

Local News.

The C. P. R. steamer Lake Manitoba, which sailed for St. John on Jan. 24th has about 650 third class passengers, which is almost a record number for this season of the year.

There were nine deaths in the city, during the past week. They resulted from the following causes: cerebral hemorrhage 1; still born, 2; pneumonia, 2; paralysis, 1; congestion of lungs, 1; heart disease, 2.

Rev. J. W. A. Nicholson will lecture on Abraham Lincoln under the auspices of St. Andrew's church guild on Monday evening. Solos by Mrs. F. C. MacNeill, Mrs. D. B. Pidgeon and others will also form part of the programme.

At Barker, on behalf of the St. Andrew's guild, who were delayed at Grand Bay on the C. P. R., wishes to thank the officials of that company for the generous treatment they received while on the train. Everything was done that could be done to add to their comfort.

The insurance of the rebate of fifteen cents, promised by the insurance underwriters on acceptance of the chemical engines by the city will go into effect on February 1. This was decided at a meeting of the underwriters yesterday morning. It was also decided that now policies written on any day from yesterday to February 1 will have the benefit of the rebate.

This afternoon, about 5:15 o'clock, the Ladies' hockey teams will play. The Mohawks and Neptunes will struggle for supremacy and both teams are confident of winning. The last game was won by the Mohawks, Daisy Sears, captain, and she is determined that they shall repeat the victory, while Capt. Margorie Sutherland of the Neptunes, is equally determined to wipe out the former defeat.

H. R. Arnold, the western representative of T. H. Estabrooks, tea importer, of St. John, N. B., has just returned from headquarters, after a very enjoyable Christmas holiday. While visiting there he attended the annual banquet given by the head of the firm to all his travellers. Mr. Arnold states that during his trip, in the many large American and Canadian cities he visited, all eyes were on the Northwest, and many were the questions asked him as to the prospects and advantages for eastern wholesale houses in this part of the country.—Winnipeg Free Press.

There was a large audience present last evening at St. Mary's church school-room when an interesting programme was carried out under the auspices of St. Mary's brass band. The programme was as follows:—March, R. L. T. B. band; song, Mr. Kerr; reading, Miss De Ceu; duet, Fred and Daisy Oram; instrumental duet, violin and guitar; Messrs. Coston and Crossley; selection, band; recitation, Mrs. Willis; piano solo, Miss Williams; recitation, Mr. Burditt; selection, band; piccolo solo, Mr. Rass; trio, Messrs. Ramsey, Gray and Oram; piano solo, Miss McDonald; recitation, Miss De Ceu; recitation, Miss Daisy Oram; march, band.

WINTER PORT NOTES

The Royal mail steamship, Ionian, arrived yesterday at Halifax. She made a record trip eight days. It is expected that the steamship Sicilian will get away tomorrow, that is if her cattle shipment arrives in time, there are 708 head for this ship.

There is also, on the way from the west, 250 head of cattle for Lake Erie.

The steamship, Wyandotte, will have a full outward cargo for South Africa. There is a large amount of freight waiting to be shipped to Cape Town.

The live stock space from this port has all been taken up by shippers for the month of February and from this out business at the point will boom.

The Donaldson line steamship, Kastalia, Captain Webb, arrived this morning from Glasgow, with a large general cargo. She brought 21 cattle also.

C. P. R. steamer, Lake Erie, will sail tomorrow morning for Liverpool direct.

STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

An accident that might have resulted seriously occurred on Winter street early last evening. A middle aged man who was walking in the centre of the street was struck by an electric car and narrowly escaped being crushed by the wheels. An eye witness of the accident states that he was rolled nearly forty feet in front of the fender before the car was brought to a standstill; and that the motorman said he stopped as soon as he saw him.

THE BANDMANN OPERA CO.

The production of The Duchess of Dantzic by the Bandmann's Company will follow close upon the first production of this Napoleonic Musical Play in New York by the original English Company.

At Daly's Theatre New York this piece has scored an emphatic success, the New York papers being most enthusiastic, describing the production as a distinctly upward step in the realms of Musical Comedy.

DR. PARKER'S LECTURE.

A trip to London for 50 cents! Who would not go? and it will only take you two hours to go and come back in company with Dr. Lindsay Parker, leaving the Opera House at 8 p. m. on Thursday Feb. 2nd.

While there you will see all the sights and meet many of England's most famous men, so remember the date and don't be late, because it gets dark as soon as the voyage begins. Tickets are now on sale.

THEY USED THE SNOW.

Salvage Corps Utilized It to Extinguish Fire Last Night.

Engine Sticks in Snow Banks ---Fire Hydrants Snowed up ---City Confronted by Serious Condition.

Fire was discovered about 10 o'clock last night among the shelves in the front part of Robertson, Trites & Co., Ltd., dry goods establishment on Charlotte street. An alarm was sent in from box 24 and in the meantime some citizens and Salvage Corps men who were near, broke in the door and started in to beat out the fire. The Salvage Corps apparatus was first on the scene and from the store shovels were taken and snow carried into the store and thrown on the burning rolls of dress goods. While the snow brigade was at this work others were taking the rolls out on the floor and tramping the fire out, and in this manner the fire was at least checked, when No. 1 hose arrived and then No. 2 hose and the chemical engine.

The chemical being on wheels and the hauling heavy it was attached by a rope to No. 2 hose, which gave the new apparatus a tow to the fire. Those in charge of the engine were very quick on their arrival in giving the apparatus her first real engagement, and what flames were left were almost instantly quenched with very little of the chemicals being used. A stretch of hose from N. 1 reel was not needed. The chemical was the right thing last night and worked to the full satisfaction of those watching.

Members of the firm had left the building only about fifteen minutes before the flames were discovered, and they are at a loss to account for the origin of the fire.

The firm have their stock insured for \$19,000 with T. B. & H. B. Robinson, A. C. Fairweather, G. O. D. Otty, C. W. Hope Grant, and Tilley & Fairweather.

Engine Stuck.

An illustration of the fire danger to which the city is exposed by the present condition of the streets were to be seen outside No. 1 engine house in Charlotte street, last evening, when the fire bell rang for the Robertson, Trites & Co., fire. The engine, with four horses, attached was promptly turned out, but before a start up Charlotte St. could be made the rear wheels became embedded in the snow and no efforts of the horses could move the heavy carriage.

All hands turned to and pushed and pulled at the wheels, and by dint of united effort the engine was at last started and reached the fire at least five minutes behind time owing to the delay in the snow. Chief Kerr has made arrangements with the street railway that, as matters now are on the streets, the fire apparatus will use the centre of the roadway going to a fire and if cars are in the way they will take the back track and give the apparatus the way.

Hydrants Covered.

A serious element of danger resulting from the storm is the burial of the fire hydrants by the huge drifts of snow. Some of them have been dug out but the majority are still covered up. On both sides of Brussels street the snow drifted deeply. On the east side the plugs have been dug out, that is to say the snow has been cut from about a foot around them and a path of the same width has been made to the street railway tracks. On the west side two fire plugs have been dug out, one of them north of Richmond street and the other at the corner of union and Brussels.

The numerous passages from Brussels to Exmouth and Waterloo streets are temporarily at least without adequate fire protection. There is a hydrant at the corner of Haymarket square and City Road, which has been partly exhumed, the snow or ice being on a level with the bottom yet. On Westmorland road there is a plug at the cemetery gate, but all that is visible of it is the iron cap. There are two plugs uncovered on the east side of Union, which is in the same state as that at the corner of Haymarket Square and City Road, and the other near Haymarket square. On the west side of Waterloo street, there are no hydrants visible from Haymarket square to the Cathedral. At the corner of Cliff and Waterloo and Peters and Waterloo streets snow has been shoveled off the sidewalks on to the top of the hydrants so that they are buried from sight.

Only one fire plug could be located in Carleton street yesterday and that is on the corner of Carleton and Wellington Row. On Peel street and vicinity of the Public Library, Odd-fellows' Hall, Seaman's Institute, hydrants were not to be seen.

In Gormain street and some other sections the fire plugs were to be seen from the side walks where citizens in clearing the walks happened to run against them, and in other places a narrow passage was made through the bank to the street, but to pick out one of these plugs after dark will be somewhat of a puzzle to the driver of the horse teams.

In St. Andrews street—a short thoroughfare, with tenements—the snow is in gigantic drifts, and if there are any hydrants there they are not in sight. This is also true of other small streets. On several corners, however—German and Duke, Sydney and St. James, and others—the hydrants had been dug clear. At the corner of Charlotte and Princess the plug is clear on one side, but is flanked by a large pile of snow.

A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE.

Snowbound Railway Men Rig a sail on a Trolley and Make Quick Time.

Stories of experiences of trains held up by snow drifts are always of interest.

An I. C. R. man today told one to a Times reporter that is certainly unique, but it is vouched for to the letter by the gentleman in question, and is known to be a fact by many old-timers of thirty years ago, who now live at Truro and Halifax.

The train started out and got stalled in a bank of snow several feet high at Elmsdale. There he stayed. The conductor, and the brakeman started out in opposite directions. There was no danger of a collision, the cross of the two trains had to be made at Windsor Jct. A hurricane wind was blowing and the conductor started out on a trolley with two or three travellers, who wanted to get along without any unnecessary delay. They took turns working the trolley for a mile or so.

At a point along the line the conductor decided that the work was even harder than running a train. So on reaching the home of an acquaintance he procured material for a temporary sail. The velocity of the wind was something terrific. The sail was adjusted on the trolley and away they went.

The road from Elmsdale to Windsor Jct., was made in jig time.

EXHIBITION DIRECTORS.

A meeting of the directors of the Exhibition Association was held last evening when the following officers were elected: President, R. B. Emerson; 1st vice-president, R. O'Brien; 2nd vice-president, Col. A. Markham; treasurer, A. Macaulay.

D. J. McLaughlin, C. B. Allan, T. H. Estabrooks, A. O. Skinner, J. A. Estey, J. W. Myers, executive.

Finance committee: J. H. McAvity, chairman; S. H. Hall, A. O. Skinner, C. B. Allan, H. Gallagher.

The appointments of secretary and other officials were placed in the hands of a committee consisting of the president, R. O'Brien, T. H. Estabrooks and C. B. Allan.

The following directors were present at the meeting: B. R. Emerson, R. O'Brien, Col. A. Markham, A. Macaulay, D. J. McLaughlin, J. W. Myers, S. S. Hall, W. M. Jarvis, W. Burditt, J. H. Northrup, C. B. Allan, J. A. Estey and Secretary J. F. Gleeson.

CARNIVAL FRIDAY.

The grand fancy dress carnival at the Victoria rink next Friday evening Feb. 3rd. under the auspices of the Victoria Skating and Athletic Club will be the first one of the season and therefore it will be one of the biggest and best. There will be plenty of bright new ideas, more funny and grotesque costumes, and novel combination rigs. Forty dollars in gold will be given as prizes to the most fancy, most original and best character assumed by lady and gentlemen skaters. There will be lots of fun for the spectators and a general good time for all.

FRAIL LITTLE ONES.

The little ones are frail. Their hold upon life is slight. No symptom that indicates any of the ailments of childhood should be allowed to pass for a moment without proper attention. The little ailments may soon become a serious one, and then it may be too late to save a precious little life. If Baby's Own Tablets are kept in the house, the danger of serious trouble can be averted, and the minor troubles promptly cured. An occasional Tablet to the well child will prevent illness. The Tablets are absolutely safe and contain no poisonous soothing stuff—they give children healthy sleep, on simply because they banish the sleep of sleeplessness. Mrs. F. B. Bishop, Lawrencetown, N. S., says:—"I have found Baby's Own Tablets just as you represent them—the very best of medicine for your children." You can get the Tablets from druggists or by mail at 25 cents a box, by writing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Miss Allingham, of St. John, is visiting Miss Gussie Madden in Sussex.

W. F. Leonard, of St. John N. B., was yesterday introduced on 'Change at the Board of Trade, by D. J. Bryne.—Montreal Gazette, Thursday.

A. D. Murray, of Penobscot, is arranging his business in order that he may leave for Vancouver, B. C., by the first of February, where he has received the offer of a splendid position.—Sussex Record.

The many little friends in Sussex and St. John of Master Arthur Foster, of Boston, will be pleased to hear that he was one of the brightest pupils in Sussex' musical entertainment, given in Boston, January the 14th. He is also in the eighth grade in the public school, and his teacher, Miss Hill, says he is a very promising boy for his age. He has spent his vacations for the past two summers in Sussex with his uncle, Mr. George Myers, his mother being a sister of Mr. Myers, and his aunt in St. John, Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Winchester.—Sussex Record.

John Gibbons, a former St. John boy returned yesterday to visit his home after an absence of over seven years. He is representing the Bay State Moulding Co., of Malden, Mass. He is a son of Henry Gibbons, ship-builder, of Port Howe.

Mrs. J. Williams and daughter of Vancouver, Miss L. Shrapnel and Miss N. Shrapnel and C. W. Lamb of Victoria are at the Royal. They will sail by the Lake Erie.

Miss M. Smith, milliner at Brock & Patterson's is ill at the Lansdowne hotel with la grippe.

Policeman Robert Hamilton, who has been seriously ill with asthma for the past two weeks, is slightly improved to-day.

GRAND FALLS.

Cold Weather Continues and Town is Snowbound—Government to be Memorialized.

Grand Falls, Jan. 27.—Prof. Claremont, the young hypnotist, gave another enjoyable entertainment in Kertson's hall last night before a large and appreciative audience. Claremont's feats in mind reading were truly wonderful. Five young men volunteered as hypnotic subjects and he soon had them under his control and forced them into all sorts of imaginary situations and compelled them to perform ridiculous antics. The audience was left continually convulsed with laughter. Claremont excelled all former visitors in his line and gave one of the most laughable entertainments witnessed in Grand Falls.

The Arctic weather still continues, and the thermometer registered thirty degrees below zero Wednesday morning. Wednesday night a blustering snow-storm set in, and continued all day yesterday. Over a foot of snow fell, and a howling wind drifted the snow in huge piles in all directions. Grand Falls has now been snowbound for forty-eight hours. No mails have reached here since Wednesday morning. All trains are cancelled, and traffic is for the present paralyzed. The country roads are altogether impassable, and it will be days before communications can be opened with some localities. The wind blew a gale all day yesterday driving the snow into mountainous drifts. The express train due here yesterday may arrive this afternoon, although all regular trains have been cancelled, and freight trains are being utilized for passenger traffic. It is unquestionably the worst storm for years.

The following St. John men are in town today, guests at the Curless House—C. Gen. Gatcombe, Geo. H. Dixon, Percy Gunn, E. M. Welland, Frank Binly, J. A. McIsaac, and J. H. Scribner.

Grand Falls is the only 'town of its importance in Canada which does not possess a water-works system. Householders are forced to employ teamsters to haul water in casks from the river, and recently the teamsters increased the rates from 10 cents to 15 cents per cask.

The legislature will again be memorialized during the next session to purchase the New Brunswick land company's domains in Victoria county, and open the same for settlement. Over a third of the land in Victoria county belongs to the company.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Capt. Wm. Clark.

The death occurred this morning of Mrs. Jane Clark, widow of Capt. William Clark of the west end. She had been up and around the house until almost the last, although in the 82nd year of her age.

Mrs. Clark was one of the best known and most highly respected residents of the west side, having been born and spent her long life there. She was the mother of thirteen children, of whom only three survive. These are S. H. Clark, a well known engineer on the C. P. R.; A. R. C. Clark of the firm of Tilley & Clark, and Mrs. William Irons of the west side. Mrs. Clark also leaves one sister, Miss Katherine Patchell.

Among the older citizens, especially of the west side, the news of Mrs. Clark's death will be learned with sincere regret.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon, with service at the house at 2:30 and funeral at 3 p. m.

James Hamilton.

The death of James Hamilton occurred last night at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Johnston, 62 Dorchester St. He was 78 years of age, and is survived by four daughters and one son. He was a well known spar maker in the north-end.

The funeral of Michael Matthews has again been postponed, owing to the bad roads. It will probably take place tomorrow.

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FANCY TWEED SKIRT, round length, made with side panels running in plaits at the bottom, button trimmings. Reduced from \$6.00 to \$3.00.

Skirts from \$1.50 upwards.

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