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HOT IN THE POLICE COURT.

It is usually very hot in the police court and central police station. The city pays for the coal and the men in charge as a rule do not lack inclination or energy in applying the remedy that chases away Jack Frost.

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TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

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FOR SALE—Lady's Gold Hunting Case Watch and Gold Bracelet, cost forty dollars; sell for twenty. Address, Cashier, Hotel Ottawa.

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SMALL BOYS

Before Factory Act Commission This Morning.

Youths Under 14 Years Employed in Hazardous Occupations in St. John

At a session of the factory act commission held this morning the evidence of a number of witnesses, some of them boys, was taken. While nothing very important was brought out, the evidence went to show that boys under fourteen years of age are employed in this city at hazardous occupations.

A delegation of temperance people were first heard. Edward A. Everett, grand scribe of the factory act commission, stated the circumstances under which the temperance people appeared before the commission. About a year ago the Sons of Temperance requested to the government the need of legislation with regard to the employment of minors in the bottling of alcoholic liquors, and when the factory act commission was appointed it was suggested that a provision covering this question be inserted in the proposed factory act.

Commissioner Kelly asked the temperance people present if they knew of particular instances of minors being employed at the occupation. Their answer was in the negative. James Ready, brewer, of Fairville, gave his views with regard to the question. He said he employed women in his business, but did not employ minors. In response to questions from Mrs. Fisk he said the women were over twenty-one years of age, and were not employed at bottling.

Joseph Powell, manufacturer of edge tools, then gave information respecting his factory on the City Road. He did not think, judging from his own experience, that a factory act was necessary. He had made proposals to his employees about establishing a dining room for their convenience, but they did not take the proposals very seriously.

Mrs. Fisk suggested to Mr. Fowler some safety improvements which he might adopt and which he would be willing to use in his foundry. He said he would have no serious objection to them. In response to further questions he said that a few boys are employed at his factory, none of them being under sixteen years of age.

Harry Fisk, carpenter, gave evidence. He told of his boy who worked at the McAvity foundry and who for the past thirty-five weeks has been sick as a consequence of inhaling brass fumes.

Robert Wilson, at present a shoemaker, but formerly a deal handler in a saw mill, told of breaching his leg while pursuing his former occupation. The accident he met with, he said, was due to defect in the flooring of the mill, which was carelessly looked after by the proprietor. His son also met with an accident, he said, at Murray & Gregory's mill. In his own case he would place the blame on the carelessness of his employer. He also instanced an accident which befel a relative of his to show that more safety precautions should be taken.

J. Fraser Gregory, manager of the Murray & Gregory lumbering concern, described the conditions at his mill. Joseph Craig, brother of the young man who was killed in the Murray & Gregory mill, was called to the stand. He was fourteen years old and had himself worked in the mill.

Mr. Gregory here interposed and said that the furnace is out on strike, at least that is the explanation given by Detective Killen and accepted by the people who had to be in court.

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W. R. McMURRAY, of Peel, is at the Durferin. He leaves for home tonight.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 3rd, 1905.

BATTLE OF HEIKOUKAI

WON BY JAPANESE.

In Driving Snow Storm by Night--Russians Failed to Turn General Oku's Flank--Cleverly Concealed Jap Batteries

It was snowing and the movements of the troops were delayed. On Jan. 26, about noon, while the attack on Heikoukai was developing, a report reached the Japanese headquarters that another division of Russians, advancing from Changian had surrounded Chen-chi-piao and that an independent and smaller body of Russians was operating west of Chen-chi-piao, preventing a left flank of the Japanese force moving against Heikoukai.

On the night of January 26 the Japanese were still struggling to dislodge the Russians. On January 27, the Russians pressing the Japanese right wing temporarily retreated. The freed force rushed to the Japanese centre. The attack on Heikoukai was resumed January 27. A covering force was sent to protect the right flank, rear and also the left flank of the Japanese force operating at Chen-chi-piao. Another force protected the extreme left. Troops attacking Heikoukai advanced fearlessly and despite the heavy losses inflicted by the reinforced Russians, constantly gained step by step. A Russian division advanced from the direction of Kichin and struck the left column on the right flank. A force of Russian infantry and mounted artillery fired into the rear of the left column. The Japanese lost heavily and the extreme left wing was compelled to retreat temporarily.

WON IN NIGHT ATTACK. TOKIO, Feb. 3.—9 p. m.—Field Marshal Oyama, telegraphing yesterday reports the extreme Japanese point of the line along the Hun river with its extreme left established on the right bank. The main body of the Russians after their defeat at Heikoukai retired across the Hun river and occupied Niunipiao, Shuangtai and a portion of Changien. On Wednesday, the Russians began constructing defensive works in the neighborhood of Shuangtai, Choungshai-ping and Changien. Russian cavalry patrols were seen Wednesday along the line of Taituta, Phipetzu and Yuhpactzu. The Russians made a series of small attacks on the right army and the left bank of the Hun river, but were repulsed in each instance.

Details of the fighting from January 25 to 29, which Field Marshal Oyama officially designates as the battle of Heikoukai, shows that the operations were more extensive, the force engaged larger and the fighting more desperate than the Japanese casualties totalled 7,000. According to the Japanese estimates, the Russians lost over 10,000. The army fought in a driving snow. It was bitterly cold and very difficult to see. A night attack delivered early in the morning brought success to the Japanese.

A division of Russian cavalry attacked the Japanese at Heikoukai, Jan. 25. Field Marshal Oyama reports that the garrison, though outnumbered, made a stubborn resistance, and retired to a night under cover of darkness. In the meantime Field Marshal Oyama warned of the attack, ordered an advance for the purpose of re-taking Heikoukai.

MAHER'S CHANCE.

Judge Forbes Deals Kindly With a Youthful Offender—McIntyre's Case Will Be Resumed on Monday.

Wm. McIntyre and Harry Maher were arraigned before His Honor Judge Forbes this morning to answer the charge of breaking and entering into the liquor store of Phillip McGuire and stealing a quantity of liquor, cigarettes and other goods. McIntyre pleaded guilty and McIntyre not guilty.

E. S. Ritchie appeared for McIntyre and asked that he be discharged as there was no evidence before the court below to incriminate him. Judge Forbes refused to discharge him as he had not yet been tried. He would send him up for trial on Monday.

Harry Maher pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a year in the reformatory. He had been in the reformatory before. He had a very good record. He did not know that Maher had been in the reformatory. His father and mother were dead and the young man had not been successful enough about choosing his companions. His honor would let the boy go as would guarantee to look after him and see that he did not get into trouble again.

Judge Forbes addressed the prisoner in substance as follows: Harry Maher you have pleaded guilty to a very serious offence, an offence for which I could sentence you to fourteen years in penitentiary. I do not think, however, that you are a very bad boy. Your disposition is good and your employer speaks well of you. There are some undesirable resorts around town and you have been frequenting them entirely too often. I should like to have the rest of the people who were in the stable here. I am giving you a chance to wipe out the stain, you can do it by a good life. Observe two things, keep early hours, keep in off the street at night. Avoid liquor as you would the assassin's knife, never let a drop pass your lips. I was shocked at the evidence how you demanded liquor several times, it

WARSZAWA, Feb. 3.—Serious disorders broke out this morning at Lodz (75 miles from Warsaw) where 25,000 men are striking. Some of the employees effected an industrial revolution and returned to work and the remainder forcibly prevented them.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—R. L. Borden arrived today and was greeted at the station by nearly the whole opposition membership of the house. Tomorrow he will attend nomination proceedings at Richmond, Carleton county, and address his constituents.

MONTREAL FIRE.

A Big Blaze on St. Lawrence Street.

Electric and Telephone Wires Terrible Menace to the Firemen--Frozen to Wires.

(Special to the Star.) MONTREAL, Feb. 3.—Fire which is still raging on St. Lawrence street, has destroyed Tuckett's car factory, the Merchants' Telephone Exchange, and The Peerless Gaslight Company's store. The destroyed buildings are valued at \$50,000. The insurance on the buildings is \$25,000. The fire originated in a furnace and ran up the elevator shaft. The total loss is about \$100,000.

This morning's fire was the most picturesque in years, and presented many sensational features. The firemen were frozen to ladders and had to be chopped away. Others with cheeks and ears frozen actually bathed in pools of water. The thermometer was ten below zero. The telephone and electric lighting wires were a perpetual menace to firemen. Fire Chief Benoit declared that never in the city's history has the brigade been so hampered. With the exception of a few small buildings in the rear, the fire was confined to Tuckett's and the Merchants' Telephone building.

FREDERICTON. St. John Case Before Supreme Court.

(Special to the Star.) FREDERICTON, Feb. 3.—The supreme court was engaged the entire morning in hearing argument in the case of Daniel Adams vs. Walter L. Alcroft et al, and at adjournment at noon this case was still before the court. Mr. Teed and Mr. Jonah are moving for a new trial on behalf of the defendants and P. R. Taylor is supporting the motion. The case was tried in St. John circuit court before Judge Landry last September with a jury and a verdict rendered for the plaintiff for \$1,000. The action was for wrongful dismissal and for salary.

LATE SHIP NEWS. PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived. Sch. Lois V. Chapin, Robinson, from Gloucester, Mass., Sat. Coastwise—St. Westport, Powell, from Westport, and cleared; Sch. Ada Shannon, from fishing grounds and cleared.

Cleared. Sch. Harry Knowlton, 27, Haley, for New York, spruce plank.

PRINCE GEORGE. POTSDAM, Feb. 3.—Prince Eliel Friederich has progressed so far toward recovery that the physicians announced that they will issue bulletins every other day hereafter.

The prince's temperature since yesterday had ranged from 98 to 98.8.

BORDEN AT OTTAWA. (Special to the Star.) OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—R. L. Borden arrived today and was greeted at the station by nearly the whole opposition membership of the house. Tomorrow he will attend nomination proceedings at Richmond, Carleton county, and address his constituents.

A Finnish housewife buys a new broom every morning—a necessary extravagance, since she sweeps her whole house every day, and the broom she uses is just a bundle of fresh green birch leaves, whose natural dampness locks up the dust.

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90 Waists now......50
75 Waists now......50

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NO WEATHER

Forecasts—Fresh to strong north-west and west wind; fair and very cold today and Saturday. Synopsis—Inland cold continues over the western portion of the continent. Winds are strong northwesterly along the American coast. To Britain and America, heavy snow, northerly winds and very cold. Highest temperature: Quebec, Feb. 3, hours, 20. Lowest temperature: during p hours, 2. Temperature at noon, 13.

FURS!

The present is a good time to buy FURS—three months of fur wearing weather yet to come, and there is enough saved on the price to make it an inducement. For instance, I have about twenty BLACK MARTIN BOAS, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$30.00 which will be sold at

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