

Merchants' Week and Autumn Carnival to be Held Here.

Board of Trade Looking Up Attractions For First of October and Will Discuss the Matter Next Monday.

St. John is in all probability to have a merchants' week and autumn carnival, and the success of it will to a great measure depend upon the interest taken and assistance rendered by the citizens generally.

CANADIAN CRUISER TO ANSWER CHARGE FIRES ON TUG

But Latter Succeeded in Getting Away.

Was Fishing Near the Boundary Line in Lake Erie—No One Was Hurt by Shots.

ERIE, Pa., Sept. 14.—While fishing near the boundary line in Lake Erie this afternoon, the fish tug William J. McCarty, a small boat of 15 tons, was struck by shots from the Canadian cruiser Vigilant, which attempted to compel the tug to surrender.

TO ANSWER CHARGE OF MURDER.

Edward F. Cole Pledged "Not Guilty."

Took Proceedings Coolly and is Confident of Result—Day of Trial Not Yet Settled.

(Special to the Sun.) PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 14.—Edward F. Cole, of Hillsboro, N. B., was arraigned in the superior court this morning and pleaded "not guilty" to an indictment presented late yesterday afternoon.



JOHN F. STEEVES, The murdered man.

Edward F. Cole, who came conspicuously before the public at the time the Hope Young child murder case was under investigation in June last, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon on a bench warrant charging him with the slaying of John F. Steeves, a fisherman, on or about April 12.

SUPPORT TO IRISH NATIONAL CAUSE

Pledged by United Irish League of America.

Wm. Redmond, the Irish M.P., Denounced Government Proposition to Reduce Irish Representation.

BOSTON, Sept. 14.—Wm. Redmond, Irish member of parliament, was the guest of honor at an outdoor celebration in the city of the United Irish League of America, held all day at the Huntington avenue baseball grounds. The festivities were witnessed by over 5,000 people, and the proceeds will be made part of the \$50,000 pledged to the Irish cause by the league.

KILLED WIFE THEN SUICIDE.

Love of Stage Led to Murder and Suicide.

Wife's Infatuation for Theatrical Performers Caused Tragedy—How the Bodies Were Found.

BOSTON, Sept. 14.—His wife's fondness for the stage and stage people was the cause which led John E. H. Reeves to become first a drinking man, and finally the murderer of his wife and his own slayer, according to developments in the police investigation of the double tragedy on School street, Cambridgeport. Regardless of her husband's remonstrances, she persisted in seeking the company of actors and actresses.

ROBBED OF \$300.

Hard Luck of Wm. Kennedy of the Prince Rupert.

He Left His Savings Under His Bed and the Roll Was Stolen—No Clue to the Thief.

Wm. Kennedy, quartermaster on the steamer Prince Rupert, playing between this city and Digby, stands to lose \$300, the amount of two years' careful saving, unless the efforts of Detective Killen meet with success. Quartermaster Kennedy, while a quiet steady man, is well liked by all his shipmates, and his loss has awakened much sympathy for him.

MAYOR COLLINS OF BOSTON DEAD.

End Game Suddenly at Hot Springs, Va.

Was Consul General at London Under Former President Grover Cleveland—City Shocked.

BOSTON, Sept. 14.—Up to a late hour tonight the arrangements for the funeral of Mayor Patrick A. Collins, who died suddenly at Hot Springs, Va., today, had not been completed. It is expected that the funeral will be held on Monday or Tuesday of next week at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, the largest Roman Catholic edifice in the city.

MORE PARTICULARS CONCERNING ARREST OF ELMER YOUNG.

Elmer E. Young, who came conspicuously before the public at the time the Hope Young child murder case was under investigation in June last, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon on a bench warrant charging him with the slaying of John F. Steeves, a fisherman, on or about April 12.

Young gives his age as 44 years. He has an office at 235 Washington street, and is in the Boston directory as a notary public. He is also said to follow the calling of a private detective.

MR. FRASER SEEKS AID OF BOSTON POLICE

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 13.—H. C. Fraser of Amherst, N. S., called at the police headquarters today and asked the police to help him find his wife, Margaret N. Fraser, and his seven months old daughter.

Both disappeared from home Sept. 2. He followed them to Vancouver, where he found they had taken a train for Boston. Fraser says that his wife had needlessly worried about the condition of his business, and that this probably caused her to leave home.

"I've written a song," said Miss Britt, "that's really a terrible hit." She sang it to him. He decided that she had spoken the truth about it.

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We have just received Preserving Kettles, Sauce Pans, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Rice Boilers, Etc. We are showing a large range of KITCHEN COOKING UTENSILS which it will pay anyone to inspect. W. H. THORNE & CO., Limited, Market Square, St. John, N. B.

UNCONSCIOUS FOR OVER TWO MONTHS.

Miss Ethel Gram Dies as Result of Kick from a Pony.

LENEX, Mass., Sept. 14.—Miss Ethel B. Gram, daughter of the late Henry B. Gram, a prominent New York lawyer, died just before midnight tonight at her mother's summer home, High-land, after lying for two months in an unconscious condition with a fractured skull received on July 15 last from a kick by a pony. The skull was crushed over the left ear, and although some of the most eminent physicians in the country attempted to relieve her, she never spoke after receiving the blow.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—The state department today received a communication from Consul General Rodgers at Shanghai, which sets forth the condition of affairs there commercially, growing out of the Chinese boycott.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—There is a mystery in the office of the British consul, in the shape of the disappearance of a gold watch and three silver medals, which were to be presented to Captain E. P. Doughty and three members of the crew of the fishing schooner Fish Hawk, who saved the crew of the Canadian schooner Swanilda, wrecked at sea Oct. 26, 1903.

BRITISH MEDALS ARE MISSING.

BOTTLE DRIFTED ACROSS ATLANTIC.

Cattlemen Threw It Overboard Containing Letter to Montreal Star.

(Special to the Sun.) MONTREAL, Sept. 14.—On March 1st, 1899, the Dominion Line steamship Labrador was wrecked on the coast of Scotland. The ship was a total loss. But all on board were saved. When the ship struck, Geo. B. Brandford, a cattlemen, recorded the fact, placed it in a bottle and threw it overboard. The letter was addressed to the Montreal Star. It turned up today, the bottle having been picked up at New Harbor, Hermitage Bay, Newfoundland, on August 17, by Reid Durnford, a fisherman. In five years the bottle had drifted across the Atlantic, 1,600 miles between the two points.

BROKER ARRESTED CHARGED WITH FORGERY

Harry Clifford Brown of Boston in Difficult Position—Was Society Man.

BOSTON, Sept. 14.—Harry Clifford Brown, a stock broker of this city, and a well known resident of Brookline, was arrested today by inspectors from the Boston Bureau of Criminal Investigation, on a charge of forgery. According to Chief Inspector Wm. Watts, numerous trust companies, other corporations and individuals claim to have lost \$75,000 through transactions with Brown.

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BEARS ARE NUMEROUS NEAR MONCTON.

POSTPONED SPORTS WILL BE HELD TOMORROW—TO INTERVIEW MR. EMERSON.

MONCTON, N. B., Sept. 14.—The postponed Labor Day sports are to take place on the Athletic grounds Saturday afternoon and evening. Bears are reported more numerous than usual in this section of the country. No less than seven have been seen at different times in Cape Breton settlement, about nine miles from town. C. J. Osman, M. P., and Manager Sherwood of the Salisbury and Harvey Railway, were in town today, interviewing Hon. Mr. Emerson, minister of railways.

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Mr. Fraser said he had traced her on a train as far as Vancouver, and had learned definitely from the immigration officers there that she was on the train when it reached that point. Although he couldn't trace her beyond Vancouver, he feels quite confident that she came on to Boston, as the train on which she was travelling was bound for that city, and he followed along as fast as he could, but before appearing to the Boston police or the Globe, he went to Providence, R. I., and to Millbury, in both of which places his wife has friends, and inquired for her, but she has been at neither place, according to the statements of her friends.

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CHARRED BODY FOUND NEAR BEDROOM DOOR.

TORONTO, Sept. 13.—Lying near the door of her bedroom, where she had been overtaken in her effort to escape, the charred body of Mrs. Beal, sixty-three years of age, was found early this morning after the alarm of fire had been given by Miss Taylor, the only other occupant of the house, at 48 Shannon street.

The exact cause of the fire and the time it broke out are unknown. It is certain, however, that it originated from a lamp by which the aged lady was in the habit of reading her Bible each night. Miss Taylor had been awakened some time afterwards by the crackling of fire, but the other woman was dead.

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SERMON.

The Soul's Unpaid Debts.

By The Rev. Frederick F. Shannon.

In Grace M. E. church, Brooklyn, N. Y., Sunday morning, the pastor, the Rev. Frederick F. Shannon, preached on "The Soul's Unpaid Debts."

Yes; there is at least one left of the house of Saul. His name is Mephibosheth. He is the son of Jonathan, the grandson of a fallen king.

While tendering Mephibosheth our sympathy, we cannot fail to appreciate the beauty of the love which his affliction inspires.

Consider, in the first place, David's recognition of the debt he contracted in his youth.

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friend of my youth is dead now, and I am an old man, but still I wonder if I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?

Because I believe David was a better man after going back in memory to those far off beginnings, I want us to profit by a like experience.

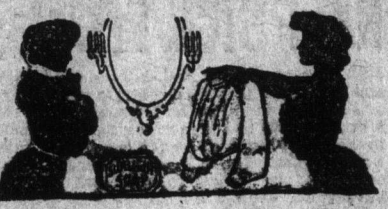
Further on, what have you done with the treasure committed unto you by that faithful teacher?

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ASKED THAT TROOPS BE KEPT AT WORK.

Reported that Jews Are Being Attacked by Gangs of Roughts.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13.—Representatives of the principal oil industries in the Caucasus, including those of the Nobel company, called today on Finance Minister Kokovoff and asked that the troops be kept at work, that the unruly elements be removed, and that a long term loan without interest be granted.

According to a report received from Elizabetopol, a temporary peace has been declared between the Muscovites and the Armenians as the result of intervention by the clergy.

ONE MAY DIE.

As a Result of the Powder Explosion in Albert County.

Later reports of the explosion at Albert Mines, Albert County, last Sunday, say that one of the three young men, Charles, David and Elias Wilton, is not expected to live.

MARRIAGE HASTENED BY MOTHER'S ILLNESS.

MONCTON, Sept. 12.—An interesting event took place last evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Haskins, Main street.

AN UP RIVER STEER HAD A LONG SWIM.

A refractory steer from the steamer Crystal Stream gave an exhibition of swimming at Indiantown yesterday, which was watched by all who could gather on the wharves.

WHERE IS YOUR INHALER?

You'll soon need it again, so remain, but that extra bottle of "Catharrhose" liquid are sold everywhere for fifty cents.

FULL TEXT OF THE RUSSO-JAPANESE ARMISTICE PROTOCOL.

Was Signed by M. Witte, Baron Rosen, Baron Komura, and M. Takahira.

LONDON, Sept. 13, 3.25 p. m.—The Japanese legation this evening gave out the text of the Russo-Japanese armistice protocol as follows: "First—A certain distance as a zone of demarcation shall be fixed between the fronts of the armies of the two powers in Manchuria, as well as in the region of Tumen river, Korea."

KOMURA SUFFERS WHILE DOCTORS DIFFER.

New York Physicians Can't Agree as to What Disease Troubles the Baron.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Three physicians who are attending Baron Komura, the chief of the Japanese peace envoys, decided today that the baron had typhoid fever, and he was ready to return to Japan via Seattle tomorrow.

PARSBORO, N. S.

PARSBORO, N. S., Sept. 14.—St. James' Presbyterian church was literally packed to the doors last evening, the occasion being the marriage of Charles S. MacQueeney of Fairfax, Virginia, and Annie E. McAleese, daughter of ex-Postmaster McAleese of Parsboro.

BIRTHS.

NASH—In this city, Sept. 10th, to the wife of T. A. Nash, a son.

MARRIAGES.

MCCRACKIN-BOLTON—At the home of the bride's parents, Summer street, St. John, on September 14th, by Rev. Perry J. Blackhouse, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist church, Harry H. McCrackin and Annie Bolton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bolton.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Sept. 14—Coastwise—Scha Augusto, Evelyn, 30, Scovill, from North Head; City, 46, Woodworth, from North Head; Emily, 69, Morris, from Advocate; Evelyn, 8, Smith, from St. Martins; Nellie D., 23, Dickson, from Bear Harbor; str Senia, 64, McKinnon, from Halifax via ports, and cleared.

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