

The Times New Reporter

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THE WEATHER

Fresh west to northwest winds; cold with snow flurries. Wednesday, westerly winds; fair and moderately cold.

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JUDGE GREGORY SCORES A KINGS COUNT MAGISTRATE

At Opening of Circuit Court at Hampton This Morning. Magistrate's Return of Case Which Was Poorly Written, Badly Spelled and Not in Proper Form Draws the Judge's Wrath.

HAMPTON, N. B., Jan. 14.—(Special)—The January term of the Kings County Circuit court opened this morning at 11 o'clock, Judge Gregory on the bench.

The grand jurors were: Charles E. Titus, Julian Kettle, Thomas Gillies, William Chaney, D. O. Laughly, Early Harmer, Benjamin Belding, George Manning, Thos. Davis, John Dalling, George Wilson, F. P. Gagey, R. A. Mars, E. R. Demill, John J. Purdy, Charles Fisher, Andrew Keith, George Sufren, Henry Chapman, Wilmer Daniel, Charles Hughes, George Raymond, Andrew S. Byles.

H. A. Marsh was selected foreman. His honor in his charge said there was but little criminal business to be before him and in the one case J. M. McIntyre would represent the attorney general and give them any aid in the case they might require.

The criminal case referred to by the judge was that of Ernest Garret against Thomas Mohane for assault at Sussex October 6, 1907.

The case was the outcome of a drunken squabble between two men of no reputable character and ought not to have been brought into this court, taking up the time of officials and grand and petit jurors.

The complaint is absent in the States, either because he is afraid of getting into the toils of the law or that the matter is too frivolous to occupy his attention.

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W. A. Ewing, on behalf of Tilley and McIntyre, made application for the re-naturalization of Frank Crosscup Bogert, of Roxbury, as a British subject.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DEAD; SEVENTY-FIVE HURT

Funeral Was a Very Large One. Hundreds of Citizens Paid Last Tribute of Respect to Late George V. McInerney.

BOYERTOWN, Pa., Jan. 14.—When daylight dawned today the full extent of last night's horror when Rhodes Opera House was burned was apparent. The list of dead is placed at 150 and the injured at 75. How many were killed may never be known for among the victims of this awful disaster were a number of visitors and some strangers. It is estimated that there were four hundred persons in the playhouse when the explosion of the gas tank which was being used in connection with moving pictures occurred.

The cortege was upwards of half a mile in length, while large numbers of people lined the route of march from Mr. McInerney's late residence on King street east, to the Cathedral on Waterloo street.

Following the mourners there was a very large and representative body of citizens which included judges of the supreme court, the mayor, police magistrate, chief of police, politicians, members of the Canadian Club and business and professional men.

George A. Henderson, M. E. Agar and J. N. Harney attended as representatives from the Canadian Club.

On arrival at the Cathedral the societies formed up on either side of the street while the funeral car passed through.

The funeral service in the sacred edifice was conducted by Rev. Henry O'Leary and Rev. Louis O'Leary, brothers of Mrs. McInerney and Rev. Father Meshab, assisted by Rev. Father Borgman and Holland of St. Peter's, and Rev. Dr. Guertin, of St. Joseph's.

In addition to the members of the family a delegation from the Knights of Columbus accompanied the body. The funeral was composed of State Deputy W. J. Mahoney, Grand Knight, Dr. S. H. McDonald and John Keeffe.

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JAPAN INSISTS UPON A SQUARE DEAL IN CHINA

A Hint and a Warning Sent From Tokio To Peking. China Must Either Abolish Customs Duties Against Japan Or Restore Them Against Russia—Japanese Bid For China's Trade.

Peking, Jan. 14.—Through her minister in Peking, Japan has warned China that the constitution of the Chinese customs house, established at Port Dalny with the consent of Japan, was contingent upon the installation of land custom houses on the Siberian frontier of Russian Manchuria.

Japan repeated her former representations to the foreign board that she is paying duty on goods entering Manchuria while for the last six months goods have entered Manchuria from Russia free from imports. This condition is due to the fact that the Chinese failed to reach a customs agreement with Russia before the outbreak of the campaign in the press and the allegations of certain diplomats here charging Japan with undue aggression in Manchuria.

The first session of the new county council will be held in the court-house on Tuesday next. D. H. Lamont of Glasville is warden. There seems to be a doubt who will succeed him. Coun. F. R. Shaw of Wakefield and Coun. Alex. Bell of Richmond are two names mentioned as candidates for the honor. J. C. Hartley will no doubt be re-elected secretary-treasurer and Colonel D. McLeod vice-auditor.

The question of building a new court house in Woodstock will engage the attention of the councilors and a straw vote shows a small majority in favor of a new building. The old court house has been condemned by every judge, surgeon and county, who has presided at a court here for some years.

At the meeting of the Y. M. S. of St. Joseph last evening, when the officers for 1908 were elected, a very pleasing feature was the presentation of a purse of gold to the spiritual director of the society, Rev. J. W. Holland.

The balance to the credit of the bank at the bank on December 31st, was \$6,038. Two miles of concrete sidewalk were laid during the year. All the reports submitted at the meeting were satisfactory.

The water and sewerage commission reported the year's best financially in the history of the work, being \$800 better than the previous year. The health officer reported 200 deaths in a population of 12,000.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 14.—(Special)—The annual meeting of the trustees of the Victoria Hospital was held last evening. The receipts for the year were \$9,884 and expenditures, \$9,450. Forty-five cases of typhoid fever were treated during the year but only eight came in after the installation of the water filtration plant in May and during the year.

Six trials of curlers will leave for St. John Monday to play the Thistles and the curlers in York. The curlers who will be Loggie, Allen, Hatt, Fowler, Simmons, and R. F. Bandolph.

A Scott Act case for a third offence against John McCoy was dismissed by Col. Marsh at the police court this morning for want of prosecution.

Friends of the local government in Queens will meet in convention at Gagetown on the 29th, inst. to nominate candidates for the legislature. Col. McLean is advertised as one of the speakers.

Manifests for 29 cars of American cattle and 31 cars meats were received at the customs house today, the same to go forward in the winter port steamers for the United Kingdom.

STEEL COMPANY BUILDING UP THE INSANITY PLEA FOR THAW

Supreme Court of Nova Scotia Unanimous In Its Favor. Judgment Delivered at Halifax This Morning Ends Present Stage of Battle Between Steel and Coal Companies.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 14.—(Special)—An unusually large number of people were present at the opening of the supreme court on Monday morning. The judgment was generally understood that the judgment would be delivered in the big steel-plant suit.

The decision of the court is based, not upon the ground of an implied warranty of suitability, but upon the ground that there was an express contract in control that the coal should be suitable.

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WHERE IS THIS HOULTON MAN?

Frank Bull Has Been Missing Since December 14 and May Have Been Drowned.

Jan. 13.—Frank Bull, 27 years of age, son of Charles F. Bull of Houlton, left his home December last to visit his uncle Adam McPherson of Hatten Settlement. He left his uncle's the following Saturday intending to state down Dead Creek until he reached Ed. River, Second Lake, and thence up the lake to Canterbury road, where he would visit his sister, Mrs. Varney, intending to return to his uncle's on Monday night.

A mock trial in Graham's opera house will be held on Feb. 3rd, under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class of the United Baptist church.

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JUDGE FORBES NO AGITATOR

The Unreliable Sun Prints An Inaccurate Report of Judge Forbes' Address On Church Union and Conveys Wrong Impression.

TOMORROW'S HOCKEY MATCH

MONCTON, Jan. 14 (Special)—The line-up of the champion Victoria team in the hockey match in St. John will depend somewhat on the condition of the ice.

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BOY HAD NARROW ESCAPE

There was a fire in the flat occupied by W. Herrington at 405 Main street, about 11:30 o'clock this morning, but it was extinguished by the efforts of neighbors.

ARTHEMETICAL PROBLEM

The school board is trying to work out the following problem:— "If a room will only hold fifty children, and sixty-four children are jammed into it, how long is the patience of the people?"

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 14.—(Special)—Trading in stocks was unusually interesting today in view of the decision in the Dominion Steel-Coal appeal case in favor of the Steel Company, and the announcement of the stock and bond issue of the Montreal Street Railway.