

AROUND THE CITY

The Island Steamers. Both the steamers Earl Grey and the Minto crossed between Pictou and Georgetown yesterday.

The Country Market. The retail prices in the country market today will be practically the same as last week. The quotations are as follows: Beef, 10 to 12c; veal, 10 to 12c; lamb, 12 to 18c; turkey, 30 to 32c; chicken, 28 to 30c; fowl, 20 to 25c; bacon, 22 to 24c.

Home from Fredericton. Commissioner Agar, J. King Kelley, Dr. E. S. Townshend and Dr. McAvoy returned to the city last night from Fredericton where they appeared before the legislature yesterday in connection with the St. John city and county legislation. They expressed themselves as satisfied with the success of their respective missions and felt sure that the different bills would meet with favorable consideration by the legislature.

He Stole Picture Post Cards. About 6.30 o'clock last evening Walter Boulder, aged 15 years, was arrested by Patrolman Crawford on the charge of stealing 88 Eastern and St. Patrick's Day picture cards from the store of F. W. Woolworth on King St. When arrested the boy had 16 cards in his possession. He was allowed to go home with his father on the promise that he would appear in the police court this morning to answer to the charge.

Fine Clock in Fairville Post Office. One of the features of the new post office in Fairville is the electrically controlled clock installed by A. B. Smalley and Son. This clock in the tower is controlled by a master clock in the lobby and is electrically synchronized at 10 a. m. each day from the observatory in the custom house. There is also in connection with this an electrical switch which automatically turns on and off the illumination of the dials to suit the gradual changes of the seasons. This is the first turn of clock of the kind to be installed in Canada. It was imported from England by Messrs. Smalley and was put in operation some days ago.

Lectured on Our Waterways. The fourth lecture in the free course was given in the Centennial school assembly hall last night and was headed by a large number. The lecture was read by Dr. Thos. Lunney, the subject being The Waterways of Canada. The subject proved of much interest and was particularly instructive; the lecturer illustrated added greatly to the pleasure of the evening. At the conclusion a vote of appreciation was given and seconded by two of the larger pupils present. On Friday evening next the lecture will be repeated in the High School and will be open to the public.

To Extend Playground Movement. The Playgrounds Association plans to extend its sphere of usefulness, as it is felt by many members that opportunities for good work exist in sections of the city which have not yet received attention. At a meeting held last evening this matter was discussed at some length and a committee was appointed consisting of George E. Day, Walter C. Allison, R. J. Walsh and A. M. Belding to visit the North and West Ends of the city before the next monthly meeting, and to report on the opportunities there existing for the establishment of neighborhood playgrounds.

Fraternal Visit. The Apartment House Project. Although the plans for the million dollar hotel have, according to reports, fallen through, the prospects for the big apartment house, the plans for which were made public some months ago, are still bright and it is expected that the project will be carried through. A local man interested in the apartment house said, yesterday, that while there is nothing definite as to the date for starting work on the building, the plans stand as when discussed last fall, and will very probably be carried out as intended originally. There is at present a stringency in the money market which will have the effect of delaying a start on the apartment house, but when the pressure shall have been relieved the project will very probably be carried out.

FRATERNAL VISIT OF THE SONS OF ENGLAND

Marlborough Lodge Called on Portland Lodge Last Evening, when Very Enjoyable Evening was Spent.

Marlborough Lodge Sons of England paid a fraternal visit to Portland Lodge in the Temple building, Main street, last night. There was a large attendance and a pleasant time was experienced. During the evening selections were rendered by the Sons of England Band, solos were given by Edward Brittain, Wm. Oliver, F. J. Punter, A. R. Caldwell, B. Gath and C. Mateo. W. Shepherd was heard in a cornet solo and addresses were delivered by C. Ledford, C. London, B. W. Thorne, H. Sellen, R. Ingleton, H. Crabbe, A. B. Thorne, P. L. Griffin, P. B. Purdy, and K. Cronk. The evening was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

Ladies' Waists. A fine display of ladies' spring and summer waists at F. A. Dykeman and Co. Lovely cyprus lincens tailored strictly tailored and extra good fitting at \$1.10. Some very pretty vesting waists. These are so easily done up, are so serviceable and look so well. Prices \$1.50 and \$1.85. Very attractive cyprus lincens waists with ploughshare front handsomely embroidered and edged with maline edge. Most stylish water price \$1.85. Pretty fancy lawn waists with Swiss embroidered front, set with insertions, short sleeves edged with pretty lace and set with insertions. These are very rich looking waists and the price is only \$1.10.

NEW SECRETARY ARRIVES TO TAKE UP BOARD OF TRADE WORK

Henry T. Hoag Reached the City Last Evening, and will be "On the Job" Today - Has Got Fine Results in Other Cities



HENRY T. HOAG, The New Secretary of the Board of Trade.

"So far as I was able to size up the situation during the brief time I was here I judged St. John was a town which offered opportunities of doing good work," said Henry T. Hoag, the new secretary of the Board of Trade, who arrived in the city last evening with his wife. "When I was here a short time ago members of the council of the Board asked me how long it would be before we could show concrete results. I said that I would not make any promises. One has to study the city and its people before he can do much, and it may be a year before the results become evident. My work so far has been mainly along industrial lines, interviewing manufacturers and telling them about what my town had to offer. It's the personal work that counts with the manufacturer, and that is my experience, anyway. "To get one industry for Connellville I made 16 trips to New York. After I got my man to come to Connellville and look over the situation I put him next to the bankers and business men who had an opportunity to influence him from all points of view and the rest was easy. "The Chamber of Commerce of Connellville has secured over seventeen new industries with pay rolls aggregating over \$1,000,000, as a result of this kind of work. In no case was a bonus offered. Our plan was to offer a free site on condition that a factory was built within a certain time. If a manufacturer wanted to move we paid the cost of moving his machinery. The chamber was always ready to pay the expense of bringing in the families of the workers in the new industries. "Mr. Hoag is a man of middle age, of quiet manner and deliberate habit of speech. He has been engaged in Board of Trade work for nine years, and comes to the city well recommended. Before leaving Connellville the Chamber of Commerce adopted a resolution, regretting that he was severing the harmonious relations with them, and wishing him the utmost success and prosperity in his new sphere of work. "A city," he remarked, "is like a big business establishment. A wholesaler concern might have the finest goods in the world to sell, but it needs agents to go out and make them known in order to sell them. A city may have the finest kind of opportunities but unless it looks around, notes who are in a position to take advantage of them, it will not get much new business except by accident. Other towns are always about to present their opportunities to manufacturers."

ENGLISHMEN WANT FARMS IN PROVINCE

Secretary Gilchrist has Received Fifteen Applications Through Mr. Bowder - Norton Griffiths Man Asks for Twenty.

Secretary Gilchrist of the farm settlement board, has received from A. Bowder, the provincial representative in Great Britain, 15 applications for farms to be taken up under the provisions of the farm settlement act. All these farmers are supposed to have a capital of \$500 and upwards, and they expect to come out here in April with Mr. Bowder's personally conducted party which sails on April 8th. Mr. Bowder has more applications in hand, but is looking into the circumstances of the applicants before forwarding their applications to the farm settlement board. In addition to these demands for ready-made farms, Perry Thomson of the Norton Griffiths Company has asked for a reservation of twenty ready-made farms, to be taken up by farmers from Norton Griffiths' constituency who will sail for New Brunswick sometime this spring. As an illustration of the interest being manifested in the farm settlement scheme of the local government, it may be mentioned that yesterday the secretary of the board received a letter from a settler in a well-known farming community of Ontario asking him to purchase a farm in this province, as he intended to come here in the spring and make his home here. The reason this farmer is dissatisfied with Ontario is said to be that somebody in that enterprise province managed to sell him a farm when he newly arrived from England before he had a fair chance to examine it. In some of the other provinces it is regarded as good sport to sell a poor farm to a newly arrived farmer from the Old Country, who is not acquainted with farming methods in Canada, and who is not consequently a good judge of the value of a farm. It is selected by the experts of the settlement board and offered for sale, the farmer who buys it has as good a guarantee as he could desire that he will not be taken in.

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ENGINEER JAMES MCKAY KILLED IN MONCTON YARD

Popular I.C.R. Man, Residing in Main Street. Met Tragic Death Last Evening - His Engine "Side Swiped" by Loaded Box Car.

The family, relatives and many friends in the city of James D. McKay, I. C. R. locomotive engineer, were shocked last evening to learn of his tragic death which occurred suddenly in the railway yard at Moncton. Mr. McKay, who was a resident of the city, residing at 448 Main street, had just brought in to Moncton the I. C. R. express, which was considerably behind time, and was taking his engine to the round house when he collided with a heavy laden freight car, which was being pushed by the fireman, Ross McPherson, received a broken leg and was also scalded about the body. The shunter which collided with Engineer McKay's engine, was weighing a string of cars and as one left the scales another was pushed ahead. It was a "Box Four" box car loaded with coal that came in contact with the engine. In the collision the cab was torn from its position and pushed over the top of the boiler, crushing McKay's head so badly that he died a few minutes later. The fireman was on the opposite side of the cab and thus escaped with less serious injuries. News of the terrible accident was flashed over the wire to Frank H. Probert, foreman at the round house here, and received with much grief by the sorrow-stricken family. The deceased was 68 years old. He was born in Stellarton, N. S., but has resided in St. John during the greater part of his life. He was a fireman on the Nova Scotia railway, but in 1873 he became locomotive driver on the northern division of the Intercolonial during construction. He later ran between Moncton and Campbellton, but for the last 25 years he has been on the Midnight Express running between St. John and Moncton. Mr. McKay was one of the oldest and most reliable men in the service of the I. C. R. and by his taking disposition had gained a host of friends. A peculiar coincidence in connection with the accident is that the engineer had two months ago received his supernumerary papers, but his remarkable activity and great liking for the road would not allow him to give up the work which he had followed practically all his life, and despite the entreaties of the members of his family, he would not retire. These papers, his relatives in the city say, were in his pocket at the time of his death. He is survived by a wife, two daughters, one son, three brothers and nine sisters. The daughters are Mrs. Jarvis C. Purdy and Jack Peters, both of the city. The sons are Robert McKay, of Winnipeg. Neither of the brothers, or sisters belong to the city. It has been decided to hold an inquest into the death in the city.

SCHOONER'S MATE IS CHARGED WITH THEFT

Hans Niklaw in Police Court for Stealing Rope - Remanded Until Today - A Hampton Man's Case.

In the police court, yesterday afternoon, Hans Niklaw, the Russian mate of the schooner Mayflower, was charged by Captain Sabean with stealing a quantity of oil, valued at three dollars. The defendant, who was represented by E. S. Ritchie, pleaded not guilty. Captain Sabean gave evidence that the defendant had been mate of the schooner only on the passage from Boston to this port, and on arrival here was discharged. It was after he was discharged that he took the oil. Witness admitted that it was customary for the mates to sell the old rope, but only when they were on duty on the vessel. He said he did not care so much about the rope, but that a pair of rubber boots and a coat belonging to him were stolen and the defendant was seen leaving the vessel with the boots. The prisoner was remanded until this morning at 9.30 o'clock. George Blomfield, a young man from Hampton, was charged with being drunk and fighting on the Hampton train. A friend arrived from Hampton and paid a fine of eight dollars for the drunkenness charge, while a fine of \$32 or four months was allowed to stand and the defendant was told that he had better remain in Hampton and keep clear of liquor.

RUSHING EXCAVATION WORK ON THE SUGAR REFINERY SITE

Crew of One Hundred Men Now Employed Preparing for Foundation of Big New Industry - Night Shift will Start on Job Next Week.

The work on the site of the new sugar refinery is being carried on an extensive scale, despite the unfavorable weather of the past week, and the scene of the new industry is a busy one just now. A crew of about one hundred men have been started on the job of excavating in preparation for the concrete piers and it is the intention to increase the number of workmen gradually as the work expands. Beginning next week it is probable that the work will be carried on in double shifts, one crew working days and the other at night so as to get the ground ready to begin the foundation structure as soon as possible. In addition to the large crew already at work the construction company, which is doing the work, has requisitioned a lot of machinery which has been put in operation, thus expediting the work considerably. Steam is playing an important part in the work, powerful derricks, pumps, concrete mixers and other devices being already at work. The excavating is a big undertaking and will require a long time to complete, but it is the intention to carry on simultaneously, as far as possible, the work of laying the piers so that no time may be lost in getting to the substructure.

Forty Hours Devotion. The devotions of the forty hours which were begun in the cathedral on Friday when the Blessed Sacrament was exposed for the adoration of the faithful will be brought to a close on tomorrow evening. Personal. Hon. J. E. Wilson, Hon. Dr. Landry and P. Grattan, M. L. A., returned to the city on the Boston steamer last night from Fredericton.

Come and Admire These New Spring Overcoats



We want you to see these models, including the celebrated "Society Brand" in the varied style treatment of the new season and to admire their perfect fitting qualities and excellent tailoring before committing yourself on the spring overcoat question. The models are roomy yet shapely and extremely fashionable in appearance. There is offered this season a great variety of lapel treatment and body designing, so that the exhibit presents a generous range and a better than ever opportunity for satisfactory choice. Overcoats with plain set-in-sleeves, raglan sleeves, and two-piece top sleeves, also the plain "Chesterfield." Chevots and Vicunas, medium and dark shades of grey and brown in diagonal weaves, stripes and heather mixtures, also in a nice variety of fancy tweeds. Also plain grey and black Vicunas and Chevots, silk Chevots, silk faced to edge, for dress occasions.

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