

AROUND THE CITY SHOWERS

EXAMINING FISHING CRAFT, Keith Harbour, of the Customs staff, is at Deer Island and other points this week, measuring and examining fishing craft for local registry.

TO ISSUE LICENSES. Louis T. Gard and Glendon Allan have been appointed issuers of marriage licenses for St. John city and county.

HAVE PURCHASED DREDGE. The dredge "Leacock," formerly owned by E. O. Leach, has been purchased by the St. John Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company.

ARBITRATORS CHOSEN. The Bedford Construction Company have chosen Johnson Porter, of Halifax, and the men J. E. Tighe as their representative on the arbitration board which will take up the wage dispute between the company and the men. The chairman will probably be appointed by the Minister of Labor.

THE COUNTY COURT. The case of the King vs. Edgar Bareham was taken up in the County Court yesterday before His Honor Judge Armstrong. Several witnesses were examined for the crown, and adjournment was made until this morning at 10 o'clock. W. M. Ryan is appearing for the crown, and D. Mallin, K. C. and E. S. Ritchie for the defence.

SUCCESSFUL PANTRY SALE. The pantry sale held yesterday morning in St. Paul's school room, Rothery, by the Duke of Rothery Chapter I. O. D. E., proved very successful, nearly forty dollars being realized. Home cooking and vegetables were on sale and were quickly bought up. Mrs. John McIntyre was convener for the sale and was assisted by Mrs. W. S. Allison and Miss Ganong at the home cooking table and Mrs. Hubbard, Mrs. Miller and Miss Dourville at the farm produce booth.

REGARDING BISHOP RICHARDSON. The Standard in receipt of a note from Bishop Richardson, now at Smith's Cove, N. S., with reference to a paragraph which has been given wide circulation throughout this province, touching the bishop's health. Bishop Richardson explains that while he has not been altogether well there is nothing in his condition to justify the statement which has been made, and that generally speaking he is in good health. Nor is there any foundation for the report as to the election of a coadjutor.

ILLEGAL SALMON FISHING. Illegal salmon fishing has been going on at Ten Mile Creek between St. John and St. Martins. It is alleged that the guilty persons have been mostly automobile parties from St. John out on joy rides on Sundays, who manage to get hold of net somewhere, and catch salmon illegally. J. A. Calder, the Fishery Inspector, has been to the scene of the illegal fishing, and is on the trail of information which may cause some people to wish they had stayed home on Sunday and respected the law.

SUCCESSFUL PICNIC. The annual picnic of the St. Peter's and Holy Trinity Sunday schools was held yesterday at Seaside Park and proved a big success. Large numbers of people were in attendance and the usual games were well patronized. During the morning and afternoon music was supplied by the Junior City Cornet Band, and in the evening the senior organization rendered a fine programme. The children were given a car ride around the city before going to the picnic grounds in the morning.

BAND CONCERT TONIGHT. The St. Mary's Band, under Bandmaster Williams will play the following programme on King Square tonight: March, Constellation (T. Clark), Overture, Valmond (Rockwell), Waltz, Brune (Krier), American Fantasia, A Darkey's Dreamland (Biggood), Characteristic, Dream of Spring (Piath), March, Sword and Lance (Langey), Selection, Les Cloches de Corneville (arranged by Godfrey), Waltz, L'ile D'Amour (Betiford), Idyll, Land of Dreams (Drifill), March, On the Quarterdeck (Turner), God Save the King.

NAVY LEAGUE. A telegram from the Dominion Secretary to the president here announced the fact that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has consented to become patron of the Navy League of Canada. This is a high honor and shows his interest in the work of the Navy League. It will be remembered last when here he complimented the president on the Navy League decorations at the Seaman's Institute. It is expected that Captain Carpenter, V. C. R. N., will make a tour of Canada this fall, lecturing for the Navy League. He was commanding officer of the Vendictive at the attack on Zebrugge last year. The annual appeal and drive for the Navy League has been fixed for Oct. 21st, Nelson Day.

BILLS WERE PASSED. Bills for amounts totalling \$2,620.42, expended for the entertainment of the returned soldiers and the reception of the Prince of Wales on August 14 and 15, were presented to the Common Council yesterday morning. On the recommendation of the executive committee in charge of the arrangements, they were ordered paid. The bills passed were as follows: Feeding committee, \$1,608.52, less \$5.50, from sale of foodstuffs; \$60 additional to Power Boat Club; \$500 additional to West End Aquatic Club; J. A. McMillan, Sec.; T. McAvoy & Sons, Ltd., \$1.95; Gold Stamping Co. of Montreal, \$50.77; repairs to shell damaged, \$70; M. R. A., Ltd., \$24.14; Christie Woodworking Co., \$64.20; J. A. Leach, baseball, \$24.

The City Housing Commission Met

At Session Yesterday Members Considered Favorably Proposition for Construction of Houses for Twelve Families in Carleton Building in the County.

The City Housing Commission met yesterday, and considered a proposition for the construction of houses for twelve families in Carleton. The architect's report on the proposition was said to be favorable, and it was hoped that the negotiations now pending would prove successful and that a start would be made on construction work in a short time. After the meeting Commissioner Bullock stated that the scheme to make individual loans to persons wishing to build houses in St. John had fallen through, owing to the restrictions in the Housing Act. One difficulty was that of securing building lots at prices within the limit allowed by the act, but the principle obstacle was that all but two of the applicants for loans wanted to erect double flats, a form of house construction not permitted by the commission's interpretation of the act. The two parties who asked for loans to build self contained cottages have not submitted definite plans, and show no inclination to build. In one case the application was made verbally.

Between fifty and sixty persons made applications for loans to build double houses. Had they gone ahead and built, accommodation would have been provided for between 100 and 120 families, which would have materially relieved the housing situation here. Moncton is said to be taking advantage of the Dominion loan to build double flats, and other cities are doing the same. Whether the interpretation put upon the act passed by the provincial legislature by the St. John commission is correct or not, it is evident that the Dominion authorities permit the loan to be used for the construction of double flats, and St. John is evidently slow in not obtaining the same privilege which is being granted elsewhere.

Apparently the county will steal a march on the city in the matter of putting up new houses. The county authorities have arranged to bring a man from Montreal next week to give them an estimate on the construction of thirty dwellings. Those in charge of the scheme for the county propose to build a number of houses in series, and if they get permission from Ottawa, will also put up some two storey flats. The plans they are working on now provide for the construction of buildings of two stories with sharp roofs, permitting the utilization of the third storey by the construction of dormer windows. Each building will be divided into two dwellings by a vertical wall, giving each family rooms on the ground floor.

The proposition is to build a block of two or three houses in Lancaster. The work would be done as a municipal enterprise, and the completed dwellings would be offered for sale at any terms. The county authorities say they can build much cheaper than is possible in the city, because they can secure the land cheaper, and will not be bothered by the restrictions imposed by the building by-laws in the city. It is not, however, proposed to put up jerry buildings. The Montreal contractor, who has been asked to come here and look over the situation is now building seven-room brick houses with all modern improvements including central heating plants, for \$7,000 per dwelling, and if the money to supplement the Dominion loan can be obtained some houses of this character may be built in the county. Those who have taken in hand the county scheme say that the type of house most needed is a dwelling suitable for men of forty or forty-five years of age with a family of five or six children—men who want fair accommodation and are in a position to pay for it. Anyone of this category is said that a well known official of the city who has a grown family who have been living at home recently sold his house, and now finds it impossible to buy, or rent a house which will enable him to keep his family together.

County officials who have been looking around for building sites in Lancaster say that the city lands in that parish, while they have a fair appearance are not suitable for building purposes. They declare that it would cost a fortune to drain the city lands there, so as to make them available for building purposes.

In addition to working on a building scheme on its own account the county has received applications for loans from six or seven people in the parishes, who wish to erect homes of their own, and the applications will probably be granted. The city still has time to build a lot of houses before snow flies, but unless it gets authority to make loans for the construction of two storey flats or starts building self-contained cottages on its own account the season will apparently be wasted. Owing to the delay in getting down to work any new construction will probably cost more now than if contracts for material had been let early in the season, as the demand elsewhere has stiffened prices. More shipping is available now for transporting lumber across the ocean, and the lumber dealers are anxious to ship lumber to Great Britain where the government proposes to erect half a million houses with as little delay as possible.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY SEPT. 28

The Sunday School teachers of St. Mary's Church met last evening and made arrangements for a rally day in the Sunday School on September 28. In order to stimulate interest a contest will be started with two classes, the Reds and Blues. Miss Eva Mitchell will command the Reds while Carl P. Wetmore will direct the Blues. These classes will immediately start the drive for the largest attendance on Rally Day. The winning class will be treated to a collation and clam bake at MacLaren's Beach.

RATEPAYERS AFTER ASSESSORS

All Roads Leading to City Hall—Many Citizens Seeking Information Regarding Great Increase in the Taxes.

All roads lead to City Hall nowadays, where the Chamberlain sits at the receipt of taxes, and most of the ratepayers who travel cityward carry an axe for the assessors, and sometimes two for the Mayor, who is finance minister. There are not, however, as many complaints as there might be, because a lot of citizens who want to see the assessors find the way to their office blocked by fellow-citizens who have arrived before them on a similar errand.

Although the new assessment act is supposed to have made everybody his own assessor, anyway in respect to income, many citizens are besieging the assessors' office, seeking information as to the why and wherefore of their taxes. Most people's taxes appear to have increased a considerable amount, though incomes as a rule have not kept pace with the increase in the cost of living. One gentleman, who in the bad old days of low taxes was an alderman, made several attempts to reach the assessors yesterday to ask an explanation of some features of his tax bill, but he always found a long queue ahead of him. He remarked that "judging by some of the tax bills being sent out this year the city commissioners had some big programme on hand, or had decided to save themselves the trouble of levying taxes next year."

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION MET

Application from Calais Street Railway Co. for Permission to Increase Rates Set Over for Next Month—Other Business Taken up.

At the monthly session of the Public Utilities Commission, held here yesterday, an application was presented by the Calais Street Railway Company for permission to increase the rates. The board made an order setting the hearing for some time in September.

Owing to the absence of counsel the hearing in the application of the New Brunswick Power Co. for leave to discontinue the service down Road to Wharf, was adjourned indefinitely and will be taken up when counsel for both sides are able to agree on a date when they will be in attendance.

COMMON COUNCIL MET IN COMMITTEE

Decided Yesterday to Delay Action on Request of City Employees for Increased Wages—M. E. Agar Added to Housing Committee.

The common council yesterday decided to delay action on the request of the city employees for increased wages until the estimates for 1920 were being made up. Taylor and Swenney wrote that they were willing to pay \$2,000 per year for the stores in the market building occupied by Messrs. Manson and Pedersen. A reply was sent that offers would be considered at the expiration of the present leases. On motion of Commissioner Bullock M. E. Agar was added to the housing committee, and the contract for the laying of curbstones on Union street was awarded to Frank Wade at 58 cents per yard. On the recommendation of Commissioner Thornton, three months' pay was ordered paid to the widow of Police Officer Gossline.

POLICE COURT CASES YESTERDAY

C. J. Bassen Reported for Not Removing Packing Case from Front of Store When Ordered—Case of Assault on Board Ship.

C. J. Bassen, a dry goods merchant at Union and Sydney streets, was before the police magistrate yesterday, for having a large packing case on the sidewalk in front of his store, and not removing it when ordered to do so by the police. He pleaded that the policeman had not approached him in a "nice way." The case was set over till Thursday. Mark Shannon was fined \$10 for driving his team past a street car that had stopped at the head of King street.

The difference between two cools on board the Voyager was arranged by the magistrate and the defendant was adjudged guilty but the magistrate allowed the case to stand as one of the parties had severed his connection with the ship. Two drunks were remanded. The case against Edward Sears for not having the escapes of hotel design on his building in King street was again taken up and set over for two weeks as the hotel inspector was not in court.

BOUND FOR STATES

The outward trip of the S. S. Governor Digby yesterday, like many others during the present summer, carried quite a considerable amount of household furniture and effects of former citizens of this city who have emigrated to the land of the Stars and Stripes. On Monday, September 2nd, Steamer Champlain will be treated to a collation and clam bake in St. John at 7 daylight time.

Decoration Day For Knights of Pythias

Union, New Brunswick and St. John Lodges Assemble at Castle Hall at 5.30 This Afternoon—Parade Starts at Six O'clock.

Today will be observed as decoration day by the Knights of Pythias Lodges of St. John and promises to be a big success if only the weather man is kind and gives them a fine day. Last night a large committee was busy at the rooms of the McLaughlin Motor Car Company, Union street, making up bouquets, and they will be on duty again this morning, and will be glad to receive donations of flowers any time.

The members of Union, New Brunswick and St. John Lodges will meet at Castle Hall, German street, at 5.30 this afternoon, and the parade will start at 6 o'clock. The Temple and G. W. V. A. bands have been engaged and will provide music for the march. Starting from German street the parade will go up King, along the south side of King Square, down Sydney to Waterloo, and out Thorne avenue to the back entrance to Fernhill. Coming back, the route will be in Rothery avenue, up Brussels street to Union, to Charlotte, to King, down King to German street, to Castle Hall, and disband.

SOME COMPLAINTS ARE BEING MADE

School Trustees Postponed Opening of City Schools Till Next Week—Should Have Opened Last Monday—No Protest from Children

Some complaints are being made because the school trustees of St. John postponed the opening of the city schools till next week. Ordinarily the schools should have opened on Monday of this week, but as many children are in the country with their parents the trustees postponed the opening till next week. This is described by some people as class legislation.

There has been no protest from the school children, however, nor is there expected to be one. The example set by the city has been followed by most of the schools of the county, and the children are getting extra holidays. A number of the schools in the county have not yet secured teachers for the term, and though salaries have advanced the rate of remuneration is still far from being attractive.

SALVATION ARMY WORKING MEN'S HOTEL

St. James Street Building Will Have 125 Well Furnished Rooms Ready for Single Men in the Near Future.

It is expected that within a very short time the working men's hotel at St. James street, operated by the Salvation Army, will have 125 well furnished rooms ready, at a nominal rental, for all single men who may seek shelter there. The building, which will probably be under the management of Commandant Sherard, will cater particularly to the young men from smaller towns and country districts who may seek work in the city. The rooms will be all finished in real "back home" style, there are numerous bath rooms and two sitting rooms provided with games, musical instruments and reading matter for the entertainment of the guests. The formal opening of the building will be conducted by Commissioner Richards, chief of the Salvation Army in Canada.

WAS AWARDED SERVICE MEDAL

Long Service Medal Awarded to Commandant Sheard of Salvation Army Who is Entering His Thirtieth Year as an Army Officer.

Commandant Sheard, officer in charge of the men's social service of the Salvation Army in this city, has been awarded the long service medal by General Booth. This medal is given to all officers of the organization who have served 25 years continuously. The general commandant is entering his thirtieth year as an army officer with greater energy and ambition than ever. Brigadier Moore, divisional commander, is the only other officer of the Salvation Army in the city who has been awarded this decoration.

FORDS Just arrived, seven new Touring Cars with self starters, Five New Trucks, to be seen at our Mess room, 145 Princess street. First come first served. Universal Car Company, Phone M. 61.

FURS

Now is the time to buy your Furs of all descriptions, whether your needs be a Fur Coat, Stole, Muff or a Belt. F. A. Dyckman & Co. are offering for sale a large variety of Fur Coats, such as Seal's trimmed with Mink, Squirrel, or American Opossum selling from \$25.00 to \$600.00. Near Boat at \$145.00 up. Also a small line of Muskrat Coats at from \$115.00 to \$250.00. Neck Pieces and Muffs are also selling at very reasonable prices.

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Now for a ROUSING BIG SALE OF BOYS' SUITS. Offered just in time for the opening of school. Parents will find in these assortments just the suit they want for the boy at a BIG SAVING PRICE. This sale comprises all the new fall fabrics and styles, especially reduced to meet the immediate needs of the growing school boy. Suits are in fancy Norfolk, belted slat waist seam models, with slash pockets and all other newest styled ideas. Many have an extra pair of bloomers. Materials are strong, serviceable Tweeds and Worsted, in all wanted shades and patterns. Sizes 7 to 18 years. Reduced as follows: \$12.00 and \$12.50 Suits for \$9.95, 13.00 and 13.50 Suits for 10.50, 15.00 and 15.50 Suits for 12.50, 16.00 and 16.50 Suits for 13.20, 18.00 and 18.50 Suits for 14.80. One Special Lot of BOYS' TWEED SUITS in four different patterns and colorings, extra strong cloths. Special \$7.95. Final Clearance of Boys' Washable Suits showing in an exceptionally fine range of patterns and colorings, trimmed in self or contrasting shades. "Tommy Tickers," "Oliver Twists" and Norfolk in 2 1/2 to 6 year sizes, reduced as follows: \$1.15 Suits for \$1.00, \$2.25 Suits for \$1.75, \$3.50 Suits for \$2.25, \$4.50 Suits for \$2.95. The above prices will assure a speedy clearance, so be on hand early. SALE CONTINUED THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. Boys' Clothing Shop, 2nd Floor. Manchester Robertson Allison Limited KING STREET GERMAIN STREET MARKET SQUARE

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