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## CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

The Proposed New Schemes of Permanent Streets and New City Hall.

The permanent improvement of St. John streets and the erection of a new City Hall are two important matters that are interesting the citizens at the present time.

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Very much the same reasoning holds good with regard to the erection of a City Hall. The building would mean the expenditure of a large sum.

It must not be forgotten either, that in the carrying out of these schemes, the St. John laboring man, upon whom the taxes fall the heaviest, will be greatly benefited as a large field of employment will be opened up to him.

June 1908—Hon. Messrs. Smith and Jones of the Dominion cabinet left Ottawa today on a trip to England.

Sept. 1904—At a meeting of the St. John Board of School Trustees held last evening it was decided to open the meetings in the future to the press.

Ang. 1909.—The St. John police force now consists of twenty-two men, sixteen of

whom hold rank, the remaining six being common policemen. There is some talk of still further reducing the force by doing away with the common policeman altogether.

June 1914—The City Council had under discussion yesterday, the City Engineer's report on the best method and expense of how to permanently improve the streets of St. John.

March 1920—There is some talk in certain quarters of the advisability of erecting a City Hall in St. John. In the new building there would be, besides a Council Chamber, quarters for the chamberlain, assessors, registry office, slaughter house commission and other civic departments.

The same idea has been in some people's minds for over fifty years, but some times in St. John take a long time to bear fruit.

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In the fall the champions of the American National League will visit this city when the championship of the world will be decided. The St. John teams have beaten every club this season so far except Caribou and Houlton.

The ways of the temperance worker do not always run smoothly. The Scott Act and Prohibition advocates has his hands pretty well filled these times in trying to put down the liquor traffic.

It is now safely said that Calsie is as except of liquor selling as it has ever been since its incorporation. Outside of pocket pedlers, it is almost impossible to obtain a drop of the ardent.

The conclusion is arrived at, therefore, that as the liquor is purchased in St. Stephen just across the river, in Canada, there also are the above named commodities obtained, and a stream of silver is continually making its departure out of the city and out of the country.

If June was the month of weddings, July is proving itself to be the month of picnics and garden parties and with the latter as well as with the former Wednesday seems to be the day favored for these events.

Centenary held its picnic at Waters Landing, St. Stephen's Church Sunday School went to Grand Bay and Waterloo street Baptist church to Westfield. Waterford's Episcopal Sunday School came to Bay Shore and St. John the Baptist church held a large garden party on the Barrack's Square.

The weather was not all that could have been desired but still it might have been worse.

If St. John is going to have a bandstand, let it be built at once. There seems to be as much talk and red tape over the erection of a simple stand as there is in getting a bill through the British parliament. The summer is rapidly passing

and if a bandstand is going to be erected no time should be lost. It is not such an enormous undertaking and the expense will not ruin the city treasury.

## EVENTS IN CITY LIFE.

Information Found in a Directory—One on the Lawyer—Stories of Interest.

### Another Innocent Man.

Hagen charged with the stealing of money from Dr. J. M. Smith of North Street is acquitted by the Police Magistrate, it having been shown that he was entirely innocent of any theft.

The "American Newspaper Directory" is the title of a large volume published by James Rowell & Co. of New York. This book, which consists of nearly sixteen hundred pages is well bound and is supposed to contain an estimate of the circulation of the various papers and magazines published throughout the United States and Canada.

The object of the publication is clearly to give the advertiser an idea of the circulation of the paper in which he advertises. The editor states in his introduction that "Circulation is to mean the only element of value that an advertiser will consider when weighing the probable worth to him of a particular newspaper, but it is the only element that can be measured and stated with exactness.

Upon what basis or knowledge the figures are made up it is not quite evident, but the volume states "Any publisher entitled to a higher circulation rating than is accorded knows that it was his privilege to have his exact figures inserted had he been willing to furnish them, and that where a publisher is unwilling to supply the requisite information, the experience of the editor of the directory has taught him that it is always for a reason more satisfactory to the publisher than it would be to an advertiser who is thinking of using the advertising columns of the paper.

In view of these remarks it is somewhat interesting to look at some of the circulation figures published in this book. If they are at all reliable they must come as a surprise to a great many persons.

Looking at New Brunswick certain papers are mentioned while not a few are entirely ignored. There is no explanation of this. It cannot be that these omitted papers have a larger circulation than those stated in the book.

The St. John Globe is stated to have a circulation between one thousand and twenty-two hundred and fifty. The Chatham World, the Religious Intelliger, Moncton Times and Transcript and the Educational Review are rated just the same as the Globe.

The last named papers are really given as good a circulation as those named first. That the St. John Globe and Campbellton Telephone have approximately the same circulation must come as a surprise.

If the directory's rating regarding papers outside of the province comes no nearer the mark than the new Brunswick estimate, it has yet considerable opportunity of gaining more reliable information. The Advertiser in this Province will probably hesitate before he acts on the above reports.

### ONE ON THE LAWYER.

A Joke In Which a Member Of The Bar Prominently Figures.

A good story comes to PROGRESS regarding the experience of a well known lawyer on Dominion day. He had planned a pleasant excursion for himself and started for Woodstock on the C. P. R. train on that morning.

He went as far as McAdam, got off the train as usual to charge for the capital of Carleton county, but in some way or other when the conductor shouted all aboard he became a little mixed and stepped

upon the eastern bound instead of the north bound train. The result was that about the time he thought he should be arriving at Woodstock he paid some attention to the calls of the brakeman and much to his surprise heard the name Westfield. It is difficult to imagine just how he felt when he discovered that instead of being near Woodstock as he thought, he was near St. John.

### Attractive Excursions.

The St. John and Halifax newspaper men who went to Buffalo by the Canadian Pacific railway seem to have been well pleased with their trip. They were not gone very long but by this road it does not take any great length of time to go from St. John to the Pan-American. They have given to the C. P. R., a somewhat comprehensive certificate that everything is all right on the railway and that the expenses of the Pan American have been exaggerated.

A circular issued by the company since their return states that there will be four personally conducted excursions while the show is open, namely on July 23, Aug. 20 Sept. 17 and Oct. 15. The programme for each of these is good and it will make rather interesting reading for those contemplating making the trip.

The illness of Mrs. Bart Rogers brought an old resident to the city this week, Mr. Haviland her brother. He used to be connected with the Intercolonial Railway here and was very well known throughout the city. He is now in the employ of the Boston and Albany as yard master.

Mr. Haviland took place on Friday, Mr. Haviland intended to return to Boston on Monday.

### A North End Attraction.

One of the curiosities in the North End is the aquarium in the saloon of Mr. Joseph Harley. There in a large glass tank can be found nearly every variety of trout in the province. The fishy company seem to be perfectly contented in their somewhat narrow quarters. Water is always fresh and running and they are no doubt better off than they would be if in the lakes.

Besides that they possess the decided advantage of not being subjected to the frequent temptations of the angler's fly or the small boy's bait. They are perfectly secure and seem to know it. Mr. Harley delights to show them to any body who calls upon him and they are certainly worth seeing.

### Flooding to the People.

The improvements on the Loch Lomond road during the past month are very noticeable and they are largely due to the energy of the county member, Hon. Surveyor General Dunn. It must be gratifying to the people not only of the county but of those in the city who have much use for the road to find that the repairs have been made this year at such an early date.

Formerly it was usual for the repairs to be started in August or September and perhaps be uncompleted when winter sets in, but today the road is in excellent condition. Messrs. Barker, Treadwell and Kain find that their patrons appreciate the difference in the road very much. The fine weather of this summer is giving the proprietors of these well known hostleries a good business and they do everything in their power for the accommodation of their guests.

### Why He Kept a Dog.

A wealthy dog-lancier and wealthy Philadelphia stepped into a grocery...

"I know," replied the German. "You use him for hunting?"

"What do you value him for?"

"He likes me," said the old fellow...

"It was all the same," the boy replied...

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