

AROUND THE CITY

LEAVES FOR TORONTO

Rev. George Booth, D. D., leaves on Tuesday for Toronto where he will attend the annual meeting of the General Board of Missions of the Methodist Church.

NOT MUCH DAMAGE

An alarm was rung in about noon Saturday from box 41 for a blaze which had started on the roof of a fish warehouse owned by H. P. Roberts and situated at 30 British street. The fire was extinguished before long.

WEEK END ARRESTS

Three drunks were arrested by the police on Saturday, and three protectionists shared the sleeping quarters in the city lock-up with them. One more drunk was arrested Friday, and two protectionists shared the honors with him in the city demerol.

AUCTION SALES

At Chubb's corner Saturday morning Auctioneer F. L. Potts disposed of a freehold property of 17 Garden street belonging to the Diocese of Antigonish. It was bid in by George Kane at \$1,000.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Yesterday was the regular monthly communion Sunday for the members of the Holy Name Society in all the Catholic churches of the city. The members of the society in the Cathedral parish attended the 7 o'clock mass in a body. There were over seven hundred communicants.

SATURDAY'S MARKET

There was a good supply of produce in the market Saturday morning. Chickens were selling for 25c to 45c a pound; butter from forty-five cents to 45c a pound, eggs at 55c a dozen, lamb for 15c, forequarters, and 20c, and 25c for the hindquarters per pound; veal for 15c a pound, cabbage 10c to 15c, celery 5c a pound, apples 40c a peck.

CARLETON FAIR

At the Carleton Currier Fair on Saturday prizes were won as follows: First door prize, \$10, Edmund McAllister; second door prize, \$5, Miss Mabel Purdy; air gun, Charles Fullerton; nine pins, J. Wilson; bean toss, G. Cunningham. The Martello Band were in attendance and there was a fair crowd. It is proposed to keep this fair open for a part of this week.

ST. ELIZABETH'S SOCIETY

At the annual meeting of St. Elizabeth's church of St. Peter's church (Friday evening) the following officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. D. J. Doherty; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Wm. O'Connor; 2nd vice-president, Miss Mary Kelly; secretary, Mrs. S. McCort; treasurer, Mrs. Annie O'Neil; executive, Mrs. Richard Walsh, Mrs. W. McCloskey, Mrs. Mary L. Gibbs, Mrs. M. James and Mrs. Elizabeth Walker. The retiring president, Miss S. Lynch, was in the chair. Mrs. Louis Owens, secretary, and Miss M. McCloskey, treasurer, submitted their annual reports. Plans were made for raising funds for the winter's work.

A Series of Car Accidents

Two Automobiles and Street Cars in Collision—Another Near Accident on Union St.

Yesterday was marked by a series of motor accidents throughout the city, none of which were fortunate. A very serious nature. At 5 o'clock an auto owned by R. J. Hilditch of the Great Eastern Garage and driven by his daughter, collided with a West side street car at the corner of Mill and Pond street. The automobile was badly damaged.

A street car going west on British street and a Ford motor going north on Charlotte street collided at the junction of the two thoroughfares. The truck was quite badly broken up and the car was also damaged.

Another accident was narrowly averted at about 10:30 Saturday evening when a motor car turning from Wellington Row into Union street narrowly averted sideswiping another motor proceeding down Union to Charlotte. The second man only saved his car by driving it up over the curb and onto the sidewalk.

Cases Dealt With in Police Court

Robert Beckwith was charged in the police court Saturday morning with interfering with C. N. R. Officer Pierce. He was warned that he was liable to a fine of \$30 and was remanded.

Two juveniles were lectured by the magistrate for fighting and allowed to go. A number of young lads who were before the court the previous week, returned according to instructions. As no further complaints had been made as to their conduct, they were also allowed to go.

Chance For Voters To Cast Ballot

The polls for today's election to decide whether the province shall prohibit the importation of liquor for beverage purposes or not will open at eight o'clock in the morning and close at six in the evening. It is to be noted that this election is held every voter must be given, if he or she desires it, time in which to cast their ballot and the Act provides that two hours may be taken in which to go to the polls and exercise their franchise and return to work and for which time the employer may not deduct any part of their pay.

Labor Party Held Public Meeting

Magnus Sinclair and J. E. Tighe Tell Audience Why Labor Should be in Field.

The independent labor party had its official inception in St. John yesterday afternoon, when at a public meeting held in the Opera House officers were elected and a partial executive chosen. Addresses were given by Magnus Sinclair and J. E. Tighe, outlining the reasons why at the present time labor should, either in conjunction with the farmers or alone, put candidates in the field who would represent it in the halls of the legislative assembly. Mr. Tighe declared that at the present time labor "could neither walk nor talk on the street of St. John" and "they had never got a show in the police court".

Yesterday's meeting was the third which has been held in connection with the formation of an independent labor party. F. A. Campbell, provincial chairman, presided at the chair and George R. Melvin acted as secretary.

In opening Mr. Campbell outlined the reasons for the calling of the meeting and called on Magnus Sinclair as the first speaker.

Magnus Sinclair

Mr. Sinclair briefly reviewed the advance made from the days of serfdom until today when the franchise made the laborer independent of the slave master provided he used this weapon in his own interest.

Up to the present however the party system had kept them down but the time had arrived when they must throw off the shackles of party politics and no longer follow the lead of either grift or Tory but work out their own salvation. The independent labor party in Canada was started some fifteen years ago in the city of Toronto and had grown, until today they had in the Ontario legislature fifteen members. The movement was growing in the other provinces and New Brunswick should not be the last to fall in line. They should form an alliance with the farmers as had been done in Ontario and Alberta—voice in the audience. "If the farmer gets in power we will have to pay for our potatoes."

"Politics was a business and if those now in did not conduct the business properly they should be turned out."

J. E. Tighe was called on by the chairman to address the gathering. Mr. Tighe expressed his belief that the time had come for the laboring men to get out and work together. In the past they had gone to the legislatures and asked for certain things and the story was always the same, they were patted on the back, told what fine fellows they were and promised consideration and that was all they ever got.

The rest of the province was looking to St. John to do something and he believed if the labor men of this city got busy the farmers of Alberta would link up with them and together they could place in the field the winning ticket.

The laboring classes he contended had never received a fair deal from the city or municipal council, they were all out against labor and "we have never got a show in the police court" he said.

"At the present time" he said, "we can neither walk or talk in the streets of St. John. If two or three get together and talk you are likely to go to jail and if a dozen walk the street they will hang you in a month or two."

The Officers: The chairman then called on the secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting and then for nomination for officers which resulted as follows: Felix McMullin—President. William Ely—Vice President. C. H. Stovans—Secretary. Members of the executive, J. E. Wood, Percy Taylor, L. Armstrong, J. Montague, J. Burns, I. D. Farris, Percy Moore, J. E. Tighe, James Sharpe, M. Day, W. A. Searle, F. A. Campbell, G. R. Melvin, J. Lee, G. Crawford.

Seagull Found Wearing A Tag

Bird Unable to Fly Found at Mace's Bay—Wore U. S. Survey Tag on Leg.

Friday morning after the heavy storm of the previous night, Hayden Shaw of Mace's Bay found a wounded seagull on the shore. The bird could not fly and was in an exhausted condition and was easily captured. On examination a metal clip was fastened round one of its legs attached to the clip was a lead tag, on which was stamped Biological Survey, No. 1646, Washington, D. C. The tag is thought to have been placed on the bird by U. S. survey officials when the gull was young. It was given to a St. John man who in turn will present it to Dr. McIntosh of the Natural History Society.

North End Squad On Traffic Cases

The whole day squad of North End policemen, with one exception, were in the police court Saturday morning to testify to violations of the traffic law reported by them. A number of cases were dealt with, and fines amounting to \$60 struck against offending motorists. Several cases were stood over and a few dismissed after a satisfactory explanation had been offered the magistrate.

The infractions included six cases of failure to display tax or license numbers, one for obstructing traffic, one for passing a standing street car, two for rights off, one for failing to sound horn at corner, and one for neglecting to light tail lamp of car.

Serious Explosion In K. of C. Building

Large Pipe in Hot Water Furnace Blown Out—Building Badly Damaged.

A loud explosion, followed by the noise of splintering wood, and the rocking of the entire building, caused considerable consternation in the Knights of Columbus Home on Coburg street at about ten after nine last evening. The majority of the members were sitting on the library, when they felt their chairs, and seemingly the whole building "leap in the air," while at the same time the loud noise of an explosion rang in their ears.

While some of the members phoned in for the fire department, others proceeded to investigate, but clouds of steam rendered this impossible for a time, after the arrival of the firemen it was found that one of the large pipes in the hot water furnace had blown out, owing to the fact that the water was still shut off, thus converting the hot water furnace into a steam boiler. A boiler which however, was not capable of withstanding the terrific pressure placed upon it.

The panels of the basement door were blown completely out by the force of the explosion while a section of the flooring about four feet long and two inches wide was blown out of the reception room floor. A hole was also blown through the floor of the library, and the flooring in several sections of the building was badly warped. While it is somewhat difficult to estimate the full extent of the damage done, it is probably in excess of six hundred dollars.

Farewell Address To Congregation

Rev. J. H. Jenner Terminated His Pastorate at Charlotte Street Baptist Church.

An eloquent farewell address was delivered to the congregation of the Charlotte street Baptist church by the Rev. J. H. Jenner, who terminated his pastorate of six years at last evening's service.

Taking as his text, 2nd Corinthians 13:11, "Finally Brethren, Farewell, Be perfected, Be comforted, Have the same mind. Live in Peace, and the God of Love and Peace shall be with you."

Mr. Jenner said "The time has come to say farewell, but let it be said with a tear to dim the eye, and in the literal sense of the word, farewell. The word good bye would be better, were it not for the sad association that gathers about them. In the old Anglo-Saxon they meant 'God be with you' and that is my prayer for you. If all goes well we shall be back next summer to enjoy some of the cooling breezes of the Bay of Fundy. There is necessarily a violence in uprooting a life from its racial soil, as in the uprooting of a tree. There are social and religious roots no less real than that of a plant. In leaving the church a minister acts upon the same principals that led him on coming to it."

After speaking of the work that had been done during his six years' pastorate, Mr. Jenner said there were four conditions mentioned in the text of a happy and successful life. As to the first, "Be perfected," Mr. Jenner advised his congregation to aim at the full Christian life, as the success of a church depended largely on the men and the women who compose it.

"Be comforted" by a definite knowledge of God's word. "Be of the same mind and live in Peace" he said, no minor difference among Christians would ever justify the bitter spirit that sometimes divides the members of a church. Being brethren, heresy could not be as bad as hatred. God is not honored by a good creed when his members lead a bad life. Neither is He glorified in our maintaining a good cause with a bad spirit. The day has long since passed for our correcting the faults of others with the thimble.

He urged his hearers to be encouraged by the promise that the God of Love and Peace will be with them. In closing Mr. Jenner spoke of the additional friendships with which he had been enriched since assuming the pastorate of the church. He said that he and his family would continue to carry in their hearts the delightful fellowships of the officers who had worked with them, and of the very many of the rank and file of the church. In the words of the text, he said, "Farewell." He trusted not forever, but if forever, then forever farewell.

O'Brien Was Not Asked To Plead

Charged With Stealing Bottle of Whiskey from Albert Norris.

After being charged with acting together with Thomas Spellman on September 8, and stealing a bottle of whiskey from the property of Albert Norris, with force and violence, Edward O'Brien, the accused was not asked to plead in police court Saturday but was remanded until Wednesday when he will be represented by W. M. Ryan.

G. Earle Logan, appeared for Spellman, who however, was not before the court. Mr. Logan wished to know who was behind the prosecution, or rather the "persecution." He said there was a sinner in the woodpile smelter, as was demonstrated in the court above, and that he hoped no unwarranted suppression of evidence would be made.

Captain O'Brien Badly Burned

Explosion from Broken Gas Feed Pipe Destroyed Schr. Happy Home.

Captain Edward O'Brien, of Beaver Harbor, in command of the fishing schooner "Happy Home" was badly burnt about the hands and arms while fighting a fire which broke out about the schooner's auxiliary gas engine about 9 o'clock at Dipper Harbor, Friday evening. A second fire broke out some four or five hours later and the schooner was burnt to the water's edge.

The first fire was caused by an explosion which occurred when one of the gas feed pipes broke. It was while fighting this blaze that Captain O'Brien was badly burnt. Fortunately the schooner was rolled up at the time, or his clothes might also have caught fire. The captain and his crew of three were able to put the blaze out before any serious damage was done.

All the gas was pumped out of the tank and every precaution taken to avert any further explosion. Captain O'Brien, who was suffering intensely from his burns was then taken to Le Preaux for medical treatment.

At about 1:30 or 2 a.m. a second explosion occurred, and the vessel was soon a mass of flames. Nothing could be done to save her, so she was cut adrift to save the wharf. She then drifted across the harbor and went aground, where she burst at the water's edge. It is thought that the bumping of the vessel against the wharf caused the disconnection of a loose battery wiring and a spark was thus formed which caused the explosion.

The "Happy Home" was of 24 tons register, built in 1905 and owned by Daniel Thomson, of Beaver Harbor, and Joe McDowell, of Black's Harbor. She was engaged as a fisherman and carrier, and was under charter and load for Alexander Phillips of Cape Islands, N. S.

She had been but lately overhauled. The owner's loss is estimated to be \$250. Mr. Phillips said there was no insurance of either vessel or her cargo. The crew also lost all their effects.

Police Records Show Less Drunkenness

Arrests for First Nine Months of 1921, 300 Less Than in 1920.

Arrests for drunkenness over a given period of time may be taken as a means for forming some idea of the amount of liquor being sold in a community, as well as determining whether or not the officials having the enforcement of law in hand are doing their duty properly.

From the police court records the Standard has secured figures for the first nine months of 1921, under Chief Inspector Wilson's regime, and the corresponding figures for 1920, under Chief Hawthorne's time in office.

The credit balance in St. John in favor of Chief Inspector Wilson is an efficient force operating in St. John. Here are the figures:

Number of persons arrested for drunkenness from January 1st to October 1st, 1921: January, 42; February, 52; March, 70; April, 90; May, 136; June, 101; July, 95; August, 88; September, 82—Total, 667.

Number of persons arrested for drunkenness from January 1st, to October 1st, 1920: January, 68; February, 86; March, 84; April, 60; May, 40; June, 48; July, 35; August, 35; September, 43—Total, 434.

Will Investigate Detective Dept.

Because of Rumors That Detectives Withheld Information from Prosecutor.

Because of rumors to the effect that the city detectives withheld information from the recent murder trial from the crown prosecutor, an investigation under oath will be held by the Commissioner of Public Safety, John Thomson.

The commissioner stated that the insinuations being made reflected seriously on the detective department, and in justice to the detectives, as well as to the public, the circumstances surrounding the matter would be thoroughly investigated.

Hunter Was Lost In Woods

Man Named Sheehan Lost All Night at New River—Mill Whistle Sounded as Guide.

A young man named Sheehan had a rather trying experience last Wednesday night. He was out hunting and became lost in the woods at New River. When he did not return before dark his family and friends became alarmed and the saw mill whistle was sounded at intervals during the night as a guide for him to follow. A couple of hunters from St. John heard the man shouting for help but could not locate him.

Mr. Sheehan managed to reach the highway early Thursday morning and remained there until daylight and then found his way home much to the relief of anxious friends.

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Adjustment of All Legitimate Claims

G.W.V.A. Inaugurates Clean Sweep Campaign of Returned Soldier Claims.

The Secretary of the Local Branch of the G. W. V. A. was, on Saturday, advised by wire from the Dominion Secretary at Ottawa that as the result of long continued efforts by the Association to secure settlement of the claims of returned soldiers and soldiers' dependents, arrangements have been made to inaugurate a clean sweep campaign to secure final disposition of outstanding claims under existing legislation. A clearing house is to be established at Ottawa with organized co-operation by all Departments interested and conducted directly under the auspices of the G.W.V.A. By this means special and speedy adjustment of all legitimate claims will be possible. The co-operation of all Provincial Commands of the G.W.V.A. is being organized and all returned men and soldiers' dependents are invited to place statements of their claims with the local Secretaries or forward them direct to the Dominion Secretary at Ottawa. Further information to claimants will be available shortly through local branches and all claimants are advised to take advantage of these exceptional circumstances to secure adjustment of their claims or review of claims submitted and not settled.

Owing to the change in the date of the St. Stephen meeting Premier McLaughlin will be able to visit Chatham and Newcastle and will spend Friday, October 14, at those towns. The members will be the Premier, Hon. Mr. Baxter and Hon. Mr. McCurdy.

Adding Names To Voters' Lists

County Court Judges Will Sit as Registrars from Oct. 31 to Nov. 5.

Word was received yesterday from Hon. J. B. Baxter, minister of customs and excise, that county court judges in the various counties of the province would sit as registrars, for the purpose of adding names to the voters lists, from October 31 to November 5, both dates inclusive.

On any of these dates any British subject who has resided in a constituency for two months, or more previous to the date of the proclamation of the election, may by applying have their names entered on the voters list in the place where they now reside and any person who has reached the age of twenty-one years since the lists were made up in 1919, may by producing the evidence of that fact, have their names added to the list, and this applies to both men and women, the Dominion franchise applying equally to both sexes.

FIVE YEAR OLD FOUND BY POLICE

Roy Kierstead of Gondola Point Strayed While Father Repaired Automobile.

The night deskman and the callman at the central police station were half inclined to believe that little Roy Kierstead—a five year old lad who at 7 o'clock Saturday night was taken to the central police station after being picked up lost on Union street—was kidding them. A five-year-old who has arrived at the stage of being able to find a cop is somewhat of a rarity, but when the little fellow, when asked where his home was said, "Gondola Point," the blue coats thought the lad was some "kiddie." Further questioning however revealed the fact that the youngster really was from that part of the country. Some time later the central station received a phone call from the child's father, W. A. Kierstead, asking if anything had been heard of his son's whereabouts. He said that while fixing a broken axle of his car, he gave his son some money to go in a nearby store and buy candy, but that the little fellow must have got lost in the crowd.

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