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GATES AND SIGNALMEN WANTED FOR TWO RAILWAY CROSSINGS.

Municipal Council Will Appeal to the Railway Commission re Fairville and Milford Crossings—Will Also Seek a Law to Regulate Speed of Automobiles in City and County—Deaf and Dumb School Wants Exemption—Discount on Taxes.

The municipal council met Tuesday afternoon and decided to appeal if necessary to the railway commission to compel the Canandian Pacific Railway to put gates and signal men at the Fairville and Milford railway crossings. The question of exempting the Deaf and Dumb School property from taxation was referred to a committee to report in October. The bills and by-laws committee were instructed to prepare a bill regulating the speed of automobiles and to consider the question of licensing them. The time for granting five per cent discount on taxes was extended to October 15. The accounts were passed.

Warden Macrae presided, and there were present Coun. White, Hamm, Lewis, Holder, McGoldrick, Fownes, Lowell, Daley, Frink, Barker, Carleton, Brannen, Tilley, Robinson, Long, Lee, Kelly, Cochrane, Carson, Dean, Thompson, Jones and Gregory, County Secretary Vincent, Auditor Magilton and Marshall Coughlan.

Coun. Carson, of Simonds, who had been already sworn in, took his seat at the board, and a committee was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions touching the death of Coun. Horgan.

Finance and Accounts.

The report of the finance and accounts committee was read, as follows:

To the Warden and Council of the Municipality of the City and County of Saint John:

The committee on finance and accounts begs leave to report as follows:

The committee recommend payment of the following amounts, such payment to be made out of the contingent fund:

E. G. Nelson—Stationary supplied clerk of circuit court	$ 10.90
Geo. A. Knodell—Forty assessment books and other printing and stationary, secretary's office	70.50
County Secretary—Half cost care of office.. .. ..$5.25; Postage stamps 10.00	15.25
Alexander F. Johnston—Holding election to fill vacancy caused by the death of the late councillor, Daniel Horgan	16.00
John B. Jones—Registration births, marriages deaths....$110.00; Postage 2.00; Postage previously unpaid 2.00	114.10
Provincial hospital—Board of pauper lunatics for quarter ending June 30th	$113.75
Freeze Bros.—Cleaning furnace and pipe in registrary office	3.00
County Treasurer—Three months care office ....$ 4.50; Postage 75	5.25

The committee had before them the communication of J. Harvey Brown, requesting the exemption from taxation of the property used for the purpose of the Deaf and Dumb School, in the parish of Lancaster, and after hearing Mr. Brown in support of the same the committee recommended that the said property be exempt from taxation during the time it may be used for the purpose of said school.

The accounts were passed, but the section relating to the Deaf and Dumb School was referred to the councillors for Lancaster to submit a further report in October. Ald. Lewis and Kelly appealed for generous treatment of the school, but there was a question relative to a portion of the property which it was held was not essential to the school and should not be exempt. On this the Lancaster councillors will report.

C. P. R and Automobiles.

Residents and ratepayers of Lancaster to the number of about 400, petitioned the council to compel the Canadian Pacific Railway to have gates and a signalman at the Fairville and Milford railway crossings; also to put a stop to the blocking of the Fairville crossing by allowing cars to stand there.

Coun. Lowell said that serious accidents had occurred at both crossings, and with increasing traffic the danger was greater. It was impossible to see trains coming, and at Milford crossing they sometimes run very fast. Fatal accidents have occurred, and there should be some protection. At Fairville crossing cars had blocked the road for thirty-five minutes at a time. He moved that a committee be appointed to bring the matter, if necessary, before the railway commission.

Coun. Maxwell agreed with all Coun. Lowell had said, and suggested that the warden, secretary and Lancaster councillors be the committee.

Replying to a question, Coun. Lowell said the matter had been laid before the C. P. R. authorities here, and they had practically paid no attention. He assented to Coun. Maxwell's suggestion as to the personnel of the committee.

The motion was adopted without dissent.

Coun. Maxwell brought up the question of automobile driving in the city and county. He thought a by-law should be adopted regulating the speed of automobiles. There had been a number of serious accidents. The chaffeur paid no attention to teams, but went right along. The bills and by-laws committee should deal with the matter.

Coun. Hamm said that the business of the livery stables was interfered with, for nervous persons were afraid to go out with teams, because of the danger from automobiles rushing along at 15 to 20 miles an hour.

Coun. White said it might be necessary to license autos. as is done in some other places. The city as well as the county was interested in this, though the danger on the country roads was far the greater.

Coun. Maxwell moved that the matter be referred to the bills and by-laws committee, to prepare a bill for the legislature.

Coun. Lee seconded the motion. A law should be made to regulate the speed and perhaps to license autos. He said that several serious accidents had happened on the Red Head Road.

Warden Macrae replying to Coun. McGoldrick, thought it would be necessary to get legislation. A by-law would hardly cover the case, although a by-law might be adopted stating the highest rate of speed at which vehicles might proceed.

After some remarks by Coun. Barker, Fownes, Robinson and others, Coun Maxwell's motion passed. The committee will report a bill at the October session.

Coun. Lowell moved that a discount of five per cent. be granted in the parishes on taxes paid before Nov. 1.

Coun. Fownes moved that the date be October 15.

After a long and animated discussion the amendment was adopted.

Coun. White said it had been decided last year that any legislation to be sought by the municipality should be ready in good time. The bills and by-laws committee and all members should bear this in mind.

Coun. Lewis reported that the jail prisoners were doing some road repairing near Kain's Corner. The work would require $50 to $75 worth of gravel. He asked if the work should continue on that understanding.

It was pointed out that the road the men were working on was in the city limits, and therefore not in the province of the municipal council. No action was taken, and the council adjourned.

DOGFISH PEST MUST BE FOUGHT

M. P.'s Urge the Government to Take Prompt Action.

REDUCTION WORKS.

Establishment of Such and Placing of Bounty on the Pests Are Urged—Discussion of Interest to the Maritime Provinces.

Ottawa, July 19—(Special)—In the commons today there was a further discussion of the dogfish pest. R. L. Borden, Mr. Copp, of Digby; Mr. Sinclair, of Guysboro; Hon. Wm. Ross and Mr. Roche, all urged action to destroy this pest, and suggestions were made relative to the commercial use of the fish and a bounty for catching them. The minister of marine said the department was seeking to solve the problem.

Ottawa, July 19—(Special)—Dr. Kendall, who represents a Nova Scotia fishing constituency, claims the most effective attack upon the dogfish could be made by means of reduction works. If the government would establish such works along the coast and turn the dogfish into fertilizer, or bonus the establishment of reduction works established by private parties, the dogfish would become a marketable commodity. Put upon that basis it would soon cease to be a pest for the fishermen would thin them out. Dr. Kendall thought the fishermen should be paid a fixed price for every ton of dogfish delievered and the works should accept all offered them. He urged also a cold storage system of providing the fishermen with bait.

Mr. Kaulbach (Lunenburg) sugested $5 a ton be paid the fishermen for the dogfish by the reduction process.

Ministers Giving Matter Attention.

Hon. Mr. Fielding said the matter was a serious one for the people of the maritime provinces and all Canada. He had received many communications from persons interested and he had given them his attention and brought them before the minister of marine who showed the greatest interest and had given the matter his closet attention. However the difficulty seemed to be lack of agreement as to the best method of attack. However, the minister of marine had asked him to include a sum in the supplementary estimates for investigating the dog fish problem, along the lines suggested today. This investigation would include the use of the dogfish as food and its oil and as fertilizer.

Mr. Wright, of Renfew, wanted to know why the maritime province people should enjoy all the fresh fish of the country. Why should not the people of Ontario have a cold storage service of say once a week from the maritime provinces. He was certain that if a regular service was instituted it would find a large patronage.

Mr. Fielding said that there had been a beginning in the cold storage service for the shipping of fish by both the C. P. R. and the I. C. R. However, that was but a beginning, and there were vast possibilities in the Ontario markets for the eastern fishermen.

R. L. Borden said he understood there was a cold storage car attached to the imperial limited which brought halibut from Vancouver to Boston. If this could be done he thought the maritime province fresh fish could be taken to Ontario.

Mr. Wade, of Annapolis, called attention to the importance of the fisheries of Canada. The annual yield amounted to $23,000,000. Of this amount the Nova Scotia fisheries amounted to $8,000,000. The enlargement of the market offered great opportunities. There were firms in his district who made a specialty of putting up the fish in attractive forms which found for them a ready market in the west. The system of cold storage transportation could be undertaken with great profit. The dogfish had been on the Nova Scotia coast before, and had disappeared as suddenly as they appeared. The establishment of reduction works should be undertaken by the government. In them lay the solution of the problem of the dogfish. The reduction works might be conducted at a loss by the government, but it was in the nature of a bonus and aids were given to other industries, why not the preservation of the eastern fisheries?

Mr. Turgeon Urges Immediate Campaign.

Mr. Turgeon, for the Acadian French fishermen of Gloucester, said that the west had fallen heavily upon his constituents. They wanted the dogfish destroyed, but did not want to turn into dog fishermen themselves. They thought the government should undertake a campaign of destruction. Before the Halifax award, the American fishermen, with heavy and large seins, had depleted the Canadian mackerel fisheries. He thought if this could be done by Americans with mackerel, the Canadian government could do the same thing to the dogfish.

The reduction works might be a good thing, but while they were being built the fisheries would be destroyed. The government should undertake a campaign at once. At least $25,000 should be devoted to the work immediately.

Dr. McLennan, of Inverness, criticized the leader of the opposition for asking the government to attack the dogfish upon only a portion of the coast. He said there was 5,000 miles of sea coast in the maritime provinces, and he represented some of it and did not want the whole attack upon dogfish on Mr. Borden's coast. He thought a bonus upon dogfish liver oil and fertilizer would be the best way of attacking the pest. To scatter government reduction works over the 5,000 miles of cost would involve immense expenditure. He also asked that the season for lobster fishing around the island and Cape Breton be equalized. The present arrangement he thought unfair.

Mr. Gourley wanted the government to spend at once $1,000,000 in an attack upon the dogfish.

Mr. McPherson (Burrard, B. C.), said British Columbia had experience with the dogfish pest years ago. They had solved the problem without government intervention or any other form of paterialism. Two firms had gone into the reduction business and used dogfish as their raw material for manufacture of oil and fertilizer. Both the firms were making money. The oil made from the livers of the dogfish was largely used upon the log skid ways in lumbering operations and in a way took the place of the snow of which lumbermen of the east made use. A very fine oil was also made from the livers, equal every way to cod liver oil. The fertilizer produced was of a magnificent quality and found a ready market.

Mr. McPherson thought the east could do with profit what had been done in the west.

To the leader of the opposition Mr. McPherson said the dogfish were caught in traps of wire which resisted their teeth. This closed the debate.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

Members Given Delightful Outing by Tourist Association—Interesting Lecture.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., July 18—The first all day excursion was held today. The members of the school were given a splendid sail as the guests of the Charlottetown Tourist Association. The weather was perfect, and the breeze on the water made it sufficiently cool. The steamer City of London was the boat and it was somewhat crowded by the large number present. It is estimated that 200 were on board. An orchestra under the direction of Prof. Watts played during the sail and added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. The thanks of the school was certainly due them.

When we say that the beauty of Prince Edward Island is in its strong contrasts of color we are merely stating a very visible fact. Dark blue, red, green and light blue. What is it? The dark blue is water, smooth and shining in the sunlight, the long sandstone cliffs are bright red; the foliage of green spruce is above them and over all a clear and cloudless sky. Such was the scenery that the visitors saw and the vivid coloring was much admired. The steamer went out of the harbor and up the river for some distance. A number of stops were made and many of the members went ashore, preferring to sit under the trees or collect flowers. The shrill whistle of the returning boat called them from many a shady nook. A number of specimens of fossil wood were obtained near Brush Wharf, as well as a large number of interesting plants.

A resolution of thanks to the Tourist Association was passed and many complimentary things were said. Among the speakers were Dr. Andrews, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Bailey, Mr. Oulton, Pres. Hannah, Prof. Watts and Geo. E. Hughes, president of the Tourist Association. The return was made at 6 o'clock.

In the evening Prof. W. F. Watson, of South Carolina, gave his lecture on The Microscope and Camera in Biology. About 100 lantern views were exhibited, embracing a great variety of objects drawn from both the vegetable and animal kingdom, such as sections of wood, tongues of flies, the feet and spinnarets of spiders, the development of insects and especially of the mosquito. Living larvae of the latter, contained in a tank, were projected on the screen and great was the commotion among them as the warmth from the electric rays of the lantern enlived them.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Bailey and seconded by President Hanna. The audience was unusually large and very much interest in the pictures, some of which, taken through the dissected eye of an ox and the compound eye of a fly, were unique, Prof. Watson being the first person to take views of this kind.

Charlottetown, July 19.—A field excursion was planned for this afternoon and about thirty members of the Summer School of Science started, but the courage of some failed before they had gone very far, and, beating a retreat to the nearest house for a drink of water, all thoughts of plant hunting vanished and when invited to sit under the trees and make themselves at home, gladly they did so. Of course this was not true of Mr. Vroom, Mr. Stothard and a number of other old time botanists who do not give way to the temptations of the shade when the interesting plants happen to grow in the sun.

A visit was made to the former residence of the Hon. J. C. Pope, at one time minister of marine and fisheries. The property is now in the possession of E. W. Taylor and through his kindness the party were allowed to wonder at large over the grounds. The place is one of the most beautiful in the immediate vicinity of Charlottetown and the display of flowers called forth many words of admiration. White and pink fox gloves were shown surpassing anything that the learned botanists present had ever seen.

One of the exciting incidents of the afternoon was a chase after a poor little mole. It was a very unusual and somewhat comical sight to see the ladies kneel among the flowers and endeavor to pick up an animal which looks so like a mouse. However the mole escaped from under a hat and was saved from a critical examination of its anatomy.

Mr. Leech had a camera and he was kept busy. The party came away with many beautiful roses and other flowers which were handed out in profusion to all who cared to have them.

At 1 o'clock today the members of the Summer School took various poetic and scientific attitudes and tried hard to keep still. We hope the photograph will be a success. Gauvin, Gentzel & Co. were the photographers. Mr. Seaman is feeling almost satisfied or he should be. By his efforts the enrollment has been worked up to 176, and still they come. The annual concert is being held this evening.

Nova Scotia Crops

B. W. Chipman, secretary for agriculture, issues a synopsis of crop prospects in Nova Scotia:

According to the reports received, the total for hay on upland for the whole province is 75 per cent of a full crop. On dyke land 83 per cent, on intervale, 83 per cent., and total average for the province for potatoes and roots is 87 per cent. Oats and other grains, 90 per cent. Ensilage, 83 per cent. Should rain come soon, hay on lowland and intervale may be somewhat increased, and it is possible that seasonable rains during the next few weeks would bring potatoes and roots close up to the average. The indications are that the fruit crop will be very good indeed, and that there is some increase in the number of dairy and beef cattle.

WARM CONTEST ON ST. STEPHEN TRACK

Six Heats to Decide Winner in the Three Minute Class.

WON BY WILKES BOY.

Mayor Johnson's Baron Silver Gave St. Stephen Horse a Hard Battle, Though—Day Book Captures the 2.20 in Straight Heats.

St. Stephen, N. B., July 19.—(Special)—The races at the driving park this afternoon were attended by a good crow. Wilkes Boy captured one of the hottest races ever trotted on this track—the three minute class—and J. M. Johnson's Day Book took the 2.20 class in straight heats. Hot weather and a good track greeted the horses. Collector Graham, W. H. Grimmer, H. Love, were judges. Mr. Love also acted as starter; Horace Murchie, J. H. McMahon and George Ross, timers; George McLean, clerk of the track.

Three-minute Class.

Wilkes Boy, Dewey Guy, Baron Silver, Mercy W. appeared. A god start was made and a warm contest at once resulted between Wilkes and Baron Wilkes, which finished one length in front of Baron Dewey. Mercy was a short distance in the rear. Time, 2.27½.

The second heat resulted in another battle between Wilkes and Baron Wilkes, they finishing half a length thead of Guy and Mercy following some distance behind. Time, 2.29¼.

In the first half of the third heat all went along in a bunch, Wilkes ahead; but near the three-quarters he was passed by Guy, which continued in the lead to the finish, closely pressed by Wilkes, whose tire came off near the finish, leaving Guy first, Baron second, Mercy third. Time, 2.27¾. Wilkes and Baron both broke for the first time in this race.

In the fourth heat Wilkes quickly forced ahead with Baron behind. These two had the best battle of the day, each passing the other several times, Baron finally winning with Wilkes on his wheel, Guy a close third. Time, 2.28¼.

In the fifth heat Baron took the lead. Wilkes was passed by Guy, which also pressed the lead closely but was not able to head him. Baron finished thead in 2,29¼.

In the sixth heat, Wilkes took the lead at once, but the others pushed him hard. Guy broke at the three-quarters, but was unable to pass him. Wilkes won the heat and one of the best races of the year. Time of heat 2.21¼.

Summary:

Three Minute Trot—Purse, $300.

Wilkes Boy, Wm. Keys, St. Stephen	1	1	4	2	3 1
Baron Silver, J. M. Johnson, Calais	2	2	2	1	1 2
Dewey Guy, F. Warren, Springhill	3	3	1	3	2 3
Mercy W., W. L. Eaton, Calais	4	4	3	4	4

Time, 2.27½; 2.29¼; 2.27¾; 2.28¼; 2.29¼; 2.32¼.

2 20 Class

The 2.20 class brought out six in the following positions: Annie Brevet, Faith M., Day Book, Doncello, Payson, Jr., McGinty. After considerable scoring a good start was made. A royal fight for the first half took place between Day Book and McGinty, but Day Book proved too fast, finishing easily ahead of his opponent with Doncello third, Annie fourth, Clayson and Faith well behind. Time, 35, 1.07½, 1.43¾, 2.20¼.

The second heat resulted in another battle between Day Book and McGinty, but was really a procession. McGinty quit on the home stretch and was passed by Annie and Doncello. Day Book finished well ahead. Time, 34½, 1.07¼, 1.44, 2.21.

In the third heat Annie started after Day Book, but lacked speed to collar him. Day Book won the heat and race, Annie second, Clayson third. Time, of heat, 35, 1.09¾, 1.46, 2.22½. Annie took second money, McGinty third, Doncello fourth.

2.20 Trot and Pace—Purse, $300.

Day Book, J. M. Johnson, Calais	1	1	1
Annie Brevet, F. Duncanson, Fairville	4	2	2
McGinty, A. Rooks, Bangor	2	4	5
Doncello, J. B. Gilchrist, Greenwich	3	3	4
Clayson, Jr., S. A. Fowler, St. John	5	6	3
Faith M., Palmer Bros., Patton (Me.)	6	5	6

Time, 2.20¼, 2.21, 2.22½.

St. Stephen, N. B., July 20—((Special)—In the second day's horse racing here, Tom Phair won the 2.25 trot in straight heats. Beatrice Greeley, a Maine mare, won the named race and broke the track record of 2.19 made last year by Rex Wilkes. Beatrice trotted the second heat today in 2.18½.

The judges were Collector Graham, W. C. H. Grimmer, H. Love. Timers, J. H. McManus, George Ross, H. S. Murchie. Starter, Hugh Love. Clerk of course, Geo. McLean.

The first event was the 25 class when these horses took positions as follows, Claudin Hal, Pearl Edyson, Tom Phair, Miss Black, Frank Rich, Claudia and Tom finished the first half together, Frank a close third; Claudia broke, was passed by Tom and Frank and these two had a battle for the lead, Tom winning with Frank on his wheel. Time—38, 111½, 148¾, 2.24¼.

In the second Tom at once took the lead On the first turn Frank and Claudia collided resulting in a broken wheel for both bikes. Tom won this heat easily with Pearl second, Miss Black third. Time—38¼, 1.16, 2.00, 2.34.

In the third heat Tom was hotly pressed by Frank and the others being well bunched nearly all the mile. Tom winning the heat and race. Time—36½, 1.10¼, 1.46¾, 2.20¼.

The Record Broken.

Fairview Chimes, Beatrice Greeley and Helen R., started. Beatrice broke as the word was given and allowed the other two to finish, with Helen in the lead. Time—36¾, 1.11¼, 1.48¼, 2.21¼.

In the second heat a good start was given, Beatrice taking the lead on the first turn but Helen gave her a royal battle forcing Beatrice home in 35¼, 1.09½, 1.45, 2.18½. Which broke the track record.

The third heat proved a hot contest between Beatrice and Helen, the former again winning. Time—34¾, 1.09, 1.46, 2.20.

In the fourth heat all started abreast but Beatrice broke, giving the lead to Helen with Fairview a good second. Ireland, the driver of Beatrice, then started for the front like a whitwind and took the lead on entering the home stretch, winning the heat and race. Time—35¼, 1.10½, 1.47, 2.21¼.

Summary—

2.25 Trot; 2.28 Pace; Purse $300.

Frank Rich, W. H. Rich, Millbridge	2	4	2
Miss Black, A. Sooks, Bangor	4	3	ds
Tom Phair, Calais Stock Farm	1	1	1
Claudia Hal, Fred Warren, Springhill	3	5	3
Pear Edson, Dr. Gilchrist, Greenwich	5	2	4

Time—2.24¼, 2.34, 2.20¼.

Named Race; Purse $300.

Beatrice Greeley, Palmer Bros., Patten	3	1	1
Fairview Chimes, Calais Stock Farm	2	3	3
Helen R., Fred Warren, Springhill	1	2	2

Time—2.21¼, 2.18½, 2.20, 2.21¼.

St. Stephen, N. B., July 19.—The entries for the races at Calais driving park, July 26 and 27, are:

Tuesday.

2.20 trot and pace, $300—Maud, W. Keys; Annie Brevet, F. Duncanson; Fairview Chimes, J. M. Johnson; Day Book, J. M. Johnson; Faith M., Palmer Bros.; Calvin Swift, W. H. Rice; Frank Rich, W. H. Rich; Dewey Dumas, W. H. Rich; Bourbon, T. W. McCoy; Doncello, Dr. Gilchrist; Viola May, H. J. McManus; McGinty, Allen Rooks; Clayson, Jr., S. A. Fowler; Lord Alverstone, E. L. Willis; Cherry Arden, F. C. Murchie.

2.28 pace, 2.25 trot—Wilkes Boy, W. Keyes; Eola, T. H. Phair; Tom Phair, J. M. Johnson; Rose Wilkes, Palmer Bros.; Frank Rich, W. H. Rich; Dewey Dumas, W. H. Rich; Claudia Pal, Fred Warren; Pearl Edison, Dr. Gilchrist; Utatalan, J. E. Burnham; Dyspepsia Cure, H. B. Gilman.

Two year olds, $150—Murchie, F. C. Murchie; Presque Isle, T. H. Phair; Vera M., J. M. Johnson.

Wednesday, 27th.

2.25 pace, 2.22 trot, 300—Montrose, H. McCoy; Miss Black, Allen Rooks; Oakley Bardon, J. M. Johnson; Princess, Palmer Bros.; Calvin Swift, W. H. Rich; Dewey Dumas, W. H. Rich; Frank Rich, W. H. Rich; Esteli Boy, Fred Warren.

Free-for-all, $500—Dan F., P. B. Gillman; Gilty, E. L. Willis; Day Book, J. M. Johnson; Beatrice Greeley, Palmer Bros.; Frank Rich, W. H. Rich; Helen R., Fred Warren.

Three year olds, $150—Montrose, Jr., H. McCoy; Red Paint, T. H. Phair; Baron Silver, J. M. Johnson; Lizzie Gerow, J. M. Johnson; Kippewa, Fred Warren.

Entered at Waterville.

J. R. Cowans has Dewey Guy, Joannes, Estelle Boy, Claudia Hal, Helen R. entered in the races at Waterville (Me.), August 9, 10, 11. The entries for the $1,000 free-for-all include Helen R., Dan Q., Howard, Beatrice, Greeley, Day Book, Decima Deane, Island Wilkes, Jr., Miss Sterling, Terrel S.—Amherst Telegram.

NERVY WORK OF THIEVES AT HAMPTON.

Broke Into Post Office and Two Shops Monday Night.

Hampton, N. B., July 19—Quite a lot of comment is being made around town today about the breaking and entering of R. H. Smith's store last night. The thieves, after trying to enter through the hall above the store, broke into W. H. March's blacksmith shop and procured some tools which they left on Mr. Smith's platform.

They entered Mr. Smith's store by the front door from which they broke a glass panel, and carried off a card of watch chains and other jewelry, razors, pocket knives, cigars, cigarettes; also some change left in the till, beer, cakes, cheese, lunch tongue and other groceries and fruit.

They entered the post office adjoining and ransacked the mails but the valuables being in the safe, they procured little. Some things were found near the freight shed showing they had been having a lunch.

The authorities have been notified and are working on the case.

LIGHTSHIP DAMAGED

By a Barge En Route from Windsor, N. S., to New York.

Pollockrip lightship was found to be so seriously damaged as a result of being run into Sunday morning, that she was towed to New Bedford on Tuesday by the lighthouse tender Azalea, and relief lightship No. 58 has been substituted pending repairs on the regular lightship.

The report that the tugboat Concord with the barges Winthrop and Sagua were responsible for the damage to the lightship appears to have been an error, although the lighthouse officials were so informed on Monday.

The vessel which inflicted the damage to the lightship was one of three barges that the big tug Gypsum King was towing through the sound on the way from Windsor (N.S.), to New York.—Boston Globe.

FOR A HORSE SHOW.

Favorable Reception of Exhibition Association's Plan.

The idea of a horse show on the exhibition grounds each afternoon during the St. John fall show is meeting with a very favorable reception. Thursday afternoon, on invitation of the exhibition management, a number of prominent horsemen met to pass their opinion on the proposition as worked out. This is to have the horse show in front of the grand stand each afternoon, and to conduct the show somewhat on the lines of the very successful one held during the recent summer carnival. The horsemen, who met Thursday, were unanimously in favor of the plan. Definite decision has been deferred until next Thursday night when a meeting of others also competent to judge will be held

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

(The opinions of correspondents are not necessarily those of The Telegraph. This newspaper does not undertake to publish all or any of the letters received. Unsigned communications will not be noticed. The name and address of the writer should be sent with every letter as an evidence of good faith.—Ed. Telegraph).

He Wants A. T. Dunn Back.

To the Editor of the Telegraph:

Sir,—It looks very strange that the local government has not given us one dollar on part of the roads in Simonds; from Loch Lomond to Black River by the way of Garnett's no money, from Black River to Tynemouth Creek no money, the Duffy road no money, the Fraser mill road no money. It is the first time in the history of the place this happende. We want A. T. Dunn back at Fredericton for about one day when they are dividing the money. He would look out for No. 1.

SIMONDS.

Black River, July 18.

Presented With Purse.

At the Central Methodist parsonage, Moncton, on Saturday evening, Rev. J. W. McConnell was presented with a purse of gold containing a substantial sum of money. The presentation was on behalf of the congregation on the eve of Mr. McConnell's departure for a vacation trip through Western Canada and the Pacific coast. Rev. Mr. McConnell left for St. John Monday morning en route westward.

Mrs. McConnell and her family will spend the five or six weeks of Mr. McConnell's absence visiting at her old home in Cumberland county.

Rev. Jabez Rice, of Charlotte county, will occupy the pulpit of the Central Methodist church next Sunday, and Rev. Mr. Chipman, of Amherst, during the remaining period of Mr. McConnell's absence.—Moncton Transcript.

GRUESOME EXHIBITS AT ROBINSON MURDER TRIAL AT KENTVILLE

Bones of Murdered Woman Offered in Evidence.

Testimony All In, and Judge Will Address the Jury This Morning—Expert Medical Evidence Given.

Kentville, N. S., July 21—(Special)—All the evidence in the Robinson murder case has been heard and the jury will now decide the fate of the prisoner. The crown today put on the stand expert medical testimony to prove that Mrs. Robinson's death did not result from fire. Four physicians swore that as a result of their examination of the body they were positive that deceased was strangled to death and her body mutilated before fire touched it.

Some of the exhibits offered in evidence were most gruesome and caused a shudder throughout the court room. These exhibits were the collar bone, ribs and portions of the limbs of deceased.

The crown closed its case at 3.40 and the defence was opened. In the early stages of the case today the defence gained an important point when the court ruled that the deposition of the prisoner made at the inquest in Berwick could not be put in as evidence, though Mr. Wickwire very forcibly contended that it was evidence.

The case for the defence was opened at 3 o'clock by Mr. Tufts briefly addressing the jury. Only six witnesses were examined on behalf of the prisoner. Examination of the witnesses was concluded at 5 o'clock and court adjourned until 8 o'clock.

Tonight the lawyers addressed the jury, and when the court will resume in the morning the judge will deliver his address to the jury.

UP GO SOME PRICES.

A Great Soda Combine—Codfish Very Scarce and High—Molasses Advances.

"News?" said a wholesaler to the Telegraph yesterday. "Yes, there's news of a soda combine—at least a very strong rumor backed up by the fact that all prices have been withdrawn."

Canada gets its supplies of soda from England and the United States, and it is now stated that the American and English producers have formed a combine, which practically gives Church, Dwight & Co., of New York, control of the situation on this continent. The trade in St. John appears to accept the combine rumors as true, and expects a heavy advance in prices.

There is a great scarcity and sharp advance in the price of dry codfish, which have gone up fifty cents this week and are now quoted at $4.35 to $4.50 per 100 lbs., wholesale. It is said that the fishermen around Westport have hardly got enough fish to pay expenses. The schooners coming into St. John, that ought to bring 400 to 500 quintals of dry cod per trip at this season are bringing very few. The latest are now running, and as they are usually followed by cod it is hoped that the fishing will improve.

There has been a further advance in the price of molasses. Barbados went up one cent this week and is now selling wholesale at 27 to 28 cents wholesale. This is an advance of 6 cents from the lowest point this season, and it is thought there will be another advance of one cent next week. It is announced that Porto Rico will be advanced one cent next week. The whole situation with regard to molasses is therefore very firm.

It was stated yesterday that a sharp advance in the price of vinegar is expected.

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL.

Contracts Let for Vans to Take Children to the Kingston Institution.

The contracts for the vans to be received in connection with the consolidated school for Kingston district, to open in August, have been let. These vans are for the purpose of conveying the school children to and from their homes. The vans will not leave the main road, and at certain points along it, the children will assemble. The teamsters will provide horses, harness and rugs.

The contracts let are as follows:

Lorne Prince, Jubilee district, eight miles each way, each day, $2.50.

Alex. Prince, Perry's Point Shore Road, about five miles each way, $1.85.

V. W. Moffatt, Perry's Point Hill road, about six miles each way, $2.50.

George Kierstead, Summerside or Kingston Creek west road, six miles, $2.50.

The New Steel Bridge for N. B. Southern.

Col. H. H. McLean has received from Russell Sage instructions for building new steel bridges over the Lepreaux River, the Big New River and at Meadow Brook, on the N. B. Southern Railway. The roadbed will also be put in first class shape. The contract for the bridges has been placed with the Dominion Bridge Company.

The railway's new wharf at Carleton is rapidly nearing completion. It will probably be ready for use in a month's time. This wharf, combined with the work of laying the track to it, etc., will cost the company about $12,000.

Goes to Glace Bay.

The Rev. H. Erb, of St. John, who has just accepted a call to the pastorate of the Glace Bay Baptist church, preached Sunday morning and evening at Bethany Baptist church, in Sydney city. Rev. Mr. Erb is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and received a B. A. degree from that institution in 1900. He has also taken a two years' course at Hamilton Theological School followed by a year's course and graduation from Rochester Theological School.—Sydney Post.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Milligan, Torryburn, gathered in force at their house Monday evening. The occasion was the tenth anniversary of their marriage, and suitable gifts were presented in large number.

Sheriff Reid, of Gagetown, was in the city Tuesday and was heartily greeted by friends. The sheriff says the outlook for hay crop in Gagetown district is poor, because of cold weather. The grass is coming better on the intervals, now, however.

The departure of the steamer Eva with a cargo of pig iron and steel for Liverpool marks another step in the resumption of active operations by the Dominion Iron & Steel Company. The Eva's cargo consisted of 2,100 tons of pig iron and steel billets.—Sydney Post.

The S. P. C. A. is investigating a case of cruelty to a horse, which it is stated took place Saturday afternoon at Indiantown. It is alleged that Frank McHugh, driver for Edward Walsh, Brussels street, kicked the animal in the stomach. McHugh denies the charge.

Haying is now in progress and the crop promises to be an average one, though early in the season it gave promise of much more than that. Grain and potatoes look very well and everything points to a successful year for the farming community.—Woodstock Press.

Thos. Hetherington, ex-M. P. P. for Queens county, was seen at the Royal Wednesday, moving serenely among the politicians who were present in apparently larger number than usual. When asked what he could say on the political situation, Mr. Hetherington replied that the crops in Queens needed rain, and hay would hardly be more than two-thirds of a crop this season. Politics bothered him not at all. But it would not surprise him to see the Central Railway a part of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The Winnipeg Telegram last Friday published an apology for its recent article attacking the character of Rev. W. C. Vincent, formerly of Carleton.

Chas. N. Beal, of St. John, has purchased the furnished residence on Wentworth street, Sackville, belonging to Mrs. Mariner Hicks. It is understood that the price was in the vicinity of $3,000.—Sackville Post.

Wednesday afternoon Justice Masson, of Fairville, sent James Chambers, eleven years old, to the county jail for one month with a recommendation that he get five years in the reformatory. He was beyond his parents' control.

The trial of William S. Robinson, charged with the murder of his wife Theresa, at their home in Burlington, on the North Mountain, and then burning the house to conceal the evidence of the crime, was begun at Kentville on Tuesday. The crime was committed on May 25. The prisoner is cool and self-possessed.

Wednesday evening some forty or fifty friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Maxwell gave them a surprise party at their home, 203 Waterloo street. A feature of the evening was the presentation of a parlor lamp to Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell. Mr. Kierstead officiated.

In the Halifax police court on Wednesday, James Reid, a fireman on board the Furness liner Evangeline, was charged with broaching cargo on the passage and stealing a roll of canvas, some confectionery and other goods, in all valued at over $50. He was sentenced to three months' jail.

Fred Millican, a son of Conductor Millican, of this city, who left here about 20 years ago, going into the show business, has just had a diamond ring presented to him by the amalgamated trades unions of Cumberland (Md.), as a recognition of his kindness in opening the doors of his show to the children of the orphanage there.