TWO INCORRIGIBLE TRUANTS SENT TO REFORMAT'Y; SHOULD BE KEPT OFF GOLF LINKS, SAYS JUDGE

Judge Forbes had four incorrigible truants before him on Saturday morning. The names of the boys are: Stanley C. Pitt, aged 11; Harry Noakes, aged 13; Roland Lemon, aged 12, and Guy McIntyre, aged 10. A fifth boy named Harrington, managed to evade the police officers. His Honor went into each case in detail, and as the result of the examination found it necessary to have evidence taken against two of the youthful offenders. The two boys who were tried were Harry Noakes and Roland Lemon, and these were sentenced to a terms of twelve and six months respectively, in the reformatory. The other two truants whose cases were not so bad as the two sentenced, McIntyre and Pitt, were allowed their freedom, on promising to attend school regularly in the future. His Honor in passing sentence said that the boys were not being punished for any wrong-doing in the past but in order that their education might be assured. He had every sympathy for the boys, but what he did, he thought, was in their own interests. The parents of the boys, the principals of their respective schools, the superintendent, Dr. D. T. Bridges, Truant Officer McMann and Recorder Skinner who was conducting the case, were in court.

The Case of Stanley Pitt.

The first boy dealt with was Stanley Pitt. An examination of his case was made, and it was learned that he was incorrigible in his conduct, and beyond the control of his parents, who had done everything possible to persuade him to attend school, and even paid him. Pitt had also associated with bad boys about the Marsh Bridge.

The boy said he understood the charge, and Recorder Skinner told him that it was intended to treat him with all kindness, and make him a good boy. His Honor remarked that the City of St. John was put to a heavy expense in building public schools, paying large salaries to give the children a free education. "Now," he continued, "you are a smart boy, but if you continue to associate with such boys as you have in the past, it will get you into crime, and the only thing to do is to stop at once. If you go to school you may some become some day, the Premier of Canada, or a judge of the bench, or a lawyer like the Recorder here." The Recorder was asked what he thought best to do for the boy, but Mr. Skinner could not exactly say just then, and remarked to the boy, "You may think that you can do what you like despite the judge or your father or any one else, but you could be sent to the Boys' Industrial Home for five years and trained in spite of yourself."

Should Not be Allowed On Golf Links.

His Honor was of the opinion that loafing, working around the golf links for a mere pittance, was the cause of the boy's absence and he said that no boys should be allowed on the golf links.

His Honor thought it difficult to deal with a boy of such tender years and stood him aside to hear the other cases.

Harry Noakes.

Harry Noakes was the next lad to be examined. It appeared that the boy flatly refused to attend school in spite of everything. The boy tried to excuse himself by saying that his teacher detained him after school after hours for errors in spelling, and beat him on the legs; and the Recorder proceeded with questioning him as to the extent of the severity, when His Honor remarked, "It is not fair that such reports should go out. This is not for teachers and we should not be examining them. The teachers, I think, are too lenient with the boys. The fact is that the boy wants an excuse and he makes one."

Mr. Noakes was called and stated that to his sorrow, he was aware that his boy would not attend school despite his solicitations.

Mr. Stothart, the principal of Winter street school, said that no complaint of the severity of the teacher had ever been made to him, and he did not believe that such was the case. The boy was absent 31 days last term and 24½ days this term.

Mr. Noakes asked that he be allowed to take the boy in hand himself an teach him, but His Honor said that the boy must go to school, and the only place where he could be made attend regularly would be the Reformatory. The boy's father stated that he had a great deal of terror of the Reformatory, but His Honnor said, "I have great sympathy for the boy, but he must be taught to attend to school." The witnesses were sworn and the evidence against the boy was taken. Truant Officer McMann, Mr. Noakes, and Dr. Bridges testified. The evidence went to show that it was impossible to make the boy attend school by ordinary means. Mr. Stothart stated that the boy was getting no good at school now, as he was attending irregularly. Dr. Bridges thought that to send the lad to the Boys' Industrial Home would be the best thing to do.

Lad Wept Bitterly.

His Honor in sentencing the boy to twelve months in the Reformatory, as the lad wept bitterly, said, "I see clearly that you cannot be made to attend school, and I am going to send you to the Industrial Home, where you will be properly looked after, and your education assured. If you are going there with the intention of doing whatever you are told, it will be in your own interests. There are powerful attractions in the boys you associate with; something magnetic seems to give bad boys influence over the good boys, and the only way to avoid it is to put you where there will be no boy who will have influence over you. Make up your mind that you are going to be a man, not a loafer. I will sentence you to twelve months, subject to all the rules of the institution, and after six months I will go out there and if you have been a good boy, I will use all my influence with the commissioners to have you released. You are put there to show you that you have not your own will, to do anything you desire; and you can be punished if you refuse to obey the rules. I am an old man now, but I hope to live to see you a man that will be a credit to the City of St. John."

Roland Lemon.

Roland Lemon was the next lad. It appeared that he was unfortunate in not having a mother's care, and as his father could not attend to him while working, nothing remainded to be done but to send him to the Reformatory. The boy was of the opinion that he did not need education, as others whom he knew had none and got along without it. The evidence was taken and His Honor sentenced the lad to six months in the Reformatory and promised to release him in three months if his behavior was found good.

Guy McIntyre, who had a very irregular attendance was excused, as his mother stated that his assistance was needed, and he did not have shoes to go with. The boy promised to attend regularly hereafter.

Young Pitt was again brought forward and His Honor stated that he was not given to decide his case at present. He would allow him to go, but just as soon as he stayed away from school, he would put him in the Reformatory, and he and all the boys on Marsh Bridge couldn't dodge it. He also warned the lad to keep off the golf links.

Noakes and Lemon were allowed to go until Tuesday morning, at ten o'clock, when they will be taken to the institution. The boys' fathers agreed to become responsible for their appearance.

STATEMENT OF MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS

(From The News, of Toronto.)

In the proposed Canadian Navy there should be a force of horse marines for the sole purpose of hearing and accepting the statements of Mr. Pugsley, the Minister of Public Works, relative to the expenditure upon the Central Railway. When the Minister made his memorable defence in the House of Commons he attempted to account for the shortage of some $134,000 by the submission of a detailed statement which was fearfully and wonderfully made. The first item which, he said, had been omitted from the Commissioners' statement was $7,000 paid to G. G. Scovil for ties. That amount was included in the allowance made by the Commission for construction and betterment of the road. Then comes this item: "Paid E. G. Evans for bridge plans for thirty-mile section, $1,025." On page seventy-six of the report appears the following: "For plans, rights-of-way, etc, to Evans, $11,500." Pugsley's item is included in this $11,500.

The Minister complained that a sum of $8,500 paid to Barnes in respect of work done prior to 1901 was not included by the Commissioners. There was no evidence heard by the Commission to justify the payment of this sum. An Order-in-Council was passed by the Provincial Government asking the Legislature to authorize the payment, but the authorization was never obtained. The money was paid, but the company paid it illegally, and is resposible for it.

A sum of $6,789 was said by Mr. Pugsley to have been paid to Barnes for the loss on boarding-house account. This is mentioned by the Commissioners. They called it "alleged" indebtedness incurred previously to July 1st, 1904. Evidently the evidence was such as to awaken doubt in the minds of Judge Landry and his associates.

The cost of construction as given by Evans was $344,860; as given by Auditor Sharp, $368,056. Mr. Pugsley naturally prefers the larger sum, because it was made up by Sharp from information which he supplied. This statement included a number of payments which, so far as the evidence shows, were never made.

The crowning beauty of this statement, however, was the item of $39,000 on the Evans and Elkin option "improperly excluded by the Commissioners." Evans swore that he received, not $180,000, as was originally agreed, and as the Legislature was falsely informed by Mr. Pugsley, but $141,000. The balance has disappeared. Mr. Crocket in his speech showed how futile were the attempts of Mr. Pugsley to account for the shortage. The references to De Bertram and to Trueman were interesting as statements, but the money is still missing.

Indeed all the details of this case show that Mr. Pugsley has a good deal more to do in the way of explanation before he can clear himself of the accusation of complicity in the spoliation of the Province. His continuance in the Federal Government is an insult to the country while he remains under such a crushing indictment.

SIR HUGH GRAHAM, AT GREAT PRESS CONFERENCE, REPLIES TO ROSEBERY'S TOAST, 'OUR GUESTS'

London, June 5.—The most representative gathering of British newspaper men ever held occurred this evening at the garden club, at Sheppard's Bush, when 1,000 journalists of the United Kingdom gave a banquet in honor of the fifty-seven colonial delegates to the Imperial Press Congress that is to open at the Foreign Office next Monday.

Three subjects will be discussed, namely: Cable news and press intercommunication, when Lord Crewe will preside and Postmaster Buxton and Austin Chamberlain will be among the speakers. "The Press And The Empire" under the presidency of First Lord of the Admiralty, Reginald McKenna, who will be supported by Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Grey, Lord Cramer, Lord Esher and Alfred Lyttleton. There will be a second discussion of this same subject under the chairmanship of A. J. Balfour, assisted by War Secretary Haldane and "Journalism and Literature" with Lord Morley in the chair and August Birrell, Winston Churchill and Lord Milner among the speakers. The colonial visitors rivetting their attention on the first of these three subjects, will make a strong plea for the reduction of cable rates and the laying of a Government cable across the Atlantic as suggested by Mr. Lemieux, the Postmaster General of Canada, thus linking up the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia and New Zealand by an "all-red line." A movement will be started also for the establishment of an Imperial Press association and the interchange of news between the colonies and England.

Sir Hugh Graham Replies.

Lord Burnham presided at this evening's banquet. Lord Rosebery delivered the speech of welcome to the pressmen and the reply was made by Sir Hugh Graham of Montreal. The hotels tonight include newspaper proprietors, editors and writers.

Sir Hugh Graham, proprietor of the Montreal Star, responding to Lord Rosebery's toast "Our Guests" said:

"The colonial press was responsible for the wave of sentiment which is sweeping the outlying portions of the Empire and marked an important era in the tide of the people towards Imperialism." Canada, he said, for long years had sponged on the Mother Country for protection and was too mean to offer to pay its share, but a change was impending.

Inspired by the pluck of Australia and New Zealand, which were always in the van, Canada was now sending delegates to discuss the question of the defence of Great Britain. If wise statesmanship governed the delegates in this discussion, it meant a new and important step in the safe guarding of Imperial interests.

WEDDINGS

Ellis-Ells.

The wedding of Clifford D. Ellis to Miss Emma Gertrude, daughter of Captain Alfred Ells, of West St. John took place at five o'clock Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. E. Fletcher, at his residence. The bride, who was unattended, wore a travelling costume of blue with hat to match. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ellis left by steamer for a trip to Boston and New York. On their return they will reside on Queen street.

Toller-Hughes.

Mr. Guy Northcote Toller, son of Lieut.Col. Toller, and Miss Ida Mercy Hughes, daughter of the late Mr. Patrick Hughes, were married at Ottawa on Wednesday by Rev. Father Whelan. The bride, who was given away by Mr. Daniel O'Connor, wore her reception gown, a princess of azure blue cloth, with yoke of Brussels lace, and finished with embroidery in pastel shades. The hat worn was of self-colored chiffon, trimmed with ostrich plumes and a gold band around the crown. A necklace of amethysts and pearls, the gift of the groom, was worn. The bridesmaid, Miss Nanno Hughes, was in white mull over pink silk. Mr. D'Arcy McGee was best man.

Love-Freeland.

At St. Andrew's church, Quebec, on Tuesday morning the marriage was solemnized of Miss Etta Love, daughter of Rev. A. T. and Mrs. Love, to Mr. John A. Freeland. The full choir was present and a large congregation witnessed the ceremony which was performed by the bride's father and the Rev. Mr. Patterson. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Tannerhill T. Love, wore a directoire gown of ivory tinted satin, and long veil draped with wreath of orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of white roses and sweet peas. She was attended by her sister, Miss Hilda Love, wearing a white gown and picture hat, and carrying pink roses and sweet pea blossoms. Two young brothers of the bride were pages. Mr. Love was at one time stationed at St. Stephen, N. B.

Dawson-Perley.

A pretty June wedding was celebrated on Wednesday in St. Matthew's church, Ottawa, when Miss Alice Muriel Dawson, youngest daughter of the late Professor R. W. Dawson, of Dublin University, Ireland, was married to Mr. George Fullerton Perley, of the Railway Commission, only son of Mr. George E. Perley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Walter M. Loucks, rector of the church. the service being fully choral. The bride, was was given away by her uncle and guardian, Mr. George Dawson, wore a travelling costume of Nattier blue rajah silk, made in princess fashion, with lace yoke and sleeves and long coat to match, and a hat of blue mohair trimmed with a long blue plume and roses. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Gwendoline Dawson, and Miss Florence Perley, sister of the groom, who were attired in princess gowns of pale fawn rajah silk with yoke and sleeves of cream Brussels net and trimming of Persian embroidery in pastel shades of pink and green. Their large black picture hats were wreathed with roses. The best man was Mr. Vivian Dunlevie, and the ushers were Dr. Lionel Dawson and Mr. Archie Dawson.

Ginn-Purdy.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Ann's church, Richmond, Que., on June 2nd, when Miss Mary Frances Anne, only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ogle Ginn, was united in marriage to Rev. Charles Edwin Purdy, of Selby, Ont., eldest son of W. A. Purdy, Esq., of Bear River, N. S. Rev. Rural Dean Hepburn officiated. A dainty luncheon was served after which Rev. and Mrs. Purdy left for Bear River, N. S. where they will spend their honeymoon and on their return will reside at Selby, Ont.

Short-Dunn.

Greenwich, K. Co., June 4.—Last evening a number of young people of Greenwich drove to New Jerusalem to witness the marriage of Miss Erna Short to Mr. John Dunn, which took place in the Baptist church there, Rev. C. W. Sables officiated.

The bride looked charming in a gown of white silk and a large picture hat to match. She was attended by her two little sisters as flower girls. The church was decorated with bunting and potted plants.

Inch-Smith.

On the same evening Miss Gertrude Inch was married to Mr. David Smith at the home of the bride's grandfather, Mr. Nathaniel Inch. Rev. L. J. Laird officiated.

Mr. George F. Bissett, of Oxford, N. S., arrived in the city Saturday, to attend the funeral of his father.

SUNDAY TRAINS TO COMMENCE ON JULY 4

The summer schedule for the C. P. R., which goes into effect today, has very few changes affecting St. John the hours for departure and arrival being about the same as last year.

The Boston train out will leave at 6.55 a. m.; the Fredericton at 5.05 p. m.; Montreal at 5.50 p. m.; Boston night train at 6.45. There will be surburbans out each day at 9.25 a. m. and 6.10 p. m. and 10.35 p. m., and on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 1.10 p. m. The hours of arrival of the trains will be Fredericton express 8.55 a. m., Boston express 11 a. m., Montreal express 11.30 a. m., and Boston day express 11.15 p. m. Surburbans will arrive daily at 7.55 a. m., 12.10 p. m. and 10 p. m., and on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 3.20 p. m.

The Sunday train will begin on July 4th, when the Montreal train will arrive and leave St. John the same as on week days. This will not go east of St. John. Connections will be made with the outgoing Sunday train for passengers for Fredericton, Woodstock, St. Stephen and St. Andrews and the incoming train will make connection with these branches for passengers going to stations on these lines. The night connection with Houlton, Me., has been re-established with the Montreal train leaving St. John at 5.50 p. m. daily (Sunday excepted).

A new local train will be put on between Brownville and Megantic, with through connection to and from Sherbrooke, Quebec.

The double daily service on the St. Andrews branch will commence on July 1.

Conductor James Quigg, who has been in charge of the Fredericton branch train, has been transferred to the surburban train running between St. John and Welsford, and Conductor McGovern will take charge of the Fredericton branch train.

SAYS CH. UNION CREED LACKS UNIVERSALITY

Rev. J. J. McCaskill, pastor of St. Matthew's Presbyterian church in his sermon yesterday spoke on Church Union and was heard by a large congregation. He said in part:

On Church Union.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church is now discussing the question of church union. If we remain divided into denominations it is not because we love to differ and cherish division but because the truth for all souls seems to involve necessarily our denominational form. The special task for the theologian today is that he should assist society in order that the universal and sovereign elements may be clearly recognized amid the transient accretions. The existing creeds have lost the relative truth they once had, and well as the creed-makers did their work in an earlier day that work was transient. A creed which goes into particulars about things upon which no man can have definite knowledge can never hope to become Catholic or universal. We ask for truth to reign over us, not because it is pleasantly situated to the taste and custom of our local neighborhood, but because it is truth for man as man, and that which may be everywhere and by all men believed.

Lacks Universality.

The proposel creed for the united churches is utterly lacking in those elements of universality. It gathers together many outgrown conceptions that the Church could prosperously be delivered of, and seeks to perpetuate them in a new creed. In includes too many things to be simple, too few things to be inclusive and little that is vital in view of present problems. The objection that will be taken to it is not that its statements are not true, but that they are not vital. This creed is not clearly connected with our present problems or with the life of our churches. It embodies the splendid hopes and convictions of an earlier generation but to write those in a creed today is simply to emphasize our own lack of convictions and to refuse to take seriously the present problems.

HARMONY DOES NOT REIGN IN LIB. CAUCUS

The preliminary caucus of St. John County opponents of the Hazen government, held last week has not been productive of harmony. There is trouble over the choice of a candidate. It is understood that the majority at the preliminary conference favored the nomination of Councillor Donovan, of Simonds, who has been all his life an active party man, and who contributed greatly to the election of the late government ticket in the county, as well as to success of Mr. Pugsley in the federal campaign. Mr. Donovan's services and his strength in the county have as yet been overlooked when candidates were chosen or offices handed out.

There is now an opportunity to render him justice.

But while the majority at the gathering are said to have favored Councillor Donovan, and while the party in the great parish of Simonds is strongly supporting him, the machine is understod to be working the oracle in favor of Councillor Cochrane, of St. Martins. It is confidently declared that when the convention is called it will turn down Mr. Donovan with a small complimentary vote and declare for Mr. Cochrane. In fact this is the view of Mr. Cochrane himself, as he told The Standard last night that he was assured of the nomination.

The name of Mr. Lee has also been mentioned, as well as Councillor Connelly, also of St. Martins. But if it has all been settled beforehand what is the use of talking?

Another question is that of funds. It is no secret that the party is looking to Mr. Pugsley to arrange all that. Else what is the benefit to the party of $36,000 rake off in dredging and $134,000 Central Railway plunder.

COMMON COUNCIL THIS AFTERNOON

The increase in salaries recommended by the Board of Public Safety wil form the chief bone of contention at this afternoon's Common Council meeting. Those for whom the salaries were recommended were Chief Kerr, of the Fire Department; Chief of Pollic Clark, Mr. Wisely, Director of public Safety and some of the firemen.

It is hardly likely that the Council will sanction the increases. No provision for them was made in estimates or assessment and the general revenue from which they might have been made is already $18,000 to the bad.

Hunter Petitions.

There is much conjecture concerning what will be done with the two petitions concerning the management of the Water and Sewerage Department. One is for the placing of Mr. H. G. Hunter in absolute control of the Department, the other is for the continuance of the present system under which Director Murdoch runs the Department. The Council is understood to be not overly anxious to deal with the petitions which have been sent in by the Water and Sewerage Board.

Although these are the outstanding matters with which the Council will deal there is a large quantity of miscellaneous business which will have to be disposed of.

WILL SEE BOHEMIAN GIRL.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, June 6.—The local Knights of Columbus are making extensive preparations for the entertainment of the Catholic Foresters of Canada, who meet here in convention Monday night. The programme includes the production of the Bohemian Girl by local amateurs and probably an excursion to Point du Chene.

Brockett and Warhoop are pitching fine ball for the New York Yankees.

The Washington Post says that the present ball plant in that city is fast outgrowing its usefulness. Even with a tail-end team there is a lack of facilities to handle the crowds.

WANTED

WANTED—By Trustees of Grammar School, Andover, N. B., Fully Qualified Teacher as Principal. September Term. Address, Secretary to Trustees, Andover, Canada.

OVER 300 N. B. FARMS FOR SALE

Mr. A. B. Wilmot, secretary of the Provincial Immigration Department in pursuance of the duties of his office has recently been receiving information from all parts of the Province, from persons desirous of selling farm lands, together with houses, barns, etc., contained on same, and he has now a large list of all forms for sale in the Province, with full particulars as to situation, number of acres and selling price. The object of this is to give immigrants, who are desirous of purchasing land in the Province, an opportunity of making a selection, and buying to the best advantage. Mr. Wilmot's list shows that there are three hundred and thirteen farms for sale in New Brunswick, ranging from about six acres to four hundred acres and selling at from $50.00 to $16,000.

The number of farms for sale in each county is as follows:

Kings County, 66; Albert County, 9; Sunbury County, 20; Queens County, 58; Charlotte County, 8; Victoria County, 9; Northumberland County, 5; Kent County, 8; York County, 48; Westmorland County, 17; St. John County, 7; Carleton County, 55; Restigouche County, 1; Madawaska County, 1; Gloucester County 1.

This means that three hundred and thirteen owners of farms, are willing to give up their lands, which are as good probably as any procurable in Canada, being conveniently situated and having railway connections with all the cities and towns throughout the Province, which makes it easy for the country produce to be transported to the market at a very low rate.

NEXT MEETING AT VAN BUREN ABOUT JUNE 16

The next meeting of the Commissioners appointed to settle the boundary dispute between New Brunswick and the State of Maine, will be held at Van Buren on the 16th or 17th of this month. Mr. John Keefe, one of the commissioners, speaking to The Standard last evening stated that at their last meeting they went over the whole boundary line from Van Buren to the mouth of the St. Francis River; and at the next meeting they will begin to take the evidence.

Mr. Keefe also stated that they, the Commissioners, saw the log jam at Van Buren and had viewed it carefully and with much interest. The river, he said, had fallen 14 feet from the beginning of the jam up to the time he had arrived and still continued to fall and the weather remains very dry. About 150 or 200 men are at work trying to overcome the difficulty, and are succeeding in driving the logs out faster than they are coming in and if their success continues the work of the corporation drive in getting the logs out to the booms will not be so difficult as was first expected.

BACK FROM MEETING OF THE W.M.S. BRANCH

A number of delegates from the Methodist women's missionary societies of this city and of Fredericton, were passengers on Saturday evening's Pacific express. They were returning from the New Brunswick and P. E. Island branch of the society, which closed in Summerside on Friday.

Among those who returned were Mrs. (Rev. Dr.) Flanders, of the Centenary auxiliary; Mrs. (Rev.) S. Howard, Miss William Brown and Miss Maude McGinnis, of the Exmouth street church auxiliary; Mrs. Oscar Grunlund, of the Queen Square auxiliary; Mrs. Robb, Mrs. W. B. Coulthard, of Fredericton; Mrs. F. S. Williams, of Marysville, and Mrs. F. S. Thomas, of the Portland street church auxiliary.

CONGREGATION PLEASED WITH CHILDREN

Douglas Avenue Christian church held one of the largest crowds of its history last evening, on the occasion of the observation of Children's Day. Every person present was taken with the manner in which the scholars acquitted themselves. The regular order of service was abandoned, and the children carried out the following programme in addition to numbers by the organist and adult choir:

Scripture reading, Harold Hazlewood; prayer, Rev. J. C. B. Appel, pastor; recitation, Go Plant the Cross, Irene Wilson; misionary acrostic, Margaret Crawford, A. Hazlewood, Nellie Roberts, Lottie Biddeson, Lulu Hazelwood, Myrtle Ingram, Ethel Dunlap; recitation "Go," Gertie McKiel; exercise, "The Call to Go," Roy Armstrong, Fred McAvity, Charles Marshall, Robert Roberts, Arthur Merritt, Geo. Marshall, George Scott, John Beaman, Walter Priddle, Charles Taylor, Charles Henderson, Willie McKiel; recitation, "A Hindoo Mother's Sacrifice," Nellie Oram; solo, Evelyn Marshall; exercise, "Centennial Clock," Nellie Oram, Ariel Titus, Hazel Roberts, Ethel Roberts, May Kennedy, Bertha Wheaton, Lena Watson, Rita DeLong, Evelyn Marshall, Alice Henderson, Hazel Merritt, Elsie Calvin, Ethel Dunlap, Irene Wilson; recitation, "A Busy Bee," Louise Roberts and Gertie Laskey; rose drill, group of girls; trio, "Calling Today," Chas. Taylor, Robert Roberts, Roy Armstrong.

The church was decorated for the occasion in such a manner as to call forth many appreciative comments.

MANY ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF CAPT. BISSETT

The funeral of Capt. George W. J. Bissett, late commander of the Government steamer Landsdowne, took place yesterday afternoon from his residence in King street, West End. Funeral services were conducted at his residence at 3.30 o'clock by Revs. H. D. Maher and Jacob Heaney, after which the funeral, which was very lengthy, proceeded to Cedar Hill cemetry, where interment was made. Rev. G. F. Scovil, Chaplain of Carleton Masonic Lodge, conducted the burial services at the grave. The members of La Tour section Temple of Honor and Temperance, marched in a body in honor of a son of the late Capt. Bissett, who is Grand Worthy Archon of the section. The members of Carleton Union Masonic lodge, of which deceased was a member and the Carleton Cornet Band were also in attendance.

George F. Bissett, of Oxford, N. S. son of the deceased, was in the city to attend the funeral.

RUMOR THAT PRES. MERRICK MAY BE HERE

No one seems to know what athletic organizations will be represented at the meeting to be held at the Y. M. C. A. tonight. The probability is that local clubs will have the bulk of the representation as the athletic societies in the other parts of the province have shown little or no desire to aid in the formation of a New Brunswick A. A. A. Fredericton seems decidedly hostile and Moncton indifferent.

C. A. A. U. Representatives.

Mr. James C. Lithgow, of Halifax, president of the M. P. A. A. A. and a vice-president of the C. A. A. U., is to be present. It has been rumored that a high official of the C. A. A. U., may be sent here from Upper Canada to represent the Canadian body. President James C. Merrick's name has been mentioned, but no confirmation of the rumor can be obtained.

Miss Grace Ruffle, of Wolfville, N. S., is visiting her friend, Miss Marion Harding, 58 Queen street.

TEST CASE BEFORE JUDGE ON THURSDAY

The test case which was tried before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court a few weeks ago, in which the defendant, Myles Carroll, a beer seller, was fined $20 for keeping his premises open after the closing hours, set forth in the recent amendments made to the beer license act, will be argued on appeal before Judge Forbes at 11 o'clock on Thursday morning. The question to be decided is whether or not Carroll is a bona fide grocer if he is found to be such, the law says that he is justified in keeping open his premises; if not then he must close. If Judge Forbes reverses the decision of Judge Ritchie, the case can be appealed to the supreme court of the province; if he sustains Judge Ritchie's decision, then the case can go no farther. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., will argue for the defendant.

A stay of proceedings has been granted in the case against Daniel Connolly and Timothy Driscoll, charged with similar offences, pending the final decision in Carroll's case.

PERSONAL

Mr. J. S. Ackhurst, of Halifax, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. R. O. Yorke, of Torbrook Mines, is at the Royal.

Mrs. Tweedie and children, of Woodstock, are at the Royal.

Mr. H. A. McArthur, of Sussex, was at the Park on Saturday.

Mr. W. P. Eaton, of Halifax, was registered at the Park Saturday.

Mr. A. T. Gunn, of Chimpan, was at the Dufferin Saturday.

Mr. J. K. Sutton, of Woodstock, is at the Victoria.

Mr. L. E. Russell, of the Bank of B. N. A., Ottawa, is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. John Ogilvie, Princess street.

Mrs. C. T. Purdy, Moncton, who was in St. John attending the Presbyterial as a delegate from St. John's church, has been called to New York on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. John Montgomery.

North Shore Leader: Hon. John Morrissy is still confined to his residence with eye trouble. The improvements in his sight, though slight, is encouraging, considering the serious condition the Chief's eyes were in four weeks ago.

Digby Record: Miss Rankine, of St. John, is here and expects to occupy her new summer bungalow on Queen's street in a week or two—Mrs. S. L. Tilley Harrison, youngest daughter of the late Rev. John Ambrose, and her little daughter Elsie, arrived today from Dorchester, N. B.—James Merkel, of Digby, formerly of the Bank of Montreal staff at Halifax, and latterly of the head office staff at Montreal, has been transferred to Hartland, N. B.

Digby Courier: Mrs. Julia Devit, of Davenport, England, widow of an English army officer, is at Westport, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Frost, whom she had not seen for 59 years, or since she was about six years old. Before returning to her home in England, Mrs. Devit expects to visit St. John, N. B., Quebec, Niagara Falls, Boston and New York.

Mr. R. W. L. Tibbits, deputy provincial secretary, was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Bridges has returned from a few months spent at Saranac Lake, N. Y., and her friends will be glad to learn that she is much improved in health.—Fredericton Gleaner.

Miss Jean Barr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Barr, who spent the past year in North Dakota, arrived home Saturday.

DESTROYED BY FIRE

Special to The Standard.

North Hatley, Que., June 6—Glen Villa, a summer resort, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss was $6,000; insurance, $20,000. Cause unknown.

LOST

Lost—On Saturday evening's Pacific express or between train and west side of Mill street, by way of train shed, an oval brooch of gold, with amethyst in centre, surrounded by four small stones. Finder will please return to Mrs. Wm. DeW. Brown, 123 Paradise Row.