties as clerk of the Victoria under the new manager, Mr. McLean. Andrew P. Powers, for years with W. H. Jones, James O. Gray & Co., and the Rotunda in Boston, also joined this hotel as wine clerk.

ST. JOHN MAN PROMOTED. Capt. Fred Barker, now Major, Will Take Command of Battery of Artillery.

Word has been received here to the effect that Capt. Fred E. Barker of the Royal Field Artillery, son of Mr. Justice Barker, now stationed at Aldershot, has been promoted to a majority and expects to be posted to take command of a battery at once.

Barker is a graduate of Kingston Military College and is a Canadian who has done credit to Canada in the Imperial service in active warfare in Egypt and India.

Major Barker has been in England for the past four years.

BRIGADE BAND. A fair crowd was in attendance at the Carleton City Hall last night, when St. Mary's boys' brigade band and the physical culture class under the direction of Miss Rogers gave an interesting entertainment. The programme consisted of music by the band; exercises by the brigade and also by the culture class; readings and monologues; songs and a dialogue.

After the affair the boys were entertained at White's by friends in the treat proving a splendid finish to an enjoyable evening.

WELCOMED PASTOR. A social evening was spent last evening at the residence of George Barton, 194 British street, for the purpose of introducing A. M. Walker, the new pastor of the Church of the Messiah. The early part of the evening was spent in progressive whist and dancing, after which the following programme was rendered: Selection, Temple Quartette; vocal solo, Mr. Ross; vocal solo, Mr. Perkins; vocal solo, Miss Henderson; banjo solo, Mr. Davidson. Light refreshments were served, and the party broke up at a late hour after a most enjoyable evening.

TIRED OF IT. MONTREAL, May 11.—Although striking plumbers, painters and stone cutters declare that they are going to in, it is becoming apparent that the hope is founded upon a delusion. There is no scarcity of labor for jobbing purposes and that appears to be about all that is going on in the building line owing to the generally high prices of materials and land. A number of employes of the Consumers Cordage Company have gone back to work.

GOOD WORK. A most gratifying report of the work which is being done by the Associated Charities was yesterday handed in by Mrs. Hall, secretary, at the regular meeting of the board of management. For the past few days the work has been prompt and satisfactorily looked after.

Mrs. Hall will likely attend the great convention of charities and correction to be held in Portland, Me., next month.

WITH ADVERTISERS. Those wanting their suits made to measure for the 24th, better leave their orders with J. N. Harvey this week. Read his ad. on the first page of this issue.

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SURE OF THE QUALITY. (London Sporting Times). Graham Murray's little story told at the Galloway dinner should be recorded. A Scottish minister, taking his walk early in the morning, found one of his parishioners recumbent in a ditch. "Where have you been the night, Andrew?" asked the minister. "Weel, I dinna richtly remember," answered the prostrate one. "Whether it was a wedding or a funeral, but whichever it was, it was a matut extraordinary success."

Burdock Blood Bitters. IT CURED HER AND WILL CURE YOU. She says: "I wish to add my testimony to the many others who have spoken as highly as to the unfailing virtues of Burdock Blood Bitters. I was all run down, had no appetite, lost all ambition, could not sleep much and had terrible headache and backache, and my food did not digest properly. I saw B.B.B. advertised so I concluded to give it a trial, thinking if it did no good it could do no harm. But after using one bottle I began to feel better, and by the time I had used three bottles I was feeling like a new person. I am so glad there is such genuineness provided for suffering humanity, and cannot praise it enough for I think there is no medicine like it on the market."