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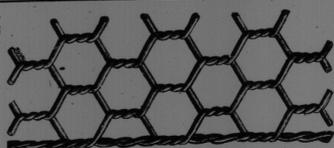
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Allegation is Made in Complaint Over an Automobile Matter.

Alleging that he had been assaulted and that two shots were fired after him by Edward A. Farren, a complaint was lodged by George Thomas with Detective Saunders last night.

Sergeant Detective Power and Chief of Police Smith. The former said he could not give out any of the facts at this stage, but that it would come before the court tomorrow afternoon.

A Times reporter learned some details of the story and went to Chief of Police Smith for confirmation of the facts. The chief said that Thomas had told of going to Loch Lomond with Mr. Farren's son and that in returning to the city they ditched the car.

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ALMANAC FOR ST JOHN, MAY 14

A.M. High Tide..... 7.35 High Tide..... 8.14 Low Tide..... 1.25 Low Tide..... 1.49 Sun Rises..... 4.56 Sun Sets..... 7.44

LOCAL NEWS

SHAD SEASON, FRIDAY. The shad fishing season in the harbor will open on Friday. The fishing thus far has been for gaspereaux.

WANT FREE EXPRESS. For some time residents of Lancaster have been pressing for free express delivery in Fairville and Beaconsfield, and the councillors of the parish have taken the matter up with the Board of Railway Commissioners, asking that an order be made compelling free delivery in these districts.

TO LIVE IN ST. JOHN. The Prince Edward Island presbytery yesterday accepted the resignation of Rev. J. M. Marchison of Malpeque, who has been appointed field secretary of the Canadian Bible Society for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. He and his family will soon take up residence in St. John.

INVITED TO CONVENTION. G. N. Hatfield, road engineer, has received from the Good Roads Association of Canada an invitation to attend the annual convention at St. Andrews in June and to lead the discussion on a paper on "Asphaltic Concrete."

MEETING ENJOYED. The Sunshine Class of the Tabernacle Baptist church met last evening at the home of Mrs. T. Owens, Brindley street. After the business session a social hour was very pleasantly spent in games and music. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, who was assisted by Mrs. S. E. Stackhouse and Miss M. Owens.

STREET LIGHTING. That it was expected the entire street lighting of the city would be taken over on June 1 was said this morning at the office of the Civic Power Commission. When this has been done, it was said, the commission would have a revenue of about \$40,000 a year from the street lights.

IS IMPROVING. Friends of Jeremiah Stout of Fairville will be pleased to know that he is making a satisfactory recovery after a serious operation undergone by him at the General Public Hospital recently. For many years Mr. Stout has occupied a prominent place in the business and religious life of Fairville and his return to these activities, temporarily interrupted by illness, is pleasantly anticipated by all.

WILL ATTEND FROM HERE. At the Encenia exercises at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, several St. John people are planning to attend. Graduates of the Law School here will receive their degrees of B. C. L. for the first time at Fredericton. Proceedings will open tomorrow afternoon with the academic procession to the main building. Distribution of prizes and addresses by Professor B. Claridge, A. Leslie Booth, Charles E. Neill and Professor Cunningham will comprise the programme.

WAS 97 YEARS OLD. Many friends in this city will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Frances M. Botsford, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Skinner, 223 King street east, last night. She was the widow of George Botsford of Fredericton, and was 97 years of age. Despite her advanced years, she retained the faculties and her family and took an interest in the happenings of the present day. She was born in Fredericton, where she had resided for the greater part of her life. Besides her daughter, she is survived by one son, George A. Botsford of Boston. A funeral service was held this afternoon and her body will be taken to Fredericton tomorrow for interment.

REPORTS ON FUND FOR QUADRUPLETS

Miss Meiklejohn Tells Red Cross Some \$250 More Required.

The local Red Cross, at a meeting this morning in their new quarters in Prince William street, heard a report from Miss Meiklejohn, superintendent of the health centre, on the distribution of the Red Cross fund raised for the Mahaney quadruplets. She reported that all the money except 90 cents, now on hand, had been spent under her supervision. She estimated that about \$250 more would be required.

Alfred Morrissey presided and others present were Mrs. H. M. Lawrence, Mrs. J. L. McAvity, Mrs. E. A. Schofield, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. H. M. Beard and Miss Walker. Bills amounting to \$37.35 were ordered paid.

It was reported that 14 cases had been handled at the local depot during the month. The visiting committee for the month was appointed as follows: Mrs. Beard, Mrs. J. D. Maher, Mrs. H. Wetmore and Mrs. A. Morrison.

FINE IS IMPOSED

Stamp Must be Affixed When a Receipt is Given.

A case against Miss Elizabeth Graham, who was charged with violating the stamp act, was concluded in the police court this morning before Magistrate Henderson. When the case was heard the defendant acknowledged giving a receipt without affixing the excise stamp. Her defence, which he had acted on her behalf, explained that her act had resulted from ignorance of the law and inexperience in business dealings. He asked that if a fine was struck the circumstances be taken into consideration.

E. J. Henneberry, who appeared on behalf of the Federal Department, explained that he had received two telegrams from the department in connection with the prosecution of the case and the authorities were willing to leave the matter to the discretion of the Magistrate. The maximum fine is \$100, but Magistrate Henderson announced that he would take into consideration the facts of the case and make the fine \$10.

NEW HOTEL AND CONVENTIONS

Large Gatherings New Enterprise Will Attract—Big Stride Forward.

St. John's next long stride forward will be the building of the new hotel. It will give this city at once a new and higher rank in Canada and beyond the Dominion's borders. And it will bring not only prestige but business. The more the plan is examined the more it appeals to St. John's spirit of pride and enterprise.

Every year, both winter and summer, scores of organizations in Canada hold national conventions and a strong bid is made by the representatives of all cities to have the meetings held in their respective home towns. The bringing of large numbers of prominent business and professional men and women from all over the country cannot but be redound to the benefit of any city. The more of these conventions that are brought to this city or town, the more benefit will that community derive in the way of publicity, to say nothing of the actual money which each one of these gatherings must bring, and that is a large factor.

St. John has not been in a position to care for the large influx of people that results from such meetings in a manner which scores of the other places. The city has been up against strong competition, particularly from the standpoint of concentrated hotel accommodation. Many of the conventions held in the east in recent years have gone to St. Andrews, where the Algonquin is able to house all the delegates and provide them with sufficient accommodation to carry out the business and social features of the programme under one roof.

St. John has not had a big hotel to bring such conventions, but the Beatty will supply that need, among many others. According to the plans of St. John's new hostelry, the house will afford sleeping accommodation for a great number of its commodious public rooms will provide the necessary space for the holding of large meetings, and the banquet, which is usually an outstanding feature of all such occasions, can easily be taken care of in the large banquet room which is planned. Through the instrumentality of national conventions, much can be done, and the success of the Admiral Beatty will go a long way towards achieving this end.

St. John has a great deal of civic patriots, of justified pride in the city. Also it has many residents who can do a great deal directly to forward the hotel project. In doing so they will be showing public spirit and pushing the city ahead. It is good work.

HAMPTON WRITER HAS WON PLACE

The Saginaw, Michigan, News Courier of May 6 contains this reference to a former resident of Hampton, N. B.: "Two readers of The News Courier have won their way into the Fun Shop, the new humor column that is appearing daily on the editorial page of this paper, as well as in about 80 other daily newspapers in this country, and within the next few days will experience the thrill of their names appearing in the 'colym' contributors when they see their lines in print. They already have experienced the preliminary thrill in the form of Fun Shop checks—of this humor column is unusual in many ways, one of which is that it pays its contributors. The contributions, literally thousands of them, are sent by the various papers to the Fun Shop headquarters in New York city, where the selections are made by a board of judges.

The two who have "made" the Fun Shop column with their contributions are Mrs. Muriel Alden, 507 Genesee avenue, and LeRoy Whitney of Farwell, Clare county.

Mrs. Alden was formerly Miss A. Muriel de Mille of Hampton.

BRITISH LUMBER REPORT. H. W. Lighthorne & Co. of Liverpool report that on April 30 the quantity of N. B. and N. S. spruce and pine lumber in Manchester and Liverpool was 9,120 standards. Compared with \$920 standards a year before and 4,650 standards two years before. On April 30, 1921, the stock was 25,710 standards and in 1920, 26,380 standards. It will be seen, while the stock on hand is now larger than it was two years ago, it is very much smaller than in 1920 and 1921. The largest stocks on April 30 were in Manchester, being 6,340 standards, compared with 2,780 standards in Liverpool. Stocks of birch logs at the two ports were 560 loads, compared with 720 a year before and the stock of birch planks was 860 standards, compared with 1,024.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said The Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I heard a lady last evening teach an audience of Christian children, and men and women and honor and service from an exhibit of a little Japanese girl's collection of piggy bank dolls. She took us to Japan, and gave us most engaging glimpses of a life so foreign to our own, and yet of a human nature so very like that we could easily detect ourselves about ourselves in that environment.

Hiram, the world is small." "Yes, sir," said Hiram, "an' with these here flyin' fellers turnin' days into minutes it's gittin' smaller all the time. I s'pose it won't be long till they'll be makin' daily calls on the Grand Lama an' sendin' us radio stories about what he had for breakfast. An' the more we mix the more we'll find out human nature is just about the same everywheres. An' when we get where we kin figger out that even the heathen has his good p'ints mebbe we'll have a little more respect fer him an' not quite so much conceit about ourselves an' what the Good Lord thinks about some of our doin's."

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