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LOCAL NEWS.

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A good programme has been arranged for the concert given by the ladies of Zion church this evening.

Hundreds are taking advantage of the special 10 day sale of crockery, tinware and household goods at McLean's Department Store, 565 Main street.

A despatch from Fredericton today states that Tibbitts, Howe, and Finnimore have accepted the terms of the Roses and will play with that team this summer.

Mr. Dean, the expert employed by the wrecking firm of Betts Bros., of Boston, arrived here today. Upon his report will largely depend what the O'Connor firm will do with the Lake Superior.

Rev. J. C. B. Appel and Mrs. Appel will leave next month on a visit to Lexington, Kentucky. The pulpit of the Christian church will be supplied by Rev. E. C. Ford, of Tiverton, N. S.

Rev. W. O. Raymond leaves tonight for New York and other American cities on a two weeks' visit in company with Robert Raymond. Rev. Mr. Craig will take his service Wednesday evening next.

The laborers employed in unloading hay at the I. C. R. who struck yesterday for an increase of pay from 17-1-2 cents to 20 cents an hour, are still out. The railway officials say that the road can get along with the regular freight handlers.

The I. C. R. suburban train will be put on May 3rd. L. R. Ross, terminal agent, would like to receive suggestions from those interested in regard to the schedule of this train. An effort will be made to conform as much as possible to the wishes of those people.

Capt. Beverly R. Armstrong will deliver a lecture on South Africa in St. Mary's church schoolroom on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Young People's Association. A short programme of patriotic music will also be held.

The Carleton Baptist church will hold a concert in the vestry of the church this evening. The programme includes readings by members of Miss Florence Rodgers' class of elocution, solos by Miss S. Allison Kaight and others, and piano selections by some of the best local talent.

James Fawcett, the gardener, who grows flowers through the snow, on the corner of Summer and Winter streets, complained to the Star today that he is greatly annoyed by a crowd of boys who play ball near his place. He says they destroy his flowers, break his windows and annoy him in many other ways. Mr. Fawcett thinks an occasional visit from the police would be in order.

C. B. U. TECHNICAL SCHOOL Will Be Open at Nights During the Summer.

The management of the Currie Business University intend running their mechanical department on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights during the summer months.

They have just engaged the services of Mr. H. Arbo, an expert draftsman, who has had a large practical experience.

Mr. Arbo is a graduate of the Werten Technical school of Norway, and also of the Hanover Technical school, of Germany; his specialties being physics, chemistry, mechanics, drawing and mathematics. The German methods of technical training are admitted to be the best in the world, and as Mr. Arbo is in possession of the very latest courses of training used in that country and is now translating some into English, this school will be recognized in a very short time as being in the front rank in technical training.

Mechanics are invited to spend a few nights in this department free of charge. The school is fully equipped with instruments, boards, T and set squares, etc.

Terms of tuition are easy.

SUMMER RESIDENCES.

The building of summer houses which is being so extensively carried on at the Chalet is also stretching out through Riverside to Rothesay, but in neither of those places are so many new houses being erected as at the Chalet.

At Riverside two fine residences are being put up, one by J. E. Secord and the other by Heustis Barnes. These will add much to the appearance of this favorite summer resort.

At Rothesay, Dr. W. W. White is building a nice summer house, quite near the one occupied by H. D. Troop. These are the only houses now being erected in that district, but about half way between the Chalet and Riverside the congregation of the Church of England is putting up a nice church to be known as the Riverside church.

PERSONAL.

Miss Magilton, daughter of J. A. Magilton, returned today from Boston, where she has been studying vocal music.

Robert J. Ritchie, of the Quebec Insurance Co., and Manager Snider, of the C. P. R. Telegraph Co., were passengers on the noon train from Fredericton.

Bishop Kingdon came to the city today from Fredericton.

C. B. Foster left for Prince Edward Island today.

PRESENTED WITH A RING.

Frank J. Gale, of 72 High street, a member of the fourth contingent, was yesterday afternoon presented with a handsome gold ring, set with amethyst, by his employer, F. J. Driscoll and a number of friends. Beside that he received a substantial cash present as a token of the general esteem in which he was held. Mr. Gale made a suitable reply, and received the sincere wishes of his friends for a safe return.

DEATH OF S. C. PORTER.

S. C. Porter, the well-known Charlotte street dry goods merchant, who was operated on at the private hospital Sunday, died there this afternoon. He leaves two sisters and a brother.

UP GOES BEEF.

Price of Ontario is \$10.25 to \$11 Per 100 lbs. Landed at St. John.

Scarcity of Cattle All Over the Continent and Values Will Go Still Higher.

Although beef is not yet quite so high as when the cow jumped over the moon, the price has gone up so rapidly during the past few weeks that the local demand has greatly diminished. And even with this reduced demand the supply is insufficient. Among the wholesale and retail dealers the scarcity of cattle is causing no little concern, and the opinion is freely expressed that in a few weeks it will be almost impossible to obtain cattle at any price.

Throughout the whole country animals are scarce on account of the lack of feed, drought and for other reasons, and from the west reports have been received to the effect that almost all the beef cattle have been sold. Besides the western beef, St. John depends on cattle purchased in the Maritime Provinces, and this source of supply has also failed. The fact that farmers on Prince Edward Island have gone in so largely for dairying has led to the numbers of cattle suitable for beef being greatly reduced and of those which are left the majority are sent to Sydney, where a good market has been found.

Similar reasons apply to Nova Scotia where, as in P. E. I., in order that better results may be obtained from the dairying industry, most of the calves which would probably not develop into good beef have been killed off.

During the spring, large numbers of cattle for local consumption are brought to the city from points along the river. This year the business started a month earlier than usual, and on account of this the cattle were shut off from the market in consequence of the scarcity and increased demand, the supply has become so short that local dealers claim two weeks more will be sufficient to clear out all the beef cattle on the river.

Applications are being received by the city butchers from all parts of the country for cattle or beef, but as they can scarcely find enough to supply the local market, it is impossible for them to ship any. A representative of the firm of Kane & McGrath, who has been away for a week, has succeeded in picking up only one which he considered good enough for retailing. Prices are advancing rapidly, the wholesale landed here now from Ontario being from \$10.25 to \$11.00 per hundred pounds. Of course other meats and poultry are firmer in sympathy.

CHICAGO, April 19.—Meats of all kinds continue to advance. The butchers blame the so-called Packers' Trust for rapid advance in prices. They say that meats have advanced five cents in the last 30 days and that they are forced to raise prices accordingly. The people generally accept the explanation of the butchers and hold the packers responsible for the prohibitive prices.

The packers in turn deny that there is such a thing as a packers' trust. They say they are losing money on beef and blame the present high prices to a shortage in the supply of cattle. The farmer, they say, is the only one who is reaping any benefit from the advance.

Receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the stockyards, and the prices paid for them, seem to indicate that a shortage does exist. The burden of the shortage is borne by the small retailers and the consumers. The small retailers are finding it hard to retain their trade and many are losing money.

The immediate cause of the shortage of fat cattle from the range region is the drought of last season extending over Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and parts of Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado. The corn crop of the section affected was cut down four-fifths and the rough feed question became a serious one for most of the farmers. The farmers sold all their cattle that could be spared, thinning the herds down to what could be cared for during the winter without fattening, and did not buy any stock for feeding. There was abundance of money for stock-raising purposes. Cattle paper was sought by the eastern banks and investors, and the western banks had the largest deposits in their history. But the farmers could not feed 60 cent corn and make returns and could not get rough feed. So train loads of cattle went out of the farming section to the far Northwest for the winter, or were slaughtered when out of condition.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORS.

The annual meeting of the St. John local union of Christian Endeavors will be held on Thursday evening, 24th inst., in the Carleton Baptist church. The first part of the service will be devoted to business, and in the latter part the work of the various committees will be discussed. The following societies will each present a paper: Germain Street Baptist on The Prayer Meeting Committee; Waterloo Street Free Baptist, The Missionary Committee; Coburg Street Christian, on The Lookout Committee; Centenary Methodist, on The Social Committee; Queen Street Methodist, on The Flower Committee; Brunswell Street Baptist, on The Executive Committee. The choir of the Carleton church will provide special music.

TREASURY BOARD.

The treasury board met this morning and directed the chamberlain to advertise the issue of \$122,500 three and a half per cent forty year bonds. These are to be used to assist in retiring the \$178,048 six per cent bonds which are due about the first of June. The remainder will be retired by the accrued sinking fund. It is the intention to have this investment as nearly local as possible.

CANADA'S FUTURE VOTERS.

A trainload of immigrants from Halifax passed through the city about five o'clock this morning bound for the west, and a second train will reach here at three o'clock this afternoon. Advice from Halifax are to the effect that these immigrants are a very bad lot. They created considerable disorder upon landing in Halifax and have been unmanageable on the way from there. The second trainload reached Moncton about eleven o'clock this forenoon and stopped for refreshments. In the restaurant at the station some trouble arose over a cup of coffee and the squabble rapidly developed into a free fight. It is not probable that the train will remain long in St. John and the depot officials are determined that there shall be no disorder here. Five carloads of passengers will be transferred from the I. C. R. to the C. P. R. cars, but there will be no stop for refreshments. A car containing large quantities of food-stuffs has been prepared and will be attached to the train. Supt. Ross has asked for the services of a squad of police to keep order.

W. A. Simonds takes charge of the party from St. John to Ottawa, and leaves with them after a most touching farewell from his associates. Mr. Simonds carries life insurance.

Later. The train arrived before three o'clock this afternoon and the immigrants were transferred without causing any trouble.

CLARKE-PATTON.

The wedding of Percy A. Clarke and Miss Margaret Patton, daughter of Thos. Patton, 15 Coburg street, of this city, took place in Trinity church at six o'clock this morning. The wedding was a quiet one, there being no invited guests, but despite the early hour there were a large number of friends of the contracting parties present.

The Rev. J. A. Richardson performed the ceremony, and the full surplined choir was present and sang the hymns, "The voice that breathed o'er Eden," and "Father of life, confessing."

The bride was becomingly attired in a blue travelling suit, with hat to match, and was attended by her sister, Miss Georgina Patton, while W. E. Bowman supported the groom.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple drove to the station and boarded the Flying Yankee for a trip to Boston, which will occupy about one week.

Both bride and groom are deservedly popular, as was shown by the large number of presents they received.

THE OFFICIALS ARE PUZZLED.

The steamer Bulgaria, of the Hamburg-American line, is due in Halifax on Saturday next. She is bringing over sixteen hundred immigrants, who are all destined for the Canadian Northwest. Instead of the usual form of advice, giving the number of males and females, first and second cabin, and steerage passengers, the officials here have been notified that the steamer is bringing 1,200 adults, 317 children and 108 infants. This has led to some discussion as to when an infant becomes a child, and the fear is expressed that the number of the infants who left Hamburg a few days ago in good health may have lost their identity and, although not taken into account, have joined the ranks of the children.

The steamers of the Hamburg-American line will make fortnightly trips to Halifax during May and June.

BURIED TODAY.

This morning at half past eight o'clock the funeral of the late Cornelius Shea took place from his late residence of Chelsea street. The body was taken to St. Peter's church, where Requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Cronin. Relatives acted as pallbearers and interment was made in the old Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary O'Leary took place this morning from her late home on Duke street, Carleton. The body was taken to the church of the Assumption, where Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. O'Donovan. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery at Sand Cove.

There was a large attendance at the funeral of the late Mrs. Charles W. Parker, which took place from the residence of George W. Parker, on Goodrich street at half past two o'clock this afternoon. Services were conducted at the house and grave by Rev. J. W. Manning, and the body interred in Fernhill.

The funeral of the late William L. Kent took place at half-past two o'clock this afternoon from his late home on Winslow street, Carleton. Services were conducted by the Rev. W. H. Sampson and the body interred in Cedar Hill.

ENTHUSIASTIC ADMIRERS.

If every music lover in the city felt confident that Edward Baxter Perry, the blind pianist, who appears in York Theatre, this Thursday night, was all that is claimed for him, viz. one of the great pianists of the present day the building would be crowded. The following persons well known in musical and other circles, have either heard the artist or can certify to his ability and standing in the musical world: Miss Matthew, Mrs. J. H. Thomson, Miss Hea, Mrs. J. M. Barnes, Miss Maria Beattie, Miss Clinch, L. W. Titus, F. G. Spencer and W. Percy Robinson. The price of tickets for this great event is placed very low, and they are on sale at Nelson's bookstore and Landry's music store.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

The adjourned March circuit met this morning, Judge Gregory presiding. The case of Mary Elizabeth Harris, administratrix of the estate of the late Charles Herbert Harris v. J. A. Jenkinson. It is an action taken to recover damages on account of the death of Charles Harris, through a fall while working on the I. C. R. elevator in 1899. The case was tried at the November circuit in 1900 and damages to the extent of \$750 were given to the plaintiff. Later a new trial was ordered. D. Mullin, K. C., for the defendant. C. N. Skinner, K. C., and A. G. Blair for the defendant.

The jury sworn in this morning to try the case of the late Stephen H. Street, Carleton, Rogers, James Keenan, William Heathfield, Geo. G. Robertson, John Gowland and E. R. Stranger.

Companion court Wygoody, I. O. F., will meet tonight.

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Speaking of the Westminster Abbey Choir, which were listened to by crowded houses in Halifax on two successive nights, the Chronicle says:—

"The great expectations" which filled every chair in the Orpheus hall last evening with those eager to hear the Westminster Abbey choir glee and concert party, were more than realized in the concert that was given. A better arranged, better selected or better rendered programme has seldom been presented in Halifax. Seldom, if ever, have better concerted singing or finer individual voices been heard. No more thoroughly satisfied audience has ever gone away from a concert in Orpheus hall. From opening number to close the music was British of the very best and sweetest. It was all perfectly comprehensible to the most ordinary ear and all exquisitely enjoyable to the most cultured. And the performers were as generous as they were artistic. Almost every number in both parts were encored, and every encore met with a cheerful response."

The choir will sing at the York Theatre Saturday night, April 26th.

POLICE COURT.

Three prisoners, picked up in various parts of the city last night, pleaded guilty and were fined four dollars each. They all paid.

William Patterson, arrested on a warrant, charging him with assault on his wife, also pleaded guilty and was sentenced to twenty dollars or two months in jail. Mrs. Patterson stated that her husband had taken a watch from her, which she valued as belonging to her father, and sold it to a second hand dealer. She asked it to be returned to her, and she stated that an attempt be made to recover the watch.

THAT I. C. R. SCANDAL.

In the railway enquiry at Ottawa yesterday, replying to Mr. Haggart, Mr. Pottenger said the 110 contract of the current fiscal year included only a few thousands, not more than five or six thousand altogether. The prices in these contracts was for hemlock, 1 1/2 cents; for princess pine, and one class of cedar, 29 cents; for best cedar, 22 cents. This may be compared with the election year prices for three years' supply in advance, namely, 24 1/2 for spruce, and 28 to 30 cents for hemlock, tamarack, pine and cedar.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SALE AND TEA.

The annual fancy sale and tea under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of the Congregational Church, will be held in the vestry this afternoon and evening. The fancy table will be in charge of Miss Phillips and Mrs. Reinecke; tea table, Mrs. H. C. Creighton and Mrs. George Smith; ice cream table, Mrs. Thomas; candy booth, Mrs. A. J. Heath and Mrs. Morson. Each will be assisted by a staff of young ladies of the church.

TUGBOAT DISABLED.

On Saturday night the tug Admiral, owned by D. D. Glazier & Son, broke her main shaft while working on the river at Burton. She was towed to Indiantown yesterday afternoon by the Lily Glazier and is now lying at Glazier's wharf for repairs. The old shaft was removed last night and a new steel one to replace it is being made by Fleming's. The tug will be laid up for about ten days. The accident was due to a flaw in the shaft, which had previously been cracked.

NO NEWS OF THE BOY.

No further information has been received of Fred H. Simonsen, the seventeen-year-old son of Geo. H. Simonsen, who left his home at Appahqui on the 14th of March. It was found that he had come to St. John and slept on the night of his arrival in a patch of a north end house. In the morning the occupant found him badly chilled, and he told them that he intended to return to his home that day. He did not do that, and his relatives are very anxious about him.

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