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THE WEATHER. Fresh northwest to north winds, light today and on Tuesday comparatively cool.

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JUDGE RITCHIE AND THE SUNDAY DRUNKS

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A BIG LOCOMOTIVE PLANT AT LACHINE

Imperial Locomotive Works Will Cost \$5,000,000 and Employ 1200 Men

The Imperial Locomotive Works Company, with a capital of \$5,000,000, has at last been organized in England for the purpose of erecting a large plant in Canada for the manufacture of locomotives. The works, according to present arrangements, will be located at Lachine, and it is expected that work on the construction of the plant, which will be one of the largest in the Dominion, will be commenced this spring. It is intended that at least 1,200 skilled mechanics and laborers will be given employment as soon as the works are ready, and that this number will be added to as the development of the business warrants.

AN ATTEMPT TO CRACK A SAFE

Burglars Tried to Open "Strong Box" in Ira Kierstead's Store

A bold attempt at safe cracking was made at Ira B. Kierstead's provision store, March Bridge, between midnight Friday and early Saturday morning, and that it was not successful is due probably to the fact that the burglars were frightened away. The entrance was made by prying a shutter off a side window. The time chosen must have been well towards morning, it is thought, as the removal of the shutter would entail the risk of being seen from the road besides the noise involved. Inside, the cash drawer in the counter was forced, but as there was only a couple of dollars in it, the thieves evidently thought them too cumbersome to carry in these pockets.

NEW CARRIAGE FACTORY

Price and Shaw Establishment to be Leased After May 1st

Henry Hilyard has leased the Price & Shaw carriage factory on Main street to the Boston Carriage Company, who will take possession of it on May 1. It is understood they will open a large carriage factory here.

EQUITY COURT

The R. A. Estey estate, Fredericton, was before the equity court, Chief Justice Barker presiding, this morning, on an application for further instructions as to whether or not interest should be allowed on claims since the date of assignment, and what costs if any to the different parties in the suit should be allowed against the estate. The lawyers present were J. H. Barry, T. A. O. Earle, A. P. Barnhill, and J. W. McCready, representing the different interests. Dr. Earle informed the court that it was the intention of his client George McKean to appeal from the decision of his honor, made in October last, refusing his claim as a creditor upon the estate in order to facilitate the settlement of the estate. His honor intimated that he would hand down his decision at Fredericton tomorrow, and the lawyers consented that Dr. Earle should have his appeal heard before the supreme court which opens tomorrow at Fredericton.

Judgment in the Dominion bank note case will be delivered in the equity court this afternoon.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Willard Kitchen Company Preparing to Build Section of Transcontinental Railway

Fredericton, N. B., April 13.—(Special.)—The Willard Kitchen Company of this city, who have the contract to build a section of the Transcontinental Railway between Grand Falls and Plaster Rock, have already begun to ship their plant to that locality. A number of sub-contractors will be let, and it is expected that the work will be in full blast by May first. Upwards of one thousand men will be employed.

A number of young men created a disturbance at Lindsey's restaurant at a late hour on Saturday evening, and on being threatened with the law, called his morning and made good the damage amounting to \$15.

James Sproul, former resident of this city, died last week at St. Camille, Que., where he has resided for some time.

James Hodge, the city's oldest merchant, is quite ill at his home here. He is ninety-two years of age.

The trial of Charles Wright, on a charge of assaulting Scott Act Detective Gunter, is still going on before the police court. The evidence thus far is not of an emotional nature.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN ONTARIO HOUSE

(Toronto World, Thursday.)—John Smith (Peel), reiterated his loyalty to the principle of woman suffrage in moving the second reading of his bill in the legislature yesterday to give a vote in the provincial elections to widows and spinners owning property.

"Why discriminate?" interjected Premier Whitney.

Mr. Smith was assured of the wide interest taken in the question from the letters that came to him from all over the province. Women, from the experience gained in other countries, gave a more intelligent and independent vote than most men. He was in his 77th year, but he still hoped to live to see the principle adopted.

Premier Whitney appreciated the motives of the honorable gentleman. He did not, however, understand why he brought his bill up again this year, after having divided the house upon it last year.

It was utterly impossible at this stage to deal with the bill, and Mr. Smith would not have expected it or to have had any great change take place without some evidence of a desire for it.

Not a position or a letter or anything had been presented to show any feeling, but the most undoubted sympathy.

Alan Studholme was surprised at the Premier's view of Mr. Smith's insistence. When Mr. Whitney was defeated he did not give up, but came back again and again until now, with a big man's fortitude behind him.

The bill was lost on a division.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Tait was held from High Street, north end, this afternoon at 2.30. Service was conducted by Rev. S. Howard and interment was at Fernhill.

The funeral of Charles W. Halpin, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Halpin, Rockland Road, was held from his grandparents' residence, Kimball Street, this afternoon at 2.30. Interment was in the old Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Kate Quinton was held from her late home, Manawagonish Road, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. A. H. Graham and interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

THE JESTER.

Hubby—Going to select your spring suit, eh? Well, you better wait until night.

Why? (In surprise)—Night, Harold?

Hubby—Didn't you say it was going to be a dream.

THE QUING ELECTIONS

Nomination Day, To-morrow, May See Some Surprises—Douglas Arthur for Mayor?

Candidates for the positions of mayor and alderman for the city for the year commencing May 1st, will be nominated at the office of the common clerk tomorrow. So far as could be learned today there are not likely to be many surprises. There is some talk of several "dark horses" being brought forward at the last moment, but tomorrow will tell the tale.

Some people are predicting that a third candidate for the mayoralty will be brought out, but if to his name is being carefully guarded.

It could not be learned whether any advance was being made with the new citizens' ticket which was referred to in Saturday's issue. Several of the men mentioned have expressed their willingness to run if the ticket is nominated, while others say they could not consent. It may be, however, that they will be nominated anyway.

Leaving out the names on this ticket the candidates who will be nominated will probably be as follows:

For Mayor:—Mayor Sears; Ald. Thomas H. Bullock.

Aldermen—Ald. J. King Kelly, Ald. James H. Frink, Ald. H. M. McGowan, W. E. Scully, John Sims and Charles A. Clark.

George ward—Ald. W. D. Backin, John T. Brown, and Israel E. Smith.

Brooks ward—Ald. John B. M. Baxter.

Sidney ward—Ald. Wm. Lewis and John M. Elmore.

Dukes ward—Ald. John W. Vanwart and Charles J. Ford.

Queens ward—Dr. Geo. A. Hetherington, Anson A. Wilson, K. O. Henry Dunbar and E. C. Eldon.

Kings ward—Ald. J. B. Ham, Charles T. Jones and Timothy O'Brien.

Wellington ward—Ald. W. A. Christie, M. D.

Prince ward—Ald. James Sproul, John F. Morrison, and Robert J. Green.

Aldermen-at-large—Ald. J. King Kelly, Ald. James H. Frink, Ald. H. M. McGowan, W. E. Scully, John Sims and Charles A. Clark.

Lansdowne ward—Ald. E. M. Sprague and Alex. McRae.

Lorne ward—Ald. I. W. Holder.

Stanley ward—Ald. John McDermick, Ald. Alex. McRae, and Ald. J. King Kelly.

It is altogether likely that Ex-Alderman Douglas McArthur will be nominated as a candidate for the mayoralty, making a three-cornered fight with Mayor Sears, Ald. Bullock, and Mr. McArthur.

Mr. McArthur said he had been asked to begin his work on Monday, but he has decided whether to accept the nomination or not.

Robert Roberts is spoken of as a possible candidate in opposition to Ald. Holder in Lorne ward.

A report this afternoon as the Times learns is that opposition to Alderman Pickett may develop in Victoria ward.

THE FEAST OF THE PASSOVER

Hebrew Celebration of It Will Commence Next Wednesday Evening

Commencing Wednesday evening next the Hebrews will celebrate the Feast of the Passover, in St. John the Baptist church. The service will be conducted by Rabbi Bernard L. Amur, and will be the following explanation of the fact, and what it commemorates:

Passover, derived from the Hebrew root (Pash) or pass by, is the festival that commemorates the deliverance of Israel's first-born from the judgment brought upon Egyptians on the night preceding the exodus from Egypt. The ground work for the celebration is the wondrous liberation of the Hebrews from Egyptian bondage, and as the king of all festivals it was instituted for an everlasting statute. The festival occurred on the 15th day of the month of Nisan, and is celebrated for seven days, and is later on Passover was extended to eight days.

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A FAREWELL DINNER TO REV. A. H. FOSTER

Presbyterian Ministers Dine One of Their Number Who is Leaving the City

The regular monthly meeting of the Presbyterian ministers was held in St. Andrew's church at 11 o'clock this morning and after the disposal of business before the meeting those present adjourned to White's where a farewell luncheon was tendered Rev. A. H. Foster, who after seven years as pastor of St. Andrew's church is to leave for Montreal, N.S.

Those present besides the guest of honor were Dr. J. Pollock, Messrs. A. G. Graham, A. Gordon Dickie, and Messrs. Reid and Townsend.

All present expressed regret at the approaching departure of Mr. Foster, who will preach his farewell sermon in St. Andrew's church on Monday evening next.

Reference was also made to the approaching departure to western Canada of Rev. Dr. Forthman, who has signed the pastorate of St. John's Presbyterian church after twenty-five years of faithful service.

HE FELL 100 FEET TO INSTANT DEATH

French Laborer Killed at the Steel Co. Blast Furnaces Last Night

Sidney, N.S. April 13 (special).—Frank Looack, French laborer at the blast furnaces of the Steel Company was killed last night at ten o'clock, while working in company with another laborer, who was at the top of the furnaces, when he fell a distance of 100 feet. He struck the ground head first, and was instantly killed.

THEY WILL TAKE LOWER RATE FOR THE PRESENT

Montreal Longshoremens Will Work For 27.1-2 and 30 Cents per Hour Although They Want More

Montreal, April 13.—(Special.)—The longshoremen held a meeting here yesterday, and definitely decided that the men would not recognize the bonus system of pay. Speaking for the men, Business Agent Pelquin stated that they wanted 30 and 35 cents an hour and no bonus. He also stated that if the men were obliged to start out at 12 and 30 cents an hour as is now offered there would be no trouble.

Steamer Calvin Austin landed 41 passengers last Saturday from Boston and sailed same evening on her return trip.

Furness line steamship Shenandoah, now on her way to London from this port, took away a cargo valued at \$22,587.

HOMELESS PEOPLE LIVING IN TENTS

This is the Situation in Chelsea Mass., To-day

Only One Half of the Fire Victims Can be Cared for This Way—Boston Charitable Societies Coming to the Aid of Sufferers

Boston, April 13.—Ten thousand persons rendered homeless, at least three burned to death, half a hundred injured, and a property loss of between \$7,500,000 and \$10,000,000, summarized the record of disaster which confronts the city of Chelsea this morning as a result of the great fire of yesterday. A blackened, flame-charred and smoking mass of ruins marking the sites of some of the finest public buildings of the city, historic churches, as well as hundreds of homes, cover a half three-quarters of a mile wide, stretching across the city for a distance of a mile and a half.

The city was not formally placed under martial law, but as a result of reports of looting, the entire burned district and the environs were patrolled by marines from the Charlestown navy yard, and sixteen companies of state militia and artillerymen. The soldiers were supplied with ten rounds of ball cartridges. Adjutant General Bingham, of the staff of Governor Curtis Guild, who has personal direction of the work of the militia, said the situation did not seem to require a proclamation of martial law, but that after consultation with Mayor Beck of Chelsea, stringent measures were being taken to prevent as far as possible, any acts of vandalism.

Early today a consignment of military tents from the state camp grounds at South Framingham were placed at the disposal of the relief committees. Hundreds of them were set up on the public playground at Everett, an adjoining town, while others were erected on open ground in the unburned portion of Chelsea itself.

It was calculated that these tents, each of which will accommodate five persons, would serve to shelter about one-half the homeless people. The charitable organizations in Boston and other nearby places are taking care of the remainder. While only three persons are positively known to have lost their lives in the fire, it is feared that a search of the ruins by daylight will disclose more victims.

The bodies of the dead are at the North Grove street morgue. They are buried beyond recognition. Two of the bodies are those of women. The other is that of a man. All met death apparently while trying to escape from the flames and their charred bodies were found in the streets where they had fallen. None of them had been identified early today.

Scores of persons, including many firemen and policemen, were overcome by smoke, while many suffered severely from burns received in fighting the fire at the hospital. It was said today that all the more seriously injured were doing well, though several were still on the dangerous list.

According to insurance men, the total loss will exceed \$7,500,000 and may reach \$10,000,000. The insurance is estimated roughly at \$5,000,000.

Boston, April 13.—The liquor licenses in East Boston and that part of Charlestown which were suspended today by order of Police Commissioner O'Meara, as an aid to the militia and police in their efforts to bring about a condition of order and safety.

The fright of the night previous which had overcome the populace disappeared and frantic mothers and grief-stricken fathers roamed the streets begging that their missing loved ones be returned to them. The school houses of the city, as well as those of neighboring cities and towns were filled with lost children, and scores of parents besieged these institutions in search of their children.

At eight o'clock the first bread lines were started, the refugees on the lower side of the burnt district being served at the district center, while those on the upper side were issued rations from the high school building. The lines were regulated by the militia, the applicants being obliged to pass between lines of soldiers before they were served. The \$30,000.

BIG FALLING OFF IN EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES PORTS

Statement of U.S. Consul Shows Decline of \$347,200.24 for First Quarter of 1908 as Compared With Same Period of Last Year

The following is a comparative statement of export valuations of goods going to the United States from the port of St. John as compiled by the United States consul at this port for the quarter ending 31st March, 1908. The figures show a large falling off for the March quarter of this year on account of the low price of lumber in the United States markets, also by reason of the low freight offered to schooners, most of which laid up here for the winter months. Business is now looking up and the demand for lumber and other products will show a decided increase during the coming quarter and summer months.

QUARTER ENDING 31st MARCH, 1908.

Cattle \$1,630.00
Hops 143.00
Horses 230.00
Calumet 6,134.76
Emigrants' effects 6,671.00
Fertilizer 5,244.00
Fire brick 1,014.38
Cure fish 47.00
Hake 969.50
Herring 195.25
Sardines 293.00
Fish hooks 1,220.00
Fish waste 1,018.45
Gun chicle 463.00
Fur 32,242.50
Hides 22,884.32
Junk 1,147.00
Laths 22,488.01
Lime 1,600.80
Lumber 13,970.62

PRODUCT OF AMERICAN LOGS.

Laths \$3,074.50
Lumber 27,389.07
Shingles 10,975.83

Grand total for quarter—\$280,700.21

MARCH QUARTER, 1907.

Value of exports for quarter ending 31st March, 1907, to United States: Canadian lumber and products \$315,270.98
Products of American logs 102,630.37

Total \$417,901.35

RECAPITULATION.
Exports for March quarter, 1907, \$417,901.35
Exports for March quarter, 1908, \$337,200.24
Decrease for 1908 \$80,701.11

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HIRAM ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

"I see," said Mr. Hiram, "you've been in some trouble down here with your school houses. They don't seem to be doing so well. You call us fellows bushmen, but by Hen! we ain't too slow, after all. I mind when I first went to school, we had board desks around the four sides of the room 'an' we all set on benches with our backs to the middle of the floor. The master set 'em all set on the stove was in the middle of 'em. Sometimes a scholar 'd put an ink bottle on the stove to get it out of the way, 'an' 'd get a punt. Then somebody'd get kicked. The school house was nice 'an' handy to the bushes, 'an' when a boy needed a good lickin' he was sent out to cut a cud. The next boy had to cut another one, 'an' one day 'd cut more 'an one lickin' some days. 'An' if you brought in a little one it was used up 'an' you had to get another. But now we got a great big school buildin', with different rooms for different grades, 'an' 'a teacher judges, 'an' a good 'ol better fixin', I should judge, 'an' you've got her in town. 'We holler 'bout gittin' your school houses fixed up, you jest tell 'em to come out to Horn-bone Settlement 'an' see how the bushmen do these things. Mebbe it'll do 'em good. Great weather—ain't it?"