

St. John Evening Times.

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THE EVENING TIMES.

It is not good business for a newspaper or any other enterprise to set out with extravagant announcements of what it is intended to attempt or to accomplish. Therefore the Evening Times, in submitting itself to the scrutiny of a critical and discerning public, may properly be content with a plain statement of its aims and purposes.

In the first place, if it is to succeed, it must give its readers the news of the day, presented in an attractive form. No reasonable pains or expense will be spared to make the Times a newspaper. In presenting to the public an eight-page paper at one cent per copy, an innovation is made which will no doubt be appreciated by the St. John public—always provided that the paper contains the news. A dull paper in these days is not wanted, even as a gift.

The Evening Times has secured the Associated Press service, and has an active corps of special correspondents. Necessarily at the outset some difficulty is experienced, but the staff and general organization are being perfected along lines which will produce steadily improved results; so that the reader who likes The Times this week will like it better next week, and learn to look upon the reading of its columns as a necessary feature of the day's pleasurable and profitable experiences.

With regard to politics, The Times will pursue an independent course, and will not be the organ of any party. This does not mean that it will withhold either criticism or support from a man or a measure, but its policy will be guided by what is deemed to be in the public interest, under conditions as they arise. It is believed that such a course will commend itself to very many people, who are not greatly enamored of the results of blind partisanship.

No far as St. John is concerned, The Times will endeavor in its treatment of civic matters to serve the interests of the people. In all respects it will aim to be a clean, bright newspaper, that will receive a daily welcome in the homes of the citizens.

INEXCUSABLE DELAY

It is now almost nine months since the Transportation Commission visited St. John. They came because of what was represented to be the pressing urgency of the case, and in response to a most vigorous appeal. They were assured that St. John needed four new steamship berths at once, and that the interests of the port and the country were suffering because the terminal facilities here were inadequate. There were meetings in the board of trade rooms, and conferences in the mayor's office. Questions were asked and answered, facts and figures were presented, appeals were made on national grounds, and the members of the commission went away with the impression that these St. John folk were terribly in earnest.

The commissioners have since had ample time to revise their first hasty conclusion. The last thing they said before going away was that a clear and strong statement of the city's case be made out and forwarded to them, to be utilized in the preparation of their report to the government.

That was nearly nine months ago. The city's case has not yet been forwarded, or even formulated. It is true that circumstances arose under which it was not deemed expedient to proceed further with the proposed arrangement between the city and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, for the construction of new berths at Sand Point; but the general conditions are in no wise altered. The need for more berths is as urgent as it was in January last. The position of St. John as a Canadian winter port, of national importance, is as strong now as then. The Transportation Commission have not yet made up their report to the government. When the report is made up it is of the utmost importance that the claims of St. John be presented clearly, and supported by evidence. The commission asked for a statement, and received a promise. The promise has not been fulfilled.

Presumably, it is the duty of the city council to prepare the statement, either of fact or in conference with a committee of the board of trade, in view of the some eagerness with which the Transportation Commission were urged to come to St. John and study the situation, the subsequent delay of both the city council and the board of trade is not very explained. The Times will not accept an explanation, but takes the liberty of suggesting to the city

zens the propriety of taking their civic representatives aside, and speaking a word, kindly but firmly in their ears.

St. John will not get as much traffic during the coming winter as it would have received if the facilities had been enlarged during the present year. A commission, whose report will undoubtedly have an important influence in determining the attitude of the government on the general question of transportation, has asked for a statement of the claims of St. John. That statement did not require nine months deliberation. Action should not be delayed another day.

The Times is informed that an agreement was made to the effect that a committee from the city council was to meet a committee of the board of trade and prepare the city's case, which was to be sent forward by the mayor. The council of the board of trade has several times urged the need of prompt action but thus far without success. It is up to the city council. Edit.

A CORDIAL RECEPTION.

It has been absolutely necessary to refuse a number of advertisements for this issue of the Evening Times. Although it was not positively known until this week that the new paper would be issued, and no attempt was made to canvass for advertisements until Wednesday afternoon, the demand for space has been so great that a large amount of matter offered could not be accepted for this issue. It was to be expected that a number of advertisers would be willing to avail themselves of the first issue of a new paper, but the cordiality of the reception given to the Times by advertisers is without a parallel in the history of new papers in the maritime provinces.

The fact proves two things:—first, that there is room for the Times in this field; and second, that business men appreciate the determination of the publishers of the Times to give to the public a thoroughly up-to-date paper.

The number of contracts already made for regular advertising warrants the Times in reminding merchants who have not secured a regular space that choice of position goes to the first-comer. Any doubt existing on the question whether the Times is the kind of paper to attain and hold a large circulation will be dispelled by a glance at its news columns. The people want a newspaper.

OURSELVES AND OTHERS.

The advent of the Evening Times has naturally excited some comment in the press of the city and province. The publishers appreciate the general acceptance of their statement that they will produce a good newspaper, and the editor has reason to be grateful for kindly allusions to himself as a newspaper man.

This journal is not greatly concerned about any imputations, or suggestions of sinister political purpose, which may have been given publicity in the press or on the street. The best evidence of the value or otherwise of this paper is the paper itself. None of those connected with it are unwise enough to assume that this or any other journal can with credit to itself assume the role of dictator. What views it may have it will not hesitate to express; but always with a recognition of the fact that the strength of an argument is in the argument itself, rather than in the source from which it comes. If the Evening Times can give the public the best news service for the money, they will probably not refuse to but it through any fear of artificial allurement into the ways of sin. The public will judge a paper by what it is and what it says, rather than by the prophetic utterances of its envious neighbors.

For the comparative statement of lumber shipments from St. John to Transatlantic ports, which appears on another page, the Times is indebted to W. Malcolm Mackay. While the lumber market has been low and dull, the shipments have been quite large. During the summer shipping business has been lively, and at the present time the harbor presents a scene of activity. The number of square rigged vessels visiting the port this season has been unusually large, but there has also been a considerable fleet of steamers. Freights have been low.

A feature of the Evening Times that will especially appeal to the home reader is the story by Theodore Roberts, the well known New Brunswick author, which is begun today and will be continued as a serial in daily instalments. It is gratifying to provincial pride that a story of such great merit has been written by a native of New Brunswick.

A representative of the Gazette has recently taken subscriptions on the North Shore for that paper, unaware that the paper was about to cease publication. The Evening Times will be sent to those subscribers for the period their subscriptions cover. Any subscribers who have paid in advance for the Gazette will receive the Evening Times until that subscription expires, after which the rate will be the regular subscription price of this paper.

There appears to be no good reason why Halifax should not hereafter be up to date. That city will hereafter get the time from St. John. Mr. D. L. Hutchinson of the St. John meteorological office, has set our neighbors right, and will keep right after them. No man in the Canadian service is better qualified to do the work described elsewhere in this paper.

The advertising columns of this paper are not the least interesting of its features. The showing is one the publishers may well regard with satisfaction, and the kindest feelings toward those whose patronage is a guarantee of confidence at the outset.

The observant citizen who strolls along Prince William street at almost any time of day does not need to be reminded that a political campaign is on—and that it is a matter of particular and burning interest in this city.

The Gazette was printed as usual yesterday. Today the new owners and staff assumed charge, and produced this paper. It is an illustration of what can be done with proper organization, at very short notice. Watch the Evening Times.

The question has been asked whether the Times would be a reprint of another paper. This issue is submitted in evidence to the contrary.

If the Evening Times appeals to you as a desirable addition to the press of St. John, you can do it a friendly turn by stating the fact to your friends.

Owing to the greatness of the task of getting out a newspaper on a week's notice any weak points in this issue will be readily overlooked.

The death of Sir William Vernon Harcourt removes an eminent British statesman, who for many years filled a large place in the public eye.

How to Become Rich

(Special by Megaphone from City Hall, Oct. 1.)

A man from Loch Lomond way and another from the neighborhood of Spruce Lake met today in front of the City Hall.

"Pears to me," said the lake dweller, "you've got up in the world, the last few years. Do any work now?"

The Spruce Lake man bore with complacency the critical survey of his person.

"Have a cigar," he said.

The other man bit off the end of the cigar with the doubtful tooth of a man who had not contracted the habit.

"Say," he observed, "it's none of my business—but you're pretty rich, ain't you?"

"I've got a dollar," nodded the man from Spruce Lake.

"Aint been speculating?" queried the other. "I've heard some people made a good thing that way. Wish I could strike a good spec."

The Spruce Lake man tapped his neighbor familiarly on the shoulder and winked mysteriously.

"Of course," he said, "you don't know about any good spec—hey?" and he poked his neighbor in the ribs.

"Can't say I do," replied the other. "If I did—I'd smoke cigars, maybe."

"Been readin' the papers lately?" asked the Spruce Lake man.

"Some."

"Read anything about the city takin' water from Loch Lomond?"

"Oh, yes—I saw that."

"And that," said the Spruce Lake man, "is your gold mine. You live within a mile of the lake, don't you?"

"About that far."

"Very well. The city goes out there for water. It passes within a mile of your place. The effect on the atmosphere causes the shingles on your barn to rot—or something. Maybe it only starts the shingles. But it makes a clear case for damages. See the point?"

The man from Loch Lomond way gazed earnestly at the querist for a minute, and then shook his head.

"That don't make no case," he said.

"Maybe," rejoined the man from Spruce Lake, "you don't know the St. John city council. Some people said we had no case at Spruce Lake but—here, have another cigar—put this one in your pocket. I've got lots more."

The man from Loch Lomond took the cigars, tugged at his beard, and thought.

"By hen!" he said at last, "I

guess you're right. It's me for the shingles."

And then the two went into executive session, to discuss claims for damages, suits for damages, arbitration, compensation—and other roads to suddenly acquired wealth.

Up in a window of City Hall the mayor and several aldermen looked forth upon the conference, entirely innocent of any knowledge of its relation to next year's tax bill.

Gilder, Who is Here Has Played Piano For Fifty Years

John Francis Gilder the celebrated New York pianist and composer, is spending a few days in St. John.

Visitors to the exhibition who heard his recitals were highly interested and entertained. Mr. Gilder has played here on similar occasions.

He has travelled with different concert companies in the provinces during the last decade and also throughout all parts of America, having appeared in most of all the leading cities. He "holds his age" so well that it seems almost incredible that he has been before the public for more than half a century and has probably been heard by more people in various parts of the country than any other artist.

He is a pupil of William Mason and a disciple of Gottschalk. Mr. Gilder considers Gottschalk greater even than Liszt; but thinks that Bach was the greatest musician that ever lived.

A musical critic remarked at the time Mr. Gilder's playing clearly demonstrated the fact that "music had a voice that did not require the interpretation of words."

It is probable that during the few days he intends remaining in St. John he will be heard here again.

Mr. Gilder is a brother of Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the Century Magazine.

ANOTHER DIPLOMAT IS TOO SPEEDY.

New York, Oct. 1.—A despatch to the Sun from Dublin says: Arthur Doane Pyatt, acting American consul here, has been fined ten shillings for driving at excessive speed, a motor to which was attached a trailer containing a woman. His counsel suggested that as American representative, his client was not liable to prosecution, but he would not raise that point. The magistrate held that the technical point might apply to an ambassador, but hardly to a consul.

STATUE OF QUEEN AT WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Oct. 1.—(Special)—The unveiling of the new Victoria memorial statue erected by Manitobans to her late majesty took place this afternoon. Premier Roblin delivered the oration.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Registrar Jones Urges Parents to Give the Information Required by Law.

Twenty-eight births are recorded during the week, of which seventeen are females. Eleven marriages are recorded. The registrar complains that parents are still holding back from giving him notice of birth of their children, doubtless relying on the physicians to do it. While it is true that a number of physicians are making these returns yet the parents should not take it for granted that they are attending to the matter, which the registrar is empowered to take under the act. It may be mentioned that if any one of the persons required by the act to send in the information does so, the others are exempt from any liability that may apply to failure or neglect of this simple duty.

There were seventeen deaths for the week.

During the last week there have been five cases of diphtheria, one of scarlet fever and one of typhoid, in the city.

INTERESTING CRICKET AT TRURO.

Truro, Oct. 1.—(Special)—The Stellarton and Westville cricket teams are playing here this afternoon for the Graham Fraser trophy, which has been for competition of the two teams seven years. It has been won three years by each and this year each team has won a game and today's will decide the winners of the trophy.

ONE HOUR FOR THE SOUL.

All day I have toiled in that busy mill Where souls are ground and money is made.

All day I'll my temples throbb and thrill With the whirling grind of the wheels of trade.

All day I have gripped the trenchant steel And straggled with columns black and grim;

Till tonight I am faint and my senses reel, And the glory of God seems far and dim.

And so I have come to this quiet room To sit in the dark and touch the keys— To wake the ghost and the last perfume Of the soul dead flowers with my harmonies.

And here, alone, for a single hour I can dream and idle and drift away; I can touch the ghost of a vanished day.

I can gather the lilies of long ago That bloomed by the path where a baby trod; And love's first roses, as white as snow, That are blossoming now at the feet of God.

Oh, stainless lilies, and roses white! Oh, passion-flower with your petals red; You are mine once more for an hour to-night, Tho' the heart be dumb and the years be dead.

Oh, sunset summer of long ago! Oh, vanished day with your gleam of gold! Oh, blood-red lips and bosom of snow! You are mine once more as in days of old—

Just for tonight, for at early dawn I am back to the grovel of greedy lust; Where the wheels of traffic go whirling on, And souls are ground into golden dust.

—Albert Bigelow Paine.

DYKEMAN'S,

59 Charlotte Street.

ECOMONY CENTRE.

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AN ATTRACTIVE SHOWING OF FALL GOODS.

The lovely autumn with all its attractions is made more pleasant by the tasteful and agreeable styles that are being shown. This Store is foremost with the Newest, and never before in its history has it had such a collection of real lovely goods.

LADIES SKIRTS AT ONE THIRD OFF. A manufacturer's set of samples has come to us at a big discount. One of our windows illustrates the saving made by buying one of these skirts. The special prices are from \$1.30 to \$5.50. The skirts are handsomely trimmed, and every one has been made for the fall trade. There are no two alike in the lot, and the sizes run from 35 length to 44.

YOUNG LADIES TAILOR MADE SUITS. Made in the daintiest of styles at prices that make the suits most attractive. \$7.50 to \$12.00. These suits fit young ladies from 14 to 18 years.

CHILDRENS COATS. Over two hundred childrens coats to select from. In the lot there are German, English and Canadian styles. A special coat made from navy blue freize and piped with cardinal felt, with shoulder capes, made to fit perfectly. Size from 6 to 14 years. The price of this coat is \$3.85 and \$3.95 according to size.

LADIES BELTS. We have just opened some new lines of Boston belts, and besides being the newest they are the prettiest belts shown. At 25c., pretty black moire belts with front and back pieces. At 30c., a variety of colors to select from, including the new blues, browns, tangerine and black. At 33c. Pretty tucked belts of "Poly" green with gilt harness buckles. Other styles at 35c., 50c., 65c., and up.

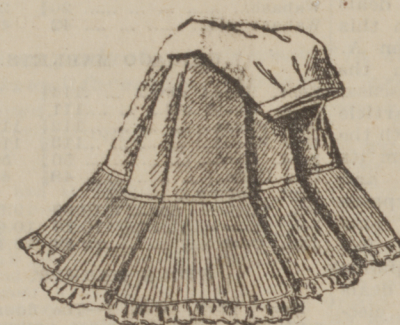
LADIES COLLARS. Despite the demand we had for collars during the Exhibition rush, we are prepared to meet any want for neckwear. Collars at 25c., 30c., 35c., 37c., and up to \$1.50 including all the newest shades shapes and materials. SOFA CUSHION COVERS and TOPS. Turkish sofa cushion covers all complete with top, back and tassels, ready for the cushion 35c.

STENCILED LINEN CUSHION COVERS complete with top back cord and tassels, all ready for the cushion 95c., each in a large variety of patterns.

TAPESTRY CUSHION TOPS in prettily blended colours at 35c., each.

LITHOGRAPH TOPS, some new designs, not shown here before, the regular 50c., top for 35c., and from 35c up to \$1.85.

CUSHION CORDS AND TASSELS. Cords in every conceivable combination of colorings at 9c., and 12c., yard the regular 12c., and 15c., cords. Tassels in all colours 2 for 15c.



This Skirt Made from Mercerized Sateen - 75 cts.



This Skirt, with four rows of ruffling instead of three at \$1.00 It is made from fine Mercerized Sateen, sizes 38, 40 and 42. Its actual worth is \$1.50.

EVENING CLASSES

—AT THE—

SAINT JOHN BUSINESS COLLEGE

BEGIN MONDAY, OCTOBER 3rd.

Hours—7.30 to 9.30.

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Many of St. John's most competent Bookkeepers and Business Men have qualified themselves by attending our Evening Classes.

Write or call at Rooms for terms.

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IN CITY CHURCHES.

At the Christian Science rooms, 15 German street, tomorrow the topic for the morning service will be "Are Sins, Disease, and Death Real?"

Tomorrow the "Men's Baraca" Bible class of Leinster street Baptist church, will be resumed at 2 P. M. in the parlour of the church.

At the United services at the Congregational church, Rev. J. W. Crawford, B. A. of Great Village, N. S. will preach.

At the Main street Baptist church tomorrow a memorial service to the late Dr. Lorimer, will be conducted by Rev. Howard Roach.

Rev. J. R. Rogers, D. D. of Fredericton, will preach both morning and evening in the Portland Methodist church.

Rev. J. B. Ganong, field secretary of the P. S. S. Association will preach in Victoria street church tomorrow evening.

At St. Stephen's church tomorrow Rev. R. G. Strathe will occupy the pulpit at both services.

Rev. W. M. Walker will discuss War and the Christian Idea at the Unitarian church tomorrow evening.

German street Baptist church, Rev. G. O. Gates, D. D. Pastor. The Pastor will conduct the services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School and Bible Class at 2.30 p. m. A cordial welcome is extended to strangers and visitors to worship with us, at one or all these services.

The quarterly meeting of the King's Daughters' Guild will be held on Monday Oct. 3rd, at 8 p. m. There will be reports from circles and committees and election of officers.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Seamen's Mission Society will have their regular meeting on Monday the 3rd. inst. The Managing Board will meet on Tuesday.

THE TIMES COAL AD. TEST

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Winter Port	former price	\$6.50	with this adv. \$5.80
Port Hood	"	7.00	" " 6.30
Strathcona	"	7.50	" " 6.80
Reserve	"	7.50	" " 5.80
Broad Cove	"	7.50	" " 6.80
Springhill Round	"	7.84	" " 7.15
Pictou Egg	"	8.00	" " 7.30

This Adv. will not appear again. Go early in the week to

Gibbon & Co., 61-2 Charlotte St., Docks, Smythe St., Branch Marsh St.

FALL DERBYS.

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D. MAGEE'S SONS,

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