

THIS EVENING.

Victoria Temple of Honor No. 2, celebrates its 56th anniversary in the rooms, Market building.

St. David's Bearer Corps meets for drill at 7 o'clock.

Band at Queen's and Victoria rinks.

Concert in Glad Tidings hall.

Conservative club smoker in the club rooms.

Lecture on Plant Life before the Natural History Society.

National entertainment in Congregational church.

Local News.

Brigt. Gabrielle, 415 tons, now at Boston, has been sold for local account on private terms.

Canadian Pacific Steamship "Aorangi" arrived at Brisbane Friday, January twenty-eighth, from Vancouver.

The lady curlers of the St. Andrew's and Thistle clubs will meet Thursday morning in the St. Andrew's rink. A very interesting contest should result as both clubs have been putting in lots of practice.

Tonight at the rooms of the St. John conservative club, Breeze's corner, King square, A Smoker and social evening will be held under the auspices of the club. An official committee had arranged to entertain as well as to instruct all who are interested in civic, provincial, or dominion politics all are welcome.

The cadet corps and boys association of Trinity church, will have their annual sleigh drive tonight. They will leave at 7.30 o'clock, and will drive out as far as Brookville, after which they will return to the church school room, where supper will be served. The boys will be in charge of Capt. W. H. Harrison, and Lieutenant C. Titus.

The St. John Primary Union for Sunday school teachers will meet on Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock in the parlor of Century church. Mrs. C. H. Dearborn will teach the lesson "Jesus at Jacob's well" for the following Sabbath Miss Burditt will continue her talks on Practical Primary Plans. All primary and junior teachers are cordially invited to be present.

Captain Geo. Barlow of the five masted schooner, Arthur P. Small writing from Portland, Me., to his wife who is the guest of Frank Hollis on Rockland Road, says under date of Jan. 27th, that the ice in Portland harbor was strong enough to bear a horse. He said a man had just walked out from the shore and brought a Portland paper. The ice breaker was engaged quite near him in breaking up the ice and he expected in a short time to be able to get ashore in the cutter and get supplies.

F. L. Benson, captain of the life saving station at Grand Manan is in the city. Captain Benson's boat is the Maudie D., which he claims is one of the best in these parts, and he says his crew is one of the best down east. He reports stormy weather and high gales but says there have been no casualties for some time. Captain Benson thinks that Canadian boys are as good seamen as can be produced, and instances the fact that Captain Guptill, of the Quoddy light station is a Grand Manan boy.

Last evening, the Rev. David Lang lectured before the St. Stephen's church guild on "Part of His Trip Around the World." Starting in the Mediterranean he passed through Egypt and Palestine, thence to Australia, returning to Canada. Mr. Long delighted the large number present by his graphic descriptions of the scenes visited, and the well chosen anecdotes and personal reminiscences with which this most interesting and instructive lecture was interspersed. A. Gordon Leavitt presided. The lecture was illustrated by lime light views.

W. R. Chapman has arrived in Portland, Maine, glad to get away from the New York blizzard—"far worse than any Maine storms," he says. He has spent the past two weeks visiting his different choruses in New England. He is enthusiastic over the festival announcement and the contract with Mme. Emma Evans. "Why it has been my dream and ambition for years," he said, to a reporter "to bring Mme. Evans to Maine, and I am delighted to see how universal is the joy at the news. All the choruses have taken a new lease of life in anticipation of the great event."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Royal.—W. Renwick, Halifax; D. McLean, New York; H. I. Smith, Fredericton; L. O. Golden, Boston; W. B. Winslow, Fredericton, F. Moore, Halifax.

At the Dufferin.—H. S. Crane, Halifax; J. E. Harley, Woodstock; G. Allan Smith, Woodstock; E. B. Lambkin, Halifax; W. G. Kent, Toronto; At the Victoria.—L. W. Pond, Montreal; J. A. Patterson, Grand Falls; G. Stewart Gould, Truro; J. Vroom, St. Stephen.

At the New Victoria.—George Wermald, Newcastle; John Toppins, Lubec; Arthur Yates, Boston.

WANT GOVERNMENT AID.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—(Special.)—Fire and light committee of Ottawa decided tonight to present a memorial to the government asking for assistance on account of assistance given by the fire department to protect government property.

BATTLE LINE.

Steamer Pharsalia, arrived at Newcastle N. S., W. from Auckland.

Steamer Cunaxa arrived at New Orleans last Sunday, from Tenerife.

TEMPLE OF HONOR.

Victoria Section No. 2, Will Celebrate 56th Anniversary.

Victoria section No. 2, Temple of Honor, will celebrate its 56th anniversary tonight in the room, Market building. A choice programme of music and readings has been prepared and a good time is looked for by all the members.

Among those who will deliver speeches are:—Chas. A. Everett, Dr. W. F. Roberts, David McNally, James Sullivan, E. A. Everett and S. Lagun.

Victoria section No. 2, Temple of Honor, was organized in 1849, and through all its history, this year has been the most successful. Few members are now in the ranks who joined at the organization. David McNally is one, and he informed the Times that the Temple was at present on an excellent financial basis.

THE LUMBER TRADE.

Reduced Output in Alberta County This Winter.

W. B. Dickson, of Hillsboro, Alberta Co., is in the city. The lumber business is one of the topics of day. Consequently a Times' reporter called on Mr. Dickson this morning. He is representing W. Malcolm Mackay, and said:—

"The output of lumber in my district will not be more than 75 per cent. of the output of previous years. Lumbermen up to this last storm, have had a very favorable winter for operating but the heavy snow in the woods will stop all yarding operations."

Continuing, when asked about the probable shipment of lumber from his district this coming season Mr. Dickson said:—

"We will probably ship about ten millions from Hopewell Cape and Grand Stone island."

ST. JOHN IN IT.

Sixty Loads of Grain Fined Since Jan. 1st.

Yesterday, New York Journal of Commerce, says:—"Two ports which are gaining at the expense of New York just now are St. John, N. B., and Portland, Me. Grain shipments from the latter port are heavy and likely to continue so for some time. One Montreal grain shipper admits having engaged sixty loads since the first of the year to go by that route. It is noted that the next Philadelphia-Manchester steamer is advertised to call at St. John N. B."

OFFICIAL NEGLIGENCE.

The attention of the street department is directed to the condition of Mecklenburg street, from Pitt street to the end. Mountains of snow are piled there. It is very difficult for people living there to get out to Pitt street, as they are entirely neglected by the street department.

But there is a more serious side to the case. When a big thaw comes, that street is the outlet for all the water converging there along the line of the street railway. There is a continuous down grade along the railway to that point from Princess down Carmarthen, Duke and Pitt streets, and it is also down grade from the other direction on Mecklenburg street to that corner. The water pours down there from both directions and is sent on down Mecklenburg street, making rubber boots necessary for the people who live there.

A catch basin was put in to carry off some of this water, but it was not placed at the lowest point and does not serve the purpose.

Two things should be done, the residents say; one is to keep the lower end of Mecklenburg reasonably clear of snowdrifts, and the others is to put a catch basin where it ought to be. As usual, the officials are indifferent.

THE DAWSON GAME.

As the date for the most important hockey match seen in St. John in recent years approaches the interest increases. The all St. John boys on which is to meet the Dawson boys has been chosen and are now practicing hard, and those who see Wednesday's game will be sure of a closely contested match. Probably never before in the history of hockey has a team gone on tour playing six games a week, and it is a splendid test to the endurance of the young men from the frozen north, far more so probably than their walk of four hundred miles from Dawson to White Horse. Those who intend attending Wednesday evening should not wait longer in securing their tickets as they are on sale at Gray's bookstores.

THE BANDMANN CO.

The Bandmann-Dallas Opera Company will arrive in St. John on Monday morning from Halifax and will open an engagement at the Opera house that evening in "The Orchid." The company is particularly strong this year and includes in the roster D. B. O'Connor, an Australian baritone with a voice of marvellous range and tone. St. Clair Catter, a funny comedian. Miss Georgie Carlass, as leading soprano, and Miss Wilmot Karkeek comedienne. In addition there will be the regular St. John favorites. The seat sale is now open at the Opera house box office.

IN TELEGRAPHIC AND GENERAL NEWS THE TIMES LEADS.

STILL STRUGGLING.

Most of the Branch Railways Are Now Running Trains.

All the branch lines with the exception of the Elgin and N. B. Southern have been opened up and mails are now being forwarded to their destination.

The N. B. Southern management are doing the best they can to get the line opened up, and are trying to expedite the mail service in every way possible. They expect to get the road opened up either today or tomorrow. At present mails are made up at St. John for St. Stephen, Oak Bay, and Elmsville each day during the blockade of the road, and are forwarded via C. P. R., leaving here at 6 p. m., which connects with team leaving St. Stephen for St. George.

On the Elgin branch the mails will probably be carried by teams for the balance of the winter, as it is considered almost impossible to open the road.

The Albert branch was opened up at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and traffic resumed.

Reports from the outlying districts say that in many places the snow drifts are 30 or 40 feet deep.

Chas. A. Murray, who has been acting as superintendent of the mail service, in the absence of Supt. Ryan, has had his hands full most of the time, but has been doing the work in a most satisfactory manner, both to the department and the public in general, and deserves much credit for the efficient way in which he has dealt with the many perplexing problems with which he has been confronted. Geo. M. Ryan, the superintendent, will probably assume his charge again the latter part of the week.

SUSSEX NEWS.

Funeral of the Late Mrs. McCully ---Late Personal News of Interest.

Sussex, Jan. 31.—The funeral of the late Mrs. McCully, widow of Robert McCully took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The funeral was largely attended. Service was held at the house. Interment was at Trinity church burying ground, Upper Corner. The four sons, S. G. McCully, Sussex, Dr. McCully, St. John, F. A. McCully, Moncton and Clement McCully, New Jersey acted as pall-bearers; Rev. J. B. Gough, A. M. Hubley and C. W. Hamilton conducted the service. All the children were present except Rev. Alonzo, McCully of Summerside who could not get here on account of navigation being interrupted in the straits.

Ezra C. Griggy of Cole's Island died on Saturday at his home of consumption, age 25 years.

The town council held a special meeting on Saturday evening to make some preparations for their regular meeting tonight. Water and light is now the principal question before the board. The extending of about 50 more lights over the town is under serious consideration.

Gordon McKay, son of Mayor McKay is ill of pneumonia at his home.

Willie Wallace is ill of la grippe at his home.

Miss Blanche Fairweather returned home last evening, from Quincy hospital, Mass., where she has been training for a nurse.

Miss Minnie Camp who is teaching school at Coal Branch, spent Sunday with her parents here.

Dr. S. H. Langstroth left this morning for Nauwigewauk, where he will attend the funeral of his brother Eraven, who died on Sunday.

S. Arthur Freeze, harrister, was down to his office this morning for the first time in three weeks, being confined to his home through severe illness.

Miss Blanche Fowles of Havelock, is the guest of Mrs. Andrew Price, Church Ave.

Miss Florence West, returned home today after making a long visit with friends in Moncton.

Chas. Clark of Ottawa, is at the Depot house.

Burpee Mills of the Sussex Mercantile Co., is quite ill at his home of la grippe.

Miss Lena Carlton gave a very pleasant party to her friends last evening at her brother's home. Besides her Sussex friends fifteen from Penobscus were present, returning home by the midnight train. Progressive whist and dancing were the principal amusements.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mrs. W. H. Smith, left last night for Ottawa, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. T. P. Charlton.

Miss Ethel Mullin, daughter of Dr. Mullin, of Fredericton, who has been visiting Miss Cora M. Scott, 99 Douglas Avenue, returned home this morning.

Mrs. W. Allan Black, who has been ill with la grippe for the past two weeks, has recovered.

Policeman Robert Hamilton, who has been seriously ill with asthma is much improved today.

The following Canadians were among those who registered at the Canadian government offices in London the week ended Jan. 17. A. Alison Bartlett, Charlottetown; J. Lighter, Sydney (C. B.), and C. M. Vaughan, Wolfville (N. S.).

Mrs. A. M. Rowan, will receive on Feb. 1 and 2 at her residence, Hillside Manawagonish.

W. E. Farrell, of Fredericton, was in the city yesterday.

THE COUNTY OF COLCHESTER

Will Have Its Own Hospital for Harmless Insane---Hunter and Crossley---The Blockade.

Truro, N. S. Jan. 30.—It has been more than a quarter of a century since such a fall of snow and general blockade has happened in this vicinity, as has been witnessed here during the week just closed. For two days Truro was practically without a mail service, letters posted in St. John on the 25th were distributed here late on the 27th, and the first upper province distribution took place today.

On the Midland Railway from Windsor to Truro, late Saturday night two engines and one car that began at Windsor two days before to work through to Truro had only got eight miles on the way. Farmers in Truro today from sections through which the Midland runs, state that for miles at a stretch the track lies under snow four feet deep on the level. Wire communication from the Midland workers say that they do not expect to get the road clear before Tuesday.

The fourth week of the Crossley and Hunter evangelistic meetings ended last night with a record of nearly 600 converts. The evangelists have decided to stay one week more, and will close their campaign for souls on Monday, February the 6th.

Thus far the stories spread by many to the effect that these evangelists were reaping large gains in money contributions are set at naught by the statement of the local finance committee, which shows that there is \$99 to go to the two men for their month's work—\$48.50 each. A thank offering will increase it considerably during the coming week.

Miss Nina A. Reade, who has resigned from the staff of the Normal school, had a farewell service at one of the Baptist churches on Sunday, and the Normal school will tender her a reception this week. As already reported to the "Times," Miss Reade is about to prepare for foreign mission work.

There is quite an epidemic of sickness, a kind of grip, among the students in this educational centre and a large number are ill.

The municipal council have started to build a home for the poor and harmless insane on the county farm purchased last fall. The building is to be of modern architecture and of the best in the province. An effort was made by local physicians to get the council to join with other counties and erect a provincial institution but this proposition was defeated.

E. W. BOWMAN

Presented by Dufferin Employees With a Morris Chair.

Last evening E. W. Bowman, the present manager of the Victoria hotel, was summoned to appear at the Dufferin hotel. Mr. Bowman arrived there in due time, naturally speculating as to the cause of such a sudden call. He was met by the entire staff of the hotel, and in well chosen remarks, as a tribute of the esteem in which he was held, by the employees of the Dufferin, John Henneberry, head waiter, on behalf of the staff, presented Mr. Bowman with a handsome Morris chair.

Mr. Henneberry in making the presentation referred to the general regret of the staff in learning of Mr. Bowman's severing connection with the Dufferin, and wished him every success in his new position.

Mr. Bowman, who was taken entirely by surprise, heartily thanked his friends and assured them that their remembrance was greatly appreciated.

THE FIRST CARNIVAL

A visit to Friday night's carnival will cost little, yet you could not see a greater variety of characters, dresses, oddities or freaks if you spent \$2,500,000 in a trip around the world. The many foreign characters seen at a carnival are very often true to life, while the numerous monkeys, elephants, birds, snake charmers, and Happy Fooligans help to make the evening one of rare enjoyment. Forty dollars in gold is being given as prizes.

Furness steamer Gulf of Anzac arrived today at Halifax from London at 7 a. m.

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Comprising Fancy Tweed Mixtures; Black, Brown and Navy Cheviots, Plain Cloths, Etc.

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13.00 " " 6.50	15.00 " " 7.50
18.00 " " 9.00	25.00 " " 12.50

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ST. JOHN, N. B., JAN. 30, 1905.

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