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**LOST HIS HORSES.**

Howard McIntyre of Otnabog, while hauling hay from Musquash Island on Monday, had the misfortune to have his two horses drowned. The ice gave way while he was crossing Musquash Lake, and as there was no assistance available the horses perished before they could be extricated. (Gagetown Gazette).

QUEBEC, Feb. 13.—John Laval, general merchant, of St. Charles, Bellechasse county, has assigned with liabilities of \$120,000; assets nominally the same. The principal creditors are Montreal and Quebec firms.

MONTREAL, Feb. 13.—The Canadian Society of Civil Engineers is making arrangements to visit Sydney, C. B., the latter part of June or early in July.

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**LOCAL NEWS.**

A practice of the 62nd band will be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Miss Margaret McDonald and Capt. Daniel Gillis were married in Sydney on Wednesday.

Just one line: Have you got your tickets for the Policemen's big ice tournament in Victoria rink a week from tonight?

The Thistle Curling Club will meet this evening to elect skips to play in the Fredericton, Truro and other outside matches.

Mrs. Henrietta Saunders, widow of the late Joseph Saunders, died Wednesday at Penniac. Deceased was 88 years of age.

In the Brussel Street Baptist church Tuesday evening Rev. H. F. Waring will speak on the subject: What is the Truth about Heaven and Hell?

The window in the Victoria hotel broken by a runaway team last night was today replaced, the glass being supplied by W. H. Thorne & Co.

The smallpox patients from the steamer Alcides, at the quarantine station, Partridge Island, are improving slowly. No others have as yet shown signs of the disease.

There will be three hockey matches at the Queen's rink this evening. The senior game, Mohawks v. St. Stephen, will be called at eight o'clock.

Walter Bray, formerly of Moncton, charged with the murder of Mary Creigh, was yesterday at Sydney remanded for trial at the July term of the supreme court.

The Lend-a-Hand Circle of the King's Daughters will hold a "New England Tea" on Saturday from 5 to 7 o'clock, at the guild rooms, 13 Prince William street. The hours will suit business men.

There is to be a big carnival at the Carleton open air rink tonight. Prizes will be awarded to the most original costumes. Children's carnival tomorrow afternoon. Cornet band at both carnivals.

Eldon Mullin, ex-principal of the Provincial Normal School, and his daughter, Miss Helen Mullin, left Fredericton yesterday en route to South Africa, where they will engage in educational work.

A letter has been received in this city from Rev. C. W. Williams, formerly pastor of the Baptist church in St. Martins. Mr. Williams has now charge of a union church on San Catalina Island, off the coast of California.

The St. John Ice Co. are taking advantage of the fine weather and good hauling to rush their season's supply of ice into the different storage houses. Thirty teams are now employed, and about five thousand tons of ice have already been stored.

Capt. E. J. Fritz, who has been in charge of Troop & S's vessels, left his ship at Tacoma, Wn., and returned home the other day. He will remain here for some time. Capt. Fritz was in the big gale that caused great damage on the Pacific coast a short time ago.

**BURIED TODAY.**

The funeral of the late Andrew Ramsay which took place from his late residence 26 Murray street this afternoon was very largely attended. At half-past two o'clock services were conducted at the house by the Rev. H. P. McKim, after which the body was taken for interment to Fernhill Cemetery. Members of the different city fire companies walked in a body in the procession and the pall-bearers chosen from No. 5 hose company, of which Mr. Ramsay was a member, were Alex. Scott, Michael Ready, Robert Rubins, Thomas McMurray, George Scott and Robert McKay. The casket was covered with beautiful floral tributes among which were a combination crescent, star and bar of pink and white roses, tulips, hyacinths, lilies of the valley and smilax, bearing on the base the inscription "Hose No. 5," a wreath of roses azaleas and hyacinths from the members of Mr. Ramsay's family with the word "Father" in purple, a large crescent of lilies, roses, hyacinths and smilax from the employees of the Bell Cigar Co., and a beautiful bouquet from the children of Alexandra school.

**THOSE HALIFAX GIRLS.**

The two girls who came to this city from Halifax and who stated to the police that they lost all their money, are still finding accommodation in the Salvation Army Rescue Home on St. James street. One of the girls, Florence Horne, is determined to remain in St. John, as she feels confident that she can obtain employment. The other one, Kathleen Sikeman, is anxious to return to Halifax, and efforts have been made to locate her friends in that city. Some time ago the home authorities received word from a party in Halifax that he would be here on Tuesday last to look after the girls, but as yet no further word has been received.

**ADMIRALTY COURT.**

Before Judge McLeod yesterday afternoon, the case of Christian Eliffen of the bark Victoria against the tug Oak Bay, for collision in Campbellton harbor in July last, was taken up. The greater part of the evidence was taken before the magistrate during the summer. Yesterday Capt. Thos. Clark and Thos. Johnston of the St. John tugs Neptune and Dirigo respectively, were examined. This morning argument was commenced. John McAllister, K. C., and H. H. McLean, K. C., for the vessel, and H. F. McLatchy and A. A. Stockton, K. C., for the tug.

**PERSONAL.**

Miss Hattie Tweedle leaves this afternoon for Toronto for a short visit for the benefit of her health. Mr. and Mrs. J. Willard Smith left yesterday afternoon for New York to take the steamer Pretoria for Bermuda.

**POLICE COURT.**

Fannie Stewart and Party, \$50 or Six Months.

John Mitchell was arrested for drunkenness on Richmond street last evening by Officer Rankin, and this morning was fined eight dollars or two months.

The case against Fannie Stewart, Eliza Nickerson, Lis Whelan, Joe Hector and Kearnes was heard this morning. Officer Crawford took the stand and stated that between ten and eleven o'clock on Wednesday night there had been a disturbance in Fannie Stewart's house, that it continued during the greater part of the night, and that between three and four o'clock in the morning he and Officer Henry had gone in and arrested five persons whom they found in the house. Fannie Stewart and Joe Hector had been having a row and were using vile language.

The magistrate asked, "What was the language?"

"It was very bad, your honor."

The magistrate, after a glance at the crowd in the court room, "I don't think very many of the people present will be shocked. Suppose you repeat it."

The officer did so. No one fainted, no one screamed, but the bunch of valentines on the bench looked as though pleased at their ability to say such things as were repeated by Crawford. Then Fannie Stewart told her story. She had not been in police court for fourteen years, but had always worked for a living. Her character was good, worthy of much praise and she could not be blamed for the conduct of those who came to her house. Her remarks were somewhat at variance with those made by Officer Crawford, and she seemed disposed to make light of the officer's reputation for veracity. None of the other prisoners had any desire to express their feelings to the magistrate. He lumped the whole lot and sentenced them to a fine of ninety dollars or six months each. He also advised the members of the police force to follow the lead of Crawford and Henry and close up all houses of this sort in the city.

Frank J. Lyons, accused of stealing money from C. S. Goggin & Co., for whom he was acting as agent, was brought in today. A number of witnesses were examined in regard to purchasing goods from Lyons and the prisoner was further remanded until tomorrow.

**BLUFF WEIR CASE.**

The Defendants Want the Evidence of Chief Justice Tuck.

This morning the Bluff weir case came up before Chief Justice Tuck. This is an action brought by the city against the occupants of that fishing right who each year protest against the action of the city in selling the right. This morning counsel for the defendants claimed that the material point of the case was to prove continuous occupancy for a considerable period. Chief Justice Tuck was recorder of the city for some time, and his evidence would be needed to prove that the city took no steps to eject the occupants. Also before he was recorder he acted as agent for the tenants, Smith and Hawes, and on these grounds defendants' counsel thought it better for another judge to try this case.

The chief justice said if he acted on his own responsibility he would go on with the case, but as it was he would consult with the other judges and give his decision in the matter tomorrow morning at eleven.

Meanwhile the defendants will file affidavits representing that the evidence of the chief justice is necessary in this case. Hon. C. N. Skinner, K. C., for the city; Att. Gen. Pugsley, Dr. A. O. Earle, K. C., J. Roy Campbell and E. T. C. Knowles for the defendants.

**TROUBLE ABOUT MARKET FEES.**

Market Clerk Dunham applied at the police court today in regard to a somewhat peculiar difficulty which had arisen in connection with collecting the fees from persons bringing produce to the market. A man by the name of Taylor brought six cattle from Rothesay and had them killed at the slaughter house. The beef was brought to the country market, weighed on the scales there and then hung up on James Minnehan's hooks. When Mr. Potts, who rents the market tolls, applied to Mr. Minnehan for his fees the latter claimed that as a stall-holder he had no right to pay and declined to do so. Mr. Taylor also refused to pay, stating that he had disposed of the beef to Mr. Minnehan. Then Mr. Dunham was appealed to, and in order to have the law in such cases made plain he reported the matter to the police court. The case will be taken up this afternoon.

**MAY MEET MORE OFTEN.**

Halifax and St. John curlers have met but three or four times during the last twelve years, and the larger number of victories are to the credit of the local men. Two years ago they met in Truro, when St. John won by a point, and three years before a match was played in the same place. Previous to this trip representatives of the two cities had not played in each other's rinks for about ten years. At that time the Thistles played in Halifax.

Halifax curlers, who are stopping at the Royal, are greatly pleased with their present trip and speak in highest terms of their treatment in St. John. It is expected that the present matches will result in yearly or bi-yearly meetings between the curlers of the two cities. The Halifax men will leave this evening for Amherst, where they will play tomorrow. They have several other games scheduled before they return home.

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**GEO. W. PARKER PROMOTED.**

An announcement of a change in connection with the business of the Confederation Life Association has just been made, in regard to which matters have been in progress for a week or two past, but which are only just completed. The company has decided to branch out for business outside of Canada and is opening up in Mexico and West Indies. F. W. Green, manager of the Maritime Provinces, has been appointed to take charge of the company's business in Mexico, and H. E. Tilley will be appointed in a like capacity for the West Indies.

The maritime province positions have been assigned as follows: G. W. Parker to be manager of New Brunswick and G. B. Faulkner of Halifax, to be manager of Nova Scotia. C. O'Neill Conroy will be the general agent of Newfoundland. The company's office in Halifax will be maintained as the Maritime Province branch, at which all collections from policy holders and through local agents will continue to be made and will be in charge of Augustus Allison as cashier.

Mr. Parker who becomes the manager for New Brunswick is to be heartily congratulated on the promotion. He is one of the best known life insurance men in the province and has been a faithful and energetic representative of his company.

**COUNTY COURT.**

In the county court chambers in the case of Rowan v. DeBury application was made on behalf of the defendant that he be allowed to come in and defend. Judge McBurney allowed the order on certain terms. Defendant is to deposit a portion of the amount admitted and costs and file appearance and plea within ten days, otherwise the application will be dismissed with costs. W. B. Wallace, K. C., E. F. Jones for plaintiff; A. A. Stockton, K. C., for defendant.

W. B. Wallace made application to Judge Forbes for the discharge of the case of Kenney v. Waycott from arrest. Application refused.

**LIVERPOOL-HALIFAX FERRY.**

(Montreal Witness.)

George Hannah, passenger manager of the Allan line, who has just returned from Halifax and St. John, N. B., stated this morning that the company's new SS. 'Ionian' has proved herself a good sea-boat, as well as a general boat. Although she has made three trips to Halifax there has only been a difference of 45 minutes in time of her arrivals. Mr. Hannah and Mr. M. J. Lyons, general passenger agent of the I. C. R., came round from Halifax to St. John, N. B., on board the 'Ionian', but owing to the heavy head seas prevailing, the passage was not altogether a pleasant one. At Halifax the 'Ionian' had been dubbed the Liverpool-Halifax ferry boat.

**PROTEST AGAINST SAND AND SALT.**

Mayor Daniel received this morning a communication from Secretary E. M. Wetmore, of the S. P. C. A., stating that he had been directed by the executive committee of that organization to call the attention of his worship to the use of sand and salt by the Street Railway Co. It is claimed that the use of these makes the travelling and footing difficult for horses and in other ways injurious to them. The mixture of sand and salt prevents the snow from packing properly, and so makes hauling difficult.

**DIED AT WESTFIELD.**

Miss Emma A. Caulfield, daughter of the late J. W. and Amanda Caulfield, died on Wednesday night at her home at Westfield. Miss Caulfield was thirty-six years of age, and had been ill with consumption for upwards of six months. She leaves six sisters, Mrs. N. D. Lester, Mrs. E. A. Finley of Westfield, Mrs. F. R. Benjamin, Mrs. D. McLaren and Miss Eva Caulfield of Boston, and Mrs. E. A. Finley of California. The funeral will take place at two o'clock tomorrow at Westfield.

**FIRE ESCAPES.**

The Windsor hotel on King square is the first to comply with the enforcement of the regulations in regard to providing fire escapes. Today the attachments are being put up on the front of the building, and by the end of the week the whole structure will be equipped. The escapes were made by Lewis & Sons of Lower Cove, and this same firm has received orders from a number of the other hotels in the city, which will be fitted as soon as possible.

**DIED IN MONTANA.**

James Martin, a native of New Brunswick, who moved to Oldtown, Me., and 23 years ago went on to Montana, died in Missoula, in that state, on Feb. 7th of cancer of the stomach. He was a farmer at Big Flat, Mont., and was 55 years old. His sons are Joseph, Daniel and Louis Martin of Stevensville, Mont., and there is one daughter, Mrs. Maud Cyr of the same place.

**NEW GARDENER.**

The Horticultural association have engaged Edwin J. Smith to take charge of the gardens in place of the late Charles G. Knott. Mr. Smith is an Englishman by birth, but has been for quite a number of years engaged in gardening in the United States, and is said to be a first class workman. He is expected here in a few days.

**EQUITY COURT.**

Judge Barker is hearing the case of Hannah Gallagher v. the City of Moncton this afternoon. The present application is made by the defendant for an order either to dismiss the suit or to compel the plaintiff to proceed at once. The suit is brought to restrain the city from cutting off the plaintiff's water supply. M. G. Teed for plaintiff; W. B. Chandler, K. C., for the defendant.

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Childs' Rubbers.....	22 and 30c.	Women's Dongola Skating Bala.....	1.25
Misses' Rubbers.....	25 and 35c.	Misses' Peb. Skating Bala.....	1.00
Women's Rubbers.....	25 and 35c.	Misses' Dongola Skating Bala.....	1.25
Men's Hip Boots.....	\$3.50	Men's Buff Congress.....	1.15
Boys' Buckled Rubbers.....	75c.	Misses' and Children's Leggings.....	65c.
Boys' Overshoes.....	75c.	Boys' Strong Boots.....	75c.
Men's Overshoes.....	\$1.00	Men's Hand Made Leg Boots.....	2.75

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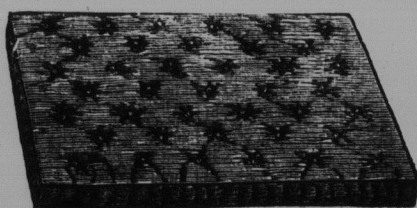
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A. O. U. W. RATES.

There are now eight smallpox patients, at the isolation hospital. All of these are recovering except Mrs. Irwin, who was taken out the other day. The disease has, with her, not yet had time to run its full course. It, however, is of a comparatively mild type. A number of the other patients are almost ready to be allowed out, and probably one or two will be released in the course of a few days.

(Portland Press.)  
TORONTO, Feb. 12.—The readjustment of rates will be the absorbing topic that will come before the Ancient Order of United Workmen convention for Ontario to be held here next week. This will be the twenty-fourth annual gathering and between five hundred and six hundred delegates are expected to be present. The convention will probably last two days and will represent a membership of over 42,000 persons, with insurance about \$70,000,000.

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