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McDonald Case in Court.

The entire time of the police court was taken up yesterday afternoon in the case where James A. McDonald, a former manager and collector for the P. F. Collier & Sons, is charged with stealing about $300 from Dr. F. S. Sawaya, H. J. Smith and Stanley Emmerson. The defendant was represented by R. St. J. Freeze in the absence of Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., and H. J. Smith represented the prosecution. J. H. Theis, the Canadian manager of the Collier Company, with head offices in Toronto, was present, and about a half an hour's conference was held between him and the lawyer for the defence, and the parties concerned not being able to agree on a settlement the case was proceeded with. Mr. Theis was on the stand all the afternoon, and he presented the daily reports received by him and also letters and cheques sent by McDonald while the latter was employed by the company last summer. The case was adjourned at five o'clock and will be resumed this morning at ten o'clock.

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are best for nursing mothers because they do not affect the rest of the system. Mild but sure. 25c. a box at your druggist's.

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The New Post Office.

Considerable speculation was going the rounds yesterday regarding the awarding of the contract for the construction of the new post office here. The rumors were to the effect that the contract for the work had been awarded and that Rhodes Curry & Co. had landed the job. The Standard has learned on good authority that the contract has not yet been awarded. It is understood, however, that the Amherst firm is the lowest tenderer.

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Try a box of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and you will wonder how you ever got along without them. They are sold at 50 cents by all druggists everywhere.

OBITUARY.

William Lilley.

The many friends of William Lilley, of the firm of Wm. Lilley and Sons, North End, will regret to learn of his death which took place last evening about 8 o'clock. Although Mr. Lilley had been ailing for some time and had been confined to his home for a week, his illness was not considered serious and his death was a great shock to his family. Mr. Lilley was a native of London, England, and came to St. John about 18 years ago, and entered into business of a butcher here. He was well known and highly respected in business circles and made a great many close friends. He was a member of the Main street Baptist church and of St. George's Society. Besides his wife he leaves 4 sons and two daughters. The sons are Sydney and Charles of the firm, and William and Harry. The daughters are Mrs. H. L. Codner of St. John, and Mrs. W. A. Searle of Fredericton. The funeral will take place at 2.30 p. m. Thursday from 15 Cranston Avenue.

CROSS OR FEVERISH, HALF-SICK CHILDREN

If tongue is coated, breath bad stomach sour, it means a torpid liver and clogged bowels.

Mother! Don't scold your cross, peevish child. Look at the tongue! See if it is white, yellow and coated! If your child is listless, drooping, isn't sleeping well, is restless, doesn't eat heartily or is cross, irritable, out of sorts with everybody, stomach sour, feverish, breath bad; has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, sore throat, or is full of cold, it means the little one's stomach, liver and 30 feet of bowels are filled with poisons and foul, constipated waste matter and need a gentle, thorough cleansing at once.

Give a teaspoonful of Syrup of Figs, and in a few hours all the clogged up waste, undigested food and sour bile will gently move on and out of its little waste clogged bowels without nausea, griping or weakness, and you will surely have a well, happy and smiling child again shortly.

With Syrup of Figs you are not drugging your children, being composed entirely of luscious figs, senna and aromatics it cannot be harmful, besides they dearly love its delicious taste.

Mothers should always keep Syrup of Figs handy. It is the only stomach liver and bowel cleanser and regulator needed—a little given today will save a sick child tomorrow.

Full directions for children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the package.

Ask your druggist for the full name, "Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna," prepared by the California Fig Syrup Co. This is the delicious tasting, genuine old reliable. Refuse anything else offered.

THE ST. JOHN PLAYGROUNDS ASSOCIATION

Reports Show Good Work During 1912—Annual Meeting Scheduled for Last Evening has been Postponed.

The first annual meeting of the St. John Playgrounds Association which was to have taken place last evening was postponed until next week, as the fifteen necessary members for a quorum did not appear. The several counter attractions prevented many from attending.

The annual reports, which will be presented when the association does meet, have been prepared and show that since the organization last June, of the playgrounds movement, much valuable work has been accomplished.

The report of the secretary shows that the association conducted supervised playgrounds during the summer holidays of nine weeks, at Centennial, Aberdeen and the Harriet R. Allison grounds. Many hundreds of children attended and besides enjoying the games received instruction in basketry musical drill and kindergarten work. The report refers at length to the opening of the Harriet Allison playground by Mayor Frink on July 11th.

The other notable playground event of the year was the turning of the first sod of the Rockwood playgrounds at which His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught officiated. The city council has granted $2,000 for the preliminary work, and has been asked by the association to add another $2,000, and the association hopes to be entrusted with the task of converting the area into a recreation ground in accordance with a comprehensive plan to be designed by an expert.

The association, the report continues, has sent a memorial to the provincial government urging that a department for the training of playground teachers be provided in connection with the Normal School. The school board has been appealed to for the use of one or more schoolrooms for social centre work. The production of "Alice in Wonderland" in December, was a success.

Necessarily, the report concludes, the work in the first year has been limited, but an excellent beginning has been made, and the outlook is a bright one, with promise of a growing public interest and support.

The report of the treasurer shows a healthy balance, and is as follows:

Receipts.

City grant to Women's Council playground committee	$200.00
City grant to Every Day Club	250.00
From Alice in Wonderland	463.29
Basket sales	40.00
Exhibition teas	47.46
Donations	767.90
	$1,768.65

Expenditures.

Teachers and janitors' salaries	$702.01
Janitor's work (extra)	35.82
Basketry material	86.56
Kindergarten material	26.73
Express and postage	12.04
Other expenses	147.73
Balance	757.76
	$1,768.65

The reports have been issued in the form of a neat booklet, and a number of excellent photographs taken at the different grounds and showing the children at play, are scattered throughout the booklet.

PROVINCE WILL HAVE BOOTH AT SAND POINT

Immigration Department will Give West Bound Settlers Opportunity to See what Province Can Offer them.

The provincial superintendent of immigration has opened a booth in the immigration shed on the West Side for the purpose of bringing the attractions of the province to the notice of people passing through the winter port. In the booth there will be placed exhibits of fruit, vegetables and other products raised in the province, and a man will be present on the arrival of every boat to hand out literature dealing with the province and explain the advantages of the province to those who may visit the booth to inspect the exhibits there.

It is also planned to place pamphlets dealing with the province for distribution on the Atlantic liners.

WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwesterly winds, fair, higher temperature.

MANY MEN ARE IDLE IN CITY

Adjt. Cummings, of Salvation Army, Declares Employment for Unskilled Labor is, Just Now, Particularly Scarce.

"If you can show me how it could be any more scarce, I should like to hear it," was the reply of Adjutant Cummings of the Salvation Army, when asked by a Standard reporter last night if he had many applications this season for work. "If I knew where to place twenty men, I could supply them within twenty-four hours.

There is in the city at present, according to Adjutant Cummings, an almost incredible scarcity of employment for the unskilled laborer While there is considerable work going on at Sand Point and at other places throughout the city, the number of unskilled workmen doing nothing is abnormally large for St. John.

To the optimist with an unbounded faith in this "city of opportunities," there is no dearth of work, but reduced to the concrete fact there is not nearly so great a demand for the unskilled laborer as is supposed. Against this fact, however, the number of this class of workmen who have come into the city during the past few months has been much greater than in other years. Many of these have come from the old country, while others are from the neighboring provinces. Moreover, the absence of snow, which has afforded occupation in other years, has deprived a number of unskilled laborers of work this year.

In spite of these facts, however, the Salvation Army do not find any noticeable increase in poverty.

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Dec. 17th, 113 Palmerston Avenue Toronto.
(Signed) FLORA CHAPMAN

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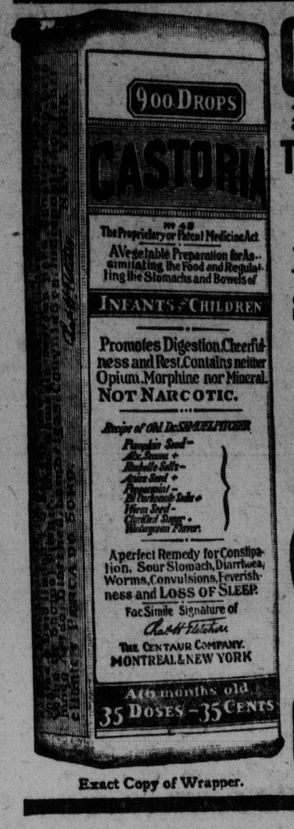
BORN.

BEVERIDGE—At Dryden, Ont., on Dec. 23rd, 1912, the wife of J. Brookes Beveridge, of a son (premature.)

DIED.

McALLISTER—On the 13th inst., at the age of 85 years, John McAllister, born in County Donegal, Ireland, leaving one son and two daughters to mourn their loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p. m., from his late residence, 207 Duke street.

LILLEY—In this city on the 14th inst., William Lilley, aged 64 years, leaving a wife, four sons and two daughters to mourn. Funeral on Thursday at 2.30 p. m., from his late residence, 15 Cranston Avenue.



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The Stationary Engineers.

Special meeting of stationary engineers Wednesday evening in Market building. Important business. All members of association requested to attend

ENGINEER KILLED.

Quebec, Jan. 14.—A passenger train crashed into a freight at L'Islet on the Intercolonial Railway at two o'clock this morning. Engineer Hudon was killed, and his fireman suffered a broken leg.

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