

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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NO MORE FREE LOCALS.

AROUND THE CITY

Inland Revenue. The following is a comparative statement of inland revenue collected at the port of St. John during the month of January, 1911-1912: 1911, \$16,192.47; 1912, \$18,251.48. Gain for January, 1912, \$2,159.01.

Custom Revenue. The following is a comparative statement of custom revenue collected at the port of St. John during the month of January, 1911-1912: 1911, \$115,087.87; 1912, \$120,701.136. Gain for January, 1912, \$5,613.26.

Lecture for School Children. The Bickmore lecture on Jamaica and Porto Rico, will be read in the Natural History Society's hall this afternoon for the benefit of the school children in grade seven or higher. This lecture is illustrated by over seventy slides.

Children's Carnival at the "Vic." Seven gold prizes at the Children's Favorite Carnival at the Victoria rink tomorrow afternoon. Best music obtainable, 62nd band in 12 long numbers. Skating after the third band without costume. Admission, ladies, 15 cents; gentlemen, 25 cents.

Victoria Street Sleigh Drive. The young people of Victoria street held a very enjoyable sleigh drive last evening. The merry party drove out the Marsh Road as far as Torryburn and returned to the home of J. T. McVeigh where they enjoyed an oyster supper. After the supper a short musical and a variety programme was rendered after which they departed to their homes. Miss Lily McEann acted as chaperone.

For Municipal Improvements. It is expected that a special meeting of the county council will be held before the session of the legislature to pass a bill empowering the county to issue bonds for building an addition to the jail, and deal with a number of other matters demanding more or less immediate attention. At this meeting the council will be asked to authorize the installation of a modern heating system in the courthouse.

Inspected Quinn Wharf. A special committee of the board of works made an inspection of the Quinn wharf yesterday afternoon, and decided to bring in a recommendation to lease a part of it to George Dick, the coal merchant, for \$800 a year, on condition that Mr. Dick make all necessary repairs at his own expense. Mr. Dick proposes to use the Quinn wharf to discharge coal from vessels, and convey it to his Britannia street premises on an overhead trestle.

Germain Street Y. P. A. Drive. About 25 couples enjoyed the sleigh drive given by the Young People's Society of the Germain street Baptist church last evening. The merry party gathered left the church in one of Worden's sleighs and proceeded out the Marsh road. While on the way, the young people made one walking ring with a variety of noises which they managed to get out of tin horns, cow bells and other time honored fixtures of a sleigh drive. The party made the return trip to the church where a turkey supper was served.

A Trip to Washington. Before a large audience in the Natural History rooms yesterday afternoon, Mrs. John H. Thomson delivered a lecture on "A Visit to Washington." Mrs. Thomson, while in Washington was presented to the President, William McKinley, and because of this she had the privilege of being shown over parts of the White House that the ordinary visitor would not be permitted to see. During the course of the lecture over fifty views of the different important buildings were shown, and as they were flashed on the screen Mrs. Thomson gave a description of each.

High School Alumnae. The St. John High School Alumnae held a literary meeting at the home of Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Princess street, last evening. Miss Jean Barr read a paper on the legends of St. John, while Miss Miriam Hatheway gave a lecture on the history of the St. John Grammar school. After the literary programme was finished a general discussion on history was carried out, many points of interest being brought up. The alumnae were greatly helped in the historical discussion by Frank P. Ellis. Mrs. Jessie Lawson, the president of the society, presided, and after the programme was carried out refreshments were served.

Girls' Club Sleigh Drive. Twenty-five members of the Girls' Club enjoyed a sleigh drive to Brookville and back provided by the committee of ladies responsible for the organization of the club, last evening. On their return the girls were provided with refreshments at the club rooms in the Oddfellows' Hall. The president of the club briefly thanked the ladies for the pleasant evening they had spent, and in replying the convener of the committee pointed out that the work of the organization was just beginning and that other plans were being made for entertainment of the members. The membership of the Girls' Club is rapidly growing and an increased interest is being manifested in its work.

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MONTREAL TRAVELLER DIES SUDDENLY HERE

A. H. S. Parker, of Smith Hardware Company, Passed Away Last Evening - Cerebral Apoplexy the Cause.

A. H. S. Parker, a traveller for the Smith Hardware Company Ltd., 240 Lemoine street, Montreal, died at the Royal Hotel last evening about eight o'clock as the result of an attack of cerebral apoplexy. Mr. Parker arrived in the city Wednesday evening from Sussex and appeared to be in the best of health when he retired to his room. About one o'clock yesterday morning, while night porter Robinson was passing through the corridor he heard groans coming from the room occupied by Mr. Parker, and on entering the room he found the man lying on the floor. The porter summoned others in the hotel and there was a call for Dr. Thomas Walker, who responded quickly. About four o'clock in the morning Mr. Parker lapsed into unconsciousness from which he did not recover, and passed away last evening. The deceased is married and about fifty years of age. He resided near Montreal. His wife was telegraphed for yesterday morning and will arrive in the city on the Atlantic express at noon today. The late Mr. Parker was well known to the travelling public and it is said was formerly a resident of Halifax.

THIS COURTESAY BAY MAN THOUGHT HE HAD 'EM

An Offer (?) of \$12,000 for an \$800 Farm Almost Turned the Brain of a Staid Agriculturist.

A farmer from the other side of Courtesay Bay drove into the city the other day. His whiskers had an excited aspect, but he was evidently trying to look as if he hadn't a thing on his mind except the price of eggs. He stabled his horse, absent-mindedly combed out his furried whiskers with a stable implement, and started out for a walk. He walked with an unconcerned air, and like the Boston sleuth who was here to guard Hatfield LeBlanc, with "a footfall as soft and silent as a panther." Every few steps he turned round as if afraid he was being followed. At length he dodged into the office of a well known lawyer. To this gentleman he whispered mysteriously: "Say, has any gold mines been discovered 't'other side of Courtesay Bay?" "Not that I've heard," was the answer. "What gave you that idea?" "Well, a young man who did not look altogether crazy came out to see me this morning and wanted to give me \$10,000 for my farm. That took my breath away. I thought he must have found out that there was gold around somewhere. What do you think I'd better do?" "Do you think anybody will pay that much. Why a few months ago I would have been glad to get \$800." And according to the story being told the farmer gave an option on his farm for \$12,000 next day.

WANT MORE LATITUDE FOR AUXILIARY BOATS

Special Committee of Board of Trade Moving to Repeal Act which Has Been Found Burdensome

A special meeting of the Board of Trade of which Ernest Barbour is chairman, held a meeting yesterday afternoon to consider the question of starting an agitation for the repeal of the section of the shipping act requiring all boats of over five tons, propelled by steam or gasoline, to carry a master with a certificate of competency. This act was adopted in 1896, but its requirements have been considered unreasonable, and it has been more honored in the breach than in the observance. Of recent years many coasting packets have been equipped with auxiliary gasoline engines, and most of the fishing boats in the Bay of Fundy and on the south shore of Nova Scotia have also put in gasoline motors. The act applies to such craft, and isolated efforts to enforce it have caused great annoyance. Many of the coasting vessels coming to St. John as well as the sardine fishing boats are affected by the provisions of the act and the local board of trade has been asked to take action with a view to having the act repealed. The enforcement of the act would compel many of the smaller coasting packets to go out of business, as it would be practically impossible to get certified masters or mates for the whole fleet. The sardine fleet would also be seriously handicapped. The fishermen have put motors in their boats to enable them to get to the market with their catches with the greatest possible dispatch. Often under the old conditions the catch was ruined before it could be landed.

MIDNIGHT BLAZE DREW BIG CROWD

Market Square and South Market Wharf Thronged, Last Night - Slight Fire on Tugboat the Attraction.

About 11:45 o'clock last night fire was discovered on board the tugboat Waring, lying at the end of the South Market Wharf. An alarm was sent in from box 7 and this with the loud blasts from the tugboat whistles caused a large crowd to assemble. The fire started over the boiler and was quickly extinguished. The damage amounted to a couple of hundred dollars and is covered by insurance.

Time and Labor Saving for Women

These are ready-made days. It does not pay an individual woman to fuss and fume over her garments when she can buy them ready to put on at practically the same price as we can buy the materials. The large manufacturers make these garments up along such scientific and expert lines, and buy their materials so much cheaper than the individual can that the price of ready-made garments in many cases only represents what the materials would cost at retail. This would apply to the Great White Sewing Sale which F. A. Dykeman & Co. have decided to continue during this month of February. Thousands of garments made in the latest of styles and priced specially for this sale. K. J. O'Leary, Richebucto, is registered at the Royal.

TREASURY BOARD IN BRIEF SESSION

Routine Business Alone Occupied Attention of Lords of the Civic Coffers Last Evening.

The Treasury Board held a meeting last evening, recommended a grant of \$2,000 for playground purposes and transacted some routine business. Ald. Hayes presided, and there were present Ald. Wigmore, Codner, Smith, McGoldrick, Fotts, with the Common Clerk, the Chamberlain and Comptroller.

The board decided to recommend the council to appropriate \$2,000 for playgrounds out of a balance of \$4,000 carried over from last year. Wallace Stillwell was recommended for the position of city constable. Ald. McGoldrick brought the matter of retaining Wm. J. Cotter in the employ of the assessor's office. He said that the number of assessors had been reduced, and Mr. Sharpe needed the service of the young man.

Ald. Smith—"Are you asking for an increase of salary for the young man?" Ald. McGoldrick said he was asking that Mr. Cotter be given regular employment. He had been employed off and on for three years at a salary of \$9 a week.

Ald. McGoldrick moved that the council be recommended to appoint Mr. Cotter at a salary of \$600. The vote stood: Yeas—McGoldrick and Smith. Nays—Codner and Wigmore. The chairman decided to send in the recommendation to the council.

A committee consisting of the chairman, chamberlain and comptroller was appointed to arrange for the printing of the annual report of the chamberlain.

POLICE MAKE ARRESTS IN SYRIAN COLONY

Thomas Ferris and Barbara Habab Arrested for Serious Charge on Information Laid by Woman's Husband.

There was plenty of excitement in the Assyrian colony on Erin street yesterday afternoon when the police patrol wagon with Sergeants Caples and Campbell, and Police Officer Shortliff paid a hurried visit there and arrested Thomas Ferris, aged 35 years, and Barbara Habab, aged 27, who were charged with a serious offence. One was taken from a house on Erin street and the other from a house on Brunswick street. Both are Syrians, and the charge was made against the woman who told the woman's husband.

According to Habab's story Ferris started out from the States with some sort of a travelling company, and among the members of the company was Mrs. Habab. Ferris and Mrs. Habab are the only members here, as the company disbanded, the others going to their homes or other parts of the country. Mr. Habab learned that Ferris and Mrs. Habab were in St. John, and arrived here the other day to look into the matter, and says that he has a good case against the two. It found guilty in the courts they are liable to a term of one year in prison.

After being driven to the central police station and placed in the cells, Ferris said that he had been in St. John for a couple of months. He was greatly worried about Mrs. Habab being locked up. The woman did not take to the cell kindly, and was nervous. Last evening when the police officer went to the basement to see how the prisoners were making out he found that the woman had fallen to the floor in a faint, and it was some time before she was brought around. Late last night she was sleeping and feeling much better.

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