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RECENT DEATHS.

David C. Blair, of Truro, died on Tuesday. Mr. Blair was well known among the cricketers and curiers of this province. He leaves a widow and one son.

Charles A. Whiteside, son of the late Henry Whiteside of this city, died in Montreal on Saturday. He leaves a widow, one son and one daughter.

Mrs. Kirk, wife of Warden John A. Kirk of the Dorchester penitentiary, died yesterday morning. Mrs. Kirk leaves, besides her husband, one son and one daughter, also two sisters. The death occurred at Digby a few days ago of Simon Conwell, aged 85 years. He is survived by a widow, five daughters and two sons.

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LOCAL NEWS.

The District Orange lodge will meet this evening.

The Prince Edward had over a hundred passengers from Digby yesterday afternoon.

Rev. W. S. Martin, well known in the city, has tendered his resignation to the Albert Street Baptist church, Woodstock.

The price of bananas is still holding firm and probably will remain so until July. The demand for the fruit is still very great.

Within a week crews for a couple of schooners, the George and the L. M. Kenney, loading at Digby, have been taken over from the city.

The steamer Cumberland, for Boston, this morning carried hundreds of sacks of potatoes, a lot of clams and a large consignment of hides for Boston.

Rev. H. H. Cosman has repurchased from N. Cameron the cottage at Beulah Camp which he sold to him. Mr. Cosman's family will remove there shortly.

There is a dangerous hole in Dorchester street between Union and Caledon streets, which needs prompt attention.

Two window screens and one door screen, found outside of J. E. Wilson's store on Sydney street last night, have been left at the Central Police Station.

There will be a baseball match at Amherst tomorrow afternoon, between the second team of the Mohawks, of Sackville, and the B & A team of Amherst.

Rev. H. H. Cosman returned yesterday from Nashua village, where he went to be present at the marriage of his son, P. Lawson Cosman, to Miss May Manser of that place.

The Centenary won from the Franklins last night on the Barrack square in the South End league, the score standing 7 to 6. Tonight the Franklins play the Gas House team.

Another test was made today of the fire alarm system. An alarm was rung in from private box 22, in Manchester, Robertson & Allison's and the system was found to work all right.

The board of health held a special meeting yesterday afternoon, and decided to send the milk regulations up to the governor in council for approval.

Rev. Ira Smith returned today from Ottawa. He has been supplying the pulpit of the McPhail Memorial church at that place and has received a call to its pastorate. Mr. Smith has not yet decided whether he will accept or not.

The annual meeting of the local union of Christian Endeavor will be held in the city on the 13th. Rev. Dr. Gates has sent word that he will be unable to come. His place will be filled by Rev. J. D. Freeman.

Rev. Father Carson, now stationed in Albert County, may be the next pastor of the Catholic churches in the Richmond mission, in succession to Rev. Father Carney, now of St. Dunstan's church, Fredericton.

Officers White and Napier have reported Charles T. Jones for encumbering Hazen street with a sloven and Walter M. Fleming for encumbering it with a large boiler and a quantity of rails on the sixth last.

When Major Good returned from Montreal this week, says the Carleton Sentinel, he brought with him the colors for his men of South African service. The colors are red, blue and khaki. The medals are expected to be here in time for brigade camp in September.

The University of Maine team arrived today and are playing this afternoon. Ross and Dolan are between the points for them and Popp and Manton do the honors for the Aleris. Tomorrow the opposing batteries will be Webber and Dolan and Stackpole and Manton.

Before licenses are issued for omnibuses this year, the number of the license must be placed in a conspicuous position on the vehicle. This regulation has not been strictly carried out for some little time. At the recent inspection only four had their numbers.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Fanny Etta Halahan took place at 2.30 this afternoon from 27 Union street to the cathedral, and thence to the new Catholic cemetery. Relatives acted as pall bearers, and there was a large attendance of sympathizing friends.

Rev. F. H. DeWolfe, who has been appointed principal of Acadia Seminary by the board of governors, is a native of Nova Scotia. Over a year ago he supplied the pulpit of the Main Street Baptist church for several weeks, and made a splendid impression there.

John Day, of Fairville, driver of No. 27 cab, left his horses standing on the lower part of the Market Square this morning. The animals being thirsty, started for the fountain, but on the way became frightened and ran. The pole of the cab struck the upper part of the fountain and was broken.

At noon today Mayor Daniel witnessed a test of the water pressure at the King square fountain. A new two-inch nozzle was put on and the results of the test were satisfactory in every respect. With the low pressure system the water reached a height of twenty-five feet, and with the high pressure sixty-five feet.

The Moosepath race track has been leased for the season by T. Fred Johnson. In connection with this a gentlemen's driving club with a membership of twenty has been formed. They will use the track for private purposes only, and last evening were on it for the first time. There were some lively brushes among the fast ones. During the season the track may be leased by Mr. Johnson to any parties who desire the use of it for a day or two.

POLICE COURT.

Widows Who Sell Liquor Contrary to Law Are Under Discussion.

This morning the second charge against Dr. Baxter for permitting a ferocious dog to run at large came up. The animal had bitten a little child of Mr. Latimore, of Wright street. On the previous charge the magistrate had ordered that the animal be destroyed, but since then it cannot be found. This dog has shown remarkably good taste, for the two children who have been bitten are just as pretty as can be seen in the city. Dr. Baxter explained that he did not own the dog and was not harboring it. Another search will be made and the animal destroyed whenever found.

Mary Donovan was charged with selling liquor in her premises on Smythe street on Sunday. In the hope of obtaining mercy she entered a plea of guilty, but the magistrate felt that he must impose the full penalty. Unusually for herself, as her counsel, Mr. Mullin, put it, Mrs. Donovan is a widow, and unfortunately she has had the ill luck of appearing in court on several previous occasions. Lately she has been known about the only ones reported for selling liquor, and the magistrate stated that if the widows can only be settled it will be found impossible to obtain a drink on Sunday. The police are advised, moreover, to set their faces against liquor, especially on the Lord's Day. When it was found that the full penalty would be imposed, Mrs. Donovan withdrew her plea of guilty, but, learning that a trial of the case would mean that she had to appear in court again, she let the first plea stand, saying that she was sick and tired of coming up, properly ashamed of herself for being in such a place, and did not think it was a proper place for an old woman. She was fined one hundred dollars, but only had twenty-five with her, and after pleading in vain for a reduction of the fine, in the course of which pleading she learned that the quality of her court appearance was not strained any more than the beer she sold, asked for a few days to raise the money. As business in her line may brighten up, she was allowed until Tuesday. Mrs. Donovan did not know that sentence had been passed until the other business of the court was concluded, for otherwise, in her own words, she would have "gone home and had a little drop." She also remarked that it was a great shame to take money from poor widows.

Captain McBride was reported by Harbor Inspector O'Brien for discharging coal from his ship without having a sufficiently large tarpaulin to prevent the coal from falling into the harbor. A satisfactory explanation was given and the case dismissed.

Robert Nolan has been reported by his wife, Helen Nolan, for desecrating the Sabbath and assaulting and beating her. A warrant has been issued for Nolan's arrest.

Bernard Devine was causing a disturbance in the Opera House last Monday week, and was ejected. He afterwards made a nuisance of himself, and was arrested by Officer White. On the following day Devine appeared in court and the evidence of Officer White was taken. It was to the effect that Devine in falling had struck his head on the pavement. Dr. Berryman at that time examined the prisoner and dressed his wounds. Since then Devine has been in jail and when brought up this morning for examination, was scarcely able to stand. For a week after his arrest he had received no medical attendance, and finally, his head became so bad that Dr. Christie was sent for, and he at once took out the stitches put in the wound by Dr. Berryman, and ordered poultices to be applied every two hours. Devine certainly looks as though he had been neglected in regard to medical treatment, and the magistrate today considered the matter worth enquiring into. Evidence was given by two or three different witnesses, but it has not yet been shown that the cut was caused by any other means than stated by Officer White.

It is very nearly a slow to heat and painful; the side of his face and neck being swollen and discolored from the effects of it. The examination of Michael McCann, charged with indecent assault, is going on this afternoon behind closed doors. The man Devine has been further remanded and sent to the hospital for treatment.

ANOTHER BATTLE LINES.

Wm. Thomson & Co. contracted with Russell & Co. of Port Glasgow, for another steamer to be delivered next spring and added to the Battle Line. This boat will be named the Talavera and will be of a similar type to the previous ones, being 5,000 tons dead weight, 240 feet long, 42-6 feet beam and 25-5 feet depth moulded. The firm has now five steamers under contract on the Clyde. The Eretria, now sitting out to sea for St. John, on Saturday to lead for South Africa; Bellasia, to be launched in July; Nemec, in November; Albuera, in February, and the Talavera. The four mentioned, except the Talavera, are alike in type, the principal dimensions being: Length 241 feet; beam, 44-7 feet; depth moulded, 26 feet. The Talavera is the 15th steamer built on the Clyde for William Thomson & Co. in five years.

PRESENTED WITH A PICTURE.

At a meeting of the Log Cabin Fishing Club on Wednesday evening at J. A. Dawson's, King street, the club was presented with a handsomely framed picture of St. John, of large size, by the Silver Foxes to the Sunday school, which held its picnic last year on the club's grounds at Loch Lomond. E. W. Paul, secretary of the club, was instructed to express the thanks of the club for the gift.

A man named Norman Bishop, whose arm was in a sling, fell on Waterloo street last evening and was considerably hurt. He was taken to the hospital and was reported quite well today.

A pair of spectacles and case, found on King square, can be got by the owner at the central police station.

THE NEWSBOY'S COMPLAINT.

Thinks the Purchasers of Papers Should be More Considerate.

It is not very often that the newsboys openly express their feelings, but an enquiry will readily discover that at the bottom of their bundles of papers there lies a deep rooted feeling of contempt in regard to the public at large.

They object in the first place to those people who seem to consider the boys' millenaires and treat them in that manner. An evening paper costs only one or two cents, not much for a man to carry in his pocket when he intends buying a paper, but a great many people, after whistling to the newsboy, and raising their hopes by the promise of a sale, offer them a one or two dollar bill. The boys can't change it, and as a result miss the chance of selling.

Another objectionable class are those who stand on the corner waiting for a car, and although they have had "Star, Globe or Gazette, Star for a cent," drilled into their ears for some time they never think of buying their favorite sheet until the car comes along and then as they are boarding it make up their minds and whistle. The newsboy runs over, but the car is in motion and he loses still another sale.

Then there are the people who when asked to buy get mad and growl "No! Go to the D—." This is not greatly appreciated, for as the distribution of literature is a worthy profession the boys consider that they deserve at least a little respect.

But the greatest annoyance the boys have is the weather. An afternoon may be bright and warm, and in anticipation of a big sale they take out more than their usual number of papers, only to be disappointed after all by a sudden rising rain storm. If a boy takes out two dozen papers, for which he had paid twenty-four cents and only sells eight, he, besides making nothing on his afternoon's work, loses eight cents, which loss must be taken from the profit of the following day. But in spite of this greatest grievance the boys would consider life bearable if the public were only a little more thoughtful.

BARRY'S NEW SUIT.

When the steamer Cumberland arrived at Eastport yesterday there were some new uniforms ready, including those for the captain, the mate, and Purser Thompson. The uniform is a very handsome one, of dark blue, with black stripes, and neither gold braid nor brass buttons. The coat buttons high at the neck, and on the sides of the collar are a tiny flag and new insignia. Mr. Thompson eyed his new rig with some suspicion, and a solicitor friend assured him that it did not fit him at all, and that anyhow it was of the same general design as those worn by elevator boys in Boston. Mr. Thompson was not pleased with these derogatory remarks, but consoled himself by putting up a game on the table. The latter had done his uniform, and looked well in it, too. But as he walked about he found himself gravely saluted and addressed as "admiral" and "commander," and treated with a perfectly amazing degree of respect.

This morning Mr. Thompson had his own uniform on, and he and his colleagues were the envy of the St. John customs officers, who have brass buttons but less nobby suits.

MURPHY SENTENCED.

He Gets Two Years and Three Whippings.

In the county court this morning the case of the King v. Murphy was concluded. After a short deliberation the jury returned with a verdict of guilty of attempt at carnal knowledge of a girl under fourteen years of age. Judge Forbes sentenced him to two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary and to be whipped upon entering, again at the end of the first year and a third before the expiration of the sentence, with ten lashes each time. H. A. McKewen for the crown; J. B. M. Baxter for the prisoner. The prisoner's counsel asked to have some questions arising out of the judge's charge reserved for the opinion of the supreme court, and this was granted.

THE DRY DOCK.

A meeting of the directors of the Imperial Dry Dock Company Ltd. will be held on Monday evening in the Pausley building, when it is expected George Robertson, M. P. P., will report on the result of his recent visit to Ottawa made in the interests of the company.

Speaking to the Telegraph, Mr. Robertson says: "Plans and specifications will be ready in the next two or three months and by September we expect to have the call for tenders issued asking for bids for the construction of the dock."

PERSONAL.

W. C. Cross left today for New York and will return to Boston to attend the Y. M. C. A. Jubilee.

Mrs. C. B. McCready left Apohaqui Wednesday for Bangor to visit her son, Roy McCready.

A. J. Heath of St. John, district passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific railroad, was in Bangor on Wednesday.

George F. Beverly is now occupying a position with a hardware concern in Buffalo, N. Y.

Charles B. B. Raymond, of this city, had the degree of LL. B. conferred upon him on Wednesday at Boston University.

Mrs. Jacob H. Colwell passed through a successful operation for appendicitis at her home, Indian town, on Wednesday afternoon. The physicians in attendance were Drs. White, Emery and Holbrook.

Rev. D. J. Fraser returned today from St. Stephen.

Mrs. McNeill, wife of Joseph H. McNeill, chief of Massachusetts district police, passed through the city today on her way home to Charlestown.

Walter Matheson, of Charlestown, was a passenger to the city today on the Boston express.

Miss Daisy Hanson has resigned her position on the teaching staff of the St. Stephen schools, to take effect at the close of the present term.

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who was engaged as editor of the St. John Telegraph, but subsequently declined the position, has left Toronto to become editor of the Detroit Journal.

Herbert Hamilton of Randolph, St. John county, and Miss Mary Knorr, were united in marriage at Blainville, Sunbury county, Wednesday. Rev. Horace E. Diblee, rector of Burton, performed the ceremony.

Miss Laura Hopkins, of Aroostook Junction, and Miss May Green, of Perth Junction, are spending a few days in the city, the guests of Mrs. W. H. Smith, 41 Pitt street. Mr. and Mrs. Smith attended the closing exercises at Acadia.

The Seventh Day Adventists are holding their annual convention in the Union hall. Last evening Elder Watt preached from Gal. 1: 3 and 4, on Christ's Love for Mankind. This morning Elder Hermon, formerly of this city, preached on the Promises of God to Israel, and What Israel Really Is. This afternoon Elder Watt will speak, and this evening Elder Colwell. No business sessions have as yet been held and probably will not be held until the close of the session. There are at present about fifty delegates in attendance.