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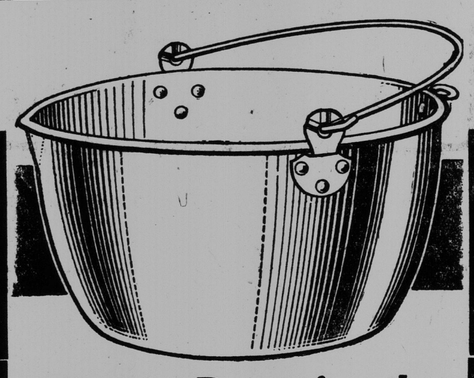

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EARLY CLOSING IN ST. JOHN IN 1856

Sir Leonard Tilley Was President of First Association.

Hon. John Boyd was Board of Management Chairman—City Had 31 Wholesale and 204 Retail Liquor Establishments in Those Times.

The St. John merchant who forgets business worries to motor in the late afternoon to his suburban residence, or on a Saturday afternoon to the golf links; the employe who goes by train to a suburban home and garden at the end of every working day and for the week end; as well as those who remain in the city and attend the baseball games or visit the parks, or otherwise enjoy themselves;—all of these owe a debt to the past, and particularly to the St. John Early Closing Association of 1856.

It is interesting to read the names of the men who were the officers of the St. John Early Closing Association that was formed in September, 1856. They were as follows:—President, Hon. S. L. Tilley; vice-presidents, W. G. Lawton, R. Jardine, J. A. Morrison, T. W. Daniel, W. H. Adams and J. W. Beard; treasurer, A. Everett; secretary, F. Palmer; board of management:—John Boyd, chairman, Messrs. Roberts, McLaughlin, Cliff, Mackenzie, Shanks, Vickery, Hampson, Butler, Humphries, Foster and McAfee. Of these officers, Hon. Mr. Tilley later became one of the Fathers of Confederation and Canada's first Finance Minister; and John Boyd became a Senator and afterward Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick.

The objects of the Early Closing Association of 1856 were thus set forth:

"An abridgement of the hours of labor in the business establishments of this city, and supplying means of improvement to the young men engaged in these establishments."

The young women had not at that time broken into commercial life to any marked extent. This was a later development, which made early closing even more necessary than before. That the young men of 1856 might be the better of "means of improvement" will be inferred by some at least from the fact that in 1857 there were in St. John thirty-one wholesale and 204 retail establishments selling liquor.

The association was formed in September, 1856, but does not appear to have grown with startling rapidity, as in the next year there were but sixty-two members. These met every Wednesday evening in the Mechanics Institute, discussed matters of interest, and held social intercourse.

The early closing of stores was by agreement, and presumably was not universal; even in 1923 we have not attained that goal. Those who entered into the agreement in 1856 closed their stores at seven o'clock in September, October, November, March and April; at six o'clock in December, January and February; and at eight o'clock in May, June, July and August. On Saturdays and the eve of public holidays nine o'clock was the closing hour. As there was then no daylight time or standard time, and, as there were no suburban trains to catch, the whole matter of opening and closing and being on time was very simple. But there were stiff-necked employers then as now, and we read in one of the chronicles of the time:—

"In some cases this agreement was misunderstood, or not acted upon, and irregularity in the hours of closing had nearly led to a return of the late hour system of former years; when with the advice and concurrence of many of the employers the association was formed, not for the purpose of forcing (as some have alleged) employers into regularity, but by kindly means, and by making this arrangement understood, endeavoring to secure the full benefits of the early closing movement.

Was For Half Holiday.

An account of a public meeting held in the Mechanics Institute to promote the movement says:—"Rev. Dr. Gray delivered an address in which he urged upon the association the necessity of aiming at the adoption of the Saturday half holiday movement, which had achieved such glorious results for the benefit of the people in those cities of Britain where it had been adopted."

Early closing was not continuous from that date in St. John. There were lapses from time to time; but the benefits were so obvious to the majority of merchants that the idea took stronger root with the years, and we have today not only a very general early closing movement but the Saturday half-holiday in summer, while some wholesale business houses enjoy the latter the year round.

"No Bananas" Was Fact in Hum's Case

"But yes, we have no bananas," was the plaintive wail of Hum Sum, who conducts the Dominion Cafe in Charlotte street, early this morning. In an endeavor to supply the bananas which Hum Sum said he had once owned, but which were missing, Detective Saunders and Plainclothesman Kilpatrick went on the war path about three o'clock and succeeded in rounding up four juveniles. They were placed under arrest and came before Magistrate Henderson this morning. The Magistrate remarked that one of the boys was at present on suspended sentence from the Boys' Industrial Home. Two of them pleaded guilty and the other two, (brothers), pleaded not guilty. G. Earle Logan appeared for them. The boy who had been in the Home was held pending action on his case by the superintendent and governors of the Home, and the other three allowed to go with a warning.

Power Co. Seeking A New Injunction

The New Brunswick Power Co., have filed a new application for an injunction restraining the city from proceeding with its distribution system and the hearing will be held on Friday morning at 11 o'clock before Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen. They ask that the city be forbidden to erect any pole projecting up through their wires or within three feet or less of any of their wires.

TELEGRAPH-JOURNAL AND TIMES TELEPHONES
Day—Main 2417. After 6 p.m. and on Sundays—Main 2417 or 2418. If one number is busy please call the other.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said The Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "have you noticed how many people are deaf in one ear? How would you account for it?"

"Well," said Hiram, "Pete Picken says he got his from alwus sleepin' on the same side o' the bed. His wife hed him then—an' she wore the ear drum on that side out so's at last he couldn't hear her at all. Pete says it aint no great misfortune."

"Well," said the reporter, "it is with some of us. I came up the street today with a man whose left ear was bad, while my left one is also gone. When he made a remark I had to run around to his other side to hear what it was. When I said anything he had to run around to my other side for the same purpose. I believe we attracted the attention of the police as we progressed. What's the remedy?"

"Well," said Hiram, "you might take turns walkin' backwards ahead o' one another—or you might stop an' talk awhile an' then walk fer a spell without speakin'. The other feller wouldn't lose much if you didn't talk at all."

"Thank you," said the reporter.

"Don't mention it," said Hiram.

LOCAL NEWS

THREE THIS MORNING.

Three men were before Magistrate Henderson this morning charged with drunkenness. All pleaded guilty and were fined $8 or two months in jail.

O. K. TODAY.

Service back to normal was the report from the office of the water and sewerage department this morning, all the leaks having been repaired and water turned on again.

AT IT TODAY.

Ground was broken this morning by the contractors for the Market Square paving. They were removing the curb along the south side of the square for re-setting and bringing up to grade.

TWO BAND CONCERTS.

The Carleton Cornet Band will give a concert tomorrow evening on Tilley Square, and the 62nd Fusiliers will give a concert on Monday evening next on King Square, it was announced this morning by Mayor Fisher.

YOU'LL GET 'EM SOON.

A start was made this morning on mailing the tax bills to St. John ratepayer, it was said by E. M. Olive, chairman of the Board of Assessors and it is hoped by tomorrow to have them all in the mail, thus giving the citizens nearly one month from the receipt of the bill to pay and save the discount.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

Members of the Women's Hospital Aid have succeeded in securing the services of Dr. C. A. Dawson, professor of sociology at McGill University, and he will address members of the association in the Board of Trade rooms on Friday evening at eight o'clock. The ladies are extending invitations to all interested in this social service work.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of S. R. Murray was held this afternoon from his home, 254 Douglas avenue, to St. Luke's church. Rev. E. P. Wright conducted services at the home, church and grave. Interment in Fernhill. The funeral was attended by many friends.

The funeral of William Wallace Anderson was held this afternoon from his late residence, 317 King street, West End, to Fernhill. Rev. F. T. Bertram conducted service.

THE BOSTON SERVICE.

A. C. Currie, local agent of the Eastern Steamship Corporation, returned to the city today from Boston, where he was on business in connection with the service between here and there. Business conditions, he said, were good on all of the company's lines and the outlook was bright for a continuation of heavy passenger travel. He said there was still some doubt as to the advisability of maintaining a service between here and Boston during the winter months, as the freights hardly warranted the expense of operating a large steamer.

ARCHIBALD PARKS DEAD

Archibald Parks, for more than twenty-seven years pondman for Charles Miller and a well known figure in lumber circles, passed away this morning at the age of eighty years at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Estey, Pokiok Road. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Estey; one sister, Mrs. McKim, of The Narrows; one brother, John Parks, of Fairville, and seven grandchildren. The funeral service will be held tonight at his daughter's home and the body will be taken to Cole's Island tomorrow morning for interment there.

DeMonts Ladies Conducting a Fair

An "Old Country Fair" is being held this afternoon by the DeMonts Chapter, I.O.D.E., on the grounds of Dr. W. W. White, at Kinghurst. The beautiful lawn is very prettily decorated with flags and streamers and fancy baskets of flowers are everywhere in evidence. The striking effect was the result of much work on the part of Mrs. White, who is the general convenor, and Miss Edith Skinner, convenor of the decorating committee. Those in charge of the other departments are:—Mrs. Walter Holly, candy; Mrs. F. C. Jones and Mrs. William Pugsley, fancy baskets; Mrs. W. E. Foster, refreshments; Mrs. M. Edwards, ice cream; Mrs. C. W. deForest, lemonade; Mrs. Roy Campbell and Mrs. Cortlandt Robinson, grabs; Mrs. H. B. Robinson, novelty table; Miss Elizabeth Furlong, vegetable market; Mrs. C. J. Coster, fancy dress; Mrs. Percy W. Thomson, balloon lady; Mrs. Simeon Jones, tickets; Mrs. F. W. Daniel, fortune telling; Mrs. Andrew Jack, advertising committee.

COUNCIL WANTS NOTICE FROM COMMISSION

Power Board to be Told that Present Course is Not Good Business.

That things were moving along too smoothly and a little friction and pep would not do any harm was the opinion expressed by Commissioner Frink at the Common Council meeting yesterday when it was suggested that a motion of his might not be liked by the Civic Power Commission.

The item under consideration was a request from the Civic Commission for an increase of the bond issue for the sub-station by $604.09, due to some extras incurred. The question was asked why the matter had not come to the council before and Mayor Fisher replied that the commission itself did not know about a part of the expenditure until the meeting on Monday afternoon.

After the motion to increase the bond issue had passed, Commissioner Frink moved that the commission be notified that the council did not consider it good business to make additional expenditures involving bond issues without first consulting the city council. The motion passed unanimously, although Mayor Fisher said he did not see the necessity for it and it might cause friction between the council and the commission.

REVIEW OF RETURNS WAS CAUSE OF DELAY

Assessors Board Chairman Speaks of Procedure in Questioned Cases.

"A very large number of returns had to be reviewed this year and this was responsible for the delay in filing the assessment as compared with last year," was the reply of E. M. Olive, chairman of the Board of Assessors, when the subject was broached this morning. Mr. Olive said that this involved a great amount of labor and consumed much more time than the average citizen realized but he had made it a point when he received a return which he questioned to take the matter up with the one intended and try to reach an agreement on the matter, rather than invoke the power of the assessment law and deal summarily with the offending one.

SOME 3,000 HAVE SIGNED IN THE CITY

Civic Power Commission Report on Lighting Contracts.

About 3,000 persons had signed contracts for domestic lighting and heating, it was reported this morning at the office of the Civic Power Commission and new contracts were being signed every day. The secretary said no canvassers for domestic service were employed at present but persons were calling at the office to sign.

No contracts for power had yet been signed, it was said, because the commission were not yet ready to accept them. A survey of the field was being made and some power users had been interviewed and all had expressed themselves as favorable to the proposition and willing to take current when it was available. A report on this phase of the situation had been received from P. B. Yates and was most optimistic in tone.

DINGLEY TAKES 150; ST. JOHN PEOPLE ABOARD

The Eastern Steamship liner Governor Dingley sailed at nine o'clock this morning for Boston via Eastport and Lubec with approximately 150 passengers and a fair sized general cargo.

Among the passengers were:

Dr. Leslie Mitchell, a recent graduate from McGill University, who is going to Jersey City Hospital as an interne. He is a son of Cecil Mitchell of Douglas Avenue.

The Misses Annie and Beatrice Gosnell, who left to spend two weeks in Boston and also expect to spend a week or two at Old Orchard, Me.

Miss Josephine Lynch, who left for Boston where she will visit relatives and friends.

C. A. Fitzgerald, who is returning to his home in Boston, after visiting W. E. Scully, M. P. P. of West St. John.

The majority of the passengers were residents of Boston and the New England States, who are returning to their homes after spending vacations in the Maritime Provinces.

Traffic Cases In The Police Court

Edmund J. Doody was charged this morning with improperly parking his automobile on the south side of King Square. The law was explained to him and a fine of $10 was allowed to stand. The intention is to educate the people to the revised laws so that parking of cars may be expedited. Sergeant Spinney made the report.

Louis Mallette was fined $10 for driving on the wrong side of Main street on July 20. He pleaded guilty. Policeman McBrien said he had gone on the wrong side of a street car.

James R. Hoey was charged with operating a taxi without a city license. Robert Harris, city license inspector, made the report. Mr. Hoey signified his willingness to obtain a license at once and was allowed to go with Mr. Harris to get one.

Michael Gaynes was fined $2 for soliciting passengers inside the rail at the shed of the Eastern Steamship Company at Reed's Point. He pleaded guilty.

BRIGHTENING UP.

City Hall was invaded by a corps of painters this morning who are giving the exterior woodwork of the building a new coat of paint.

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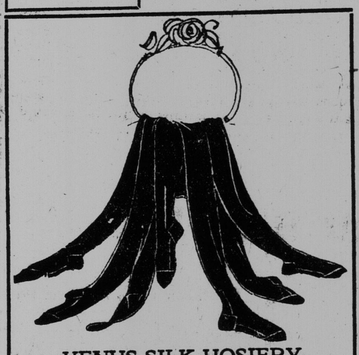

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Satinette Pettibockers in navy, green, rose, double elastic knee $1.97
Silk Bloomers, Camisoles, Step-ins $1.00

SUMMER DRESSES
Of Ratine, Crepe or Voile, in dark and light shades, delightfully styled for street wear, specially priced $8.95

SKIRTS
In Sport Plaids or Plain Colors, wrap around and plain models $6.56, $8.31
Women's Shop, 3rd Floor.

THURSDAY—More Bargains
—AT—
Oak Hall's July Sale

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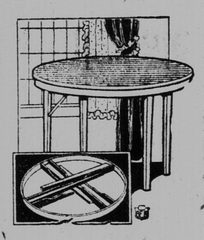

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