

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh southwest... Toronto, March 18.—Milder weather has prevailed today from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces...

AROUND THE CITY

Another Land Company. The Canadian Consolidated Land Company is to open an office here. The company has acquired considerable blocks of land on the West Side of the harbor and intends to offer this for sale in lots in the real estate market.

St. John Girl Honored. Miss Margaret Gleason, graduate of Fortham Hospital, New York, is visiting her parents on Main street, Fairville. After a short stay in the city she will leave for Baltimore where she has accepted a position as head nurse in the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

A Slight Fire. Shortly before ten o'clock last evening the Carleton fire department responded to an alarm from box 115. A fire had started in a shed in the rear of a house on King street extension, owned by John Gosline, but the blaze was extinguished before much damage was done.

An Interesting Lecture. Rev. J. B. Cropper, returned missionary from Demerara, returned a public meeting in St. Andrew's church this evening at eight o'clock. Dr. Cropper has had an experience of 18 years in this interesting country which was known as "the white man's grave."

The Kiddie Enjoyed It. A little girl, the daughter of Mrs. Edwin Thomas, was found on Brussels street last evening by Officer O'Leary, who took her to central station for protection. The little girl was made comfortable by the officers at central, and when she was called for by her mother about nine o'clock she was enjoying cake that one of the kind hearted policemen had given her from his lunch box.

Confirmation Last Night. There was a large congregation present at St. John's (Stone) church last evening for the confirmation administered by His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton to fourteen candidates. The Bishop addressed the candidates prior to the laying on of hands as to the nature of the rite, and during the offertory C. A. Munro sang the solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

His Rib Was Not Broken. Dominick McHugh was arrested in the North End Monday for being intoxicated, and was later allowed out on deposit for his appearance in court. He appeared in court yesterday morning and claimed that he thought one of his ribs had been broken during the time that he was under the influence. The Magistrate sent him into jail and Dr. D. E. Berryman examined the prisoner and found that he had a sore side but was not injured very badly.

Mrs. Elizabeth Elliott. The death took place yesterday at her late home, 44 Winter street, of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Elliott, aged 72 years. She was the wife of the late Edward Elliott and leaves two daughters and two sons. The daughters are Mrs. Fred E. Sturtevant, of New York, and Mrs. Charles W. Henderson, of Vancouver. B. C. The sons are Edward, of San Francisco, and Samuel S., of St. John. The deceased had been ill about a month of gastritis. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon.

Sailors Good Entertainers. There was a large audience at the Esplanade Institute rooms last night when entertainers from the steamships Letitia and the Empress of Britania gave an excellent performance. C. Olden, who is a composer and humorist, and Charles Neary, were especially pleasing in their acts, while the Highland dancing by Mr. Nicholson was exceptionally good. Others participating were F. Brooks, J. Seaton, R. Patterson, J. Duckers, Master Warner, while Jack Walker rendered some of his latest song hits in good style. Every performer was accorded Ed Clegg acted efficiently as accompanist on the piano. The entertainment was one of the best given in the Institute this season.

"Favolita" Program at Nickel. The Nickel is having three star attractions today in the film line—a Vitagraph with Marie Costello and Clara Kimball Young, a Lubin with Arthur Johnston and Lettie Briscoe and an Edison with Mabelle Trussell and Robert Neill. Read the big advt. and see the whole story. The Favolita is a riot every show—"best ever heard here." is the general verdict.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of George H. Hughson was held from his father's residence, 69 Harrison street, yesterday afternoon at half-past two. Rev. R. P. McElin officiated and interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The pallbearers were Woodford Scott, Walter Dunlop, Fred Stevens, Guy Nichols, Otto Mowry and Willie Grant, officers of St. Luke's Cadet Corps, of which he was a member.

CIVIL ENGINEER MURDOCH TELLS OF WATER SUPPLY

Explains Different Systems, in Lecture before Natural History Society, Last Evening—Shows Spruce Lake Water is of High Grade.

Under the auspices of the Natural History Society last evening an interesting and instructive lecture on "The Water Supply of a City," was given by Wm. Murdoch, city engineer. Dr. G. U. Hay presided. Unfortunately, the attendance was small, and those who did not attend deprived themselves of a very profitable evening's entertainment.

In preface to the lecture he quoted Seaman, a French savant, who commented on the subject in a manner that could not fail to please, and imparted much valuable information. The water of the Dead Sea, Mr. Murdoch said, is probably the densest known, containing 14,488 grains of solid matter per imperial gallon. The purity of the water of the Atlantic can be easily seen, it is considered that it contains only 2,688 grains per imperial gallon. As to Loch Lomond water, when St. John draws its supply of water, this contains but 2.6 grains of solid matter, and for distilled water 0.12.

The lecturer after touching upon the sources of the larger bodies of water on the earth's surface, pointed out that although water is understood to be the antithesis of fire, it consists of two gases, which, when applied for the purpose, produce oxo-hydrogen flame. This it has been reasoned and successfully tested that steam, raised to a very high temperature and then let loose, when very hot, upon some body which tends to unite with one of its elements, its oxygen for instance, as is the case with common fuels, the hot steam immediately sets the body on fire. The heat that is produced is most intense, and there is reason to believe that all the oxygen of the steam may unite again with all the hydrogen of the steam so that the whole result of the combustion shall be merely that the fuel is transformed by the intense heat into acetylene matter. And thus a furnace may be so arranged that while its heat is employed as usual in generating steam in the boiler for a steam engine, all the smoke shall be made fit for illuminating purposes and ready for being transferred into the gas meter.

He then touched upon the various devices employed by past generations for getting water, in 1581 Morice, a Dutchman, obtained a 500 year franchise to supply London with water under pressure, and he installed a pumping plant actuated by undershot wheels, at London Bridge.

Bringing his hearers back to native soil, Mr. Murdoch traced the water service of this city back to the origin in 1898, when water flowed for the first time through pipes. In 1851 the Little River dam was built. The cholera epidemic of 1854 stirred the citizens to a realization of the necessity for a plentiful supply of water, and by an act of assembly provision was made for the appointment of "The commissioners of sewerage and water supply for the city of St. John (east) and part of the parish of Portland."

Several changes in the form and personnel of commissions occurred between then and 1899 when the water and sewerage board was constituted. He then dealt with the evolution which came about during these periods and the extensions in the service when very hot, upon some body which tends to unite with one of its elements, its oxygen for instance, as is the case with common fuels, the hot steam immediately sets the body on fire. The heat that is produced is most intense, and there is reason to believe that all the oxygen of the steam may unite again with all the hydrogen of the steam so that the whole result of the combustion shall be merely that the fuel is transformed by the intense heat into acetylene matter. And thus a furnace may be so arranged that while its heat is employed as usual in generating steam in the boiler for a steam engine, all the smoke shall be made fit for illuminating purposes and ready for being transferred into the gas meter.

Members of Barbers' Union will Ask Commissioners to Put Stop to All Sunday Shaving.

The Journeymen Barbers' Union No. 622, held an open meeting in their rooms, Opera House building, last night, when several new members were admitted. After the business of the union had been transacted, the meeting was thrown open for discussion.

The journeymen barbers had issued invitations to the employing business in the city to be present and express themselves on the questions, or to listen to the discussion. Out of the forty or more employers in the city only two or three proprietors of tonorial establishments were present. Oscar Price, who is the proprietor of a shop in the North End, was the only one who was in favor of not only shorter hours but of better prices for the work done and Messrs. Morey and Warren, two other proprietors, gave their views as in sympathy with the journeymen's movement.

In addition to having a better salary for members of the union, the union intend to send a committee to wait on the commissioners to attempt to have a by-law passed and enforced preventing any barber shop being opened on Sundays for business. A member of the union stated that there were shops open on Sunday mornings doing business by the side door and it was not fair to the shops without the side door, or to the barbers who would not do a Sunday business. If a man did not feel like shaving on Saturday night he would let his whisker grow until Sunday morning when he knew a side entrance where he could get shaved for paying perhaps double the regular price.

The union also wish that the shops hours be from eight o'clock in the morning until seven in the evening. That the shops close at eleven o'clock on Saturday nights, and that they be open until eleven o'clock on the night before a holiday and that all shops be closed on a holiday. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, and a number of addresses were given by the members.

A HANDSOME WINDOW OF MILLINERY & ACCESSORIES.

The great variety of trimming accessories which the new season presents and the charm of the millinery is beautifully brought out in the present display in M. R. A.'s Annex window. This is an exceedingly difficult thing as it was necessary to arrange the great mass of colors to blend perfectly and the finished window in, without doubt, the handsomest which this firm has ever shown. The ladies should not miss the opportunity of seeing this exhibit which includes the most desirable of the season's flowers, feathers and a few cleverly designed hats.

SPRING OPENING AND EASTER EXHIBIT OF MILLINERY AT M. R. A.'S.

Few springs have ushered in such a wealth of new millinery, and the best efforts of the leading designers of Europe and America will be shown at this opening display today and tomorrow in the Millinery Salon, second floor. This will be an exhibit of more than ordinary interest, and every lady in St. John should plan to attend.

UGLY STORY TOLD POLICE MAGISTRATE

History of Depravity House one of Debauchery and Depravity—Offenders Sent to Jail.

A story of depravity and debauchery was told in the police court yesterday afternoon, when George Goodwin was charged with being the proprietor of a disorderly house at 150 Brussels street. Mrs. Celia Nairn was charged with drunkenness, and with having been in the house Saturday night last when the police took a hand in the affair.

Police Constable Ross and Officer O'Leary were the officers who made the charges, and they gave evidence, while Goodwin with a black eye and the Nairn woman with a troubled expression on her face sat on the prisoners' bench and listened.

Officer Ross testified that the house was situated in Lawson's Alley, off Brussels street, and on Saturday night last there was a disorderly party in the house. When he and Officer O'Leary got to the door, they heard a disturbance going on and some very bad language being used. Goodwin's aged mother, who was almost blind, was in the house, and during the disturbance she was struck on the head and injured. The place was dirty, and in addition to Goodwin, his mother, Herbert Addison, James Taylor, Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Nairn were in the house. While the officers were at the door in the alley they heard a couple coming towards the door, there was a scuffle and then one of the party fell to the floor. The door opened and Mrs. Nairn came out. She was drunk and the officers had to assist her down the stairs to save her, and then reported Goodwin for keeping the disorderly house.

Police Constable O'Leary stated that Goodwin did not work regularly, and that his mother would beg for food, while the big lady son would remain in the house a loafer.

Goodwin, when asked by the court what he had to say for himself, asked the court to have mercy on him and allow him to go home to his mother. He would try and get work. He said that Mrs. Murphy had only made a house on Brussels street on Saturday night, and brought his mother some flour. He said that Mrs. Nairn had been there for a few days looking after his mother, who was ill, and that he never saw her drinking before.

Officer Ross informed the court it was only a short time ago that he saw Goodwin and Mrs. Nairn coming out of a house on Brussels street that had been kept by Mrs. Thomas. The Thomas woman since had been sent to jail on the charge of keeping a disorderly house.

Magistrate Ritchie said that the best place for the old woman would be in the Alms House, and as for the son, the best place for him was in jail. The prisoner was then remanded to jail, and His Honor gave instructions that word be sent to Secretary Wetmore to look into the matter regarding the old woman.

As for Mrs. Nairn her face was a familiar one to those in the police court, and His Honor told her that it would have suited her much better if she had been out looking for work instead of getting mixed up in such a racket. She was sentenced to jail for six months, and at the expiration of that term she is fined \$50 or an additional three months in jail. It looks as if Celia will spend the nine months in jail, and that will bring her out in time for next Christmas.

POLICE HEAR OF PATHETIC CASE

With Little Child, Pond Street Woman Pleads for Release of Man in Jail on Drunkenness Charge.

A woman who claimed Pond street as the section of the city where she resides, called at the police court yesterday afternoon, accompanied by a little girl nine years of age. The woman said she was not the mother of the child, but she came to the court to say she could not get the little girl's father liberated from jail. The woman stated that the little girl was the oldest of eight children and her mother was sick at home, and unable to come to the court and plead for her husband's release. She claimed that the wife of the prisoner was a good woman and worked hard for the family when she was able to do so. While she was working the husband looked after the household duties. At the present time the poor woman was ill and the family practically in a destitute condition. Should the man be liberated from jail, where he had been sent for drunkenness he would perhaps get to work and be of some assistance to his family who were now in the greatest need of help.

Magistrate Ritchie told the woman that she should not have brought the child to the police court as he did not approve of children being brought into court unless it was necessary. He said it was a shame that the man who had a wife out working to support him and eight children should fall so low as to get drunk on money that he should have used for the maintenance of his wife and little ones. His Honor told the woman to take the little girl home and he would have inquiry made into the matter.

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