

Town and Country.

The Equity Court, Justice Palmer presiding, sat on Tuesday.

The R. C. Band Concert will likely take place about 17th inst.

The charge against Mr. J. A. Lynch, for selling liquor has been dismissed.

Cold weather will make excellent skating on the River and ponds in the vicinity of the city.

It rained here incessantly from 4 p. m. on Monday till an early hour on Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Gibson, mother of Alexander Gibson, Esq., died at her residence, Marysville, on Monday, aged 79 years.

The Divorce Court has been adjourned until next week, when the case of Croase vs. Croase will be concluded.

The Road Master advertises for tenders until Tuesday, 28th inst., for breaking up and repairing of twelve hundred perches of stone.

NOTICE.—The Canada Advertising Agency, No. 29 King St. West, Toronto, W. W. BURCHER, Manager, is authorized to receive advertisements for this paper.

The usual delegations from the St. John and Portland Common Councils are in the city, lobbying members of the Legislature in connection with Bills requiring passage.

The Bill to authorize the York Municipal Council to lease certain lands at Crook's Point, has been agreed to in Committee of the House. It was in Mr. Blair's charge.

We inadvertently did Mr. Blair an injustice last week in stating that his resolution favoured a reduction in agricultural expenditures, which is quite contrary to the fact.

Speaker Stevenson has quite recovered from his recent illness and has resumed his duties. His return to the Chair on Saturday was greeted with warm applause by the House.

The debate on Mr. Blair's resolution and the Government amendment thereto is still in progress. The Hon. Attorney General has made an exhaustive speech in support of the government policy.

No lady who delights in flowers, and likes to see them do well and bloom abundantly, should be without Hare's Food for Flowers. Ordinary packages, 20 cents; sufficient for twenty plants for one year.

The Entertainment in Temperance Hall on Monday night in aid of the funds of the projected Church of England Hall, was quite a success, and the attendance fairly noteworthy, standing the other attractions and the unpleasant weather.

We regret to learn that Mr. Thomas H. Perley, President of the Sunbury Agricultural Society, has been quite ill of congestion of the lungs, at his residence, Marguerville, but under the care of Dr. Gregory he is lately much improved.

The lecture on "A Sunny Side of Life," by the Rev. W. W. Brewster, which was to have been delivered in the Methodist Church Lecture Room, on the evening of the 18th inst., was postponed, on account of the weather. It will be delivered next Tuesday evening.

We unintentionally omitted to mention last week the very successful Parlor Concert given at Mr. Fenwick's residence, in aid of the funds of the proposed Church of England Temperance Society Hall. The amount realized was upwards of \$70, and the entertainment was a most enjoyable one.

The Halifax Garrison is to be reduced to one-half its present strength, only about one-third of the usual force having passed the English Channel of Commons the other day. The day is not far distant that will see the complete withdrawal of English soldiers from Canadian fortresses and their places filled by our own militia.

We understand Mr. John J. Weddall, has purchased the stock and business of the late Thomas Logan, Esq., and will continue in the old stand. Mr. Weddall, has had an extensive experience in the Dry Goods business and understands it thoroughly. We would bespeak for him a good patronage, and wish him every success.

Dr. Perryman has in his possession a copy of the pedigree of "Joe Lambert," the original of which was retained at the Queen's House, St. John, at the time the bull was entered. We have received a copy from him, and will be pleased to let anyone, who may contemplate the purchase of this fine bred animal, inspect it.

The social dance and supper in Masonic Hall, Monday evening, passed off very pleasantly. About forty couples were present and engaged in dancing till a late hour. Recent collections made by an orchestra composed of Prof. Caldwell, violin, Mr. J. H. Williamson, cornet, and Mr. Charles Hawthorne, piano. The supper gotten up by Mr. John E. Perks was quite worthy of the gentlemen's enjoyment, and was, of course, heartily enjoyed.

A most revolting case of outrage was reported to the police authorities last Friday. A young negro named George Stewart, on Thursday, visited on old negro named Vann, living on the Beik Kiln Road and committed a deed which is made a crime under the law. He was with considerable difficulty arrested and lodged in jail the following day by Marshall Woodward, came up for examination before the Police Magistrate on Saturday and has been sent up to the Supreme Court for trial.

We understand that the Young Men's Christian Association, intend holding an old fashioned Tea Meeting, on Thursday the 10th inst., in the Temperance Hall. This Tea Meeting has the object of raising money to defray the expenses of the Association, and to a certain extent, they are now labouring. All who wish to help towards a good cause, and spend an enjoyable evening, will do well to be present at the Hall that day.

The evening party given at the "Barker House" last night by members of the Legislature, was the event of the season, and proved in all respects a most enjoyable and enjoyable. All the arrangements were of the best of taste, and mine host, Mr. Orr, and assistants deserve the greatest credit for the manner in which their share of the duties were performed. There were over two hundred persons present, more than half of whom engaged in dancing in the large dining hall, which was neatly festooned with flags. Music was furnished by Prof. Caldwell, Messrs. Williamson and Hawthorne. It is seldom that a happier or better appearing company of ladies and gentlemen has gathered for a similar purpose in this city. The ladies particularly, were marked for their beauty of face and figure, and their dresses were extremely tasteful, and in many cases rich. The committee in charge, were Messrs. Hill, Jones, Ritchie, Gillespie, Robinson, McLellan, and Killam, all assisted by the lady guests at the Barker. Hon. Mr. Jones and Mr. Ritchie acted as floor managers.

The supper was served in excellent style, and in fact the minutest details were so carefully attended to as the general arrangements. Those present will have good reason to remember the event with pleasure.

The Central Railway project is being revived, Mr. Covert having introduced a Bill for that object.

Mr. Butler also has given notice of the following Resolution in connection with the matter:—

Whereas, It seems desirable that a continuation of the New Brunswick Railway, be made from the terminus at St. Mary's to some point on the Intercolonial Railway, not only to promote the interests of the country through which the New Brunswick Railway passes, but also to the country through which the continuation would pass and the Province generally.

And whereas the Company who now control the said railway have under consideration the building of such extension, provided certain facilities are extended to them.

And whereas justice seems to require that the opinion of the Province should be ascertained as to whether or not such extension would pass and which is now given by the railway communication should have at least some attention paid to its claims.

Therefore Resolved, That an address be presented to the Lieutenant Governor, that he will be pleased to take the foregoing preamble into consideration.

Sudden Death of Mr. Covert.

The community was startled this forenoon to hear that John S. Covert, Esq., M. P., for Sanbury, and a prominent member of the Opposition in the Assembly, had been found dead in his room at the Queen Hotel. Many were inclined to doubt the news; but it proved only too true. Mr. Covert was in his usual good health yesterday afternoon, and delivered one of the most vigorous speeches he has ever given in the Legislature. Shortly after closing his address, he complained of feeling badly in his breast. He took tea as usual, but a few minutes afterwards complained to Mr. Gillespie, in the latter room, and requested to see a physician. Dr. Gregory was summoned, and prescribed, and Mr. Gillespie left the sick man and went to the House at 7.30, thinking he would soon be right. At 9.30 Mr. Covert went to the House to give his vote with his party, and an hour afterwards returned to the Hotel, and accompanied Mr. Gillespie's room. That gentleman spent the most of the time till midnight with him, and ascertained no danger.

Mr. Covert retired at that time and shortly afterwards was asleep and apparently resting well. The porter of the Hotel was the first to see him this morning, at 6 a. m., when he went to the room to start a fire. Mr. Covert said he felt badly but asked for a cloth saturated with kerosene oil to put on his breast.

Mr. Gillespie visited him at 9 a. m., and left, feeling that he would be all right and would be able to attend the House to-day.

Mr. Edwards, of the Hotel, was the last person to see him alive, fifteen minutes before he died, and then he took part of a cup of coffee and appeared very much better and in no danger.

At ten minutes past ten o'clock, Mr. Gillespie went to get his coat and was shocked to find the lifeless body of Mr. Covert lying on the floor, face downwards.

Dr. Gregory, Vail, and Lewis shortly arrived and pronounced heart disease the cause of death. When the news of the sad event reached the House, it immediately adjourned on motion of Mr. Hill, and a perceptible expression of sadness pervaded every countenance.

Mr. Covert was born at Marguerville in 1829. He was first elected to the Legislature in 1868, and has since represented Sanbury ever since.

He has been twice married, first to Miss Mowat of St. Andrews, whom he leaves no living issue. She died in 1882, and in 1894 he married a daughter of the late John Hawes of Portland, N. B., and a sister of Mrs. A. A. Sterling of this city. By her he has had three children—two daughters and one son. Mr. Sterling went to Marguerville to break the bad news to Mr. Covert. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral.

The vote on Mr. Blair's Resolutions and the Provincial Secretary's Amendment thereto, was taken at half-past ten o'clock last night, after the leader of the Opposition had closed the debate, in an exhaustive speech. The House divided as follows on the Amendment.

Yea—Fraser, Wedderburn, Landry, Hanington, Marshall, Perley, Adams, McLennan, Kenny, Davidson, Johnson, Turner, Lewis, Elsie, McCallum, Hill, Monaghan, Taylor, Woods, Colter, Leighton, Beveridge, Theriault, 24.

Nay—Blair, Covert, Willis, Gillespie, Hutchison, Sayre, Thompson, Ryan, Barbee, Black, Killam, Vail, Cottrell, White, Ritchie.

City Council Meeting.
The regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday evening, the Mayor in the Chair.

The Auditor's report, embodying the Monthly Accounts, was introduced and read.

A Bill for Consolidating the Debiture Debt was passed and ordered to be presented to the Legislature for concurrence.

Ald. Barhill reported having arranged with architect Danham that that official had agreed to pay \$20 for license fees.

The Bill Committee reported against the proposed to consolidate the City By-laws during the present session of the Legislature.

The Bill to amend the charter of the City was passed, excepting the 1st Section, which requires that a candidate offering for the Mayorality shall have previously served as Alderman. The reports of the Road and Fire Committees were submitted and adopted.

Ald. Wheeler moved a resolution to authorize the Treasurer to receive from Dominion officials the less, less than on income, but it was voted down.

After the transaction of quite an amount of routine business, the Council adjourned.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Y. M. C. Association held on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd the following was adopted:

Whereas, In the dispensation of his Divine Providence the Almighty has seen fit in his wisdom to sever from our midst our late Bro. Logan, the President of this Association,

Resolved, That we as an Association feeling our great loss, deeply cherish the memory of our late Brother and Fellow Worker, and endeavor in this way to publicly express our esteem for him as a consistent follower of Christ. We can never forget the zeal and enthusiasm which he ever displayed in every-thing relating to the welfare and progress of the Young Men's Christian Association, for the kindly manner and deep interest exhibited in matters more particularly the well being of the younger members of the Association, but above all we wish to record our high appreciation of his life as exemplified by his deep grounded faith in the world's Redeemer, his moral rectitude, Christian charity, and open-handed benevolence also.

Resolved, that this Association extended its deepest sympathy to the family of our late Brother.

JOHN J. WEDDALL, Sec'y.

The premium offered for Foureigh, the circus man, for the services of the handsome woman living, for a period of three weeks, is ten thousand dollars. All applicants must send a photograph, and the lady selected will be required to appear daily in a great pageant. As beauty, not talent, is required, good looks alone will secure the prize.

WHEN EXAMINED AFTER DEATH, the lungs of those who have died of tubercular consumption are found to be honey-combed with little cells full of purulent matter. This terrible condition the lungs of any one may be brought to neglect a cough or cold. Unfortunately, many so-called cures for this disease are ineffective as well as impure, containing ingredients actually prejudicial to the physical well-being of those who use them. There is, however, a source of renewed health and strength upon which persons harassed and weakened by lung and bronchial affections can depend with certainty.

We refer to Nordpoin's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil and the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda, which is justly esteemed throughout the Dominion for its effectiveness and purity. The medical faculty have long recognized the value of purified oil, obtained from the cod's liver, in throat and lung affections, and the hypophosphites are universally prescribed in cases of pulmonary decline and general debility. In this preparation the phosphorus which it contains (phosphorus being an important natural constituent of the physical organism) serves to supply strength and vitality, by enriching the blood, while the lime and soda are of invaluable service in solidifying and strengthening the bones. This medicine not only cures the physical ailment, but also acts as a powerful tonic, and arrests the progress of the disease, by restoring the system to its normal state. As a means of checking and compensating for the tremendous waste of bodily tissue caused by lung and chest diseases, of healing and soothing the irritated membrane of the breathing organs, and of promoting the development of pure, rich blood, this preparation has no equal. All druggists sell it.

The British Repulse at Lang's Nek.

The Durban correspondent of the London Times supplies details of the repulse of the British at Lang's Nek by the Boers. He says:—

"Sir George Colley was quite aware of the great strength of the Boer position. Major Paol having reconnoitred it at night. The artillery on the right advanced shelled the camp for three-quarters of an hour, the Boers got firing. It was then thought possible to take a position 500 yards on this side at the point of the bayonet. A mounted squadron of seventy men was ordered to carry the height on the extreme right. Under Major Brown and Capt. Hornby they rode close up to the kopje, and in about five seconds half of their saddles were empty. Troop Sergeant-Major Lunny actually got into the Boer trenches, but there was shot dead by half a dozen rifles. The squadron then retired, reformed, and charged again up the hill, but nothing could be done under the fire they met with, and they fell back with a loss of seventeen killed and wounded, and thirty-two horses killed, wounded, and missing. By the time the cavalry were in retreat the Boers had been ordered to charge the hill. 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