

Local News.

Reports of the Sunday school convention will be given at the union prayer meeting this evening, in the Congregational church.

The steamer Elaine brought a large freight of potatoes down river this morning. Turnips, parsnips and carrots continue very scarce.

The second annual meeting of the Women's Society, of Carmarthen St., Methodist church, which was to have been held last Wednesday evening, will be held tonight at eight o'clock. A silver collection will be taken.

In order to accommodate the public who desire to vote at the election before leaving the city, on the river route, the steamer "Victoria" will leave Indianapolis at 9.30 o'clock instead of her usual hour of 8.30 on Thursday morning.

The Aberdeen Temple of Honor, of Milford, has handed in its charter owing to the position of the place of meeting being far away from the centre of the population. In its place a new temple will be organized in Fairville, within a week.

John Halpin, one of the longshoremen received a telegram this morning announcing the death of his mother, Mrs. Patrick Halpin, which occurred yesterday at Moncton. He left on the Atlantic express at noon to attend the funeral. He was accompanied by his brother, George.

The Neptune rowing club will hold an informal dance in their rooms this evening for the participants in the opera of Prince Ramon. The programme will consist of twelve dances. The rooms which have been thoroughly renovated and redecorated, will present a very pretty appearance.

A. Ogden, who has charge of the salmon hatchery at Bedford, N. S., arrived in the city this morning. The object of Mr. Ogden's visit is to secure his quota of salmon eggs from Carleton, retaining pond. The consignment, which is to be shipped to Bedford, will comprise one million of salmon eggs. These will be deposited in the hatchery, and in the spring distributed to the various stations in the maritime provinces.

Chief Officer Joseph M. Ward of the Calvin Austin has recently passed his examination for the grade of a pilot before the steamboat inspectors in Boston, and has been granted a license as pilot, covering the route of the steamers of the International division of the Eastern Steamship Co. This gives four pilots to the Austin, as Capt. Pike, Capt. Mitchell, Mr. Clark and Mr. Ward all hold first class pilot's papers. The Austin is also well provided with engineers. Three of the four men in the engine room carry chief's papers, two of them for vessels of 4,000 tons.

THE ELECTIONS TOMORROW.

The great political questions of the day, which have been agitating the minds of the public throughout the Dominion for sometime, will soon be settled.

Tomorrow the intelligent electorate of the country will have the opportunity of declaring by their right of franchise whether they will endorse or condemn the railway policy of the present administration.

The situation is a crucial one, and naturally there is much speculation. Never in the history of Canada have there been issues at stake of such vital importance to the welfare of the country as at large. The government's G. T. P. scheme is the chief bone of contention.

Locally speaking there is a marked opposition to it. Many prominent and influential men have severed their party affiliations on the issue. They recognize its disastrous effects and have had no hesitation whatever in publicly declaring their disapproval. The popular vote in St. John will be cast in favor of Daniel and Dr. Stockton, and their election is assured.

An unusually heavy vote will be cast tomorrow, as the interest manifested is unprecedented.

The polls will open at 9 o'clock and close at 5 o'clock.

At the York Theatre tomorrow night the returns will be publicly announced from the stage between the acts.

The Evening Times has made arrangements for a special despatch service and will promptly announce by stereophonic the returns as they come in. As the results in the different constituencies are flashed over the wires the Times will give them to the public.

As provided by act of parliament all liquor establishments will be closed, and in the event of an infraction of this law a heavy penalty is imposed.

The court house presented a lively scene this morning. The sheriff was kept busy with the preparation and distribution of ballot boxes. The polling booths have been completed and placards bearing directions to voters are being placed in position. The booth furnishings will probably be installed this afternoon. There are at the court house twelve booths in all, four for the city, four for the county and four for non-residents.

The Liberal-conservatives of St. John have secured the St. Andrew's Bunk as their headquarters and will have a special view installed there tomorrow night by which the election returns will be announced. The Liberals have made a similar arrangement with the opera house.

A Times reporter visited the various city wards this morning and interviewed the ward chairmen and workers. They have about completed their work of checking the lists and are confident that the conservative candidate, Dr. Daniel, will be elected by a majority of not less than 500. Dr. Stockton will also have a substantial majority in the city and county. In Simonds especially a large overturn is expected, and Musquash, Pisarino, Lancaster and St. Martins will give good majorities.

THE BERTHS AT SAND POINT.

City Board Disposes of Nos. Two, Three and Four—Number One is Held Open.

Officials of the C. P. R. waited on the city board of works yesterday with respect to allotment of berths for steamers during the winter port season, and as a result of the conference, it was decided to allot No. 4 berth to the Donaldson Line, No. 3 to the C. P. R., No. 2 to the Allan Line, and leave No. 1 vacant subject to the orders of the harbor master.

Another matter dealt with concerned the construction of the new ferry steamer. An alderman said he heard that the work being done in putting together the steamer here was of an inferior nature. A committee was appointed to look into the matter.

Supt. Downie, J. N. Sutherland and Capt. Walsh, were heard regarding the allotment of berths on the west side.

Mr. Downie said: "From appearances now, the shipping at this port will be fully as good this year as last, if not better, and I trust, therefore, that we will all so work together that no unnecessary detention may occur to any line."

Capt. Walsh, the marine superintendent, said that the volume of traffic was steadily increasing. Where last year there were only two Allan steamers, this winter there would be five.

When the C. P. R. representatives withdrew on motion of Ald. Robinson, it was decided to allot berths No. 4 to the Donaldsons, No. 3 to the C. P. R. and No. 2 to the Allans, leaving No. 1 vacant.

On motion of Ald. Maxwell it was decided to instruct the director to build the ramps under the plans and specifications to be prepared. The city will receive an annual rental of \$200 from the company providing the cost of the construction will not exceed \$1,000. If in excess a rental proportionate to the cost, will be charged.

The fitting together of the new ferry steamer was discussed.

Joseph Baxter, ferry gateman resigned his position, owing to ill health. A number of applications for the position were received, but no action was taken.

After the consideration of some minor matters the meeting adjourned.

NEW MEMBERS.

The Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club is Growing in Popularity.

The quarterly meeting of the Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club was held last evening, and was the first to be held in the new rooms in Masonic Hall. Commodore Thompson presided and the attendance was large. The charge of the Tercentenary celebration, was read by William White. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the committee, for the splendid manner in which they handled the celebration.

Nine new members were elected during the evening, bringing the membership up to 300. The new members are: Messrs. R. H. McFarlane, Walter J. Brown, George C. Tingley, Fred J. McDonald, J. F. Bardsley, A. Dodge, Le. B. Wilson, John D. Purdy, and Fred H. Secord. After the meeting ended, Dr. Arnold Fox played accompaniments for a number of songs dear to yachtsmen's heart, and a very pleasant half hour was spent under the piano.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Natural History Society was held last evening. Senator Ellis was in the chair. Two new members Jas. Beveridge and Mr. Wm. Kerr were elected.

Dr. Matthew, on behalf of Dr. G. H. Duncan of Bathurst, presented the society with a specimen of couch grass, twining in and around a bulbous plant.

Willis Jones of Duke street, donated to the society the dry part of a tamarind, nut galls and a petrified portion of the stump of a redwood tree from Cripple Creek. The stump from which this portion was taken is about twenty feet in diameter, and ten feet high.

A contribution to the society's collection of curiosities in the shape of an earthen pot of the stone age, was made on behalf of Duncan London, of Naquapit Lake. This is the only perfect pot of the stone period ever found in the maritime provinces.

A very able paper was read by Prof. L. W. Bailey, Ph. D. of the U. N. B. Frederickton on The Human Telephone.

The theory that the brain is combated by Prof. Bailey. Dr. Matthew moved that a vote of thanks be tendered Prof. Bailey for his able and interesting paper. This was seconded by Dr. G. W. Hay and spoken to by Rev. Dr. Raymond. Prof. Bailey in suitable language made acknowledgment. Three papers written by Prof. W. F. Ganong were read by title by Dr. G. U. Hay. The subjects of the papers were respectively A Measure of the Rate of Recession of the New Brunswick coast line, New Averoide measurement in New Brunswick in 1904, The Physiographic characteristics of the Renous river.

OLD CHIPMAN HOUSE.

To the Editor of the Evening Times: Sir—Will you kindly get at rest any feeling of disapproval or sorrow which might be caused by the alterations that are being made in the Old Chipman house by stating that the portion of wall that is being removed is a portion without window or doors, a straight plain piece of wall, which can be replaced and made exactly as it was, so that in no way can it destroy the historical value of the building. Further, I am keeping a sketch of it, so that it will be no difficulty to replace it if the building is not torn down in the spring.

Yours truly,

S. L. GORBELL, President.

The Donaldson line steamship Tritonia, Captain Abernethy, arrived in port this morning direct from Glasgow. The steamer made the passage in ten days which is considered a quick trip. She has on board about 1500 tons of freight for the city and the west, including 11,812 bags and 100 tubs of hard coal. The Tritonia will take away a large outward cargo and 1,000 cattle.

DANSEREAU IS NOPELESS.

Sir Wilfrid's Confidential Adviser Sails For Europe on the Eve of the Election—Says it is All up With the Liberal Party.

Montreal, Nov. 2.—(Special)—The STAFF tonight will say:

Mr. Arthur Dansereau, editor of LA PRESSE, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier's right hand man and confidential organizer and adviser has never been absent on election day in twenty-seven years. Up to Monday night, Mr. Dansereau declared his belief that the Liberal party would be sustained by a small majority.

He has left for Europe, sailing from New York on La Savoie. Before saying good-bye to his friends, Mr. Dansereau expressed the view that the Liberal party is more than in peril; that the signs are ominous. Regarding his friend, Sir Wilfrid, Mr. Dansereau said: "It will be a good thing for Sir Wilfrid personally

if the party is defeated. Sir Wilfrid's health is anything but robust, and his doctor and family would be immensely relieved if he can escape the worries of office for a couple of years." Besides, said Mr. Dansereau: "A great many prominent Liberals believe that a term in opposition might do the party good, as it will enable them to get rid of the man who will bring the party down to its certain destruction."

Mr. Dansereau evidently held in his mind Sifton and Fielding, Mulock and Fisher. His sudden departure is taken by his friends as a sure sign that he has abandoned all hope. Mr. Dansereau and Sir Wilfrid collaborated the Grand Trunk Pacific bill in parliament.

ANOTHER HUNGRY FAMILY FOUND LIVING IN THE CITY.

Mrs. Keating and Three Children of 96 Sheriff Street Suffered For Food and Fuel—Cared For by Salvation Army Last Night.

Another particularly sad case of destitution was reported to Mrs. Hall, secretary of the Associated Charities, yesterday. Mrs. Keating, of Chatham, N. B., came to this city last week, to seek employment. She is a widow, and told her that she was nearly perished, and implored her to send food and fuel.

Mrs. Keating is about thirty-three years of age, and was formerly a resident of St. John, but for some years has been living in Chatham. She has three children; the oldest, aged nine years; the second, two and a half; and the third an infant of four months.

Her husband, whose eyes are very defective, is living with his people at Newcastle, and is unable to support his wife and family. When asked why she came to St. John Mrs. Keating said that she could find no employment in Chatham, and would probably have starved had she remained there this winter. When she came to the city she stayed for a few days with a family on George street, who did what they could for her, but this family had all they could do to support themselves, and were unable to keep the

unfortunate woman for any length of time. She then procured rooms at 96 Sheriff street in a house owned by Mrs. Margaret Hilton, and took possession of her apartments shortly after midday yesterday.

Mrs. Hall was unable to give the requested financial assistance, as the society is without an emergency fund. The north end police station was communicated with last evening, and arrangements made to prevent extreme suffering. Later in the evening, the Salvation Army people called at the house, and cared for the family last night. An effort will be made today to make them comfortable.

Mrs. Hall has ascertained from Chatham people who know Mrs. Keating that her story is true, and that she is worthy of assistance, and willing to work.

Mrs. Hall told the Times last night, that, although the Associated Charities was not a relief society, but merely a channel through which relief should come, she thought that an emergency fund would be of inestimable value, as has been demonstrated by the case of the Keating family.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Rev. C. D. Schofield, of Hampton, will assume his duties as rector of Christ church, Sydney, on Sunday, Nov. 6.

Mr. C. C. King, of Annapolis, reached the city on Tuesday evening on route home after a visit to the St. Louis fair. He is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Wilson, Elliott Row.

Chief Justice Tuck, Judge Barker and Judge McLeod returned from Fredericton on Tuesday evening.

Rev. W. S. Pritchard, the new minister for the Congregational church, will reach the city on Thursday, not on Wednesday as stated.

Rev. Norman P. Keyes left at noon yesterday for Halifax and other Nova Scotia points.

William Wheeler and W. B. Tennant left yesterday for Sackville to witness the football game between Mount Allison and U. N. B., which takes place today.

J. C. Baird of Halifax is in the city.

A. Z. McKenzie of Nerepis, who has been in Manitoba for the past two months, returned home yesterday and was warmly greeted by his friends.

Among the number who registered at the Boston House during the week were Manford Oxley, Tignish, N. S., A. L. T. and M. Taylor of Pictou, N. S., and C. H. Keith, Havelock, K. Co., N. B.

BOND MAKES GOOD SWEEP.

Fifteen Government Candidates Returned in Newfoundland in Seventeen Constituencies.

St. Johns, N. F., Nov. 2.—Harbor Grace returns Hon. E. Dawe, Minister of Agriculture, and two Bonville colleagues, defeating ex-Premier Whiteway and his two Tory colleagues. Whiteway standing lowest on the list, having been defeated by 250 votes. In St. John's west, the election of Sir Edward Morris, Minister of Justice, and his two Bonville colleagues by a majority of 1,000 is reported. In St. John's east the election of Mayor Shea and his two Bonville colleagues by a similar majority is conceded by the opposition, although the final count will not be completed before day night. This gives Premier Bond 15 seats out of 17, this far. The counting of the votes in nineteen constituencies remains to complete the legislature.

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Professor Bailey who lectured before the Natural History Society last night, will return to Fredericton this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Fuller, of Truro, N. S., arrived in the city today and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. James, Wright St. They are on their return from a trip to the St. Louis exposition. Mrs. Fuller is a daughter of L. C. R. Deane, or Jas. Millican. They will remain in the city over Sunday and return home on Monday.

F. J. Linahan and bride, of Beverly Mass., arrived in the city on the Boston express today and will spend some time here.

John Birmingham arrived home from Boston today, having been summoned owing to the death of his father.

The Misses Peters, who for some time conducted the Clifton house, left last night for Detroit, where they will reside during the winter months.

Mrs. Harry Hopper and son, arrived today from Gibson, where they have been visiting Mrs. Hopper's father, Supt. Hoban.

Joshua Knight, who for the past fortnight has been confined to his home through illness, is reported as somewhat improved. He was out for a short time this morning.

The many friends of W. G. J. Watson will regret to hear that he is confined to the house with rheumatism.

OBITUARY.

Charles Godsoe.

The death of Charles Godsoe took place Monday, in his 76th year, after a two months' illness of chronic heart trouble. The deceased was the second son of the late Charles Godsoe, and is survived by one son, three brothers and two sisters. The funeral will take place from the residence of his son, 167 Westmorland Road, Thursday, at 2.30 to Fernhill.

Michael Birmingham.

The death of Michael Birmingham took place at the General Public Hospital at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. He was 61 years of age, and was well known in the city. He leaves a widow and four children.

David N. Upton.

David N. Upton of Montana, died there recently. He had been in failing health for about three months. Mr. Upton was a native of New Brunswick, going West in 1854. He was 69 years of age and is survived by a widow, and two daughters.

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