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AN EXHIBITION GRANT.

If we are to judge by the paragraph in the speech from the governor at the opening of the legislature Thursday, St. John is likely to obtain at last some permanent recognition of the efforts of its exhibition association...

This is more encouraging than anything that has yet been promised to the association. Delegation after delegation has impressed the claim of the association year after year upon the government...

As a matter of fact the prize list of the association has been much greater than that and all of it—or practically all—has gone to the farmers of the province. The agricultural industry has reaped the benefit and the city has been paying the bills.

If the exhibition does not succeed in getting a permanent grant it can hardly be expected that the men at the head of its affairs will continue any longer to bear the brunt of their conduct. They have, at much expense of time and labor, carried along the work of the exhibition for years and it is high time that their labors were made easier.

GO SLOW, ALDERMEN.

And now some of the city fathers want to spend more money and install a police alarm system. It will only cost a few thousand dollars, say those who advocate it. Only a few thousands for this, only a few thousands for that means something in the end, gentlemen.

Arguments showing that the new system will mean a saving to the city should be carefully considered. They show greater gains on paper than they will be in reality and are always to the front when any new scheme is proposed.

The heroic death of District Chief EGAN of the Boston fire department and his men was the most appalling event of the week. Mr. EGAN was in St. John a couple of years ago and spent a fortnight here. He was well known to Chairman of Safety Mc.GOLDRICK and Chief KEER before this, and they undertook to show him the city and surroundings and of course did the honors thoroughly.

Death has been busy in the ranks of our citizens this week and the names of I. CHIPMAN OLIVE and WILLIAM RAINNIE are no longer numbered among the living. Few men were better known in the community, none were better liked.

SONNES AT THE CARNIVAL.

Some of the Things Seen and Heard at the Polymorphian's Carnival.

The scene at the Victoria Rink on Wednesday night reminded one of the former days of ice sports when the popular old rink used to be filled with thousands at the carnivals, races and sports held there. The carnival was conceded on all sides to be most successful one and to have never been surpassed in the history of the rink.

There was a steam syren there emitting fantastic sounds, a party of weather beaten life-boat men in oilskins with a fully equipped life boat; a party of Klondike gold seekers with their sled and outfit, an ostrich and various animals from the menagerie; a party of sorry looking emigrants regaling themselves with bologna; the three mu queeters of the bush direct from the Quartier Latin; sparkling beauties representing all nations. Spanish, Mexican, A's-tian, Japanese and all the others; gay cavaliers, crusaders, knights and couriers resurrected from the middle ages; young maiden beauties representing flowers, the seasons, professions, the fairy world and the ganzy butterflies; swarthy Indian girls and gypsies; a large contingent from the colored four hundred; athletic sun-burnt raiders and everything else.

There was a Viking in full warlike uniform and Father Time looking as though he had just stepped out of the pictures of him. Uncle Sam was burlesqued in thorough style, and the Yellow Kid was as Bowery like as could be.

A pilot was noticed wandering around aimlessly with a pair of snow shoes and a dark lantern. He was tramping out over Halifax harbor in the fog looking for the Lake Superior. He also had a pick axe to chop her out of the ice. Then there were the Frozen Harbor Hokey Stuggers, otherwise known as the Crescents of Halifax, looking very badly scarred and adorned with all sorts of inscriptions.

It was a very merry occasion and the fun waxed warm. The clowns, the man with the dancing bear, the coin sports, the immigrants and others created lots of sport and when the Italian with the bear told his menagerie to "kiss-um that girl two times" there was great consternation among the frightened maidens.

There was music there beside the band, Sweet Rosie O'Grady, You Can't Play in our yard, Two Little Girls in Blue, Sally in our Alley, There'll Come a Time Some Day, The Only Pebble on the Beach and other popular melodies.

It was so interesting for the 1500 spectators that they remained the whole evening watching the sport while the skaters who were having so much fun that wet feet resulting from the abundance of water on the ice did not deter them from skating every ban! to the twelfth and last.

What a Wonderful Difference

In my linen line since I have been sending my laundry to you remarked a gentleman to us the other day, anybody will notice this if they patronize us. Ungar's Laundry & Dye works.

VERSES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

The Cutter and "The Fly." (A Smuggler's run on the Bay (coteau as told in Rhythmic Phrases). Oat! The cliffs are steep off Pokeshaw and steeper at Grand Anse. And the reefs are sharp and treacherous off New Bandon. But we led the custom officers a devil of a dance, Before we found a blooming place to land on.

Alaska. Six sleeps in a sleeper from Montreal. And on moon or so from the end of the line. And you stand at the foot of the great white wall— That is white with the snows that fall, and fall. Or the cedar dwarfed and the dropping pine That grow at the feet of Alaska.

Finding Grandma's Glasses. When grandma lost her glasses, why We hunted low and hunted high, An every cranny any size Was peered into by youthful eyes, For all the little folks joined in The search, and added to the din Of tramping feet that here and there Searched mantel, what-not, all with care, When grandma lost her glasses.

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Mother and Sister Accused.

(Continued from Fourth Page.) When asked whether he would return to his old home or not he hastily replied "Oh no, I couldn't go back there and have the people twitting me with this. Oh yes they would. I know them, and I'm going to Mr. Gallagher's three or four miles from my home, and that is near enough. Everyone is good to me here, and Sheriff Balloch and Deputy Sheriff Foster gave me new clothes and did everything they could to make me happy and comfortable. Go to bed and get a good night's rest! No, I never expect to get any rest again. I don't want to be alone for I just think of the poor dead girl and my old woman in that jail there till my head aches and I can't sleep."



that they are in good hands all around, and nothing will be left undone to unearth the true facts of a death that at present is wrapped in mystery.

Officer Greer has His Say. Officer Greer of the police force says Progress was not right in stating that he was suspended for intoxication. He was suspended—laid off for three days for remaining too long in the guard room or watch house on his beat, but that is the only reason why he was suspended. But all the same he did not authorize any statement that he proposed to look for damages from this paper.

He Had Been There. "Did you ever," asked the young husband, "have your wife look you in the eye when you came home and ask you if you had not forgotten something?" "Many a time, me boy," answered the old married man. "She does yet. In the early days it used to mean a kiss, but now it is usually a reference to wiping my shoes."

Bad Company. "He said he judged people by the company they kept." "What did you say?" "I said good-bye."

One can hardly imagine the magnitude of the following figures showing the debt of the different great nations of the earth. The whole annual debt of the world is about \$29,000,000,000. The debt of the principal nations is as follows: France, \$6,000,000,000; Great Britain, \$3,300,000,000; Austria-Hungary, \$3,000,000,000; Russia, \$2,875,000,000; Italy, \$2,530,000,000; Spain, \$1,395,000,000; United States, \$996,141,952; Germany, \$420,000,000. The annual interest on the national debt paid by each inhabitant of the various countries is as follows: France \$1.75; Great Britain, \$3.15; Austria, \$7.50; Russia, \$1.20; Italy, \$3.80; Spain, \$3.25; United States, 42 cents; Germany, 33 cents.

KINGSTON, N. B. FEB 10.—A very pleasant dance under the efficient management of Mr. C. A. Northrup, was held in Kingston hall on Tuesday evening last. About forty couples enjoyed themselves to the strains of tarpsichorean music, which was the first essay of the Kingston cornet band and it may be said that they acquitted themselves very creditably. Parties were present from Clifton, Jubilee, St. John, Moss Glen and Greenwich.

A concert and variety entertainment and dance is to be given under the auspices of the band, assisted by the Hampton cornet band, in the hall on Monday the 21st. A large number is expected to be present. Miss Jessie Lyon is at present staying with friends in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. John Darling of Jubilee gave a successful progressive whist party last Friday evening. There were seven tables engaged and a very enjoyable time was spent. Refreshments were served after which the younger element indulged in tripping the light fantastic until a late hour.

ANDOVER. FEB 9.—The pretty home of Doctor and Mrs. Wiley was a scene of social pleasure on Friday evening when they entertained a large party of their friends at drive whist. No prizes were given but each guest was presented with a carnation. Shortly before midnight a delicious supper was served, after which dancing was indulged in for a short time. Invitations are out for a crokinole party at the residence of Mrs. Gratz Wednesday evening. Mrs. Baird and Miss Sadler are visiting friends in St. Stephen.

Senator Baird left on Wednesday for Ottawa to attend to his senatorial duties there. Mr. Lee E. Vin of Fort Fairfield was in town today. Miss Annie McGill of Fort Fairfield has been the guest of her sister Mrs. Wiley for the last few days. Mr. Stanley Sutton spent Sunday in Harland. IPIGENIA.

RICHBURTO. FEB 9.—Rev. A. H. Meek preached at Buctouche on Sunday morning last, reaching in time for evening service here. Mrs. C. H. Cowperthwaite who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Robertson for the past four or five months left on Friday for her home in Boston, but will remain in Daokota a week or two visiting friends before returning home. Mrs. John Stevenson entertained a number of her lady friends at a pleasant tea last week. Messrs Wheeler of Halifax and Pritchard of St. John were in town last week. The serious illness of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ferguson which, seemingly on Saturday and Sunday baffled the skill of three of our best physicians has turned out to be a case of measles. Mrs. H. M. Ferguson of Kingston is in town today the guest of Miss Sylvia Black. Mrs. Robert Painley is visiting friends in Chatham. AUCORA. Bald heads are becoming too frequent among the middle aged. This can be prevented by the timely use of Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.