

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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NO MORE FREE LOCALS.

AROUND THE CITY

Going to Ottawa.
Premier Fleming and Attorney General Grimmer, will leave for Ottawa on Monday to make final arrangements in regard to the leasing by the I. C. R. of the St. John's Valley Railway.

Unable to Agree.
A meeting of a sub-committee of the Board of Works was held yesterday afternoon to consider an application from J. Fraser Gregory to purchase or lease two of the scows owned by the city. It is understood the committee were unable to agree on a report to the council, and will hold another meeting and seek further information.

Didn't Want To Go.
About 7 o'clock last evening a telephone message was sent to the North King police station to the effect that a man named Taylor was creating a disturbance in the house of the City Road. Sgt. Scott and Patrolman Hamm responded and found Taylor in a rather ugly mood from drink. Taylor objected to being ejected and proved difficult for the policemen to handle. During the scuffle he sunk his teeth into Sgt. Scott's glove biting a piece about an inch square out of the glove and cutting the sergeant's hand enough to bring the blood. Taylor was arrested and locked up.

Lamp Explodes.
There was considerable excitement in the home of Reno R. Horne, manager of the St. John Postage Company, Ltd., at 24 Paddock street, shortly after 9 o'clock last evening. An oil lamp had been left burning in one of the bedrooms and lying on the bed sleeping was a two months old baby. The lamp exploded and in an instant the burning oil had caught the commode and clothing in the room Mrs. Horne who was fortunately near at the time of the explosion, rushed into the burning room and snatched the infant from the bed, saving its life. A telephone message to No. 2 fire station soon had No. 1 chemical and No. 2 hose on the scene and the fire was quickly extinguished but not before considerable damage had been done to the furnishings of the room.

University Lecture.
Owing to the inclement weather there was only a small attendance at the lecture given in the Natural History Society rooms last night. The lecture was on Lakes Ontario and Erie and was one of the Bickmore lectures from McGill University and was read by T. H. Estabrooks. The lecture was a most interesting one dealing with the early geological period, describing the various cities around these lakes such as Toronto, Ottawa, Rochester, Buffalo, etc. A feature was the showing of 22 magnificent colored lantern slides of Niagara Falls. At the close the lecturer was on motion of Joshua Clawson, tendered a vote of thanks. The young people's course will begin on Friday afternoon next at 4 o'clock when the same lecture will be given and school children of the 8th grade and upwards are invited to attend. The lecture will be illustrated by 72 colored slides.

SESSION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

Election of Officers Postponed in Accordance with Canon of Synod — Association in Good Standing.

The annual meeting of the Church of England Sunday School Association was held in Trinity church schoolroom last evening. The election of officers was postponed until the association is reorganized in accordance with the canon passed by the Synod in Fredericton last November.

The reports were handed in to the executive committee to be recorded. The treasurer's report showed the association to be in good standing. During the course of the evening Rev. Canon Cowie delivered a very interesting and comprehensive address on Canadian Missions, which was a great benefit to the teachers. Bishop Richardson was also present and complimented the teachers on their work.

PERSONAL.

Alphonse Coughlin and Arthur McGuire left last evening for St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, where they will continue their studies.
Miss Grace Mahoney left last evening for the Sacred Heart Convent at Memramcook, where she will continue her studies.
Arthur M. Howe, of the editorial staff of the Brooklyn Eagle is in the city. Mr. Howe is a native of P. E. Island.

M. R. A.'s Whitewear Opening Today
Because of the disagreeable weather the whitewear opening and sale was not held yesterday as intended, but will begin in earnest this morning. Admired of beautiful lingerie will be delighted with the extensive showing and the ladies should all come for the specials offered and for a first look at the new styles. Sale will start at 8.30 this morning in the whitewear department—Second Floor.

STRONG ARGUMENT FOR PRISON FARM PROJECT

County Secretary J. King Kelley Points Out Advantages to be Derived from Such an Establishment. — Would Not Cost More than the Needed Additions to the County Jail Building.

That the county council must shortly face the problem of securing increased accommodation for prisoners, and that the initial cost of establishing a prison farm would not be greater than the reconstruction of the jail, is the opinion of J. King Kelley, the county secretary.

"Another consideration of importance," he added, "is that if we enlarge the jail we must go on paying a large sum every year for the maintenance of the prisoners there, while there is every reason to believe that a prison farm after three years will become practically self sustaining.

"There is an obvious want of accommodation at the county jail; in fact conditions there have become a public scandal. In his report for last year the Sheriff states that 872 prisoners, passed through his hands, though there were only 28 cells available for their accommodation. During the past five years there have been incarcerated in the jail 147 prisoners, serving out sentences of over three months; or an average of about 30 prisoners a year serving long terms.

"It is manifest from the increasing number of arrests that the present jail accommodation is inadequate and that something must be done to relieve the congestion. The council may enlarge the jail by building another story on it, or by acquiring adjoining land and erecting a wing to the present building. Or it may establish a prison farm. Which programme to adopt is a matter of policy for the municipal authorities to decide. In any case it is a face with a problem which can only be solved by a considerable expenditure.

"It is absurd to attempt a comparison between the requirements of a prison farm here and what has been done at Bridgewater, Mass., where between 2,300 and 2,700 prisoners are confined, or with Mansfield, Ohio,

where 1,400 prisoners have been paroled by Dr. Leonard, or with Guelph, Ont., where a capital expenditure of several hundred thousands is involved.

"The local problem is much simpler to provide for the overflow of a jail which was never intended to meet conditions prevailing today. It would not be sufficient to build a wing to the jail; the whole of the building would have to be reconstructed in order to make it conform with modern prison ideas.

"The county council need not be deterred from establishing a prison farm by pecuniary consideration. The initial outlay would not be greater than would be incurred in reconstructing and enlarging the present jail. And a prison farm ought to be self sustaining, and might also provide food for the General Hospital and other public institutions.

"There is the moral consideration—the question of giving unfortunate an opportunity to recover their manhood, instead of devitalizing and brutalizing them. Most of the offences committed by our jail population are induced by drink, and the community which legalizes the drink traffic, is in a measure responsible for the plight of the unfortunate. It should not accentuate their misery and degradation by subjecting them to the conditions prevailing in the jail. Whatever chances a man has for reformation are obliterated by a long term in the county jail. This is shown by the "repeats" from half the jail population. The community has to bear the cost of looking after the victims to a certain extent creates.

"At a prison farm where the prisoners would get substantial food, and be subjected to rigorous discipline, they would recover their health and strength, and be prepared for hard work when discharged. There is abundant evidence of the value of prison farms in reforming men."

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE FRUIT GROWERS

Local Government Appoints Assistant Horticulturist Well Qualified for Post-Hospital Commission Meets Today.

Another forward step in the movement to encourage fruit raising in New Brunswick was taken at the meeting of the local government yesterday when on application of Mr. Turney, and the recommendation of the commissioner of agriculture, R. R. Gorham was appointed assistant horticulturist for the province. Mr. Gorham has been temporarily employed by the department of agriculture for some time in connection with the work of the horticultural department. He is a graduate of McDonald Agricultural College, and has excellent qualifications for the position to which he has been appointed. Letters of appointment were granted J. A. Likely Limited.

Those in attendance at the meeting were Hon. J. K. Fleming, Hon. Robert Maxwell, Hon. H. F. McLeod, Hon. W. C. Grimmer, Hon. J. A. Murray, Hon. John Morrison, and Hon. Dr. Landry.

The members of the government will meet this morning as the Provincial Hospital Commission.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH CONSIDERED ESTIMATES

Meeting Yesterday When Reports were Considered and Much Other Business was Taken Up.

A meeting of the board of health was held yesterday afternoon. The reports of Dr. Morrin, medical health officer for the year and for the quarter were received and adopted. Personal applications and communications from householders wishing an extension of time in which to install sanitary conveniences were considered and granted in cases where the inspectors reports were favorable.

The board made arrangements for the preparation of the estimates for the year, and appointed a committee to lay them before the meeting of the finance committee of the county council next Friday. It is understood the estimates will total a little over \$5,000.

COURTESY BAY IS TO BE DEVELOPED

Such, at Any Rate, is the Private Opinion of George W. Fowler, in City Yesterday.

"There is no doubt in the world that the Courtesy Bay developments will be proceeded with as soon as possible," said Geo. W. Fowler, M.P., of Sussex, who was in the city yesterday on legal business.

"I have no authority to speak for the government," he added, "but I feel as certain as I can be of anything that Courtesy Bay will be developed. No announcement has been made on behalf of the government; but I have no doubt that when the estimates are

MONTREAL HAD ROUGH PASSAGE

Big C.P.R. Liner Reached Port Yesterday After Encountering Succession of Gales—Brought 132 Russians Over

The C. P. R. liner Montreal, Capt. R. H. McNeill arrived in port yesterday afternoon from London and Antwerp after encountering the usual winter weather on the voyage. During the first part of the trip the weather conditions were very fair but during the latter half of the passage the Montreal met with a succession of heavy gales which culminated in yesterday's storm of high winds and sleet.

The passage up the bay from Brier Island was made with great difficulty and all on board were glad when the ship docked at pier No. 1 on the West Side at half past four.

The Montreal brought over 132 third cabin passengers, the majority of whom were shipped at Antwerp. Among these passengers were a number of Russians who still wore their conventional costume of fur hats and sheepskin coats which came in very handy during yesterday's storm. One of the passengers a woman, had on a skirt that was evidently not copied from the patterns of Madame Pompadour as it was an ancient hoop affair that caused no little amusement among the bystanders all of whom were greatly mystified as to its correct name and origin.

Another woman who had evidently lost her husband in the rush for the gangway, took up her hand at the foot of it and though told to move on in many languages refused until her lesser half came along when they both went their way.

Whitewear Attractions.
If one could be acquainted fully with the exact nature of the great opportunity that lies before them in the sale of handsome fine whitewear now being carried on at F. A. Dykeman and Co.'s, they would not hesitate about taking advantage of it and lay in their full year's requirements in the whitewear line. It is simply astonishing that such dainty fine whitewear can be made for the price they are selling it for during this sale. In many instances one would think that the cost of the materials are hardly represented. The secret of it all is that this whitewear is made in one of the most up to date factories, on scientific principles, and there is to be found in the Dominion, consequently the garments can be turned out at a minimum of cost.

The Great Durbar Today.
Today at the Nickel the first showing of the great Coronation Durbar at Delhi, India will be made, commencing with the opening afternoon performance, 2 o'clock. It will be the special feature of every show throughout the afternoon and evening, the programme containing Biograph, Lubin Kalem pictures and the two new singers, Miss Pearson and Mr. Gazette. The Durbar picture is 1,000 feet long.

Blanket Sale at M. R. A.'s.
These cold nights extra blankets should be in great favor. A sale of soft, warm White Wool Blankets will begin Wednesday morning in the house furnishings department and prices will be low enough to tempt almost any housewife to add to the home blanket supply.

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