

TONIGHT'S ATTRACTIONS.

Daily company at the Opera House in Christopher Jr. Vaudeville at York Theatre. Borden club meets in their rooms, King Square. Address by O. S. Crockett.

Local News.

St. John Primary Union will meet next Monday.

A meeting of the Safety Board will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

A large pane of glass was accidentally broken yesterday in Samuel T. Vaughan's grocery store on Adelaide street.

The ladies committee of the Protestant Orphan Asylum met this afternoon. No business of any importance was transacted.

Reginald Barry, slipped and fell on King street, this morning injuring his head slightly. He was able to go home without assistance.

The members of the police force are busy collecting prizes for their sports and report that city merchants and others have responded inebriatingly and generously. Quite a number have already been delivered.

James Stratton of Loch Lomond died at his home on Tuesday night. He was 64 years of age. The funeral will take place on Friday at 3.30. Coaches leave head of King St., at 2.15.

An effort is being made by the police to discover the man, who it is alleged, attempted to assault Sadie Cunningham, on Exmouth street on Tuesday, but so far there have been no developments in the case.

On January 5th last year the thermometer registered 16 degrees below zero. Today the lowest temperature was 10 degrees below. It is to be hoped we are not to have a continuation of the very cold weather of last winter.

Caroline Dever, wife of Thomas Dever, died Thursday afternoon, at her home Annapolis, after a lingering illness. She was 74 years of age and leaves a husband, two sons, John and Samuel, who live in the United States and two daughters, Margaret of St. John and Hannah in the United States survive her.

R. H. Bell, a well known well-borer, has been operating for several months past near the site of Ready's brewery at Fairville. It is understood that the boring has reached a depth of over 500 ft., and water has not yet been struck. Mr. Bell has every confidence in a successful result and, it is understood will continue his work.

Manager F. G. Spencer of the Queen's rink, has remodeled one of the former dressing rooms in the rink, and will serve refreshments, consisting of soft drinks both hot and cold. Geo. Allen, the well known druggist, will have charge of the refreshment booth, and a young lady will be in attendance at all times. In addition to the drinking urns a large punch bowl will be in evidence.

Come and enjoy an evening at a good concert for a small sum. The programme will suit both young and old. And a good laugh is better than a doctor's prescription. It is a good cure for the "blues." A prominent gentleman has already bought fifty tickets. That shows how the tickets are going for the concert in St. John Presbyterian church on evening of 17th. See adv.

POLICE COURT.

Two prisoners adorned the bench at the police court this morning.

James Taylor drunk on Sheffield street was fined \$8 or two months hard labor.

Robert Kemp, drunk on Douglas Avenue was fined \$4 or ten days.

DOES NOT APPLY HERE.

The special dispensation of the Pope allowing Roman Catholics the world over to eat meat on Friday next, feast of Epiphany, was announced in all the churches on Sunday last. The special feature of this dispensation is that the Friday abstinence is not transferred to any other date, but there will be no fish day this week. (Montreal Witness.)

In reference to the above paragraph, the Times interviewed the authorities of the Roman Catholic church here, but they state that while the notice of the dispensation has been received in the Quebec and Antigonish dioceses, they have not as yet been notified in the St. John diocese. Therefore they are not in a position to state that the dispensation would apply to St. John.

HARCOURT.

The fair weather of Christmas and New Years gave place last night and today to a blizzard from the east, which has blocked the roads. All trains are late.

Miss Jennie Bryant returned from Picton on the 31st ultimo. Miss Grace Wathen of Richibucto, is visiting her uncle, Leslie J. Wathen, stipendiary-magistrate, of this place. The union prayer meetings of Monday and Tuesday nights were well attended and very successful.

IS THERE A MATTER TO WHICH YOU THINK PUBLIC ATTENTION SHOULD BE CALLED? TELL THE TIMES ABOUT IT.

EARLY CLOSING.

Will be Enforced in Beer Shops--No Second Door to Bars.

Liquor license inspector John B. Jones, reported having notified all retail liquor dealers today that they must close up all second entrances to their establishments. All who violate this regulation will be immediately prosecuted, and no excuse will be taken.

When questioned with reference to a report that beer sellers were being deprived of their licenses, Mr. Jones replied that the liquor license covered both, and that they, too, must close at 10 p. m. This will also necessitate the closing of all pool rooms in connection with such establishments. No part of the premises must remain open.

SEAMEN'S MISSION.

S. L. Gorbell Speaks of the Proposed New Building.

S. L. Gorbell, who is now engaged in soliciting subscriptions for the new building to be erected for the Seamen's mission, when asked if the building would be completed by next winter said he had not the slightest idea as to the time, but he assured the reporter that the building would be fully up-to-date in every particular.

There will be two reading rooms, a reception room, dining rooms, kitchen, sleeping apartments, and concert hall. The measurements of these rooms are not yet known.

Mr. Gorbell intends to have concerts every two weeks, and the proceeds are to go toward the mission in this city.

For some time past, the proceeds of these concerts went to Montreal, but Mr. Gorbell who did not think that was right, sent a petition to the manager of the Seamen's Mission of Montreal, who has replied, agreeing to allow the St. John mission to keep the money.

In the new building, a better chance will be given the concert companies, and Mr. Gorbell believes that much interest will be taken by the citizens of St. John.

The site for the new building has not yet been chosen, but it will be somewhere in the vicinity of the harbor front.

This winter has been the most successful one in the history of the Seamen's mission. It has not only been a good home for the seaman, but for many poor men who were without homes. Mr. Gorbell can relate many instances where the ladies who are connected with the institution have taken men of this class into their homes and provided food and shelter for them.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal.—A. J. Mackay, Boston; A. A. Scott, Montreal; H. L. Doane, Truro; L. H. Irving, Bouctouche; Val de'Orloque, Montreal; Jas. McLean, Sussex. Dufferin.—Burr Chamberlain, S. S. Green, New York; E. Smith, Halifax; J. L. Chisholm, Truro. Victoria.—J. B. Loring, W. Atkinson, Fredericton. New Victoria.—H. R. Katholing, Montreal; Miss Croasdale, Moncton; Jas Steel, Halifax.

AT THE YORK THEATRE.

Say! Have you seen this show? If not, why not? Every one who has, speaks in the highest praise of it. There is good dancing, fine singing, and the best comedy, that has been sent across the footlights in a good many days. The whole company is capable, and at ease with the audience. There is not a chance to feel dull for a moment, and ever changing novelty. This is the last chance. Don't miss it.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Burk, who died at the general public hospital, Jan. 1st., took place from that institution at 2.30 this afternoon. Rev. P. Owen-Jones officiated. Interment was at Fernhill.

The funeral of Albert L. Slipp took place at 2.30 this afternoon, from the residence of M. W. Cowan, Cedar street. Interment was at Fernhill. Rev. Dr. Gates conducted the services.

THE BOARD OF TRADE.

At a largely attended joint meeting of the council of the board of trade and the subsidy committee yesterday afternoon, the question of the removal of the subsidies to three trans-Atlantic lines, the Allan line, Head line and Manchester line, was considered. In the case of the Allan and the Manchester lines it was decided to petition the government to continue the subsidies and the question of the Head line was referred to the subsidy committee.

The provincial subsidies will be taken up on the 11th inst., and all the provincial steamship lines will be notified to have a representative at the meeting. The other trans-Atlantic subsidies will be considered next Friday.

H. B. Schofield was in the chair and he told of the action of subsidy committee.

The secretary read the first section of the subsidy committee's report, which recommended the continuance of the subsidies to all the trans-Atlantic lines running out of this port.

HOME FOR INCURABLES.

In spite of the heavy storm there was a good attendance at the January meeting of the Home for incurables yesterday afternoon. There are, in all, twenty-five patients in the institution, nine in the male ward, nine in the female ward, and seven in the private rooms, including one in the room for consumptives. Two were admitted last month. At Christmas the patients were given an old-fashioned treat. They hung up their stockings, which were well filled with appropriate gifts. The Christmas services were most attractive and impressive, special attention being given to the music. The matron reports that presents to the institution were unusually generous.

ST. JOHN POLICEMEN HAVE

MUCH GROUND TO COVER.

The Work of the Patrols is Tedious and Exacting --An Example of a Big Beat--How the City is Policed at Night--More Men Needed.

Of all the officials whose duty it is to enforce the laws, guide the destinies and guard the property of our city, it is quite probable that none are so little appreciated as the members of the police force, particularly that portion of it which keeps vigil from eventide until dawn. The lone patrolman is but little heeded by the passer-by and his presence is regarded as a matter of course. Few of our citizens realize what it means to patrol the streets during the long watches of the night, with the mercury below zero, and the wind moaning dismally among the chimney tops.

The fireman, who, in the discharge of his duty performs a commendable act, is held up to the public gaze as a hero; and yet more valuable services more heroic acts are frequently performed by the night patrolman.

As it is generally believed that reporters are turned on the streets looking blindly for "news" so it is that very few understand the system by which St. John patrolmen are sent forth to look—not blindly—for transgressors of the law.

The night patrols go on duty at seven o'clock, and remain until five-thirty, with an interval of an hour and a quarter for lunch and rest. The Southern division of the city is divided into seven beats and the Northern into five. In the Southern division, each beat is in most instances covered by two men at night, and one during the day; whilst in the Northern division, one man covers each beat both by day and night. Each patrol is provided with from one to two sergeants, the one whose name appears at the head of the list, acting as roundsman or patrol sergeant. Two men remain in the guard room at the central during the day and one at night. One man remains at the north end station all day, and the night patrolmen take turns about.

The night patrolmen who guard the business sections of the city are obliged to look more closely to detail than those who protect the residential part.

The locks on the front and rear doors of both stores and offices must be tried as well as those of sheds and store-houses. All windows situated near the ground are carefully tested; and every alley or passage way over which hangs the slightest suspicion is thoroughly scoured.

In most cases the beats cover an immense amount of territory, and with the present force which is comparatively small the ground has been wonderfully well covered. There is no denying the fact, however, that more men are needed.

Following is a partial list of patrols, which will give some idea of the amount of territory to be covered.

YORK POINT BEAT NO. 1.

Commences at Market Square, and takes in North wharf and all wharves northward to the old city line, eastward along the old city line to Jeffrey Hill, southward to Coburg street, along Coburg street to Union,

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

"Bert" Pritchard, who has been representing the Veronica Mineral Water Company in Boston, and the New England states, has returned to St. John, and will probably remain here.

Dr. Frank E. and Mrs. Smith, of St. John (N. B.), who have been spending the holidays the guests of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Shewan, Westmount, have returned to their home.—Montreal Witness, Jan. 3.

Capt. Robt. Carson, of St. Martins is registered at the Park. Colonel Tucker, who was hurt by falling Friday last, is much improved but it will be a few days before he is out again.

Rev. D. J. Fraser left last evening for Montreal.

STORM AND TRAINS.

The Railways Still Suffering From Yesterday's Blizzard.

The effects of the continuance of yesterday's storm over the C. P.R. and the I. C. R. have not as yet been effaced. The delay to trains is general. Hold-ups by snow piles are numerous, still traffic is being carried on, although somewhat belated.

The Boston express, commonly called "The Yankee," due here at 11.30 last night, arrived at 5.35 this morning. Near Welsford "the Yankee" encountered a snow drift, where she was held up for some time. As a matter of fact, she was practically lost between the intermediate stations.

On the I. C. R. between Moncton and St. John, many difficulties in the line of snow drifts were met with.

No. 9, due here at 6.30 did not arrive until 10.25, four hours late. Her trouble was general from Halifax.

An I. C. R. man, talking to a Times' reporter, said that never in his experience, did he see such a quality (not quantity) of snow as fell through the Felleigh Mountain passes. It was like sand, and when a person stepped off it rolled away. Another I. C. R. man said, "We were expecting every minute to be held up by the drifts, but with the plow ahead we made through all right."

The Maritime express, due here at 1.30, is two and a half hours late. The detention was due to the heavy storm along the north shore.

The Boston express this afternoon

westward to Prince William, thence south to Market Square. Taking in Dock, Nelson, Smythe, Hill, Pond, Garden, Hazen, Northchester, Sewall, Carleton, Wellington Row and Peel streets.

MARKET SQUARE BEAT, NO. 2.

Begins at Market Square, takes in South wharf and all wharves southward to Duke street, thence northward along Germain to King street, thence west, down King street to Market Square, and from Market Square to St. John street lock-up.

KING SQUARE BEAT, NO. 3.

Begins at the corner of the Court House on Sydney street, thence to Duke street, thence west along Duke to Germain, thence north along Germain to Union, thence east along Union to Sydney, thence south to the Court House. Taking in Charlotte St., King Square, the old grave yard and King between Carmarthen and Sydney.

BRUSSELS STREET BEAT, NO. 4.

Begins at the corner of Union and Sydney streets. Thence east along Union St. to Courtney Bay, thence north to Marsh Bridge, thence west to Waterloo, thence south along Waterloo to Union. Taking in Peters, Padlock, Cliff, Golding, and Erin streets.

The above are in the Southern division. Following is one of the largest and loneliest beats in the city.

VICTORIA, NO. 4.

Comprises Victoria ward. Begins at the first railway bridge, thence east along and taking in both sides of City Road, taking in Meadow and Forest streets and Marsh Bridge, along Westmorland Road to Kane's corner, thence north to the One-Mile-House, thence west in Marsh Bridge and Gilbert's Lane, thence north to Lily Lake, thence west along Mount Pleasant avenue, to Parks', stone house on the Sand Point Road, thence taking in Burpee Hill to first railway bridge taking in Wright, Goodrich, Seely, Prospect, Stanley, Celebration, Winter, Summer, St. Paul, Factory, Wall, and all streets in the district.

This beat is covered by one man. The duty in the west end is divided among three men.

Patrolmen report to sergeants in their respective districts and they in turn report to head quarters. Under the present system there are only two reliefs, whereas most cities of any importance have three, each shift taking duty for eight hours, which is by far the best, as a man is naturally more alert and better prepared for emergencies at the end of eight hours than he would be at the end of twelve. The only way to accomplish this with our own force is to add to its numbers.

Both officers and men are at present doing all that can be reasonably expected of them and their lot, as can be readily understood is by no means an easy one.

Hon. A. T. Dunn returned yesterday from Fredericton.

William Dixon, agent at the Royal Bank of Canada at Rexton, has been appointed to the agency at Woodstock.

Geo. Robertson, son of Mr. Geo. Robertson, M. P. P., left last night on his return to Winnipeg, after enjoying the Xmas vacation at home.

Dr. Emery has gone to Chatham on professional business. He will be absent for two or three days.

Mrs. Frank Woodland will receive her friends Wednesday and Thursday of next week at her parents' home, Westfield.

The condition of Philip Palmer of Hampton remains unchanged.

Mrs. Stephen Thorne is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. R. McCully, Amherst.

is two and a half hours late and the Atlantic is one and a half hours late.

Neptunes vs. Mohawks.

Each of tomorrow evening's contesting clubs has many friends willing to back their chances not only for winning in tomorrow evening's game but to bring the trophy to St. John at the end of the season. Without a doubt one of the most interesting provincial league matches for some time will be the meeting of the old rivals Neptunes and Mohawks in Queen's Rink tomorrow evening. All the boys have been practicing hard, in fact putting in the kind of work, which has brought hockey honors to St. John in the by gone days. The Queen's should have a large crowd to see the opening game of the season.

A meeting of the R. L. Borden club will be held this evening at Breeze's Corner. The speakers will be O. S. Crockett, M. P. for York county, J. Douglas Hazen, Dr. Daniel, and possibly Dr. Stockton. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

It is understood that the I. C. R. railway gates on Mill Street are in a defective condition and that repairs are necessary. In the event of immediate repairs flagmen will have to be placed as substitutes for the gates.

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