The Evening Times ★ Star

GIRL, 19, SLAIN IN LOT NEAR HOME

Left Parents to "Go to the Corner" After Seeing Movie Show

Choked, Clothing Torn — Man's Handkerchief and a Bottle of Camphor Only Clues Near the Scene of Crime.

Paterson, N. J., May 23. — Jessie Piekema, nineteen years old, "went to the corner," near her home, with a girl friend. Next morning her dead body was found in a lot 100 feet from the house where her anxious parents sat waiting her return. The girl was a silk worker who had no known male companions.

The discovery of the body by a man on his way to work, and the announcement in local newspapers later in the day, started the police on a hunt for a man who has accosted and attacked several women recently in the neighborhood of the Piekema girl's home, while a prominent woman interested in social work reported that she, too, had an unpleasant experience with the man several nights ago.

An autopsy by Dr. Robert H. Armstrong, Passaic County Physician, disclosed that the young woman had been attacked, and that death was due to a broken neck. Several of her front teeth had been knocked out, and her law broken. She had fought her assailant until he choked her to death. Her clothing had been torn from her body.

Detectives who interviewed the girl's parents and girl friends were unable to discover any love affair in her life which might lead to a clue to the murderer. They gathered what evidence they could find on the spot, a blood spattered man's handkerchief and a bottle of camphorated oil purchased at a local druggist's.

Soon after publication of the story of the murder in the Paterson evening newspapers, however, the police began to receive reports over the telephone from women who thought they might be able to furnish a description of the murderer. None of the descriptions, however, was complete enough to give much help.

On Friday evening Miss Piekema went to a motion picture show, accompanied by a girl friend, Miss Mattie Tanis. When the show was over, both girls went to the Piekema home at 21 Barnert Place. Miss Tanis remained there for a few minutes and when she was about to leave the Piekema girl told her mother she would see her friend "to the corner."

Miss Tanis told the police that as they stood on the corner chatting, a third young woman, Jennie Myers, joined them. Miss Tanis thought they remained on the corner for half an hour. She said that they had noticed a Ford car containing three men pass the corner several times, and that one of the men in the tonneau made some slightly indistinct remark as they passed around the block. Miss Piekema bade her friends good night and started for her home.

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BIRTHS

TAYLOR—To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. W. Taylor, 81 Elliott Row, on May 23, a son.

TONY—To Mr. and Mrs. Vail Tony, 668 Main street, on May 22, 1923, a son.

YOEMAN—On May 22, 1923, at Evangeline Maternity Home, to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Yoeman, a son.

COATES—At Rothesay, N. B., on May 21, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coates, a son—Ronald Dobbin.

DEATHS

DANFORD—At the General Public Hospital on May 22, 1923 Robert S. Danford, aged six months beloved child of George and Lottie Danford, leaving his parents, one brother and five sisters to mourn.

Funeral today from the parents' residence, 7 Clarence St. at 2 o'clock. Interment at Fernhill Cemetery.

COATES—At Rothesay on May 24, 1923, Ronald Dobbin, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coates.

Private funeral on Wednesday.

OSBORNE—At her parents' residence, 163 Winslow street, West St. John, on May 23, 1923, Erma M., daughter of Albert S. and Edna C. Osborne in the 20th year of her age, leaving, besides her parents, four brothers and two sisters to mourn.

Funeral Friday at 2.30 p. m.

BROWN—In this city on Tuesday 22nd inst. Kate M. beloved wife of W. J. Brown, leaving a husband and one son to mourn.

Funeral on Thursday 24, at 2.30 p. m. from the residence of her father, Geo. C. Weldon, 216 1-2 Rockland road.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. Ann McAfee wish to thank their friends for their kindness and for floral tributes during their sad bereavement.

Charges Rich Man With Non-Support

Wife Says He Declared He'd 'Starve Her Into Divorce'

Boston, May 23. — Descendants of two prominent Newburyport families took up legal cudgels against each other in the Superior Criminal Court, when Fred W. Piper, heir to the estate of George Piper and reputed as wealthy, was placed on trial for non-support and desertion of his wife, Edith M. Piper.

Mrs. Piper lives in Westland avenue and her husband in Philadelphia. The wife testified, while on the verge of tears, that she had visited Philadelphia three times in an effort to get her husband to live with her or let her live with him, and that he had sent her away broken-hearted once, filled with hope another time and had bribed her to return to Boston a third time by mailing a $50 check to her Boston apartment while she was with him in Philadelphia.

She said that her husband took her money, the proceeds of a beautiful home in Newburyport, invested the cash in East Coast Fisheries and lost the savings.

Married in March of 1905, Mrs. Piper said they lived in Newburyport for some time and then moved to 368 Marlboro street, Boston. They later lived on Huntington avenue and before he left her she said her husband rented the apartment she now occupies. At this time, she said, she was in a slightly nervous condition because of his attitude to other women and his treatment of her, and it was agreed between them that she should have this apartment instead of going to a sanatarium.

Her husband came to the apartment from time to time, she said. In 1922 she said he suddenly stopped all her charge accounts at leading Boston stores and told her he would starve her into getting a divorce from him.

She said he picked out an attorney for her to get to start divorce proceedings and made an effort to settle securities on her which would guarantee her a $3,000 a year income if she would obtain the divorce and do it in such a manner that no overt the attorneys nor the judge would know of the real charges she might bring.

She testified that while she couldn't understand why she did it, she did agree temporarily to go through with this plan and went with her husband to consult an attorney. Before any arrangement had been made, she said, she told her husband that she wanted him and no divorce and walked out of the building. Her husband chased her around the block three times to no avail, she said.

New Companies

(Special to Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., May 23—William Webber, Herman Ernest Webber and George Hamilton McCormack, all of St. John, have been incorporated as Atlantic Fuel Company, Ltd., with capital stock of $20,000 and head office at St. John.

Alex. J. Doucett of Moncton, Honore Bourgeois, Delphin A. Goguen, Arsene J. Doucet and Charles R. Doucet of Notre Dame, Kent County, have been incorporated as Maritime Products, Limited, with head office at Notre Dame and capital stock of $24,000. The company is to deal in farm produce, canned products and all commodities.

Alex. Dunbar, James R. Dunbar, Ronald H. Dunbar, Douglas Dunbar and Gordon Dunbar of Edmundston, have former a partnership as the Dunbar Lumber Company, to manufacture and deal in lumber. The head office and at Edmundston.

PERSONALS

Miss Edna L. Seely left last evening for Montreal where she will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. H. Johnson, for a visit.

Irvin Mitchell, third officer of the steamer Governor Dingley, is spending a few days in the city as the guest of his sister, Mrs. T. D. Owens.

Mrs. Budd A. Taylor of Moncton, who has been visiting Mrs. F. C. Wesley, 248 Germain street, has returned to her home.

Mrs. C. T. Jones and her daughter Miss Nellie P. Jones left on Monday for Toronto, to visit Mrs. Jones' brother Major J. Otty Sharp.

Moncton Times: Mr. and Mrs. A. Lorne Colpitts, who have been on an extended trip through Western Canada and the States as far as California, returned home on Saturday after an absence of nearly two months.

Fredericton Gleaner: Leland S. Lister, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Lister, who graduated from the N. B. last week with the degree of B.Sc. has accepted a position with the Wayagamac Pulp and Paper Co., at Three Rivers, Que. Jack Edgecombe, son of Mrs. A. W. Edgecombe of this city, was among those who graduated from Toronto Dental College last week.

Fredericton Gleaner: Miss Jeanette Beverly went to St. John yesterday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. Fraser Gregory. Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Simms arrived at noon yesterday from Everett, Washington, and are the guests of their son, Leslie H. Simms. Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, of Philadelphia are the guests of Mrs. H. J. Murphy. They left Fredericton 38 years ago.

Fredericton Mail: H. Chip Seeley has left for Boston, where he will remain for the summer.

Mrs. J. E. March, of Ottawa, and Mrs. Colwell, of Halifax, are visiting their parents, Prof. and Mrs. DesBarres, in Sackville.

Mrs. F. E. Neale, of Chatham, has gone to spend two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Bruce, Toronto.

WORK FOR 200 GIRLS.

Moncton Transcript:—The Canadian Textile Products Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of the Province of New Brunswick, which recently purchased the machinery and property of the Maritime Linen Mills here, will open in the premises recently occupied by the Linen Mills on or about June 1st, and will carry on the manufacture of shirts, overalls, men's pants, and other textile manufactures. About 200 young ladies will be given employment.

THE FIRST ARRIVAL

Chatham World:—The first oceangoing steamer arrived in port on Thursday and is being loaded at Sinclair's.

BALL PLAYERS FROM U. S. HERE

Tippets, Buchanan and McCarthy Arrive to Strengthen St. John Teams.

Three baseball players, who are to strengthen the local clubs, reached the city today from Boston. Bill Tippetts, a pitcher, and George Buchanan, a catcher, arrived to join the St. John War Veterans team, and Jerry McCarthy, a third baseman, arrived to join St. Peter's. The three players were met by representatives of both teams and were given a hearty welcome. Tippetts appeared here two years ago with the Auburns and made a splendid impression on the fans by his clasfy pitching and all-around good work. Buchanan was here last year with Casey's nine and his work behind the plate favorably impressed local fans. The addition of this battery should prove a great fillip to the Vets. Both have been working out in Boston and are expected to participate in a number of twilight games. Tippetts was a member of the Rochester Club of the International League last year, but jumped the team as a result of some dissatisfaction over money matters. He says he is in good condition and ready to take his turn in the box.

McCarthy is a promising looking player. Last season he was a member of the Plattsburg team in the New York State League.

The players said they were talking with Dick Casey prior to their departure from Boston, and personally appealed to Joe and "Lefty" Ford. All three, they say, have strong clubs and should make a good showing this season. All wished to be remembered to the local players and fans.

Ben Smith playing-manager of the Fredericton Baseball Club in 1922, arrived in Fredericton Tuesday night. He is accompanied by his wife, having been married in Malden, Mass., last Saturday. He will remain in Fredericton for the summer. The balance of the American players for the Fredericton team are to arrive the 30th.

LATE SHIPPING

PORT OF ST. JOHN

Arrived Today

S. S. Commercial Scout, 1020, Olsen, from Philadelphia.

Coastwise—Tug Margaret A. Hackett, 63, Mowry, from Halifax.

Cleared Today

Sch. Catherine, 609, Wilkie, for Parrsboro.

Coastwise—Gas sch. Laura and Marion, 33, Arehan, for Belliveau's Cove; gas sch. Alice May, 16, Copp, for Harvey.

Sailed Today

S. S. Governor Dingley, 2856, Ingalls, for Boston.

S. S. Tosto, 814, for Walton.

S. S. Pluto, 935, Mollersburg, for New York.

Sch. Martha Parsons, 455, Zinck, for New York.

CANADIAN PORTS?

North Sydney, N. S., May 22.—Ard. str. Jakobs, Marsk, from Tenerife, to load pitch at Sydney; trawler Terra Neuve (Fr.), Leseuvre, from fishing banks; str Dagdid, passed inward to Sydney at 10 a.m.

MARINE NOTES

S. S. Commercial Scout arrived this morning from Philadelphia to load potatoes for Havana, Cuba.

The Manchester Importer is due to sail on Saturday from Manchester for St. John direct.

The Chignecto is due to sail Saturday for Halifax.

The Chaddiere is due to sail on Friday from Halifax for the West Indies.

The Tosto sailed this morning for Walton to load plaster for New York.

The Pluto sailed this morning for New York.

The Canadian Carrier sailed from Montreal on May 19 for the West Indies.

The Canadian Challenger sailed from Montreal on May 16 for Cardiff and Swansea.

The Canadian Commander arrived at Montreal on May 21 from London and Antwerp.

The Canadian Constructor arrived in Auckland on May 9 from Halifax.

The Canadian Explorer arrived at Montreal yesterday from Liverpool.

The Canadian Fisher will sail from Montreal tomorrow for the West Indies.

The Canadian Harvester arrived in St. John's Nfld. on May 20 from Montreal.

The Canadian Leader sailed from Swansea on May 17 for Montreal.

The Canadian Logger arrived in Montreal today for the West Indies.

The Canadian Mariner sailed from Montreal on May 20 for Cardiff and Swansea.

The Canadian Planter arrived in Montreal today from Australia and New Zealand via Boston.

The Canadian Sapper arrived at Charlottetown today en route from Montreal to St. Johns, Nfld.

The schooner Martha Parsons sailed at noon today for New York with a full cargo of laths.

The schooner Dorothy, which arrived here on Monday, is loading pulpwood at No. 14 for Wilmington Delaware.

The schooner Whitebelle has completed loading a cargo of hard coal at New York for St. John. She will go to New York today to load for New York.

The schooner Charles C. Lister, held up here for some time on account of the freshet, will probably discharge on Friday to Gagetown in tow to load lumber.

MARVALE PASSENGERS AT ST. JOHN'S, ALL WELL

St. John's, Nfld., May 23—The passengers and crew of the wrecked C. P. R. liner Marvale arrived here to-day. All were well. They will await the arrival of the C. P. R. liner Melita, from Montreal, to which they will be transferred. The Marvale is in 9 1-2 fathoms of water, not seven.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THE THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

BANNER BILL AT IMPERIAL HOLIDAY

Imperial will offer for the holiday one of the largest and best assorted programmes of pictures it has attempted this season. Conway Tearle and Betty Compson will be the stars in that very smart and fetching story "The Rustle of Silk." Buster Keaton will be seen in the very best of his First National pictures entitled "The Frozen North," a rip rotious comedy. Lovers of the boxing ring will enjoy the Sid-McTigue fight which took place on last St. Patrick's day in Dublin, Ireland for 10 rounds.

Between shows at the evening performance Imperial's twice a week concert will be given by Imperial Theatre orchestra and Mrs. Rhoda Lloyd Winter as soloist. Two shows in the afternoon and two shows at night.

A BLACK-FACE GLOOM ASSASSIN

Ben Allen, Canada's premiere black-face comedian and assassin of sorrow, is back with the "Dumbells" once more, this time with a new version of his colored person monologue, funnier than ever. Captain M W. Plunkett's newly reorganized and greatly augmented "Dumbells" company will offer their latest success, "Carry On," at the Imperial Theatre, June 6 and 7. There are some thirty-two soldier boys with the new show, including an overseas orchestra, so "Carry On" promises to create a new criterion for military revues in Canada. Ross Hamilton and Al Plunkett are, of course, still the featured members of the cast, which includes Capt. Mert. Plunkett himself. Mail orders May 28, box office June 4.—Adv.

MAIL ORDERS 28TH, BOX OFFICE JUNE 4

In the past, St. John theatre goers have greatly appreciated securing choice seats for the performance of travelling companies through the mails for a period prior to the opening of the box office sale. In the case of the "Dumbells" engagement on June 6th and 7th mail order will be accepted on and after May 28th if accompanied by cheque or money order. The public is warned against sending currency unless registered. The mail order privilege will extend from May 28th to June 4th, public holiday. On this latter date the box office sale will begin. 5-27

Imperial Has Great Sporting Extra

Just how the Senegalese boxer, Siki, lost that sixteen-round bout with Mike McTigue, the Irish-American pugilist, in Dublin, Ireland on St. Patrick's day last, is shown in the two-reel sporting picture of extraordinary interest to be screened at the Imperial Theatre in the regular programme Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. It is a matter of much controversy among the sporting experts who saw the bout as to the fairness of the award, but when the imperial shows the fight from the beginning to the end local fans can judge for themselves.

Johnstone's Hotel

Upper Loch Lomond now open. Headquarters for fishing parties. Special meals served for 24th. Prompt and efficient service. 18147-5-24

LOCAL NEWS

"RITZ" DANCING TONIGHT

Special Holiday Dance Tomorrow Evening.

BOARD OF TRADE.

A request was received this morning by the Board of Trade from a party in Lynn, Mass., for literature on St. John and New Brunswick. It will be sent forward immediately.

DEATH OF CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. George Danford of 7 Clarence street have the sympathy of friends in the death of their young son, Robert S. The funeral took place to-day.

HELD SALE

A very successful rummage sale was held this morning in the lobby of the Queen Square theatre by the Ladies' Aid of Carmarthen street Methodist church. Those helping were Mrs. Mary Seymour, Mrs. J. Calhoun, Mrs. A. Martin and Mrs. Isaac Mercer.

RIVERSIDE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

The dining room will be opened on May 24. Members wishing meals kindly notify the housekeeper in advance. Sweepstakes will be played in the morning. Formal opening of club Thursday June 7. 18169-5-24

REPEAT ORDERS

The Imperial Tobacco Co. purchased Dodge Brothers Motor Cars for three of their travelers last year. This transportation proved so dependable and economical that The Imperial Tobacco Co. are equipping two more salesmen with similar cars. T. H. Estabrooks Co's travelers have also been furnished with Dodge Brothers Motor Cars. Adv.

HOTEL NARROWS OPEN JUNE 1.

Formerly Black's Hotel, an ideal place to spend your vacation, situated on the most beautiful site along the St. John river, scenery unsurpassed for beauty, easily reached by steamer Majestic leaving Indiantown, or by automobile. Parties stopping here can be assured comfort and the best possible service at a very reasonable rate. Address communications to F. D. Brogan, manager Cambridge, Queens Co., N. B. 18041-5-30

McARTHUR'S WALL PAPER SALE

Increasing sales and new customers show appreciation by a generous public, who have thus shown their desire for better goods at lower prices. Odd borders for any wall, 5 to 8c. per yard. New Goods today from 8 to 59c. Shades from 80c. to $1.32 each. Orders filled promptly for any size shade. McArthur, 19 King Square. Open evenings.

SHORE LINE READY

It was announced at C. P. R. headquarters today that repairs to the Shore Line Railway will be completed by tonight and they will re-establish their regular service between West St. John and St. Stephen tomorrow. During the recent floods one of their bridges and more than four miles of rail were swept away at Musquash in addition to other washouts along the line. Since that time a large crew of men have been employed making temporary repairs.

POSTPONE THE MATTER OF AN ENVOY TO U. S.

Toronto, May 23—A Washington special to the Mail and Empire says that the Canadian Government, it was learned in the U. S. capital has yielded to pressure from home authorities in the British Empire, and will postpone appointment of a minister at Washington until after the imperial conference in London in October. The man now under consideration is Sir Clifford Sifton.

WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT?

(Woodstock Press.)

The people of Woodstock are keyed up now and will be for some time in the future over the power and light question.

There are differences of opinion. Some may be court cases and "court will consider," things will be delayed no doubt and for some months to come, may be, things will be stormy. The Press may take a hand in the matter in what we consider the interests of the town and its citizens. Others will not agree with us. However, we will endeavor to avoid personalities if the matter develops into a fight to the finish. At the present time it is impossible to be certain. The N. B. Board of Public Utilities will meet on Friday, May 25th, in St. John. A certain decision from that body will be anxiously awaited. Angry feelings are pretty near the surface and it will take but very little fire to start a conflagration. Let us hope that when the thing is settled that all parties will forget their differences and only remember that they are citizens of one of the best of the smaller towns in Canada. There are some who object to a war a person should not be branded a thief just because we think he is a thief.

TO ALLOW MISS CANADA

(Woodstock Press.)

A representative meeting of our citizens was held in the Town Hall, at 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening, with His Worship Mayor Brown in the chair, and John P. Melaney acting as secretary.

Mayor Brown said that we have always had a summer carnival and we should start early to make this city a grand success. The dates set were July 11-12. Miss Canada would come here as guest of the town. She was a native of Carleton county and we would want to give her a good time. Every citizen should put his or her shoulder to the wheel and make this carnival the best ever.

BRIDGE TENDERS.

(Special to Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., May 23—The Provincial Department of Public Works is calling for tenders for the steel superstructure of the Meduxnekeag River Mouth Bridge at Woodstock. The bridge is one riveted deck span 136 feet from end to end. This bridge was carried away during the recent flood.

THREE INJURED IN TRAIN DERAILMENT

Winchester, Mass., May 23—Several passengers were injured, none seriously, when a Boston and Maine Railroad express train from Concord, N. H., for Boston was derailed near the Winchester station today.

FOURTEEN OR MORE DEAD IN FIRE

Believed That Chinese were Trapped in Underground Lodgings in Mexicalia.

Mexicali, Lower California, May 23. —Fourteen persons are known to have been killed and more than three blocks of buildings were destroyed by a fire which started late yesterday in the operating room of a moving picture theatre here. The property loss was placed at from $1,000,000 to $8,500,000, the higher figure being credited to agents of companies which had insured the buildings. One thousand persons were made homeless.

With only fourteen bodies recovered, local officials say at least twenty were killed, and unofficial estimates put the number of deaths at a much higher figure. Many Chinese had underground lodgings in the district burned over, and officials say it is probable many of the Chinese were trapped by the flames in the tunnels.

LONDON PAPERS INCREASE PRICES

London, May 23.—(Canadian Press) —In common with a few prominent provincial newspapers, the London Times and the Daily Telegraph have arranged soon to increase their price to two pence.

These London papers, in making the announcement, explain that the present charge of three half-pence was never economically justifiable.

Acadia Diplomas

Wolfville, N. S., May 22—Diplomas were conferred upon twenty-three graduates at the annual convocation of Acadia Ladies' Seminary here last evening. Graduates and prize winners included:—

Collegiate Course—Grace Elisabeth Carpenter, Carpenter, N. B.

Sophomore Matriculation Course—Allie Wetmore McGee, St. George, N. B.

Normal Course in Household Science —Mary Evelyn Belle, Milltown, N. B.; Katharine Watson Emery, Woodstock, N. B.; Heloise Hampden Gillmore, Bonney River, N. B.; Grace Allis Smith, Fredericton.

Margaret Millard memorial prize, to the student who makes the highest standing in household science throughout the year—Heloise Gillmore, Bonney River, N. B.

Honorable mention for high standing in collegiate work and French, and excellent conduct—Grace Carpenter, Carpenter, N. B.

FREDERICTON NEWS.

(Special to The Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., May 22.—The Fredericton Housing Board has been notified that the sum of $80,000 now is available from the federal grant made available for assistance to the erection of dwellings. The money is available through previous applicants not proceeding with building operations.

Robson Black, secretary of the Canadian Forestry Association addressed 2,500 pupils of students of the public schools of Fredericton and Devon and of the Provincial Normal School in the latter school this morning on forest conservation. Motion pictures were used.

MALCOLM BRUCE TO GIVE HIMSELF UP?

Toronto, May 23 — The cases of the Worker here today, it was said that Malcolm Bruce, who is wanted in Sydney, N. S. on charges of seditious utterances, has left for the Maritime Provinces to give himself up to the authorities.

TWO DROWNED WHILE BATHING

Winnipeg, May 23—Clifford Treaven, aged seven, and George Defrault, aged nine, both of St. Boniface, Man. were drowned in the Red River here yesterday while bathing.

ARMY AVIATORS TO RETURN TOMORROW

San Diego, Calif., May 23—Lieutenants Oakley G. Kelly and J. A. Macready, army aviators, who brought the T-2 across from New York to San Diego in twenty-seven hours, plan to start their return east in the long monoplane tomorrow at 8 a. m.

The flying programme calls for four stops at El Paso, Texas; Port Sill, Lawton, Okla; St. Louis, Mo., and Dayton, Ohio.

Ireland To Follow Canada On Envoy

Confer on Appointing Ambassador to Washington

Ottawa, Ont., May 23—Following a conference here between Premier MacKenzie King and Prof. Smittee, representing the Irish Free state, it was announced that the question of appointing a Canadian ambassador at Washington would be brought up in the Canadian House of Commons following the passing of the estimates of the department of external affairs and that the Irish Free State will follow any action taken by the Dominion government.

Prof. Smittee announced that Ireland did not wish to take the initiative in appointing an ambassador at Washington, and as a result of the conference he had here with the Canadian premier, Canada has heard to take the first step. If Canada appoints a Canadian ambassador at Washington, the Irish republic will follow suit.

It was announced that the entire question would be reopened within the next two weeks, in the estimates of the department of external affairs, but to date no names have been placed before the government, despite the fact that several prominent parliamentarians have been mentioned.

LOCAL NEWS

MEETING THIS AFTERNOON.

Dr. A. F. Smith, chairman of the N. B. Electric Power Commission is expected in town this afternoon. A meeting of the commission will be held today to consider tenders for repairs to the damaged work at Musquash.

CONCERT AND DANCE.

The St. John Young Judeans held their fifth annual concert and dance last evening and it was a pronounced success from every standpoint. The programme consisted of tableaux, comic sketches and piano and vocal solos. There was a large attendance and a special appeal raised for reconstruction work in Palestine. At the conclusion of the programme a dance was held and was greatly enjoyed by those present. The affair was under the auspices of the Leaders' Council of Young Judeans.

THE PLUTO AWAY.

The Norwegian steamer Pluto, which was damaged on last Thursday when she struck on Quaco Ledge in a dense fog, sailed this morning for New York for permanent repairs. She was due to sail last night, but it was decided to give the concrete temporary patches in her hold more time to set and she was held until this morning. Captain A. J. Mukelsjy, port warden, one of those who surveyed the steamer, said that it had been impossible to make any estimate of the damage because the bottom could not be viewed while the steamer was in the slip.

WM. E. MARSHALL, POET, IS DEAD IN BRIDGEWATER

It was Said of Him That He Knew Keats' Poems Every Word.

Bridgewater, N. S., May 23.—(Canadian Press)—William E. Marshall, 64, widely known poet and Keats scholar died here today. His best known work was "Brookfield," a threnody on the death of R. R. McLeod. Of the poet's other literary activities, it had been said that had all of the works of John Keats been destroyed, he could have reconstructed them word for word. He was the author of numerous articles mostly on literary subjects.

Mr. Marshall is survived by his wife Margaret, daughter of the late Archibald Campbell of Liverpool, one son Harold Marshall of Cuba, who yesterday by steamer, hoping to reach the bedside of his father before his death; one daughter, Mrs. Sidney Faillie of Bridgewater, and one sister, Mrs. Frank Simpson of Toronto.

THREE MEN BUY BIG BALL CLUB

Announcement Made of the Purchase on the Boston American League Team— To Take Possession in October.

Columbus, Ohio, May 23—Definite announcement was made here today that the Boston American League baseball club has been purchased by three Columbus men, who will take possession in October at the end of the present season.

The purchasers are E. M. Schoenborn, Palmer K. Winslow and Dr. Robert D. Drury, who formerly were interested in the Columbus American Association Club.

Mr. Winslow and Dr. Drury made the announcement of the purchase upon their arrival here today from Chicago.

FATALITIES IN GERMAN RIOTS

Duesseldorf, May 23—Rioting is in progress today in the Dortmund district. Several miners have been killed and others wounded in a conflict with the police.

According to reports received at French headquarters here, the striking miners held a demonstration.

The Dortmund police in endeavoring to disperse the gathering fired several shots into the crowd killing several persons and wounding many others. The angered crowds attacked the police, of whom many were wounded.

Similar demonstrations occurred at the Hamborn mine nearby, where several workmen were killed and others wounded by the police.

The miners' strike was brought about by Communist agitators on demands for higher wages, and they are now reported to be trying to effect a general strike throughout the Ruhr affecting 200,000 workers.

HOLIDAY STRIKE IN CAPE BRETON

Sydney, N. S., May 23—J. B. McLachlan, secretary of the U. M. W. of District No. 26, said today that the miners will take two or three holidays weekly as a protest against the presence of the provincial police in Cape Breton and also in support of their agitation for a return to the 1921 wage scale.

SWISS RESENT TONE OF RUSIAN NOTE

Vorosky Incident Brings Out Strong Condemnation from Soviet—Swiss Make Warm Reply.

During his stay in Halifax, says the Chronicle, Mr. Dawson has been identified with every branch of athletics. In addition to his work at the Y. M. C. A., where he has been instrumental in turning out some of the best gymnasium classes and basketball teams developed by the "Y" in recent years, "Doc" has also been active in school athletics, soccer and road racing. The successful public school meets held for the past several years were instituted by him, and he devoted a lot of time to training the various schools athletic competitors in the different meets. He is immensely popular in Halifax, and is a member of the Rotary Club. While he has not yet announced his future plans Mr. Dawson will in all probability leave Halifax to pursue a different line of Y. M. C. A. work.

EGGS 33 CENTS IN BOSTON.

The city of Boston is paying only thirty-three cents a dozen for eggs, that being the average cost for the institutions, under a contract awarded yesterday to the Merchants' Provision Company for 75,000 dozen.

A. B. DAWSON RETIRES FROM HALIFAX 'Y.'