

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

Miss Maggie Best, of Stanley (N. B.), is visiting Mrs. J. H. Wood.

The engagement of Miss Lor V. Fairley, of Boiestown (N. B.) to Randolph B. Williamson, of Montreal, is announced.

The bank clearings here for the week ended Thursday last were \$865,818; corresponding week last year, \$797,778.

Sunday morning 45 English immigrants from the steamer Ionian at Halifax passed through here, westward bound. They breakfasted in the city.

Mrs. Margaret O'Brien, who had made her home in the Mater Misericordiae Home for some sixteen years, died Saturday, aged 83. She came to St. John from Hibernia Settlement.

Louis Green's horse ran away in Brussels street Saturday afternoon, but became stuck in a snow bank near Union street and was captured. Slight damage was done to the sleigh.

Miss Ethel Florence Miles, eldest daughter of James Miles, of this city, was married in Vancouver last Wednesday to Ernest R. Tennant, of Nelson (B.C.), at the residence of Robert Miles. The groom is a St. John man.

A telephone message from St. Martins says the roads have all been opened to St. John and Nelson, and Saturday's mail from there reached St. Martins Sunday night. The roads, though open, are in very bad shape.

Thirteen burial permits were issued last week by the board of health, as follows: Congestion of lungs, two; cerebral hemorrhage, stillborn, pulmonary, endocarditis, tuberculosis, paralysis, dilation of heart, carcinoma, inanition, pleuro pneumonia, scintity, one each.

Recently Chief Clark received inquiries about Charles Goodwin, son of a sergeant on the Boston police force. The boy was last heard of in St. John. He had been with friends at Quebec, but about six weeks ago left them, saying he was coming to St. John to look for work. He left for this city, and that is the last heard of him.

Thomas Malcolm, of Campbellton, the railroad contractor, who is at the Royal Hotel in ten days the bridge over the Upsalquitch river will be completed. On the Restigouche and Western, which rail-

road service was due to a small incident. In Mr. Blatchley's office he kept a little "clay colored sparrow," the only one ever shot in Indiana.

It was the killing of this rare specimen on Sept. 27, 1880, that determined Mr. Blatchley's future career. When he was a teacher in the Terre-Haute high school he took his gun one evening and went into the country for a hunt.

He came to the big stock farm of W. L. McKee, who was known to Blatchley only by reputation as one of the important persons of Vigo county. There was a sign of "No trespassing" along the boundary of the farm, but it was forgotten when he saw a rare bird fly into a tree within the enclosure. Scrambling over the fence and also Mr. McKee, who had stood near the spot.

Mr. McKee was wrathful at the intrusion of the stranger, and especially at the shooting on his place. It took Mr. Blatchley only a moment to find that his game was a "clay colored sparrow."

He grew eloquent over the bird, and much to his relief, Mr. McKee became interested also. When they parted the relations were pleasant and Mr. Blatchley became the firm friend of the capitalist.

When Mr. Blatchley wished to become a candidate for state geologist he informed Mr. McKee of his intention, and the latter to the political help and helped his friend into a state office.—New York Herald.

On Sunday, Policeman Finley learned that a number of men were desecrating the Lord's day at No. 19 Brussels street, and as a result his enquiries caused him to report six persons last night.

Those reported are Max Braskovsky, Louis Watten, Al. Back, S. Ratten, B. Raplovitz and Frank Barr. There is said to be a number of such shops where foreigners are employed manufacturing clothing, the men are paid by the piece, and work on Sunday as well as other days.

One of the number (Watten), reported above, is also reported for working in the city without a license.

The Grand Trunk and I. C. R. (Toronto Telegram).

TWO CHURCHES MAY BE UNITED

Plan to Join the Brussels and Leinster Street Baptist Congregations

FIRST MOVE THIS WEEK

Brussels Street People to Discuss and Vote on the Project Wednesday Evening—The Proposed Plan of Procedure.

It looks as if the cherished hope of some devout Baptists in this city may be at last realized, though these good people will have to wait until this Wednesday evening to learn if their scheme is considered practicable by some of those who will be affected in the movement.

On the evening in question the congregation of Brussels street Baptist church will meet in their rooms to discuss the advisability of amalgamating with Leinster Street Baptist church. If the vote is favorable, and the Leinster street people agree to it, the movement will be one of the most important departures in local religious circles for many a day, as both congregations are energetic, and a union would give the denomination a tower of strength in this city.

After the vote has been taken among the people and it is favorable, a committee will meet with a view to making final arrangements. The matter will be held in all sincerity and will be handled in a thoroughly representative and business-like manner.

Of late years an amalgamation of Brussels street and Leinster street churches has been informally talked of by members of both congregations, but nothing in the nature of a regular discussion of the merits of the suggestion was put forward until last week, when it was first brought to the attention of many interested parties in the territory in East End was rather too limited to support both churches, and as evidence of the fact the note too prosperous given to the trustees, who were re-elected, to apply for incorporation if they saw fit. All societies in connection with the church Society reported a balance of \$27.73, which had been devoted to repainting the hall and putting in electric light. The meeting was largely attended.

The annual meeting of the Fairville Presbyterian church was held last Monday. The pastor, Rev. A. M. Hill, in the chair, the trustees' report for the year was read by Dr. Macfarland and showed receipts of \$898.11, against an expenditure of \$745.02. The report was adopted and presented to the trustees, who were re-elected, to apply for incorporation if they saw fit. All societies in connection with the church Society reported a balance of \$27.73, which had been devoted to repainting the hall and putting in electric light. The meeting was largely attended.

Brussels street church is the parent organization, and is now about sixty years old. It has nearly 400 members and a large Sunday school. Leinster street church, which is beautifully situated, and a modern edifice, has more than 300 members, and a large Sunday school. A few days ago the annual meeting of the church was held, and a resolution was passed to amalgamate with the Leinster street church.

The Leinster street people were originally Brussels street church members, who seceded from the mother congregation through a misunderstanding in the long ago. Many old-timers claim to this day that the disruption of the church at that time was "all a big mistake," and now that there is a movement to unite the two churches, "My prayers will be answered, I am sure," said one member.

If Wednesday's vote favors union, there will be various questions to be dealt with by the committee to consider which church will be retained, who the pastor will be, finances, etc., but those in favor of amalgamation hold these as secondary the great object being a whole and through strengthening, a bold stroke for the conservation of the individual and collective interests of the churches.

FAMILY ARRESTED

Disorderly House Case Saturday Night—Policeman Rankin Gets Crack With Broom.

There was a lively time in the Byron house, St. Patrick street, Saturday night about 10.30 o'clock, so boisterous were matters that Policemen Rankine and Crawford made a raid on the place and arrested Annie and Laura Byron and Edward John Byron, who are charged with keeping a disorderly house, and Edward McKee, on charge of being an inmate of the house.

Edward Byron strongly objected to the raid and showed his displeasure by striking Policeman Rankine on the head with a broom handle and the charge of assault has been made against him. The quartette will be given a chance to explain matters before Judge Ritchie this morning.

Efforts to send mails to points along the New Brunswick Southern Railway by condition of the city at St. Stephen, but returned and reported the going impossible. It will likely be several days before the roads are sufficiently broken to enable the carriage of mails to points along the route, where no mails have been delivered since Monday last.

"I understand," began the large, straggly-looking ward politician, "that you had a piece in your paper calling me a thief."

"You have been misinformed, sir," said the editor, calmly. "This paper publishes only news."—Cleveland Leader.

The Goodsell Family Recovered

Trenton, Ont., Jan. 28.—H. Goodsell, engineer for electric company, and his family, were completely separated a few days ago with colds and grippe but recovered through using Ferrerozine. This remedy is better for colds and grippe than any other remedy. It is a powerful tonic and restores the system to its normal condition. It is a perfect food for the body, and it is a powerful tonic for the nerves, and it is a powerful tonic for the system. It is a perfect food for the body, and it is a powerful tonic for the nerves, and it is a powerful tonic for the system.

ROTARY PLOUGH TO CLEAR THE CUTS

Supt. Downie Bringing One to Prevent Blockades Like the Last One

A GREAT WORKER

Lifts Snow and Hurls It Far Through a Funnel—Echoes of the Big Storm of Last Week.

One of the most bothersome experiences of the week's storm so far as the C. P. R. was concerned was the filling in of the cutting at Shantytown by a monstrous drift, and the consequent stalling of the Boston train for more than a day.

Supt. Downie has taken measures to clear out the cuttings and overcome any trouble future storms may make in cuts along the line. He says he has known such a plough to throw the snow from the track over the rocky side of a cutting 100 feet high. The funnel can be trained in any direction.

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The "Boss" in the Thick of It. The C. P. R. is now well over the effects of the storm. It was the worst in years, trammen say, and only one in recent years has approached it. Supt. Downie was at the western end of his division when the storm broke on Thursday. He started down the line and got as far as Mattawamkeag. Next day he succeeded in getting through to Madamville a little before noon. Yesterday he went to work on the storm and saw to the comfort of the passengers stalled there. He did not remain, though, but taking two engines and a plough left for Shantytown to dig out the stalled train. When a mile or so from the scene the superintendent's plough left the track and Mr. Downie found himself in the thick of it. The plough was stalled there. The operations for freeing the stalled train were successfully carried through as already has been mentioned. A big gang of men placed at work there and another large number found work in the yards.

A couple of trains were working clearing snow in the I. C. R. yards yesterday. The snow was blown with the snow chaser from the cleared tracks, then shunted to Courtney Bay or the Jurbine bridge, where the snow was blown off. A plough which was used in clearing the yards, which are badly blocked.

Conditions on the road generally are better now. So far not much freight is moving.

HOME ON A VISIT

Bathurst Boy Who Has Done Well in the West.

John E. O'Brien, of Bathurst, judge of probates, is at the Royal, accompanied by his son, P. M. O'Brien, of St. Paul (Minn.). The latter has been home on a visit and he and his father came to visit relatives here before his return west this week.

Mr. O'Brien, Jr., who is home sixteen years ago he went to Vancouver and since has traveled extensively through western Canada and the United States. For a number of years he has been with A. Guthrie & Co., of St. Paul, contractors for railroad construction work, and has risen to the position of a superintendent.

They do a great deal of work for James J. Hill, the noted railroad man, one of the last pieces on which Mr. O'Brien was engaged being a line down Westminster to Vancouver. Mr. O'Brien knows a large number of New Brunswickers in the west and named several who have gained fame and wealth in Vancouver and vicinity.

POLICE SAY HOCH HAD TWENTY WIVES

Philadelphia, Jan. 28.—The police of this city claim to have discovered another woman who was married to Johann Hoch, wanted by the Chicago authorities for murder, bringing the total number of Hoch's wives up to twenty.

Coroline Schaefer called on Captain Donaghy, of the detective department and told him that she was married to Hoch on the 31st of last October. She asserted that he lived with her about a week and then decamped with \$300 of her money, which she had entrusted to him for investment. She furnished a description of Hoch, giving tallies in every detail with that sent Broadcast by the Chicago police department. The woman said she recognized a newspaper photograph of Hoch as that of her missing husband.

Captain Donaghy said tonight that he had sent a confidential telegram to Chicago police, but declined to state the nature of the message.

Williams-Mott.

With the passage of the Second Congressional district, on 11.30 o'clock, Monday morning, January 23, Rev. L. W. West, D. D., united in marriage Charles F. Williams, of Boston, and Miss Jessie B. Mott, of Trenton (N.J.). The bride was attired in a traveling suit of brown tulle. They left for New York on the noon train on their wedding trip. Mr. Williams graduated from the U. N. B. Class of '88, and has been employed by Armour & Swift for the past 10 years. He is at present traveling book-keeper for Swift & Co. Mr. and Mrs. Williams will reside at Norwich (Conn.).

HAWKE THROWS UP HIS POSITION

Disagrees With the Moncton School Board About Teacher's Resignation

ALL AGAINST HIM

Chairman Adverse to Miss McBeath Bettering Her Position, \$410 a Year, But Other Six Were Not So Flinty—I. C. R. Snow-shoveller Killed by Train.

Moncton, Jan. 29.—(Special)—John T. Hawke has resigned the chairmanship of the Moncton school board as a result of differences with the board regarding the resignation of Miss McBeath to return from the Boston training school for more than a day.

Chairman Hawke took the ground that Miss McBeath should not be allowed to violate her contract with the Moncton school board but six out of seven trustees present at the meeting yesterday voted to allow her to accept the better position.

Chairman Hawke announced his resignation, which he has accepted, and the board adopted this course. The trustees felt they would not be justified in doing so, and they voted to allow Miss McBeath to accept the position, particularly as a good supply is available.

Edmond Melanson, a man about fifty-five years old, met his death in the I. C. R. yard this morning by being run over by a snow train.

Melanson was one of a gang of snow shovellers and as a train was backing into the yard near the I. C. R. blacksmith shop, Melanson in getting out of the way his foot caught in a switch rail and before he could get clear was knocked down by the train and run over. The trucks passed over the right foot and left leg and the pelvis bone was badly crushed.

The injured man was removed to the hospital but died about three hours later. Melanson came here Friday from Beauceville, where he has lived for the past twenty years. Yesterday he went to work on shovelling in the I. C. R. yard and this morning met his death.

He formerly lived in Coogan, Kent county. He leaves wife and daughter in Boston. Philip Melanson, of the I. C. R., is a nephew of deceased. The unfortunate man will be buried here tomorrow.

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IN THE COURTS.

In county court chambers Saturday Judges Forbes heard the case of Pinaut vs. Goedette, on review from the Campbellton civil court. The plaintiff is a physician, who was called in by another physician, Dr. Donnet, to perform an operation on the defendant's wife, which operation he (Dr. Pinaut) did perform. He sued for his fees and judgment was given against him in the court below. The defendant alleges that he made all arrangements to fees for both physicians with Dr. Donnet, and therefore contends that he is not liable. Judgment was reserved. H. D. Forbes appeared for McAllister & Mott, of Campbellton, on behalf of the plaintiff; H. F. McLatchey, of Campbellton, for the defendant.

Pollock Rip Buoy Adrift.

Boston, Jan. 29.—Star New York, which arrived from New York reports that the gas buoy on Pollock Rip was out adrift this morning during the Northerly gale.

Are You in the Rush and Bustle?

While we join in the rush and bustle of this busy world, overtaxing our energies and making our systems, many of us are morally capable of reckless disregard of bodily strength and fitness. Then perhaps the health breaks down, and we seem doomed to long periods of pain and depression.

YET THERE IS A REMEDY AT HAND

BEECHAM'S PILLS

They Purify the Blood, and Light the Disordered Stomach, promote the Stomach, and build up the Nervous System, and repair the damage caused by overwork.

VALUABLE HORSES HERE FROM ENGLAND

Five Thousand Dollar Racers in Lot Imported Via St. John, and Now Here.

Descendant of Famous Ben D'Or Among the Number—Hackneys and Clydesdale Thoroughbreds, and 19 in All.

The firm of Graham Bros., of Clairmont (Ont.), have brought out on the Donaldson liner, Capt. Webb, and will land today at the new city wharf, nineteen beautiful thoroughbred horses from England.

W. M. Graham, one of the firm, came out with the horses and is greatly pleased with his purchases. He says he made a trip through England and Scotland for thoroughbred Hackney and Clydesdale horses and he purchased in Scotland thirteen Clydesdales and four Hackneys, of very fine quality, with plenty of size. The last four are about sixteen hands high and of the very best breeding, and all are stallions. Mr. Graham also purchased two thoroughbred stallions of the best breeding in England. These purchases were made at New Market, at a sale of thoroughbreds. Mr. Graham says the horses form the best importation ever made by his firm.

The racing stock are without marks. Both are chestnuts and very pretty. Their certificates show one as "Ailes d'Or," foaled in 1900, got by Melton, his dam "Golden Wings," by Ben D'Or, the other is "Orme Shore," foaled in 1901, got by Orme, his dam Virginia Shore, by John Davis.

Last May a member of the firm came out to Montreal with Capt. Webb, and brought sixteen Hackney and forty-four Clydesdales. A number of these were shown at the St. Louis World's Fair, and all were first prize winners. They also captured first prizes at the Chicago international exhibition. All the horses brought out by Mr. Graham are for breeding purposes. They will be shipped this afternoon to the Clairmont stock farm at Clairmont (Ont.).

The two race horses are valued at \$5,000 in Canada. Among the stock of Hackneys and two of the best are "Whitehall Fashion," five years old, by Faramador, the other is "Orient," four years old, by "Lord Cave." Both are dark chestnuts, have high action and are beautiful specimens of horse flesh.

Mr. Graham says there is an excellent market in Canada for good stock, and these high-class importations are rapidly making the stock of Canadian bred horses greatly superior to what it was in former years.

A TRIBUTE TO CANADA

(Collier's Weekly).

The United States must realize that her greatest future trade is likely to be with Canada. Furthermore, Canada is sure to develop into her closest competitor for foreign trade. The Dominion today is one of the four greatest exporters of wheat, and her water power, as yet but little utilized, will some day make her one of the greatest manufacturing countries of the globe.

Already the United States is looking for her forests for timber, and her railroads are destined from the most conservative estimates to double their mileage in the next ten years. Even today, Canada exceeds the railway mileage of Italy and Spain combined. Her trackage is equal to about three-fifths of all the systems of Russia or Germany, and it is more than three-fourths of all Austria-Hungary's; it almost equals the total mileage of the British Isles; and Argentina excepted, Canada has more railroads than all the countries of South America combined. The whole continent of Africa has less than half as many laid rails, and the systems of any minor power of Europe could be added to that of Australia before the Canadian roads would be matched. In short, Canada has more railroads than Belgium, Netherlands, Switzerland, Portugal, Norway, Sweden, Servia, and Greece, all combined, and yet these nations have a total of more than six times Canada's population. There is both a political and a commercial significance in all this, which the world is just beginning to see. There is no other dependency in the world of Canada's power and proportions. Her climate matches that of Russia, while her domain is vastly greater. The railroad development is the barometer test of a country's civilization, natural wealth, and enterprise. It is not the outgrowth of mere population. Canada has outgrown her colonial days, and is in fact a nation taking a foreplace in the industry and commerce of the world.

OFFICIALS AND NEWSPAPERS.

(N. Y. Evening Post).

There seems, in fact, to be a good deal of nervousness about newspapers, and resentment at their activities, on the part of many of our great ones. From White House to City Hall the complaints have extended.

It is noted that the objections are not leveled at the real points in the newspaper business. It is not vulgarity, or puerility, or intolerable meddling in private affairs, or unsettling sensationalism, or irresponsibility, or reckless inventions, against which these official censors protest. No; what rouses their anger is that the press makes such persistent and successful use of publicity in regard to public men and measures. What attack our motives? Reader, are you not a Pick flavoured man? Evidently, something is rotten in the Fourth Estate. This is the gravamen. The "diffusive gentlemen of the press," as John Morley calls them, become aware of what is going on behind the scenes at Albany or Harrisburg or Springfield or Washington, and, faith, they'll treat it. Hence the pain and celestial wrath of our dwellers in the Olympus of officialdom.

Now, we have often had occasion, by precept and by example, to take up our pen and against the demoralizing and demoralizing press; but in this matter of keeping vigilant watch over the elected servants of the people, and of offering a free vent to popular feeling and demand, we think the run of our newspapers perform a true service. In so far as official railing at newspapers springs from dislike of that function of theirs, it singles out a matter really deserving of praise, not blame.

THEY MUST PAY SCHOOL FEES

Non-Resident Children in City Schools Will Be Charged \$20 a Year

CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN

Statement in Carleton Schools Yesterday—Climax of Matter Which Has Been Under Consideration for Some Time.

All city school children whose parents do not pay taxes in the city must in future pay tuition fees amounting to \$20 yearly, or \$2 a month. An order to this effect was read in the Carleton schools Monday. Most of these children are to be found in the Carleton schools, but there are also some in the Aberdeen and the High schools, and the order will apply to them as well.

This question of non-resident children has been a live one for a long time. It has been frequently brought up for consideration in the board meetings and once in the common council.

The last time it was before the board was on November 15, when it was pointed out that children were sent from Hampton and across the line in Lancaster. It was also the opinion of the board that as trustees of the school funds of the city they did not feel justified in this educating children who had no claim on the city.

Inspector Bridges said last night that the notice had not been read in any of the city schools yesterday. He was not even aware that Secretary Manning had taken any action in the matter. The new order of the board will affect about 150 children, there being at least that number in the schools who come from other districts. Secretary Manning was seen last night, but would not discuss the new idea.

ILLUSTRATION ORCHARDS

Hon. Mr. Farris Announces Location of New Ones.

Hon. L. P. Farris, commissioner of agriculture, who is at the Royal, announces the following as the places where illustration orchards will be set out by his department next spring:—St. John, St. John Station; B. St. Victoire's, St. Leonard's.

Victoria county—F. E. Henderson's, St. John; W. J. Johnson's, New Denmark; York county—Harry L. Whitehead's, Queensbury.

Gloucester county—J. J. Power's, North Queensbury.

Northumberland county—R. A. Murdoch's, Chatham; Wm. Murray's, Yorkton.

John county—Wm. R. McPate's, Golden Grove.

Queens county—Senator King's, Chippewa.

Those with the eight set out last year in Kent, Kings, St. John, Charlotte, Carleton, Queens and Sunbury counties, will make 19 illustration orchards and in the counties not named orchards will be set out next year. The fruit set out comprises apples of nine varieties and plums of four varieties.

Hon. Mr. Farris said that the orchards set out last year have been very successful, very few of the trees have failed and the people upon whose places the orchards have been planted have followed well the instructions of the experts.

PROVINCIAL BRIDGES

Hon. Mr. LaBellois Tells of Contracts Awarded.

Hon. C. H. LaBellois, chief commissioner of public works, arrived in the city Monday and in speaking of the matter in his department, said the contract for rebuilding the Eel river bridge, Victoria county, has been awarded to Albert Brewer. The bridge will be a large covered structure and is to be built before the spring freshets.

The contract for rebuilding the Green River bridge over Smith's road, parish of St. Basil, Madawaska county, has gone to Whitman Brewer, of St. Mary's. The former Green River bridge was carried away by freshets two years ago. The new one will be covered and is to be complete before freshet time.

John Maloney has received the contract for constructing the bridge at St. Auguste, parish of Rogersville, Northumberland county, and T. A. Baird will build the Fitzsimmons bridge, Westmorland county.

Extensive repairs are to be made to the Florenceville bridge in Carleton county, over the St. John river, damaged by ice. It will have a general overhauling. Albert Brewer will do the work.

The steel superstructure for the Norton bridge is now being put up by the Dominion Bridge Company. There will be traffic over the bridge in about a week. James Shields, of Chatham, is the inspector.

TURF.

New York, Jan. 30.—Interest at the Past Tibon horse auction in Madison Square Garden, which opened today, centered in the sale of Chalmers sire of the Abbott, a other fast horses, from the farm of C. J. & Harry Hamlin Chalmers, was sold to E. L. Tait, of Salem (N. J.), for \$2,000.

Lord Direct, with the record of 211, was sold to S. H. Knox, of Buffalo for \$10,000. His sire was Hal and his dam Lady Noyce and he was consigned by Messrs. Hernin & Co.

Never have medicine bottles, liniment bottles, and disinfectants all mixed up together on the same table. This piece of grotesquery has led to inquiries.