

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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AROUND THE CITY

Teachers' Bible Class. Rev. P. McKim, class for Sunday school teachers will be resumed in the Y.M.C.A. at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Every Day Club. There will be an address by Rev. Gordon Dickie, solo by Miss Beaslie Hill, clarinet solo by W. G. Stratton and duet by the Misses Lane at the Every Day Club tomorrow evening at half past eight o'clock.

A Slight Fire. The fire department were called out about three o'clock yesterday afternoon by an alarm from Box 15 for a slight fire in Mrs. Harris' house on Middle street. The damage done was trifling.

Yarmouth May Come. Negotiations are being held to bring the Yarmouth team here to play a company team next Friday evening. Last year the St. John team visited Yarmouth and came away victorious after a fast game and the team here succeeded in bringing Yarmouth here. St. John hockey enthusiasts will have an opportunity to witness a first class brand of amateur hockey.

Too Strong to Work. Yesterday afternoon Sgt. Geo. Baxter arrested James Tracy of Charlton in the East Side ferry house and the prisoner is charged with being drunk, also being in possession of begging money and street car tickets on Water street. Tracy has for some time appeared about the streets as one of those characters who is too strong to work.

The Protestant Orphans' Home. The ladies committee of the Women's Auxiliary of the Protestant Orphans' Home wish to thank the following persons for donations during the month of November: Mrs. Thomas Walker, fruit; Mrs. B. R. Macaulay, Girls' Own Annals; Mrs. Charles McDonald, candy; Mrs. Inches, dresses for children; Mrs. John Thomson, aprons. The ladies also wish to thank all who so kindly donated presents during the Christmas season.

Court Rockwood Officers. The annual meeting of Court Rockwood 1471 O. F. was held last night when the following officers were elected for the year: S. B. Hayward, C. D. H. C. R.; Dr. W. A. Christie, court physician; W. M. Collins, I. P. C.; R. C. J. McFarlane, C. R.; J. Allan, V. C. R.; Colin Chisholm, R. S.; T. S. Gill, P. S.; S. B. Hayward, treasurer; H. C. Tobin, orator; J. R. Greer, J. W. T. H. Gillard, S. B.; W. S. Smith, J. B. W. M. Collins and T. H. Gildart, auditors.

Debate on Public Ownership. The Barren Club of Leinster street Parliamt club held an interesting debate in the school room of the church last night on the subject, "Resolved, that city ownership of public utilities is to be preferred to private ownership." H. H. Collier led for the affirmative and James Sullivan for the negative. E. C. Weyman was the critic. Rev. W. W. Camp was the judge and the debate was well enjoyed by all present.

Christmas Entertainment. The Sunday school scholars and a large number of grown ups enjoyed an excellent programme in the school room of the Congregational church on Union street last night. It was in the shape of a Christmas treat and was a fine entertainment. The programme consisted of selections by the school, violin solo, Lessing Bandou; vocal solo, Miss Reddin; clarinet solo, Hazel Seaman. The new pastor, Rev. H. P. Malwood, was present and was warmly welcomed. He gave a brief address. There was a Christmas tree and the children were presented with gifts.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY PORTLAND LODGE

Sons of England in North End Spent Pleasant Social Hour - New Band Made a Hit.

The installation of officers elect of Portland Lodge, No. 264, Sons of England, was held last evening in the Temple of Honor Hall, Main street. The installation ceremony was conducted by H. C. Green, Supreme District Deputy of the Sons of England. After the business was transacted a programme of speeches, band selections and songs, was carried out.

The officers for the year are as follows: L. A. Belyea, president; Ald. R. Wignome, vice-president; F. L. Purdy, chaplain; H. Sellen, secretary; N. Cronk, treasurer; Charles Linton, first committee man; H. W. Scribner, second committee man; B. Edwards, third committee man; W. C. Woodward, fourth committee man; W. Betts, fifth committee man; W. H. Pike, sixth committee man; C. B. Green, inside guard; J. Searle, outside guard; Drs. S. Skinner and A. L. G. Williams, physicians; J. F. Stevens, S. J. Wakeham and J. J. Purdy, auditors.

The programme, which was very much enjoyed, was as follows: Address, Pres. L. A. Belyea; band selection; vocal solo, F. J. Target; address, A. C. Currie; comedy sketch, Messrs. Astey and Bailey; address, Ald. R. Wignome; band selection; address, Rev. H. P. Malwood; address, A. Webb, president, Marshborough Lodge; band selection; vocal duet, Messrs. Punter and Sellen; address, H. Sellen; band selection; address, Rev. W. W. Beyer; band selection. This is the first appearance of the band of this lodge and the manner in which it performed excited much favorable comment.

WOMAN THIEF WORKING IN CHARITABLE HOMES

Beware of a Woman who Feigns Illness and Then Walks Away with the Family Plate.

Charitable residents will do well to be on their guard for a female thief who has been going the rounds for the past few days and has undoubtedly got away with a number of valuable articles from the different houses she has visited. The thief in question is described as a tall and fairly stout person wearing a short fur coat. She has visited a number of the houses around Mount Pleasant and yesterday she was working the residences on Paddock street and other streets in that vicinity.

Her method of operation is rather ingenious. She rings the door bell and when the lady of the house or the maid answers the call, the thief attempts to appear as if suddenly taken ill. She requests that she be given a small drink of brandy. When water is offered she refuses it and states that it must be brandy or some other stimulant.

Yesterday a Paddock street resident took pity on what appeared to be a very sick woman, kindly assisted her into the house and went to procure her a drink of something that would help her. The woman took the drink after which she claimed to be much better and after thanking the lady, started to leave the house.

At this moment the lady became rather suspicious and on searching the woman with the fur coat, found concealed under the coat a number of silver knives and spoons that had been stolen while the hostess had been in another part of the house procuring the stimulant. The lady was at first going to summon the police and give the thief in charge, but on her admitting the theft and begging for mercy, coupled with a desire to escape court publicity, caused the thief to be allowed to go.

The thief called on other houses on Paddock street yesterday afternoon and at one home was not admitted by the maid of the house but turned away. The lady of this house while talking to a Standard reporter last evening, said she thought the public should be notified of the thief's actions and thus prevent more persons from being victimized.

EMPERESS OF IRELAND ARRIVED LAST NIGHT

The C. P. R. Liner had a Rough but Uneventful Passage-Large Passenger List and Heavy Cargo.

Royal mail C. P. R. steamship Empress of Ireland arrived here last night from Liverpool via Halifax and departed about 10:30 o'clock after an uneventful trip. She had on board on reaching Halifax 58 first cabin, 141 second and 227 average passengers. Of these 16 first, 10 second and 6 steerage landed at Halifax, the others coming around to St. John.

The steamer had 1929 bags and 513 parcels of Canadian mail, and 208 snaks and 108 parcels overseas mail. Among the saloon passengers were Fulton Lawrie, who joined the party of Scottish curlers, F. C. Satter, European manager of the G. T. R., and P. A. Clews, one of the officials of the G. T. R. who is going on a tour as far as Prince Rupert and W. T. R. Preston.

The saloon passengers were—H. F. Allan, Hove, Eng.; H. Appleton, Sault Ste. Marie; V. A. Barnwell, Leeds; Dr. J. M. Bell, London; P. Bell, Manchester, Eng.; Mrs. A. V. Boucher, Y. Boucher, Montreal; Miss E. M. Brown, Chatham, Eng.; Miss G. C. Bym, Southampton; J. Funnell, Christian; P. A. Clews, London; Mrs. Josephine J. Gregvile, Paris; Miss B. Des Chaves, Miss G. Des Chaves, London; G. V. Ewing, Montreal; Miss G. Farmer, Montreal; Miss G. Farmer, Annapolis, Ont.; J. A. de la Glaisie, Winnipeg; Phillip Glickman, Montreal; Greenleaf Edinbrough; J. B. A. Gordon, Paris; Mrs. Edwin Hanson, Montreal; Geo. Hill, Belfast; C. A. Hodgkinson, Montreal; J. L. James, Pontefract, Eng.; Fulton Lawrie, London; Miss N. Lawson, Leeds, Eng.; P. W. Lindsay, Walsall, Eng.; A. Angus Macdonald, Mrs. Macdonald, Miss Macdonald, Toronto; Mrs. N. B. MacKenzie, Coventry, Eng.; Louis Maizen, K. F. Myer, London; Alfred McCarrison, Belfast; F. E. Meredith, Montreal; C. S. Morrett, Dover, Eng.; W. O. Murray, Edinburgh; Noel Perkin, London; W. T. R. Preston, Ottawa; G. Robinson, London; S. Rubin, Montreal; F. C. Satter, London; W. J. Sinchnessy, Mrs. Shanganessy, Montreal; Miss C. C. Smith, Cobham, Eng.; I. de Vigan, Mrs. de Vigan, Miss de Vigan, Robt. de Vigan, Havre; R. L. Weldon, L. W. Wilkinson, London.

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POLICE LAND FOUR SUSPECTED THIEVES

Two for Shop-breaking and One Each for Petty Theft and Tilt Tapping Caught by Local Sleuths.

The police were active yesterday and landed no less than four persons on suspicion of stealing and have secured evidence that will undoubtedly convict the quartet. Two young men, who are charged with breaking and entering a Fredericton Junction grocery store and stealing therefrom, were captured on the Atlantic express when they stopped in the city. Another man, charged with stealing a gold watch and fob chain, was gathered in by Detective Killen yesterday afternoon and a small colored boy was arrested last evening by Sergt. Caples, on the charge of robbing a grocery store. They will all appear before Magistrate Ritchie this morning to answer the charges made against them.

On Thursday night there was a break in O. N. Mott's grocery store, at Fredericton Junction. The cash drawer was broken into and \$15 was stolen also a quantity of cigars. Two young men were suspected of having made the break, as they were strangers, and were seen about the station yesterday morning. The two left the Junction on the Atlantic express for St. John and a telephone message was immediately sent to the chief of police to be on watch for the men. The case was put in the hands of Sergt. William H. Finley, of the western division and he hastened to Fairville and with the Fairville policeman, Wm. J. Stinson, awaited the arrival of the express. On boarding the car they quickly spotted the two men wanted and arrested them. On searching them \$10.37, six cigars, of the brand stolen, and other articles were found in their possession. The two were taken to the central police station and gave their names as Harry Leavitt, alias Fred Kelley, aged 20, and Joseph E. Murphy, aged 21 years. They claim Ohio as their home and state that they have been working their way eastward.

Bliss Mitchell and Henry Fredericksen, principals in another robbery, are employees of the Provincial Chemical Fertilizer Company, at Little River, near Courtenay Bay. Yesterday morning about eleven o'clock Mitchell discovered he had been robbed of a gold filled hunting case watch and fob chain. His suspicions were soon fixed on Fredericksen and he telephoned the facts to the Central Police Station. The matter was placed in the hands of Detective Patrick Kelly. The detective went out on the case and about 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon he landed Fredericksen on Pond street and took him to the Central Station. On searching the prisoner the stolen watch was found in one of his pockets. The prisoner is a German and 21 years of age.

It was up to Sergeant Thomas Caples to make the capture of the fourth suspect of theft. For the past few days Isaac D. Sparks has been missing money from the cash drawer of his grocery store at 280 Duke street. He suspected Frederick Stewart, a colored boy, aged 11 years, and informed the police of his suspicions. Sergt. Caples went out on the case and about 6:30 o'clock last evening captured the young fellow who, when taken to the police station, broke down and cried bitterly. He admitted the theft and it is stated has implicated a couple of other boys as also being guilty of stealing. Stewart was arrested on suspicion of having stolen 25 cents on Thursday and 25 cents from the cash drawer yesterday.

TRADE GROWING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS

Remarkable Increase Shown in Volume of Winter Export Trade Through Port of St. John.

The volume of the winter export trade to date is far and away above any previous year in the winter port of Canada and the outlook for a banner season is very bright. The quantity of United States goods being shipped through this port is remarkable, they being valued at over two and a quarter million dollars. The shipment of grain is also large this season and the amount to go forward will be larger than ever.

Up to date 22 steamers have filed their outward papers at the customs house, the valuation of which is as follows: Canadian goods, \$2,572,599 Foreign goods, 2,397,560 Total to date, \$5,271,159 Total for same date 1910, 3,913,250 Gain for this season, \$1,358,909 The following list shows the classification of the goods sent forward in the 22 sailings: Grain, bushels, 1,276,290 Flour, bags, 81,506 Cattle, head, 1,361 Hides, skins, 1,299 Cheese, boxes, 12,583 Deals, feet, 8,283,721 Cars of U. S. goods, 986

Christmas Tree in St. Paul's. There was a large gathering at the Christmas entertainments in the school room of St. Paul's church last evening and all were delighted with an excellent programme. Alex. Gibbs was seen to advantage in dancing the sword dance in Highland costume. He also danced the sailor's hornpipe and this time was attired in a sailor suit. The music for the dancing was played on the piano by Charles Vaughan. Harold Ham rendered readings and some excellent lantern views were shown by Weldon Currie. There was a large and tastefully decorated Christmas tree and all of the school children were presented with gifts.

The Burns Anniversary. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the Burns anniversary on Thursday, January 25th inst., are working hard and report that everything is going along well. The celebration will be held in Keith's Assembly Rooms, and promises to be one of the best ever held in this city.



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Reynier French Kid Gloves, one pearl dome pique sewn white, grey, modes, pair \$1.60
Reynier Suede Gloves white, black, grey pair \$1.60
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