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BILL FOR WARD SYSTEM READY

Will Be Sent to Fredericton in Course of a Few Days

EXPLANATION OF ITS PROVISIONS

One Alderman for Each Ward, Elected by Voters in That Ward—Four Men At Large Instead of Two—Candidate Need Not Run for Ward in Which He Lives or Does Business.

The bill to change the system of electing aldermen at civic elections in St. John has now been prepared by the common clerk acting under instructions from the council and will soon be forwarded to the legislative assembly for enactment. With the exception that the number of aldermen at large is increased from two to four it is practically a return to the ward system. The section under the present act requiring every candidate to reside or do business in the ward for which he is nominated is repealed and in future it will be necessary only for the nomination to be made by two electors qualified to vote in the ward. The candidate may reside in any portion of the city.

The important changes as embodied in the bill are as follows:

Section 2—"There shall be elected on the third Tuesday in April in the present year and on the third Tuesday in every year thereafter, the mayor of the city of St. John, one alderman for each ward in the said city, and four aldermen-at-large for the whole of said city.

Section 3 (in part)—"Every candidate for the office of mayor or alderman-at-large shall be nominated by two electors qualified to vote in any ward of the said city, and every candidate for the office of alderman for a ward shall be nominated by two electors qualified to vote in the ward for which he is nominated.

Section 4—"From and after the time when the mayor and aldermen are elected and sworn under this act, the mayor or the chairman of the board in the chair with nine or more of the aldermen shall be the common council of the city of St. John.

Section 7—"In the election and elections hereafter to be held for the office of mayor or alderman in the city of St. John every elector of the said city entitled to vote therein at a civic election for mayor shall be entitled to vote for one of the persons nominated for the office of mayor, and for four of the persons nominated for the office of alderman-at-large, but for the office of alderman of a ward only the electors in that ward entitled to vote therein to vote for the office of mayor shall vote."

In section 9, certain sections of the previous act of assembly requiring candidates to reside or do business in the ward for which they were nominated and also providing that the whole electorate in the city should vote for a candidate in each ward are repealed.

It is asserted by those favoring these changes that the passing of this act will have a beneficial effect on the personnel of the common council, in that it will enable leading business men and citizens, who have previously been debarred from running in any ward other than their own, to become candidates in any ward in the city.

WOULD SAVE THE BIG LOBSTERS

Revolutionary Proposition Made to Massachusetts Legislature.

Dr. George W. Field, chairman of the Massachusetts fish and game commission, has made a somewhat startling proposition to the Massachusetts legislature, in the direction of lobster protection, in asking that the policy of the last thirty-seven years be overturned, and that instead of protecting only short lobsters and leaving the large ones free to be taken, both short and large in the future shall be protected, and only the medium sized ones shall be taken.

The striking thing about it is that the variety he would not protect in the future, namely, those between nine inches and ten and a half inches in length, have under the present law been protected.

Dr. Field argues that lobsters are rapidly being exterminated throughout New England, and even in provincial waters. Heretofore, he claims, all protective laws have been patterned on that of Massachusetts, which protects only lobsters less than ten and a half inches in length. Dr. Field claims that it is a mistaken policy, as is proved by the steady tendency toward the extinction of the lobster.

He asks for a law that shall protect all lobsters, all the year around, above ten and a half inches in length and below nine inches, leaving only those between those two measurements to be caught unrestrictedly. His reason is the claim that the breeders are those above ten and a half inches, and that any practical protective legislation must be in the interest of the preservation of the breeders.

To simplify compliance with the law with regard to the size of lobsters to be taken, Dr. Field asks further legislation, requiring that no lobster trap shall have an opening larger than three and a half inches in diameter, the theory being that that is about the size of the average ten and a half inch lobster. By that means, he claims it would be impracticable to violate the law, even in case of a disposition to do so.

St. John as a Winter Port.

The Canadian Courier, of Toronto, gives a page to "St. John as a Winter Port." Good pictures of the C. P. R. steamer Empress of Britain at Sand Point pier and the Allan liner Parisian at the I. C. R. pier are shown, and the Courier says of St. John, in part: "They have a magnificent ice-free harbor, but it will take millions to put in the necessary docks and equipment. So far, the dominion government has not been as generous with St. John as with Montreal, and of course the city itself has not been able to spend such large sums, although it has done a great deal. Hence, Canada's winter port problem is far from being settled."

FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH NEAR CITY

James Kendall of Mispec Pulp Mill Crew Has Awful Death

IN VESTIBULE OF UNOCCUPIED HOUSE

Lay There, After Partially Undressing, in Bitter Cold of Friday Night Last --Mistake in Identity First, But Mill Manager Makes it Positive.

A man identified as James Kendall, an employe of the Mispec pulp mill, was frozen to death Friday night in the porch of an unoccupied house owned by James Lee, at Little River. He had partially undressed himself and lain down. The finding of a man's coat near the house, and later a pair of trousers near the barn, led to search which ended in the finding of the body.

About 6.45 o'clock Saturday morning as Herbert Friars passed by the house he found the coat at a gravel pit near by. He did not wonder much at the time, thinking the coat belonged to some men who had been working at the gravel. Saturday evening, however, the finding of the trousers made the case seem strange, and it was decided to investigate. Early Sunday morning he and John McHugh, going into the porch of the house, found the body lying there, hatless, in shirt sleeves, underclothing, socks and boots.

Word was sent to the central police station and to Coroner Berryman, and coroner and Detective Killen drove out.

No one could be found to say the man had been seen in the neighborhood, and there was also confusion in the matter of identification.

Wm. Black, a youngster of 176 Westmorland Road said it was John McTavish who had worked in the Mispec pulp mill some months ago, and boarded at G. Pierce's there. This was accepted, as he felt sure of his recognition.

James Shaw and Wm. Thompson, who are employed in the Provincial Chemical Fertilizer Company's works, said they believed the man was one whom they had known as "Jimmy," and who formerly was employed on the Loch Lomond water works. Thompson said "Jimmy," whose surname he did not know, had a mother living in Dorchester street, Montreal. The first joint of the first finger of the right hand is off.

Later, however, the body was positively identified by Phillip Grosset, superintendent of the pulp mill, and William Flynn, carpenter, and John Kerr, blacksmith in the mill, as that of James Kendall, who had been working in the mill since last summer. None of these men seemed to know where the unfortunate man belonged to or where he had been previous to being employed in the mill.

Mr. Grosset said that on Thursday Kendall had left the mill and came to the city.

It was supposed that the unfortunate man had been drinking and wandered out of his way as he was returning to the pulp mill.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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A GRATEFUL FISHERMAN

To the Editor of The Telegraph:

Sir,—The question having come up for a Liberal candidate for this county for the House of Commons it should be settled and the man chosen. I consider R. E. Armstrong the right man in the right place. His years will not prevent him from again offering his assistance to suffering humanity as a Liberal candidate for this county. The man that is not afraid nor ashamed to ask for what he knows is best needed for the poor fishermen of Charlotte county. Had Mr. Armstrong been elected last election I think Charlotte county would have been better off than at the present day. I know the island of Grand Manan is all in favor of Mr. Armstrong, both parties, and I sincerely hope we will get a man that will help this people. Had it not been for Mr. Armstrong Gull Cove Light would never have been established, which is a great guide to fishermen from Nova Scotia, Seal Cove, Grand Manan, Woodward's Cove, North Head and all coasting vessels going out and in the Bay of Fundy. Thanking you for your valuable space, I remain,

Yours truly,

A. LIBERAL.

White Head, Grand Manan, Feb. 15, 1907.

SUSSEX CARNIVAL A GREAT SUCCESS

Sussex, N. B., Feb. 22—The second carnival of the season was held here this evening. The attendance was much larger both in costumes and spectators than the previous one. The ice was in splendid condition and the music furnished by the Institute Band made the evening a very enjoyable one. The prizes were awarded as follows.

Ladies handsomest—Jean Langstroth, Fairy Princess; ladies original, Mrs. Robt. Ross, Kings County Record; girls' best, Jean Connely, Fairy Golden; combination, Dr. and Mrs. Daly, Victor Gramophone; gent's best—Ralph Murray, Turk; boys', Russell McEwen, Happy Hooligan.

A special cash prize was given by the judges to Robert Morrison and Rufus Steeves for a combination, Two in One. The judges were Mrs. Harvey Mitchell, Mrs. Thomas and H. B. Clark.

Rev. J. G. Shearer Ill at Sydney.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 24—(Special)—Rev. J. G. Shearer, secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, who was to have addressed a meeting in Sydney today in connection with the Lord's day act, is very ill at St. Andrew's manse, where he is the guest of Rev. F. W. Anderson. He is reported to be much better tonight. His illness is due to a severe attack of la grippe.

Schooner Arizona a Good Prize.

Liverpool, N. S., Feb. 24—(Special)—The schooner Arizona which was abandoned at sea last Tuesday, and afterwards picked up by the Gloucester fishing schooner, Elmer E. Grey, and brought into this port, was released last night on the payment of a salvage claim of $500 or $600.

CHAMPLAIN GRANT CONSIDERED SOON

Premier Says Government Will Take Up the Matter Next Week

IS IN SYMPATHY WITH MOVEMENT

Mayor Has Conference with Hon. Mr. Tweedie on the Matter—Rev. Dr. Raymond Quoted on St. John's Reason for Commemorating Champlain's Work.

The question of a grant for the Champlain monument will probably be considered by the provincial government next week.

Mayor Sears while in Fredericton talked with Premier Tweedie and several of the cabinet on the subject and urged that it should receive early attention. The premier assured the mayor that he was in thorough sympathy with the movement and the question of a grant would be considered next week.

Premier Tweedie, who was in the city yesterday, said that it would receive attention some day next week before the estimates were taken up.

It is generally believed that a generous grant will be made by the local government, and that the common council will also make a substantial grant.

At the time of the celebration of the tercentenary of the discovery of the river and harbor of St. John, which is still fresh in the memory of St. John citizens, the question was asked by Attorney-General Longley, president of the Nova Scotia Historical Society, and others, why the foremost place in the celebration at St. John was assigned to Champlain, whereas in the celebrations at Annapolis and St. Croix the leading place was given to de Monts. In answer to this question Rev. Dr. Raymond, in his address at the unveiling of the tablet in the hall of the new Free Public Library building, spoke as follows:

"It will, I think, be an easy matter to convince the audience present on this occasion that the New Brunswick Historical Society has good reason for giving the premier honor today to Champlain. The connection of the Sieur de Monts with St. John is of the slightest kind; he saw it and passed it. At St. Croix Island he established a settlement and passed a calamitous winter. At Annapolis (or Port Royal) he founded a colony of a more stable character. The ruins of the settlement on St. Croix Island remained for years to tell of his sojourn, and served in 1797 to identify the Scoudiac (or St. Croix) river as our western boundary, and it was so determined by international arbitration.

"At Port Royal the Sieur de Monts left marks of occupation of a still more permanent character. But at St. John he left absolutely nothing to show that he ever visited the place. It is to Champlain we are indebted for the story of its discovery; it is to Champlain we are indebted for the very accurate plan of the harbor; and there can be little doubt that it was Champlain who suggested that the river be called the St. John, in honor of the saint on whose day it was discovered.

"No one is so foolish as to gainsay the fact that de Monts was commander of the expedition, or that he was granted a charter from the king of a vast tract of country under the name of Acadie. But this goes to establish his title to the land rather than his title to perpetual fame as explorer and discoverer.

"In the history of Canada, as well as in the eyes of the world, Champlain must be regarded as incomparably the greater man. The best years of his life were given to Canada; for her sake he crossed the Atlantic more than a score of times; his ashes rest within her borders; his name is stamped upon her maps and he is not inappropriately called 'the Father of Canada.' Nevertheless in the tablet now to be unveiled honor is given alike to Champlain and to de Monts—partners in the honors of this ter-centenary as they were comrades in toil and danger, in anxiety and achievement."

Chatham Man of Many Activities

George E. Fisher, of Chatham (N. B.), was in the city Saturday and left on the Maritime express for the north. Mr. Fisher is a farmer on a large scale. He owns and operates one of the largest farms on the North Shore, keeping nearly 100 head of cattle. He has five milk teams on the Chatham route every day, and employs some thirty hands in his business. He has been making a tour of the border towns seeking information that he may still further improve his business.

Mr. Fisher is one of the executive in the Napan Creamery Company, secretary-treasurer of the Miramichi Agricultural Exhibition Association, Ltd., as well as having large shares in the stock of both. He is the cashier of the J. B. Snowball Co., and one of Chatham's foremost men. His name is frequently mentioned as a member on the local ticket at the next general election in the government interest and should he desire to run his friends say he would be elected by a large majority. He is a brother of W. S. Fisher, of Emerson & Fisher.

CHATHAM CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

Chatham, Feb. 20.—A very sad accident happened here this morning by which the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Barry lost her life. The little one was playing by the stove when her clothing caught fire and before the flames could be extinguished she was fatally burned and died after four hours' suffering. While removing the burning clothing the child's mother had both arms badly burned.

Recent Chatham Deaths.

Chatham, Feb. 21—Mrs. Cassidy, wife of the late Michael Cassidy, died at her home this afternoon after a long illness. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. James Flaherty, Misses Kate and Clara, of Chatham, and Mrs. Robert MacKenzie, of Redbank, and two sons, Clifford and Harry.

The death of Martha, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lozier, occurred Monday and the funeral was held yesterday.

Succeeds Sir Wm. Hingston.

Montreal, Feb. 25—(Special)—Hon. J. A. Ouimet, ex-judge of the supreme court, was toaday elected president of the City District Savings Bank, to succeed the late Sir Wm. Hingston.

OBITUARY.

Councillor J. C. Murray of Kingsclear.

George Murray, Friday afternoon received word of the death of his brother, Councillor John Campbell Murray, at Kingsclear, York county. Councillor Murray was about 76 years of age and had been ill for some time. He was born at Kingsclear and was one of the Murray family of Springhill. He was a successful farmer, and represented Kingsclear parish in the York county council for many years. His wife died several years ago. He leaves six daughters, one son, three brothers and two sisters. Charles, of Kingsclear, is the son. The daughters are Misses Bessie, Mary and Minnie, all trained nurses; Miss Mabel, at present teaching in the Boys' Industrial Home here; Miss Alice and Mrs. Zebedee Estey, of Kingsclear. George, of St. John; Thomas, of Kingsclear, and Christopher, of the Isle of Wight, are brothers. Mrs. Geo. Stratton, of Springhill, and Miss Elizabeth Murray are the sisters.

Mr. Murray was probably the oldest municipal politician in the province both in years and length of service. He was first elected to the York municipal council in 1875 and with the exception of one year sat in that body continuously up to the time of his death. He was a man of broad views and was held in the highest esteem by all who enjoyed his acquaintance. In politics he was a staunch Conservative and was an active worker for his party. The late W. S. Murray, of St. John, was a cousin of the deceased.

Mrs. Katherine Lilley.

Mrs. Katherine Lilley died Friday at her home, 65 Middle street, West End, death coming soon after a stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Lilley had been an invalid since a similar attack about a year ago. There will be sincere sympathy for those left to mourn. She was the widow of John Lilley, a well known resident of Carleton, and a daughter the late Thomas Dunlavey, and sister of the late Wm. Dunlavey, of the Furness line. She is survived by two sons and three sisters. The sons are William T. and Fred A., both of Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd., staff, and the sisters are Mrs. John Kerr, wife of the chief of the fire department; Mrs. Isabella Brittain, of West End, and Mrs. George Thomas, of Newton (Mass.)

John P. McGrory.

John P. McGrory, a native of this city is dead in Cambridge (Mass.), aged fifty-four years. Mr. McGrory until three years ago conducted a grocery business at the corner of Main street and Adelaide road. After his removal to Cambridge he carried on the business there. He was twice married and his second wife, who was Miss Hartsorn of this city, with a large family, survives. G. Hartsorn, of Harrison street, and Mrs. T. X. Gibbons are relatives of Mrs. McGrory. Mr. Hartsorn left for Boston last night.

Michael O'Connor.

Michael O'Connor, butcher, of Brussels street, died late Thursday night after a week's illness, from pleuro pneumonia. Mr. O'Connor was a highly respected member of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society, and was a good citizen. He is survived by his wife and mother.

Fred. Palmer.

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 22—(Special)—Conductor Fred Palmer, after a tedious illness, lasting for a year or more, passed away at 2.30 o'clock this morning, at his home, Bonacord street. During his illness he sought treatment from experts in Montreal and Boston, and while his condition improved at times yet he did not sufficiently recover to work for the past year.

Conductor Palmer had been on the I. C. R. for many years, and was well known among railway men. He was a native of Sackville and brother of George C. Palmer, locomotive engineer of this city, and of the late Philip Palmer, barrister, of Hampton. He was about 45 years of age and is survived by a widow but no children. Interment will take place at Shediac.

James O'Neill of Prince of Wales

In the public hospital Sunday evening the death of James O'Neill, of Prince of Wales, took place after about a year's illness. Mr. O'Neill was born in Wexford (Ire.), and came to this country when a young man. For several years he had been living at Prince of Wales. He leaves his wife, one son and one daughter—Mary, the latter a resident of Fairville. Three brothers and three sisters also survive. The brothers are: Peter and Patrick, of Boston, and Mark, of New York. The sisters are: Elizabeth, of Boston; Kathleen, of Denver (Col.), and Mrs. John Shannon, of Murray street, North End.

Mrs. Wellington Hatch.

The death occurred Saturday morning at 4 o'clock of Mrs. Alice Hatch, after a lingering illness, at her son's residence, Willoughby Hatch, 75 Dorchester street.

Mrs. Hatch came to this city about forty years ago from St. Andrews, where she resided with her husband, the late Wellington Hatch, barrister-at-law. Three sons were born to them—Willoughby and Harry H., of this city, and Walter, of Ottawa. Mrs. Hatch's amiable disposition won for her many warm friends during the seventy-nine years she lived. She has one sister, Mrs. Edwin Bayard, of London (Eng.), and two brothers, Stannus Jones, of Nice, France, and Douglas Jones, of London (Eng.)

Mrs. Mary McLean.

The death of Mrs. Mary McLean, widow of Daniel McLean, occurred at Pennfield Ridge on Feb. 9, after a short illness. Mrs. McLean was in her eighty-sixth year, and at the time of her death was residing with her daughter, Mrs. K. P. French, where she had made her home for the past six years.

Capt. John Burke.

The death of Capt. John Burke took place in Boston last week. Capt. Burke had been for a long time in command of one of the east Boston ferries, but for years sailed out of this port as mate on the ill-fated steamer Larchmont when she was the Cumberland of the International steamship line. He is survived by a large family. Deceased will be remembered by many in this city who will learn his death with regret.

Frank Lane of Salvation Army.

Frank Lane, a well known and highly respected member of Salvation Army Corps No. 1, died in the Victoria Hospital, Montreal, early Saturday morning. The exact cause of death is not known, but it is supposed to have been some form of heart trouble. Mr. Lane had been working in Simms' brush factory here for years. He had been in poor health for a long time and nearly three months ago his fellow employes sent him to Montreal where he entered the hospital. Last Thursday he wrote to his wife here that he was getting better and expected to be home in a short time. The news of his death reached the city Sunday morning.

Deceased had belonged to No. 1 Corps for more than twenty years. He was one of the oldest members of that organization and had been bandmaster and at the time of his death held the rank of sergeant major, the highest in the army outside of the field officers. Mr. Lane is survived by his wife and three daughters, the oldest of whom is about 14 years and the youngest a year and a half old. Their names are Bessie, Anna and Freda.

Mrs. Ann Clark.

The death occurred Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, of Mrs. Ann Clark, widow of John Clark, at her residence at Pleasant Point.

Mrs. Clark was very well known by the aged people, she herself having lived to the ripe old age of 90 years.

The deceased is survived by one son, who resides in Lawrence (Mass.), and one daughter, who lived with her mother at Pleasant Point.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, to St. Rose's church, where the Rev. Father Collins read the funeral service. Interment was made in Sand Cove cemetery.

Mrs. David L. Maxwell, Formerly of St. John

A cable message received by A. B. Burns Monday conveyed the sad news of the death of his sister, Mrs. David L. Maxwell, at Ventersburg, South Africa. On Thursday word of the death of her baby and her own serious illness was received. Mrs. Maxwell, formerly Miss Annie Burns, was a daughter of the late James A. Burns of St. John, and leaves her mother, brother and two sisters, Miss Ada and Miss May, who reside in St. John. She was a capable and popular teacher and in 1902 went as one of the New Brunswick teachers to South Africa. About two years ago she was married to Mr. Maxwell, a native of Scotland, who had met with great success in South Africa. Many will regret to hear of her untimely death.

Mrs. John Potter.

Rexton, N. B., Feb. 25—Mrs. Potter, relict of the late John Potter of Kouchibouguac, passed away at her home there Thursday, after a week's illness. Deceased was Miss Matilda Sutherland, daughter of the late James Sutherland, of Richibucto. She was a sister of Mrs. R. A. DeOlloqui, of this town. She is survived by three sons and four daughters. The sons are, Joseph, of Greenville, Me., William, of Vancouver, B. C., and David, of Sunny Brae (near Moncton). The daughters are Mrs. William Tweedie, Mrs. John Tweedie, Mrs. James Gregan and Mrs. Wm. Beattie, all of Kouchibouguac.

LOCAL NEWS.

Six marriages and twelve births—only two males—were recorded by Registrar Jones during last week.

Councillor James Lowell, of Lancaster, has announced his intention of retiring this year from the county council.

Charles Damery, proprietor of the Park Hotel, has sold his business to Ernest Haines, who was for five years head clerk in the hotel. Mr. Damery will remove to Boston.

There is a report, said to have originated in Ottawa, that H. A. McKeown is to be elevated to the Supreme Court bench under the provisions of the judicature act.

Saturday was the coldest February day in three years. The highest temperature at the observatory was 10 above falling to 12 below about daylight, and 7 below at noon, with high north west wind.

Ernest Cosman, aged seventeen, son of W. Stillson Cosman, is dangerously ill at the General Public Hospital. Because of knee trouble it is feared the whole limb may have to be amputated to save life.

Last week the board of health issued fourteen burial permits. The causes of death were: Pneumonia, 5; Senility, 3; Asthenia, Bronchitis, Marasmus, Tuberculosis, Heart disease, Cardiac depression, 1 each.

The doctors who went out under the direction of the local board of health to investigate as to the existence of smallpox in lumber camps in the vicinity of Musquash have returned. They visited Whalen's and other camps and report everything in satisfactory condition. They speak well of the treatment accorded them at the camp, saying nothing was done to obstruct them in their work.

As many as 1,000 immigrants landed from the Allan line turbiner Victorian at Halifx Sunday, and were taken away on three special trains. Two of the trains passed through here, one at midnight, and the other early this morning. A Grand Trunk Pacific construction car was attached to the midnight train. The third immigrant train went west over the I. C. R. via Moncton.

MARRIED 25 YEARS

Former St. John Couple Celebrate Anniversary in Rockland.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keefe, assisted by about fifty friends, celebrated their wedding anniversary Monday evening at their home, 270 Park street.

The house was decorated in green and white, the centrepiece of the dining table being a bouquet of lovely calla lilies. The evening was spent in a delightful social manner, with no long waits between acts. At 10.30 the guests were ushered to the dining room, where they partook of a nice feast of cold meats, salads, olives, pickles, cake, hot coffee, fruit, confectionery, etc. With Miss Joan McInnis presiding at the piano and with Martin Donlan in charge of the violin there was some inspiring music, to the tune of which the happy guests danced until a late hour. Mr. and Mrs. Keefe received many nice presents, including cut glass, silver, linen, etc.

Few couples are better known in Rockland than Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keefe. Married on "the ould sod," as they express it, they soon came to this country, and for nearly five years resided in St. John (N. B.) Twenty years ago they moved to Rockland, and here they expect to spend their remaining days. Mr. Keefe is a section hand in the employ of the Limerock railroad, industrious and well liked. Mrs. Keefe is one of the hardest and most enthusiastic workers in St. Bernard's parish, always jolly, sympathetic, and kindly. May this worthy couple have just as good a time at their golden wedding anniversary.—Rockland Courier-Gazette, Feb. 11.

No Cyclone at Philippines.

Manila, Feb. 25—The reports recently in circulation here that the Southern Islands of the Philippine archipelago had been visited by a severe cyclone are quite without foundation.

Store closes evenings at 6 o'clock. Saturdays 11 p.m.

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AGENTS WANTED IN UNREPRESENTED DISTRICTS

TRYING FOR GREATER NUMBER FROM BRITAIN

Assistant Superintendent of Immigration, Here Monday, Talked of Plans

GOODLY NUMBER FOR MARITIME PROVINCES

Increase of Fifty Per Cent. Over Those Who Came Last Year--Three Hundred Coming on the Steamer Lake Champlain to Do Construction Work on Grand Trunk Pacific.

"Every effort is being made to increase the proportion of English speaking immigrants, and from present indications the efforts will bear fruitful results. An increase of fifty per cent is expected in the total number of immigrants this year over those who came in 1906, and the same percentage of increase is expected in the number coming from Great Britain."

This statement was made by E. Blake Robertson, of Ottawa, assistant immigration superintendent of Canada, while chatting to a Telegraph reporter on immigration matters yesterday.

Mr. Robertson arrived in the city Monday from Halifax, where he had been in connection with the arrival of the steamer Victorian, which brought 1,000 immigrants. Besides making the prediction mentioned, Mr. Robertson said that this year the greatest number of immigrants from any one country would hail from Great Britain. Second would come the United States. Last year about 7,000 settled in the maritime provinces and about the same proportion was expected to remain this year.

Another gentleman interested in immigration work at present in the city, is A. R. Sutherland, who is head of the employment department of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, with headquarters in Winnipeg. On the steamer Lake Champlain, three days overdue here, are 300 English laborers under contract with Mr. Sutherland to work on the new railroad. They are mostly unskilled workmen but some are experts at bridge building and the like. Mr. Sutherland says that they will be scattered along the new line from Kenora to Regina. These are only the first of a large number to be brought from the old country under contract to work on the G. T. P.

"There is plenty of room for anyone in the west," said Mr. Sutherland, "who is willing to work hard and not expect to get rich inside of a year. In every line of work there are openings."

Asked as to the reports of the severe winter in the west, Mr. Sutherland said that in many ways they were exaggerated. There had been some scarcity of coal and a panic ensued, many people buying more than they wanted. He himself had enough coal in his house to last through next winter. Some people being overstocked resulted in others going without. As regards people starving, there was always more or less of that in isolated districts or houses, such as exist in any new country."

This being Mr. Sutherland's first visit to St. John he spent Monday in inspecting the city. He remarked on the brightness and the neatness of the stores and said they compared very favorably with Winnipeg. What he said about the country market was not so complimentary.

Incorporation of T. McAvity & Sons.

Notice is given in the current number of the Royal Gazette that the firm of T. McAvity & Sons, of this city, will apply for incorporation as T. McAvity & Sons, Limited. The capital stock of the proposed company is given as $600,000, divided into 3,500 ordinary and 2,500 preference shares of $100 each.

The chief place of business is to be St. John. The names of the applicants are Thomas McAvity, James H. McAvity, John A. McAvity, George McAvity, William McAvity and Stephen S. McAvity, all of this city. The first four named are to be the provisional directors.

NEW DEPARTMENT

Oak Hall Going Into the Sale of Hats as Well as Extensive Lines Heretofore Carried.

A new department, and one which is sure to be thoroughly appreciated by the numerous patrons of Oak Hall, has just been added to their already up-to-date establishment. This is a hat department, which will be found in that part of the building to the present occupied by the custom tailoring department, which has now been moved upstairs.

The show cases for the hats, which comprise all the best makes on the market, are very handsome and of a kind not hitherto seen in this city. They are in sections, ten hats being in each. Each of these sections is very ornately finished in quartered oak and the front is composed of a large semi-circular pane of glass. When this is opened the rack on which the hats rest is pushed into full view. The sections, of which there are twelve, rest upon a row of cases in quartered oak made by Christie's woodworking factory. The cases themselves are of United States make.

The enterprise of the proprietors of Oak Hall in thus enlarging their sphere of service to the public requirements bids fair to be as handsomely rewarded as has been their industry in the past.

Weddings.

Moore-Hanington.

Ottawa, Feb. 25—Annie Hyacinth Middleton, youngest daughter of Rev. Canon Hanington, of St. Bartholomew's church, New Edinburgh, was married this morning to Leslie W. N. Moore, of Ireland, youngest son of the late Col. John Moore, commander of the 34th Regiment. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. R. H. Warren and Rev. Geo. Fletcher in the church of which the bride's father has been rector for twenty years. Miss Marion Cartwright was bridesmaid, and Miss Ruth Burpee and Master L. Burpee preceded the bride to the altar. Chas. Carter was groomsman. Mr. and Mrs. Moore left at 11.10 for Halifax to sail by the Victorian for their future home, Carlingford, Ireland.

BIG INCREASE IN CANADA'S IMMIGRATION

Ottawa, Feb. 25—There is a big increase in the immigration to Canada during the past seven months, as compared with the same time last year. From July to January, both months inclusive, the arrivals were 88,034 as compared with 59,192 for the same time in the previous fiscal year. This is an increase of 28,842.

The arrivals by ocean ports were 61,[illegible] and from the United States 26,573. The percentage of increase through ocean ports is fifty-eight per cent, and through United States ports thirty-one per cent or an average increase of 49 per cent.

Probate Court.

In the probate court Saturday Mrs. Mary A. Rankine was granted letters of administration of the estate of Thomas A. Rankine. The personal property is valued at $117,000 and the real estate at $17,000. W. H. Trueman is proctor.

By the will of Geo. M. Anderson, Musquash, Friday, an estate of $14,000 is to be divided among his three daughters: Two fifths to Mrs. Margaret P. Woodford; two-fifths to Mrs. Ella H. Peabody, Woodstock; one-fifth to Mrs. Emma A. Cousins, Waltham (Mass.)

Narrow Escape from Drowning.

Walter Wilson, a young man living at Lorneville, had a narrow escape from drowning on Saturday morning. He was out in a sailboat, when it was capsized by a squall and he was thrown into the water. He clung to the bottom of the overturned boat for about two hours, despite the freezing atmosphere and was finally rescued by two of his cousins, Alfred and Thomas Wilson, who saw his predicament. When taken off his hands were found to be very badly frost bitten, but no serious results are expected.

"De only drawback 'bout patience," said Uncle Eben, "dat it's hard foh a man to be patient an' industrious both to once."—Washington Star.