

AROUND THE CITY

CARTOONIST COMING
J. W. Beagun, in far-famed cartoon drawings, under auspices of Roy Seaton, St. Andrew's Church Hall, Monday evening, October 24.

FLOUR DOWN
Another reduction of fifty cents a barrel in the wholesale price of Manitoba flour was made Tuesday afternoon. This brings the wholesale price here down to \$9.50.

CRUISER WITHDRAWN
A 40-foot cabin cruiser was offered for sale by Auctioneer F. L. Potts yesterday morning at Chubb's corner, but was withdrawn at \$1,650. The boat is now lying at North Market wharf.

TO SPEAK AT WOODSTOCK
Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, Minister of Customs and Excise, goes to Woodstock today where he will address the Liberal-Conservative of Carleton-Victoria, who meet in Convention tonight.

APPOINTED INSPECTORS
L. McC. Ritchie and T. Louis McGee were appointed inspectors yesterday at a meeting of the creditors of Jacob Balg, who has assigned to the Eastern Trust Co. The matter of the disposal of the assets will be taken up at a subsequent meeting.

A WELCOME VISITOR
Thomas Robinson Clark who for many years was connected with the police department in Boston, and who is a brother of W. Walker Clark, ex-Chief of Police, is in the city on a visit and is receiving a warm welcome from his relatives and hosts of old friends.

GOT A MOOSE
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wiley and family arrived in the city yesterday by motor after spending a very pleasant holiday with Mrs. Wiley's parents in Havelock. While away Mr. Wiley had a few days hunting in the Canaan woods and was successful in getting a large moose, having a spread of antlers measuring 55 inches, and having 14 points.

BOARD OF MISSIONS MEETING YESTERDAY
The meeting of the Board of Missions was held yesterday in the Church of England Institute and routine business was conducted.

The treasurer's report was received and reports were also received regarding the conditions of the missions and the matter of apportionment for 1922 was referred to the sub-committee to be dealt with.

Very Rev. Dean Nesbitt, president in the absence of Bishop Richardson.

Five Americans On Hunting Trip
A party of five Americans from Haverhill, Mass., composed of H. G. Keeler, G. H. Bixby, L. H. Chick, J. Jewett Chesley and Charles L. Stevens, left for the American Camp at Lepreau early this morning. They arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and were registered at the Royal Hotel.

Each member of the party has been making semi-annual trips to Lepreau for some years. In fact, this is Mr. Bixby's thirty-seventh visit to their camp. They declared they were particularly pleased with the reception and kindness which had always been accorded to them while visiting Canada, and anticipate returning to the United States in about two weeks time.

PERSONALS
F. B. Ellis left last evening for Montreal.

The Very Rev. Father Provincial and Father Coughlan, who have been visiting in St. Peter's rectory, left last evening for Montreal, accompanied by Brother Dominick, who also left for Montreal, and Brother Joachim, who goes to Brandon, Manitoba.

Canon Sloan, of Moncton, was registered at the Victoria Hotel yesterday.

Richard O'Leary, of Richibucto, who is in the city, was registered at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

B. P. Hunter, of St. Stephen, was a registered guest at the Victoria Hotel yesterday.

Funerals
The body of Mrs. Henry Coy, who died in the Hospital, Tuesday, was taken to Gagetown yesterday morning. The funeral will be held at her late home this afternoon.

CITIZENS DISCUSSED THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC PROBLEMS

Views Expressed by Several Speakers—City Has Not Received Any Definite Offer as to Amount of Current Available or Price—Hon. E. A. Smith Explains Progress

The meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms, called by the mayor to discuss the hydro-electric problems, was attended by a fairly large number, representative of the various interests involved. The meeting broke up with words were there just as wise, so far as the actual date of getting the power and what it would cost, or who would distribute it, as when they went, but the views expressed by the several speakers should assist the members of the city council in arriving at a decision in the matter. Before adjournment His Worship suggested that each or ganization interested name a representative of the council in future discussions on this subject so they would be kept in touch with what was going on.

Hon. E. A. Smith, chairman of the Provincial Commission, said it would be some time in the spring before they would be able to deliver power. Mayor Schofield, in opening the meeting, said it had been held in the Board of Trade rooms in order to give a larger number an opportunity to hear the members of the commission discuss this question, and ask any questions they might desire. So far the city had not received any definite offer, either as to the amount of current available or the price at which it would be delivered, but he understood the commission would submit an estimate of the cost of producing 5,000 horsepower by the New Brunswick Power Co. from coal at \$225,000, so there was an apparent saving of \$28,000 per year and somewhere between 2,000 and 4,000 more horse power. The big point to be settled, however, was the matter of distribution, how it was to be done and who was to do it. The Power Co. had offered to take the power and pass on any saving between the cost of hydro and coal development, and to let the Public Utilities Commission say what that saving amounted to.

Hon. E. A. Smith. He then called on Hon. E. A. Smith, chairman of the New Brunswick Commission, to tell of the progress made to date. Mr. Smith said the dams were about completed, but owing to the delay in the delivery of equipment he thought it would be late in the spring before current could be delivered. The sum of \$200,000 had been allocated as the price the commission was asking from the city, and this was based on like developments in Ontario. The commission did not anticipate making a profit, but would sell to the municipality at cost.

K. H. Smith. K. H. Smith, of the Water Powers Branch of the Dominion, and chief engineer for the St. Margaret's Bay development in Nova Scotia, said the great problem was the distribution of the current from Musquash. The cost of this development and that of Nova Scotia were about the same. Halifax had decided to take the greater part of the power there would distribute it through the Tramway Co. He was sure there would be a large saving in the cost of power for the manufacture as the hydro would cost about \$35 and the cost from coal was about \$100.

Commissioner Frink—Have you read the Kenait report? Mr. Smith—Yes. Commissioner Frink—Do you concur in it? Mr. Smith—Substantially yes. In answer to a question Mr. Smith said the maximum capacity of the Halifax development was 10,700 H.P. and of the Musquash 11,100, but from this must be deducted the losses in transforming and transmission.

Hon. W. E. Foster. Hon. W. E. Foster was then called on. He said he knew nothing of the technical end of the business, but he had become convinced some years ago that electric power to match so that he had put some thousands of dollars of his own into a proposition to develop the Musquash river, but the legislature of the day had refused to do anything themselves or allow private parties to do anything. Later, when he had an opportunity, as leader of a government, he had again taken up the matter and the present development was the result. Mr. Kenait in his report clearly showed there was a saving, and it was up to the city to take advantage of that saving. He realized that this was against it for distribution, but this problem could, he thought, be solved.

W. F. Burdick, representing the Board of Trade, said the city should at least retain such a measure of control that the price would be kept under. Senator Jones, of the New Brunswick Paper and Pulp Co. said his company were at present using from 7,000 to 1,200 H.P. and would in the near future need an additional 1,000 H.P. and they were willing to use hydro if it was any cheaper than they could produce it from coal.

Municipal Control. F. A. Campbell, representing the Trades and Labor Council, said that body was for municipal control and against any private corporation getting the distribution. Mr. Campbell—cannot see why it should cost any more if properly handled. Mayor—Would you be prepared to give us any light on this proper handling? Mr. Campbell—I would be glad to

Eugene Durant's Death Accidental

Deceased Came to His Death by Being Struck With Boom—Inquest Held Last Night.

The jury empaneled by Coroner H. A. Porter, to enquire into the death of Eugene Durant, foreman of the Currie Construction Co., found that the deceased came to his death by being struck by a boom during the process of lowering the same, at the company's plant, Bothways Avenue, on Sept. 17. They further found that death was accidental.

The jury men were: Ernest J. Todd, foreman, Andrew Garnett, Philip S. Horne, W. H. MacDonald, William V. Hatfield, Harold I. Spills, and D. J. Stockford. The deceased was injured at about 3:00 p.m. Monday last, and died in the General Public Hospital at 4:30 the same afternoon.

All the witnesses called were employees of the construction company, Louis Corey, the superintendent, was the first to give evidence, when the hearing began in the Court Chamber, Germain Street at 7:30 last evening. Louis Corey said his company was engaged in road construction on the Marsh Road near the McAvity plant. Eugene Durant, was the superintendent of the work and had complete charge there. The derrick which caused his death was erected and lowered at his direction.

He believed Durant a thoroughly capable man, and had hired him on the recommendation of the Bebbitt Asphalt Co., of Halifax, from whom Durant had been employed as superintendent for the past three years on similar work in Halifax. Previous to that he knew the deceased had been engaged in the same work in Montreal and Toronto, and that he had directed the assembling and dissembling of the plant a number of times.

Thomas O'Brien. Thomas O'Brien, said the pole, which was used as a derrick, had been in a perpendicular position and was supported by three guy lines. In lowering this boom, a rope was attached to the car, the asphalt plant was on and to the head of the pole. The rope had been a double fall, but was made into a one fall, to lower the pole. Three men stood on the pole to keep it from kicking. Two iron bars were also driven in the ground for the same purpose. Three men took up the slack on the easterly guy line, and others took the slack up on the northern guy line, the pole was then lowered to within nine feet of the ground, when the boss ordered a crutch to be put under it. The single real was taken, the whole struck at the time, the back guy line having been loosened.

The crutch was placed in the centre of the boom and rested there a few seconds after the boom struck. Durant told Orr to kick his side of the crutch, which he did. Durant then kicked his side, and the boom, suddenly swung in his direction and fell upon him. Once the crutch was knocked away the pole dropped to the ground. There was no strain on the falls. O'Brien thought the crutch was strong enough to support the pole which weighed something over 900 lbs. He said no warning was given at any time to stand from under. He did not think Durant had much knowledge of erecting booms or he would not have stood where he did. Some time previous Durant had asked witness how to erect one.

O'Brien said after the pole struck Durant, a doctor and the ambulance were phoned for immediately. He himself bathed the temples till he regained consciousness, and held him in his arms till the arrival of the ambulance which took him to the hospital at 8:35. The doctor there said he was badly hurt and at 4:30 the witness learnt he passed away.

Thomas McKinney. Thomas McKinney, said when the scissors were placed under the middle of the pole the top of it was about 13 feet from the ground. The scissors took the weight of the pole for 5 or 10 minutes. After the boss ordered the side of the crutch be started to run away, but the pole followed him, hitting him in the side of the neck. He was struck down about nine feet from where the pole would have hit had it fallen straight.

Richard Orr. Richard Orr stated he helped put the scissors, which were about nine or ten feet high, under the boom when it was about eighteen feet from the ground. The fall was then taking the strain. After the scissors were put in place the strain was divided. He had no idea why the scissors had been placed. He thought the idea was to gradually work them to the end of the pole. Orr said he got his side loose and then started to help Durant. What followed happened so quickly that he did not know what occurred. The first he saw was Durant lying on the ground with the pole over him.

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