

... Around the Town ...

Bright Little Bits Which Illustrate the Many Sides of Human Life in St. John.

The station clock will be the cause of several people having heart disease or paralytic strokes if it doesn't mend its ways or correct its time. It has been ten minutes fast for the past week and has been the cause of a lot of unnecessary profanity. Many a merchant at the close of the business day has been strolling leisurely down Mill street taking his time in the assurance that he had plenty of time to catch the train for his suburban home, when on turning the corner at Pond street the station clock told him his astronomical gait. There was a wild rush for the depot a minute or so to wait for the departure of the train. One suburbanite was so wrathful over his unnecessary rush caused by the erring time piece that he blew up every thing in sight, but the clock, which was the cause of offence, was out of sight, high up on the outside front of the station. But it might as well be corrected, for "if a stitch in time saves nine," certainly "a clock if it is a station clock which gives the time."

Did you ever stop to think of the burden of responsibility which a man takes upon him when he undertakes to establish a summer resort or settlement for the temporary habitation of individuals? There are several such settlements about St. John, and the responsibility of the landlord is so much more comprehensive than in the case with a city landlord, the matter how extensive may be the latter's property holdings. In one pleasant suburban resort the landlord had a funny experience recently—at least it was funny for everybody but the landlord.

One Sunday in protecting this property from trespassers—who, by the way, are a lot more to him—he captured three young lads who, when ordered off the property, were inclined to be impudent. Seeing one of them, he informed the youth that unless he told him the name and address of the most obnoxious of the party he would land him in jail. The boy was apparently frightened into compliance, and gave the full name and address of his companion. The landlord then chased down the property. But he could not rest until he had brought to justice the chief offender, whose name and address had been given him. So he walked to the city and, procuring a directory, found there was only one man of the same name as that given him, and he lived on the outskirts of the city. Not to be demoralized, the landlord searched out the house and found the father of the family at home. To him he related the story of his son's trespass and impudent conduct, and the father agreed to summon the erring boy and punish him there and then. The boy was summoned, but the moment he appeared the irate landlord discovered the boy had been hoodwinked for this was not the same boy at all. Oh

course the boy denied the charge. The father then offered the boy \$2 if he could discover who had used his name, to which the landlord offered an additional reward of \$5 for the same information. But up to the time of going to press the rewards are unclaimed. And the landlord is wondering if his zeal was not misdirected.

The faith of childhood touches us even when by its completeness it involves a touch of humor, as though it would by its innocence raise the ridiculous to the sublime. In their prayers young children ask for what they want and in a seriousness, which many of us would wish were retained to mature age, expect to have a direct and literal answer to their prayers. I listened to a little tot not two years old hoping her first prayer at her mother's knee the other night. She prayed that God might bless papa, mamma and sister and brother, and that as far as she had learnt, but with a desire to reach out on her own account, she added: "and Kitty and make her a good girl." Kitty, it appeared, had scratched her earlier in the day, and this was at once a peace offering in return for the injury and a desire to have Kitty converted from her evil ways.

There is a boarder in a King square hotel, and he told me this and other things with a weary smile and indignant bad words here and there. His presence has been grating the hostelry for about a month. His business commences late hours—very late that sometimes he goes to bed as the sun gets up. He had occasion to shorten his beauty sleep once, or promise to, anyway, and this was shortly after he took up his residence on the square.

"If the weather is clear," said he, "I will be on hand," so entered his room with the promise to his friends firm in mind. It meant rising an hour or so earlier, but the occasion, providing there was no rain, fully justified the shortened slumber. Morning broke, the man awoke and lettened. The rain was spitting and streaming past the window. He could not see it through the blind, but could hear. With an easy conscience he fell asleep again, and at his accustomed time arose. He threw aside the curtains and raised the blind. The street was dusty, the sky a tender blue, the sun genial—and staring him in the bewilderment of his eyes was the storm—the gentle plashing and patter of the King square fountain.

An American friend of mine tells a pretty good story of an experience he had with a colored citizen soon after his arrival here. My friend arrived at noon and shortly afterwards was seeking for a hotel the view of the harbor, Carleton and the Lancaster Heights, with the Martello Tower quite prominent in the picture. He called for information and happened to meet a colored porter. "What are the points of the compass," demanded my friend of the negro. The latter gaped and after some hard breathing managed to articulate: "Points of de compass, sah?" "Yes," replied my friend, and he repeated his question, and the negro replied: "Where de liberty and nature law?"

H. D. A. R. was written all over the hall. There were D. A. R. flags, D. A. R. mats, D. A. R. officials, and the refreshments were served with the usual D. A. R. thoroughness, the tables being crowded with those partaking of Vice-President Ronald's hospitality.

He has just completed an inspection of the company's entire system of docks and steamers. Yesterday, accompanied by the officials, he had an opportunity of seeing the finest orchards along the base of the North Mountain. It is undoubted that the apple crop this year is not only large in quantity, but also large in quality, the fruit is practically perfect, exquisitely shaped, and only untinged and maturing under perfect conditions of weather. Mr. Ronald had the opportunity of congratulating several well known apple growers on the splendid appearance of their orchards. According to some experts, it is a crop which will raise Nova Scotia apple in the estimated value of the British market, 1,000 per cent. This is a tremendous fact, as undoubtedly during the last few years Annapolis Valley fruit has been generally forcing out of competition, in whatever respect, all other apples from whatever quarter of the globe they come.

Entries for the horse show will close on the 15th inst. On Saturday a number of new entries were received, and up to the 15th the management expect a continual rush of exhibit applications. The well known stallion Dracula, owned by Colonel Beer, of Sussex, has been entered for competition. This makes the third of the stallions imported by the government that have already been entered, and the committee expect that before the entries close the majority of these horses will be in.

LOOKS LIKE WAR. Turkey and Bulgaria Near to a Clash—Surgeons Throw Themselves into Lake to Escape Capture.

London, Sept. 8.—Special despatches from the Near East published this morning add little fresh news regarding the situation in the Balkans. All the correspondents at Constantinople emphasize the apparent danger of war with Bulgaria, while the Sofia correspondents are equally insistent as to the prudent and correct attitude of Prince Ferdinand and his government.

Accounts from both Turkish and Macedonian sources of the operations in Macedonia show that the work of exterminating the Serbians in the Balkan mountains is proceeding unimpeded and although opposition to the powers are making some attempt to interfere. It is believed that nothing of a serious nature will be done till after the meeting of the Great and Emperor Francis Joseph at Vienna, which it may not be long.

HEALTHY, HAPPY BABIES. Every mother most earnestly desires to see her little ones healthy and full of life. The hot weather, however, is a time of danger to all little ones, and at the very first symptom of uneasiness or illness, Baby's Own Tablets should be given. It is easier to prevent illness than to cure it, and an early course of Baby's Own Tablets will keep the little ones healthy and happy. Baby's Own Tablets are a safe and reliable remedy for all ailments of infants and children, and are the only medicine that can be given to a child without any danger to its health.

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ALBERT TO PRISON FOR LIFE TERM.

New Brunswick Negro Sentenced for Murder of Bangor Policeman.

William Albert, the New Brunswick negro found guilty at Bangor the other day of murdering a Bangor policeman, will go to prison for life. Albert was sentenced Thursday. When brought into court, he was handcuffed to Deputy Sheriff Gibbons. He was placed in the prisoner's box, but was called to the consultation room at once, and Deputy Gibbons led him in. He returned in about twenty-five minutes. It was expected that an argument on the motion for a new trial would be made at this time, and a large crowd assembled quickly. County Attorney Smith addressed the court, saying that he believed that a motion for a new trial had been filed. Judge Louis C. Stearns, one of the counsel for the defence, replied that he had but little to say. "As the trial is so recent, and the evidence so fresh in our minds, it is useless to argue. If the court is satisfied that the verdict brought in is in accordance with the evidence presented, then we have nothing to say."

In replying to Judge Stearns, Justice Peabody said: "This case is so grave in its character and of such importance to the people of this state, and to the accused, that at the trial I gave, as it was my duty to do, the closest attention to all of the evidence presented at the bar of the state and on the part of the prisoner at the bar, and to every consideration addressed to the court by the attorney for the prosecution, and to every argument, in their eloquent and exhaustive arguments."

"I have at all times felt conscious of the responsibility which rests upon me as the presiding judge, and I have endeavored in every possible phase, and my conclusion is that the jury were perfectly justified in rendering a verdict against the prisoner at the bar of guilty of the crime of murder in the first degree. Consequently this motion must be overruled."

County Attorney Smith then moved for sentence, the court holding: "The evidence has been found guilty, the law of this state has fixed by one penalty, that of life imprisonment. The prisoner at the bar is a young man, and it is the imperative duty of the court to impose the severe sentence of the law, which the clerk will now pronounce."

CLERK SWEET then read the sentence as follows: "William H. Albert harken to your sentence, for the court have awarded against you: 'The court, having considered the crime whereof you stand convicted, do order that you be punished by confinement to hard labor for the term of the remainder of your natural life, and that this sentence be executed on you in and within the precinct of Bangor, in the county of Knox, and that you stand committed, until removed in execution of this sentence.'

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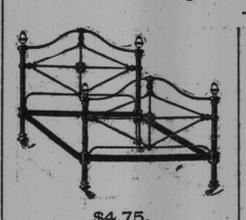
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OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mary Mitchell.

Mrs. Mary A. Mitchell, widow of the late James Mitchell, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. She was 81 only a few days, and was seventy years old. The deceased leaves one daughter, who lived with her mother at 119 King street.

Miss Mary Borden.

The death of Miss Mary Borden occurred last Tuesday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Dickey, Canning (N. S.). She was the daughter of Doctor Borden, of Canada, and sister of Sir Frederick Borden, minister of militia. The deceased has been in poor health for several years, and was thirty-six years old. She leaves a mother, who resides with Mrs. Dickey, and two sisters besides Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. Woodworth, of Kentville, and Mrs. Fred. Dickey, of Canada.

Ralph Steever, Moncton.

Moncton, Sept. 4.—(Special)—Ralph Steever, one of our best known citizens, died last night, aged seventy-four years. Deceased was a native of the parish of Moncton, but has lived in the city for a good many years. A widow, son and daughter at home survive him.

Robert U. Slater, Halifax, Dead.

Halifax, Sept. 4.—(Special)—The death occurred here tonight of Robert Underhill Slater, son of the late Dr. W. B. Slater, at the age of 23.

Robert McConaghy.

The sudden death of Robert McConaghy will be heard with the deepest regret by his many acquaintances. He passed away Sunday. He was in his usual good health until Friday noon, when he was stricken with paralysis from which he never rallied.

Mrs. John F. Cronin, St. Stephen.

Mrs. John F. Cronin died Saturday at St. Stephen under very sad circumstances. She had been in excellent health up till Tuesday last, when she was taken ill and her death has caused deep sorrow among her friends. Particularly do they feel for her husband, who is left with four young children. Mrs. Cronin also leaves her mother, who resides in St. Stephen, and two brothers in Seattle, another sister is Mrs. Charles Morris, of New York, and a fourth, Mrs. Sarah Ward, of this city; she third brother is Edward Hogan, horseman, of this city.

John H. Parks.

John H. Parks, who had been confined to his residence for some time, died Monday morning. Mr. Parks was the second son of the late Wm. Parks, who was lost on the ill-fated City of Boston. He was born in this city on September 9, 1838 and was educated at the St. John Grammar school, and fitted himself for a civil engineer, being articled by A. L. Light, chief engineer of the European & North American Railway. In 1861, when the firm of Wm. Parks & Son decided to start a cotton mill, John H. Parks, who had joined the firm, was sent to England to purchase the machinery. This was the first cotton mill in Canada. It is to that time that our sisters and brothers are indebted for the business management then devolved on John H. Parks.

Funerals.

The death of John H. Northrup, aged 38 years, took place on the 3rd inst., at 2 Foundry Lane. He is survived by his wife, six sons and four daughters. The funeral took place Monday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Gates conducted the service and interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery. There were no survivors.

Will Paint Pope's Portrait.

Rome, Sept. 7.—H. J. Thaddeus, a well-known Irish painter, whose portrait of Pope Pius IX, Leo XIII, Mr. Gladstone and other prominent persons have won him considerable fame, has been asked to paint a picture of the present Pope. He has already made two studies for the portrait, and has taken a number of photographs, which will be required several sittings, during which the Pope was most affable and seemed to enjoy the conversation, wit and work of the artist. On one occasion, being told the artist had an hour, but he ended remaining about two hours. The Pope has expressed himself as being most satisfied with the studies, which Mr. Thaddeus expects to finish before Christmas.

BRITISH CABINET.

Resignation of Ministry Not Looked On as Probable.

New York, Sept. 7.—A despatch to the Post from London says: Rumors of a cabinet crisis are plentiful. At one moment the Duke of Devonshire, falling to detach Mr. Balfour from Mr. Chamberlain, was said to have decided to resign. The duke denies the report. At another moment Lord Lansdowne, resenting the strong Unionist and Radical demands for his retirement after the exposure of the

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