

NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Social, Personal and General Occurrences of the Week.

CRISP AND TO THE POINT

The St. John river closed last year on the night of Nov. 10.

Dr. Torrens has added an elegant new dental chair to his office outfit.

Kerosene oil has advanced one cent. The price quoted to dealers in St. John is now 23¢.

James D. Reid has opened a first class harness shop in the Couthard building, west end.

J. V. Magee has gone to St. John to arrange if possible for his preliminary law examination.

A. L. Spencer, of St. John, who conducted a dancing class in Fredericton some years ago, has resigned.

Harry Smith, the six-year-old son of Wm. Smith, died at the Victoria Hospital last night, after a short illness of typhoid fever.

McMurray & Co. received Thursday by the David Weston, 13 cases of window shades, the largest stock of that kind ever brought to this city.

The Messrs. McLaren, who are to decorate the interior of St. Paul's Church, have arrived, and commenced work Wednesday morning.

Harry F. McLeod, recently admitted an attorney of the Supreme Court, will shortly open a law office in this city for the practice of his profession.

Robert Chestnut, who has recently been engaged on the Central Railway extension survey, has arrived home, and will probably spend the winter here.

Miss Barter, the expert stenographer of the Crown Land office, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Frank Collins, at Lowell, Mass., returned home Saturday.

It is said that a well known Municipal Councillor now a widower, is seriously contemplating re-entering matrimony, and that his prospective bride is a St. Mary's widow.

The members of the Gilbert Opera Company paid a visit to the barracks Tuesday morning and watched the soldiers performing their drill with a great deal of interest.

The total number who have professed conversion at Messrs. Crossley and Hunter's meetings is 632, including 50 children and nearly the same number of Normal School students.

W. S. Tompkins, Middle Southampton, York county, pulled from his field the other day, four turkeys whose weight aggregated 95 pounds, the heaviest weighing 28 pounds.

Mrs. Close, wife of Abraham Close of Moncton died Saturday afternoon after a protracted illness. She was 78 years of age and leaves a husband, one son and one daughter.

The nuptials of Miss McDonald, niece of Rev. Canon Roberts, and Rev. A. B. Murray, rector of St. Ann's church in this city, December 11th.

Thomas Gray, the well known beef raiser of Kingsclear, arrived in the city Saturday evening from Kings county, with fifty-seven head of cattle, which he will stall feed during the coming winter.

A ten month's old son of Randolph Cox, the well known blacksmith, died Sunday morning in convulsions, after a short illness. The funeral took place this afternoon, undertaken by Vanwart having charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. John Buchanan died at her home at Zionville Saturday, after a long and painful illness of cancer. Deceased was 66 years of age, and was the mother of John Buchanan, for several years clerk in Sheriff Sterling's wholesale store in this city.

Diphtheria is still raging in the Hanswell Settlement. On Wednesday a little four year old boy named Goodine, who lived with Marshall King, succumbed to the disease, and several other cases are reported. Thomas Power's children are reported to be recovering.

Rev. F. McKee a priest of the Roman Catholic Church until recently stationed at Lewiston, Maine, is in this city at present, preparing to abandon the Roman faith, and join the Church of England communion. He attended the Cathedral service last night, occupying a seat in the Bishop's pew.

The total amount of the collections taken at the Evangelistic meetings was \$88.37 of this amount about \$30 was collected on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The expenses totalled about \$60. It will thus be seen that Messrs. Crossley and Hunter reaped for their services here the sum of \$28.37, a very fair showing for less than four weeks labor.

The steamers David Weston and May Queen, had a race Monday going down river. The former boat has always claimed to be the king of the river, but a short time ago it appears the Queen passed her, and the Weston's men have been anxious to wipe out this score, and Monday they did it, reaching Indiantown some ten minutes ahead of the Queen.

Fred Clinick, who has the contract for supplying bread to the Infirmary school states that the price of 3.40 cents per loaf which he receives for bread furnished to that institution, is not a paying one. Flour was away down in price when he put in his tender and it has since advanced considerably, thus destroying the profit which would otherwise have been his.

The Bathurst Courier ridicules the claims of the Grass family of Warris, recently discovered by the Fredericton Gleaner, to the Count de Grass fortune. They are not, it says, descendants of Antoine de Grass, who married, lived and died at Bathurst, leaving three children. They may, as their name indicates, be descended from Nebuchadnezzar, but not from Antoine de Grass.

Scores of people who attend the Baptist Free Baptist, St. Ann's and Presbyterian churches have to use the George street sidewalks, which are in a mire since the fall rains commenced. This was where some of the new asphalt, for which they were assessed this year, was to have been laid, but the stupidity and indolence of the aldermen has left these deserving people in the mud. The fair promises of last March have not been fulfilled.

Several of the churches reaped big harvests Sunday, probably as a result of the recent evangelistic services. At the F. C. Baptist Church, eight persons were admitted to membership at the morning service, and six in the evening. Seven others have already sent in their names for next Sunday. Six persons were baptized in the Methodist Church, and twenty-six were admitted to membership on probation. Rev. Freeman at the Baptist church, Rev. Mr. Vanwart at the Methodist church, and Rev. Mr. Crossley at the Baptist church.

Four new members were admitted to court St. Mary's I.O.F., Tuesday night.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Charles Clowes and his three children had a Narrow Escape from Death.

Charles Clowes of Manguerville, and three of his children had a very narrow escape from death Wednesday morning. Mr. Clowes was driving a load of hay to this city, accompanied by his three children, two boys and a girl, on their way to school. When the team arrived opposite the residence of Geo. A. Perley, Manguerville, it was found necessary to drive the horses out slightly to prevent those on top of the load from being struck by a limb of a tree, which was hanging across the road. After the wagon had safely passed the tree, Mr. Clowes turned his head a moment to see if everything was all right, and as he did so the horses shied to the left. At that instant the left hand wheels quit the road, which is very narrow at this point, and caused the wagon to overturn, and roll down a twelve foot embankment, horses and all. Hon. A. Harrison who was driving along a short distance behind Mr. Clowes, hastened to the rescue, and succeeded in extricating Mr. Clowes and his children from beneath the hay where they had been buried.

Mr. Clowes and his little girl are both seriously injured, but the two boys escaped with nothing more than a severe shaking up. The horses were uninjured. The escape of all the party from fatal injuries is considered almost miraculous.

Dr. Coburn, of this city, who was summoned, left for the scene of the accident this afternoon.

THE INFANTRY SCHOOL

List of the Short Course Men Now Undergoing Instruction.

There are twenty-five cadets now attached to the R. C. I. in this city for the purpose of receiving military instruction, and they are as bright and intelligent a looking lot of young men as ever attended that institution. There are three sergeants, five corporals, twelve privates and four buglers, and they represent eleven of the Militia battalions of the Maritime provinces. Below we give a list of the names together with the corps represented by each:

- 63rd battalion, Halifax—Bugler Barnet. 60th battalion, Halifax—Private Murphy. 67th battalion, Carleton Co.—Privates Doyle and Wetmore. 68th battalion, Kings county, N. S.—Sergt. McNeill. 71st battalion, York county—Private Beckwith. 72d battalion, Annapolis, N. S.—Sergt. Gates and Private Braniff. 73d battalion, Northumberland county—Privates Ross and White. 74th battalion, Westmorland county—Corporals Trenholm and Atwater, and Private Brownell. 75th Highlanders, Colchester county, N. S.—Private Walker. 93d battalion, Cumberland county, N. S.—Privates Chase and Treiros, and Bugler Welton. 94th battalion, Argyle Highlanders, Cape Breton, N. S.—Sergt. Campbell, Corporals McKinnon, McDonald, and McKiever, and Privates McKiever, McLeod and Bugler McNeill. The men are making excellent progress in their drill and will complete their course on the 31st of December. Applications from six officers and 40 non-commissioned officers and men have been received for the course which commences on January first.

Who is Guilty?

A short time ago the Baptist annuity association held a meeting in this city, and after transacting the usual business, admitted three new members, who paid over the usual fee of \$1. Shortly afterwards the treasurer of this society in looking over the funds, found that a trade dollar had been passed on him, and efforts are now being made to discover the guilty person. The three gentlemen admitted to membership, were a deacon of the Baptist Church, an alderman of the city of Fredericton, and a well known public official, but none of them know where the fifty-cent dollar came from.

Double Wedding To-day.

A grand double wedding took place at Kingsclear at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, when Orrington and Sanford McKee, Douglass and McKean of Kingsclear, were united in marriage to Zephali and Una Hammond, nieces of Geo. A. Hammond of Kingsclear. Rev. Mr. Davidson of Kings clear, assisted by Rev. Mr. Young of Canterbury, performed the ceremony in the presence of a large number of invited guests. The happy couple left for St. John on their honeymoon.

A Legal Tangle.

At Phoenix square Wednesday, Auctioneer Wetmore sold a horse, wagon and harness under an execution issued in the name of E. Miller against Allen Price. They were knocked down under protest to Con. Kelly for \$19. F. St. John Bliss, acting for Jas. K. Pinder, objected to the sale on the ground that the articles had been wrongfully seized. He claimed that they belonged to Mr. Pinder and not to Price. It is not known what the outcome of the affair will be.

Deaf and Dumb School.

This Fredericton institution is having a successful year. A large number of pupils than usual has already been admitted, and other applications for admission have been received. The pupils are now taking a course of lip reading in addition to their other studies under Miss Woodbridge's care, and many of them are making exceptional progress.

Captured an Owl.

J. H. Ferguson, the York street barber, captured a large owl alive while out parting shooting a few days ago, and presented it to Carl Ellis, of the Commercial hotel, but Mr. Ellis's effort to domesticate the bird proved unsuccessful. It refused to eat, and last night kicked up such a rumpus in the cage, that he was compelled to liberate it.

Will Attend the Farmers Convention.

A. C. Gilbert, manager of the poultry department of the central experimental farm at Ottawa, has accepted the invitation of the Farmers' and Dairyman's association of New Brunswick, to attend their annual meeting to be held in this city in January, and will give an address on poultry matters.

Promotion.

The London Gazette of November 5th has the following promotion: "Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers—Second Lieutenant G. W. Kennedy to be lieutenant." Lieutenant Kennedy is a son of T. E. Kenny, M.P. Halifax, and is well known in this city, having taken a course at the R. R. C. I. here.

Will Not Release Him.

The University Senate, Wednesday, had Dr. Bridges' resignation of the classical professorship before them, and declined to accept it, they claim they have a legal contract with him, and if possible will hold him to it.

THE CITY COUNCIL

Discussed the Sewerage Question Monday Night.

But Arrived at no Definite Conclusion.

An informal meeting of the city council was held Monday night for the purpose of awarding the contract for snow plowing for the coming winter, and also to take into consideration the applications which had been received from different engineers for the work of preparing preliminary plans together with an estimate of the probable cost of a system of sewerage. There were present His Worship, the Mayor, and Alds. Anderson, Adams, Gilman, Golding, Limerick, Lemont and Babbitt.

The Mayor announced that only two tenders had been received for the work of keeping the sidewalks free from snow the coming winter as follows: Nathaniel Smith, No. 1 division \$41; No. 2 division \$31, William Smith, No. 1 division, \$37, No. 2, \$25.

The Contract Awarded.

After considerable discussion it was decided to award the uptown division to Nathaniel Smith, and the down town division to William Smith. It was not thought prudent to give the contract for all the work to one person. The work is to be performed under the superintendence of the road master.

The Mayor announced that two applications had been received for the work of preparing preliminary plans for a system of sewerage, one from Mr. Porter of New York for \$500, and the other from Mr. Coffin of Boston for \$300. Some correspondence had been had with Mr. Chipman, a Toronto engineer, and though the city clerk had written him asking for figures, no reply had been received, so they had only the two offers to deal with.

Ald. Gilman thought that before taking any action they should try and get Mr. Chipman's figures. This view was shared in by the Mayor.

Ald. Golding thought it would be a good plan to bring a man here in whom the council had confidence to look over the situation, and give an estimate of the work.

The Mayor said that Mr. Potter had offered to do this for \$300 and Mr. Coffin for \$500. They wanted to be in a position to lay the matter before the citizens and let them know what kind of a system it was proposed to construct, and what the cost would be.

Ald. Lemont thought it would be hard to get a first class man to come for less than \$500.

The Mayor then read the communications which had been received from Messrs. Porter and Coffin. He said he was sorry that no offer had been received from Mr. Chipman.

Ald. Gilman said he had a conversation with Mr. Creighton, an engineer who was in the city last week. That gentleman thought disposing of the sewerage would be the most important item of cost, as dumping it into the river would be almost out of the question.

Ald. Babbitt said that Dr. Couthard had told him that dumping sewerage into the river would not effect the water any for domestic use, but he (Babbitt) did not agree with him.

Some further discussion along this line followed.

The Mayor said that he was satisfied that both of the engineers who had offered to do the work were responsible men, and there was not much difference in their prices.

Ald. Gilman thought it would be a good plan for the council to decide which of the two offers they would accept, and then communicate with Mr. Chipman, and in the event of not hearing anything favorable from that gentleman, to give the job to Coffin.

Mayor VanWart then read over a number of communications which he had received upon the question, including one from McDougall & Son, of Montreal, received some months ago.

Ald. Gilman was quite favorably impressed with the scheme proposed by McDougall & Son, and thought the matter should communicate with these gentlemen and obtain further information about their scheme.

Mayor VanWart said that he had met Mr. Coffin during his last trip to the United States, and had discussed the matter quite fully with him. He was one of those engineers that did not have to seek work, but work sought him. Mr. Coffin had told him that he was prepared to make a plan of the work, which would be so simple that anyone could sit down and figure up the cost from it as easily as he could himself. He thought a suitable man could be got to superintend the work of construction for \$4 per day. His Worship said that when asked by the engineer for a rough estimate for the number of miles of sewerage that would be required, he replied that it would be about twelve. Mr. Coffin thought that that was the case they had better.

Take Two Summers for the Work. The mixed school must be got rid of before we can hope for anything like good results. This we can do by doing without adding to the expense, by dividing the country into districts two or three times as large as the present ones. Every district would then be able to support a graded school of at least two departments. This would make it necessary to provide for the conveyance to and from school of the children, and in the parts of the districts. But in each country a commission would carefully determine the boundaries of the districts with special reference to this necessity. The schoolhouse would not usually be located in the central part of the district, but in or near the most populous part which would be within walking distance of one extremity of the district, so that the pupils would only need to be conveyed from one direction. These large districts would be more likely to secure.

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The Services of Men of Education. A public spirit as secretaries and members of school boards. Better school buildings would be constructed, with better sanitary arrangements, and more spacious grounds. Every school would be able to maintain a good library, and equip a modest laboratory. The improved conditions would encourage a greater proportion of capable young people to seek the teaching profession, and would enable them to reach a higher standard of scholarship. More young men would be attracted into the professions, a result greatly to be desired. Every school needs upon its staff at least one good man, as well as one or more good women.

The County Fund might be administered in such a way as to stimulate improvement by making the amount allotted to each district depend partly upon.

The Class of Teachers Employed, and partly upon the amount of local assessment voted by the district upon each \$100 worth of property, and not solely upon the number of teachers employed, and the number of pupils in average attendance.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. Movements of People in Whom Herald Readers are Interested.

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COOK RANGES! COOK STOVES!

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JAMES S. NEILL.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES. Interesting Union Meeting at the Free Baptist Church Last Night.

The Free Baptist church was so small to hold the crowd that sought admission to the service held there Tuesday night. The service was the first of a series of three to be held in the churches lately united in evangelistic services under the leadership of Messrs. Hunter and Crossley.

Rev. F. C. Hartley had charge of the service and the music was under the management of the church choir, Mr. Tennant, the church choir uniting for the services.

Rev. Mr. Young offered the opening prayer, and Rev. Dr. Brecken read the lesson, the parable of the sower, making some pointed and forcible remarks as he did so.

Rev. J. D. Freeman preached a very earnest and practical sermon. It was well received by the people and could not fail to make a lasting impression. He took for his subject "The outstretched hands of Jesus," from the text Rom. 10:21. Many people claim to be able to read character from the hand; but this is so not, we surely can read somewhat of God's character from the hands of Christ. Let us look for a moment at the hands of Christ.

(1) They are healing hands. Christ healed the sick, the blind, the halt. In His touch there is always healing. Jesus has power to heal the soul.

(2) Comforting hands. As the hand of a mother soothes the fevered brow of the sick child, so does Christ's touch bring peace and quiet.

(3) Powerful hands. Nothing to great for those hands to do. God is not passive; he is incessantly active and this activity is for us.

(4) Pierced hands. They were nailed to the cross. If you could only get the vision of the wounds of Christ surely your heart would be melted. Who can be so hard hearted as not to be touched by the love of Christ.

(5) Intercessory hands. They are held up before the Father for us and surely they will avail.

(6) Patient hands. Oh, how long has Jesus stretched out His hands for you? Will you not put your hand in His tonight?

Mr. Hartley conducted the after service in the vestry. It was a powerful meeting, and at the close a number manifested a desire for prayer and remained to talk with the Christian workers.

Taken together the service was very interesting and much good was done.

THE POSTMASTER HEARD FROM. Dr. Gregory Suggests a Way for Mrs. Kelly.

To the Editor of the Herald: Sir,—In the Herald of the 10th inst., is published a letter signed by Mrs. D. I. Kelly, attacking the postmaster of Stanley, I have no intention of replying through the press to the statements made therein, but I am sorry Mrs. Kelly feels obliged to resort to another office "as a sacrifice of time and convenience," and I wish to suggest to Mrs. Kelly an alternative which will entail no such sacrifice, namely, an application to the proper authorities for my removal from office. This will be easily and speedily brought about, if Mrs. Kelly states, she is able to furnish proof of all the charges contained in her letter, if as her further states, "four out of five of all the folk here are dissatisfied and disgusted."

Such application may be made either directly to the Postmaster General, Ottawa, or through the medium of the Postoffice Inspector at St. John. It will not require payment of postage rates.

Yours very truly, H. W. GUNZOW, P. M. Stanley, Kings, Nov. 18th.

FIGHT WITH A LUCIFER. One day last week the ten-year-old son of Samuel McCracken, of Mill Settlement, Sunbury county, while out partridge shooting, had quite an encounter with a large sized lucifer, which he saw a short distance from him and fired at but missed his aim. The enraged animal attacked him and the lad dropped his gun and climbed a tree. The lucifer sprang after him, but his dog's furious barking luckily caused it to turn upon the dog. The boy, taking advantage of this, ventured down the tree and reloaded his gun. When the animal came to him the second time he fired, striking it in the breast as it raised to spring upon him. The carcass weighed over forty pounds.

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