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HOLY ROLLER IS HELD FOR TRIAL

Charged With Heinous Crime He Is
Refused Bail—Arrested While
at Prayer

A sensational arrest was made Friday night when Sheriff A. R. Foster and Deputy Sheriff Moore took into custody a Pentecostal minister named Charles Steeves, charged with a serious crime in which a young girl named Edna Brooker of Bristol was the alleged victim. The girl is thirteen years of age. Her mother is dead and she has been keeping house for her father. The officers located Steeves at Springfield, York county, and when they arrived a religious service was in progress with Steeves the officiating clergyman. He was engaged in prayer and the officers waited until he finished and as a fervent amen went up from the congregation the officers approached Steeves and placed him under arrest.

Those assembled were dumbfounded for a minute, as Steeves is one of the leaders in the Pentecostal movement and has become very popular in the upper parishes. The sect is generally known as holy rollers.

The warrant was issued by Stipendiary Magistrate Noble at Bristol, where Steeves will be taken tomorrow for preliminary hearing. He is now confined in jail. The prisoner came to Carleton county from Steeves' Mountain, Westmorland county, and says he is a cousin of Galus Steeves, now under arrest in connection with the death of his wife and five children.

Before Police Magistrate Noble at Bristol on Tuesday afternoon Steeves was examined and the evidence brought forth was such that he was committed for trial at the Supreme Court and was refused bail. In the view of many of his followers Steeves is guilty of no misdemeanor, even if the charge is proved. But the law is likely to take an altogether different view, and a very serious one as it came out at the hearing that the girl is but 13 years of age.

HAPPY EVENT NEXT WEEK

One of the most pleasing events of the whole season will be held on the evening of St. Patrick's Day—next Thursday. This will be the concert and play set up by the local Women's Institute. If all we have heard is true this entertainment will certainly be of high interest to all classes, and the women are putting forth such a determined effort to make it a success that they deserve a packed house. This they will have beyond a doubt. Really excellent music will be a strong feature while a captivating little play will not be the last of the evening's pleasures. "For Home and Country" is the motto of the Women's Institute throughout the land, and the money they raise is used, first, for local helpful purposes, and second, for national patriotic work.

The admission to their pleasant concert will be: Adults 50 cents, Children 25 cents.

MONTHLY MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL

At the regular monthly meeting of the Town Council on Monday evening all members of the Board except Ald. Hall were present.

The report of the treasurer showed \$457.89 collected and \$174.93 disbursed since last meeting. The overdraft now amounts to \$385.97, while last month it was \$1100.

A large amount of routine business was transacted in the form of reports of standing and special committees. It was decided to purchase a 15 h.p. oil-burning engine for the pumping station.

The finance committee reported the time limit for collection of taxes to be extended until March 35, and instructed the Treasurer to have executions issued at the expiration of that date.

The following resolutions were brought before the Council and passed: That with regard to Grand Falls development the government should grant no further extension of time. H. H. Hatfield, M. H. Hayward and P. R. Kelley were appointed a committee to join that from the Town of Grand Falls to wait upon the government in this matter.

A resolution favoring the tapping of the 22,000 volt line of the N. B. & Maine Electrical Co. at Bridgewater.

A motion to send the council's petition to the General Superintendent of the C. P. R. urging that trains 353 and 164 run through to Aronstock.

A petition signed by 21 employers covering matters in connection with

drainage on the east side of the C. P. R. tracks was left with the water committee; as was also a request from The Observer Ltd. for increased water supply for purpose of running a one-quarter horse-power motor.

There were a good number of spectators and it is a hopeful sign when there is an interest shown in the town's affairs.

The town assessors are: M. W. White, H. J. Alton and J. E. McCollom. They are now at work, and any ratepayers desiring alterations in their assessment must make their presentation before the board within 30 days.

CORRESPONDENTS WIN PRIZES

The correspondence contest conducted each month by The Observer gives the editor much pleasure and results in bringing to the office practically every item of news in the two counties that is fit to print.

The undoubted winner of the February prize of \$2 goes to our correspondent at Lower Brighton, while a close second is the Windsor correspondent. Both of these furnished real news items every week, and they did not try to be funny or to take a "slap" at anybody. Both correspondents in question were really tied, but the decision is given to Lower Brighton, because of the longer unremunerated service from that district.

An extra award is made to the correspondent at Coronation. The work at this place is done by a little school girl and her persistency during January and February has earned her \$1—merely a mark of recognition.

During March there will be two awards—of \$2 and \$1.

G. W. V. A. EASTER BALL

The G. W. V. A. at Woodstock are holding an Easter Ball on Monday, March 23, in the Armories. They expect this to be the biggest event that has taken place for some time. Ten girls' orchestra of Fredericton will furnish music. Some 500 or 600 hundred invitations are being sent out. All returned men are expected to appear in uniform if possible.

Tickets are to be sold at \$2 a couple; \$1 single. Anyone desiring an invitation or one of their friends may obtain same by sending their name to P. O. Box 345, Woodstock, N. B.

UP TO CASSIE W

In reading the Hartland Observer's sporting column of races held on Feb. 26th, we notice the feeling that taken by the result of matched race between Lucky Strike and Cassie W., by the sporting element of Hartland, as not being satisfied with result of race won by Lucky Strike.

The backers of Cassie W. seem to think with another race she can beat the Woodstock horse. By viewing the summaries of the different races between one horse it will be seen that Lucky Strike has been a winner on four different occasions. If the backers of the Hartland mare would like an other race to satisfy which is the best horse, they had better get busy. —Woodstock Press.

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DOUBLE EXPRESS SERVICE PROBABLE

It is Said C. P. R. is Seriously Considering Two Express Trains
Aronstock South

The Observer is told on what it considers good authority that officials of the C. P. R., arranging their summer time table, have under favorable consideration a double daily express service as far north as Aronstock Junction. If the plan matures the train leaving Woodstock for the south in the early morning and returning late at night will start from and return to Aronstock Junction.

A similar service was given ten years ago and the people found it very convenient. If this train is put on again people as far north as Aronstock may go to St. John, Fredericton, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Hinton, or any intermediate point, spend several hours and return the same day. Under the present arrangement no one can go further than Woodstock and return the same day, while the briefest trip to St. John breaks up three days.

The C. P. R. management are certainly sending out feelers to ascertain if the train will be sufficiently well patronized to warrant its inauguration. It would be very well for every person whom this matter interests to write a letter to the general superintendent, C. P. R., St. John.

A double passenger service, a double express service, and a double mail service is much to be desired. And the best paying branch of the C. P. R. should have some consideration.

ICE RACING ABOUT OVER

Owing to the unusual appearance of spring it is not likely there will be any more racing on the river. G. Murray McLeod, owner of Cassie W., spent the week-end in Woodstock in the hope that he could induce C. T. Black to give him another race with Lucky Strike for \$200 a side. The arrangement was not made but Mr. McLeod visited Woodstock again yesterday and the race must come off.

Since the above was put in type Mr. McLeod has called at the office to say that he saw Mr. Black yesterday, and that he was agreeable to another race if track conditions will warrant. Mr. McLeod challenges him for a race between Cassie W. and Lucky Strike for \$200 a side on either Hartland or Woodstock ice, or any good track. Today the weather indications are favorable and a good track may be available anywhere on the river.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Mrs. Ernest Noddin has sold her house to Wendell Nixon who has taken possession. Mrs. Noddin expects to accompany her father, H. B. Boyer, to California in a week or two.

H. N. Dickinson has purchased Neville Jensen's house and will take possession soon.

Eliza Crabbe has bought Alfred Moore's house on Main street.

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