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When "it's up to you," as a general thing, a Star want ad will help you to "get away with it."

Fresh southwest to northwest winds: one today and on Sunday.

Shooting Irons.
The Season is Now Open.

Never before have we shown such a variety as now, including the latest models: Winchester, Marlin and Savage, Bavenport, Iver Johnson and Lefevre Guns Ammunition for all kinds of Guns and Rifles Canvas Canoes for Sportsmen's Use.

Sporting Goods Flat, Second Floor.

W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.,
Market Square, St. John, N. B.

Chop! Chop!
How tired are the arms that use the Chopping Knife and Bow?

Does away with the Drowsiness of the Chopping Bowl. Avoids Injuries. Get the Genuine "UNIVERSAL."

Emerson & Fisher, Ltd
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Are Showing some New Styles in White Enamelled Iron Bedsteads. Mattress and Bedding Warerooms, 101 to 107 GERMAIN STREET

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If you would write Post Office Box 73, St. John, N. B., and send the names of your friends or other reliable persons that I could sell any of the following articles to, as Watches of all kinds, Diamonds, Brooches and Pins, Ladies' and Gents' Gold and Set Rings, Waist Sets, Cuff Studs or any kind of Jewelry or Clocks of any kind, or Silver Knives, Forks, Spoons, Tea Sets, Butter Dishes, Cake Baskets, or Silverware of any kind, I would pay you in cash as soon as the sale was made. I would also give honest and reliable persons credit of three and four months. All business strictly confidential. Any one writing to me and opening an account will also get a discount off my regular prices. All goods fully warranted.

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Successor to B. Myers, 695 Main Street.

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A complete line of Misses Coats, etc. Fine range in Furs of all kinds.

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Then you will be interested in a new Sporting Boot we are showing just now. They are American made, of Calf Skin, with heavy Tap Soles and a Bellows Tongue closed up to the top, which excludes all slush or dirt. Extra high cut legs. They are not only a splendid sporting boot, but come in handy in wet, slushy weather.

Price, \$3.00 a Pair.

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King Street. Union Street.

Open till 11 tonight. St. John, N. B., September 23rd, 1905.

Call at **Harvey's Tonight**
For Men and Boys' Clothing

Nearly every advertiser will tell you that his particular store is the place to buy, but we would rather prove to you, and think we can prove by your comparing our stock and prices that you can save money by buying clothing here. Come in and look through.

Suits from 3.95 to 15.00.
Men's Overcoats from \$5.00 to \$15.00.

J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothing
199 and 201 Union St

CITY WATER SUPPLY IS STILL POLLUTED.

Fifth of All Kinds Flowing From the Loch Lomond Works to the City Reservoir--Dagoes Defile Waters

Is our city supply of water still being polluted? This is a question which is troubling the minds of a good many of our citizens, and the answer is undoubtedly in the affirmative. Conditions are perhaps not as bad as they were before the closing of the sluice leading from Lake Latimer to the reservoir. This artificial brook of our water supply crossed and recrossed the work on No. 1 and 2 sections of the water works extension a dozen times, and the water from its trenches was thrown by a dozen pumps into the city aqueduct until every hundred yards the water could be seen to have taken a darker hue, until at last it slipped into the reservoir, a semi-solid mass. In the trenches were working a hundred or so dagoes who tramped around in dirty rubber boots, apart into the current clots of tobacco and defiled it in innumerable ways. Not only this, but the stream down through the dry lake, coated with green living and decaying matters and picking up clods also of its slimy substances.

But the heavy rains came and the aqueduct was closed off and it was about this time that the citizens began to complain about the water and its color. The brown hue which has been prevalent since the dagoes have been ever, principally due to sediment which was washed down by the rain.

But the city water is still polluted. Hundreds of men of Italian and other European nationalities are now at work on section 1, making the connection between the wood stave pipe and the reservoir, and their camps are along the very stream of water which supply the reservoir, and notwithstanding what is being done to prevent them they continually and filthily pollute the water we have to drink.

It is useless to talk about running down the water. The city water supply to the natural brook, which rippling along its course flows over the clean sand and dashes and splashes against rock obstructions, and not to the steady cut flow through the iron mains.

Supt. Murdoch was seen last night by the Star, and expressed the opinion that conditions were regrettable. Careful about this time that the citizens began to complain about the water and its color. The brown hue which has been prevalent since the dagoes have been ever, principally due to sediment which was washed down by the rain.

HEAD OF BIGAMY SYNDICATE IN JAIL

Married Scores of Women For Their Money.

English Criminal Had a Corps of Assistants to Help Him in His Heartless Scheme.

(Special Cable.)

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Great Britain, like the United States, has its George Witkoff, the man charged with marrying, robbing and deserting many wives, and who is said to have formed a syndicate for the purpose of carrying out his matrimonial plans. Witkoff appears to have been only imitating a famous English criminal now serving a long sentence for his heartless crimes. Having numerous aliases, this Englishman is known to the police merely by his Christian name "Joseph" or "Joe."

"Joseph," said the detective sergeant who last arrested him, "had his own syndicate or corps of assistants with whom he divided his plunder. One always acted as introducer, inserting matrimonial advertisements and posing as a legitimate matrimonial agent. The second was the best man, who told confidential stories of Joseph's wonderful prospects and arranged, if necessary, all the details of a secret marriage; and the third, perhaps the cleverest of the lot, played the part of Joseph's angry father.

"It was the business of the angry father to appear on the scene as soon as the marriage was completed and, without leaving the church surrounded by their friends. Catching sight of 'Joe' and his bride, the old man would hobble up—he was always the point of dying—and shaking his fist, would say: 'You villain. So this is where you are, eh? Getting married? Not one single penny of my money shall you ever have.'

To prevent further scenes the best man at this point would drag the old man away to a hotel. Returning later to the wedding party, the best man would picture the rage of the elderly father and his efforts to pacify him, winding up with an assurance that he had secured for his bride a handsome income for life.

"While they were waiting for the income, 'Joe' nearly always managed to realize upon his wife's property and abandon her. How many women he really deceived and married we really cannot say. We do know that he has served several terms for his crimes, and that his convictions have been based on investigations into dozens of cases. In some cases he succeeded in marrying wealthy girls and obtaining possession of thousands of dollars.

Your Choice of 41 Positions—That is what the STAR offers its readers tonight. If you are unemployed or desire to better your condition, it will pay you to keep constantly in touch with the "Situations Vacant" advertisements printed every day in the STAR.

BARON KOMURA BETTER.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—The condition of Baron Komura was reported tonight to be greatly improved. His physicians are confident of his early recovery, and hope that he will be able to leave for British Columbia on Wednesday, Sept. 27. The baron and his party will remain in Vancouver until October 7, when they will sail for Japan on the steamship Empress of India.

DR. HARPER'S DEATH FEARED

CHICAGO, Ill., Thursday.—Although the attending physicians do not admit it, there are persistent rumors in University of Chicago circles that Dr. William H. Harper has suffered a serious relapse. Members of the family are hastening to Chicago, and the gravest fears are felt in the university over the turn of affairs since the return of Dr. Harper from Battle Creek, Mich., where he went for temporary treatment and rest.

YELLOW FEVER UNDER CONTROL

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 22.—Believing after a conference with Dr. White, that the fever situation is under control, President Wilson will advise the school board tonight that public schools be opened on October 2.

The state board of health officers believe that the fever is being overcome in the state and that there is no danger of a further serious extension of the plague.

MORE CHOLERA IN GERMANY

BERLIN, Sept. 22.—The official bulletin issued today announced nine fresh cases of cholera and two deaths between noon yesterday and noon today, making the total cases 299 and 69 deaths.

BUILDING FLOODED WITH NITRIC ACID.

F. C. Wesley's Men Had a Narrow Escape.

Carboy Burst and Flery Fluid Did Considerable Damage—The Engraving Business Stopped for a While

Those people who happened to be near the eastern ferry floats or even in the neighborhood of the post office after seven o'clock last evening, noticed a strong odor of acid which was especially strong near the Magee building. The peculiar smell arose from the spilling of some 140 lbs. of nitric acid in the rooms of F. C. Wesley Co., process engravers, on the third story of the Magee building.

In the course of his business Mr. Wesley employs large quantities of this acid which he keeps stored in carboys, large glass bottles inclosed in a wooden box for protection. Mr. Wesley has often warned his men against attempting to move these carboys by themselves but one of the men last night seemingly forgetting what a dangerous liquid he was handling, attempted to move a carboy without help and both upset and smashed it. Immediately the air was filled with the deadly vapours and the few men who were in the apartments were fortunate to be succeeding with their lives. The danger of a conflagration was considerable and for a time there were thoughts of ringing in a fire alarm.

The powerful acid ate into the floor, destroying all pieces of carpet in sight and making its way through the floor, poured into the offices of John M. Priscoll, shipbroker and lumber merchant on the floor below, and destroyed his writing desk and ate into aged pieces of leather on the office chair. The floors also on this floor are all burnt.

Mr. Wesley was summoned and did everything he could to prevent damage. All the machinery was oiled as the fumes were in a short time destroyed them.

When seen this morning, he said that the business was put out of gear for a number of days. The men could not work in the room as the fumes rising under the feet would be so roughing and the acid would eat the boots off their feet.

"What remains of the carboy and casing may be seen in McAvity's slip in a charred mass.

SEEKING HIS PARENTS AFTER 47 YEARS.

Toronto Man Striving to Solve Mystery of His Birth---He Was Kidnapped When a Baby From English Home.

(Special cable to the Star.)

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Forty-seven years ago a father and mother endeavored unavailingly to find their kidnapped boy. Today that boy, now a man in middle life, is searching anxiously for the parents he has never known. He is advertising liberally in the London papers, under the initials "C. F. M.," offering a reward for information regarding his parents.

The known facts of this story of a modern Japhet are as follows:—In 1858 there lived about twenty miles from Manchester a well-to-do landowner and his wife, whose name and exact place of residence are, however, unknown. A son was born to them. When only a few months old the baby boy was taken out by his nurse and neither ever returned. For years the parents searched for the missing boy. No effort was spared to discover his whereabouts. Finally the bereaved parents were compelled to resign themselves to the inevitable. The baby in the meantime was handed over to a sculptor and his wife living in Manchester.

When he was seven years old the sculptor and his family moved to Liverpool, and five years later went to Toronto, Canada, where the boy was educated and started in life. For 34 years he lived there, no suspicion ever crossing his mind that the man and woman he loved as his parents were in no way related to him. Finally, with the startling and dramatic suddenness he learned the truth. The sculptor, a widower, lay on his death bed. He loved his adopted son, and though he knew he was dying he could not bring himself to break his long silence and inform his son of his true parentage. As the end neared the old man lay motionless on the bed, his hand clasped in the hand of his adopted son. Suddenly he struggled to a sitting posture and gasped out, "You are not my son. You are taking the secret with you to the grave. Now 'C. F. M.' is unavailingly seeking his parents just as 47 years ago they spared no effort to find him.

FISH PILED HIGH ON RED HEAD SHORE

Beach Covered With Millions of Herring.

Were Chased Ashore by Dog Fish and Left By Receding Tide—Taken Away in Cart-Loads.

The beach in the vicinity of the Alma House presented a sight this morning that was probably never before equalled in the vicinity of St. John.

Millions of herring were left high and dry by the tide, having been chased there by the dog fish and cod and haddock. For a distance of fully one hundred yards the fish are piled one on top of the other till at spots they are one and a half feet deep. Since the tide went down teams have been hauling them away to be used as manure.

On the other beaches in this vicinity thousands of fish are to be seen, particularly in the vicinity of the Ring boat rocks.

PRINCE CAN'T COME TILL THE LAST OF OCTOBER

Fair of Nations Won't Wait But Carnival Will—Programme Not Yet Definitely Arranged.

The answer was received by Mayor White last night, to his inquiry as to when Prince Louis was to favor us with his presence. The answer was brief days in October. As a result, therefore the autumn carnival and the ladies' fair will be held during separate weeks. The carnival will probably begin on Thanksgiving Day, Oct. 28, and continue for the rest of the month. The fair has been arranged for October 31, and no change will likely be made in this programme. The freemen's sports can be postponed, and Mr. Gleason has sent word to the Guards' band management to try and arrange new dates.

Leut. Governor Snowball, who was the city last night, said that he hoped that the prince could be persuaded to extend his visit a few days into November. The list of attractions for the week will not be definitely arranged until the meeting of the executive committee of the fair on Friday.

B. R. Macaulay, when seen this morning, said that as Thanksgiving will be a day of religious observance, he would not doubt be a very large attendance. There will be a large number of college students and men and women employed through the province who will be on account of the holiday.

Speaking about the Sunday during the carnival, Mr. Macaulay said that the committee would so arrange the programme for that day as not to work the good feeling of the community. The programme for that day would be of a religious nature, the visitor not doing in dress uniform attendance services in the churches to which they belonged and the hands also participating in the services. He thought that it was probable that arrangements could be made by which the local militia would also take part.

HUSBAND CHARGED WITH NON-SUPPORT.

Pitiful Sight in Police Court This Morning—Woman With Four Children makes a Complaint.

With two children, aged about five and six years, respectively, waiting outside the police station, Mrs. Denmore Chapman, with an infant in arms and another little daughter about three years old hanging to her skirts, entered the police court this morning, and with her eyes filled with tears made a charge of non-support against her husband.

The frail, sick-looking woman was seated and awaited the arrival in the court of her husband to answer to her charges.

Denmore Chapman is a blacksmith working in a Union street shop, and has been trying on an \$8.50 salary to look himself, pay for clothes, etc., and also support his family in another part of the city.

The woman claimed that she was married in the States some years ago, and that she gave her husband \$150 of her own money to purchase furniture, etc., with the promise that it would be paid back. He has not paid her, but has been neglecting her and their children and finally left her.

On the other hand the husband says that he has been paying support to the amount of three and four dollars a week.

The couple were given some touching advice by the magistrate, and on his advice left the court, promising to go home, forget the past and live happily. On leaving the court the father took one of the little girls by the hand and went towards his wife while the mother, with the other three children, sought a sunny seat in the old burying ground.

I. C. R. SUBURBAN RATES WILL BE RAISED.

W. B. McKennie, chief engineer of the I. C. R., and Mr. Tiffin, general traffic manager of the same road, were in the city today. Mr. McKennie was looking over the work being done on the Courtenay Bay branch, which is being re-ballasted and otherwise put in first class shape.

Mr. Tiffin's visit, it is understood, is in connection with the proposal to increase the suburban rates that have been found to be too low to allow of a profit. The schedule will, of course, not be changed till next year, but the matter is an important one, hence the present investigation. The minister of railways, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, is evidently going to ask the people of St. John to make up for his deficit of last year.

Query—"You've got a Morris chair at your house, I suppose?"
Hencke—"Oh, yes."
Query—"They're great, I think. Don't you enjoy it?"
Hencke—"Go, when I get a chance, but Henrietta's cat usually gets there before me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

POLICE COURT.

Ten Prisoners Before the Judge—Police Raid House of Ill-Fame and Capture Inmates.

There were ten prisoners on the police court bench this morning. One drunk was fined four dollars.

Amie Jones and Sarah Jane Moran got into a fight on Sheffield street last night. They pleaded guilty and were fined \$20 each or two months in jail.

About 2:30 o'clock this morning Sgt. Campbell, Policemen Crawford and Ross made a raid on Susan Burns' house in an alley off Duke street and arrested the Burns woman as a keeper of a bawdy house, and also arrested Frank Kennedy, aged 22; Henry Burke, aged 18; Della Kennedy, aged 21; Legalia Hall, aged 15; John Burns, aged 5, and Florence Kennedy, aged two years and six months. All are colored and are charged with being inmates of the house. When the officers entered the house there was great disorder, and Kennedy, who is a big husky man, made a dash for liberty by jumping through the window, smashing the sash and glass in the attempt. He was recaptured and the party marched to the police station. Acting Magistrate Henderson remanded the prisoners until Monday, until he can find out what will become of the infants should the mothers get a long term of imprisonment.

BIRTHS.

COSMAN—In this city, on Sept. 22nd, at City Road, to the wife of Bertrand Cosman, a daughter.

Mrs. R. McCormick and her niece, Miss Nellie Collins, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. John Collins at Whitehead, Kings Co., leave by the Calvin Austin tonight.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—A Capable girl for general housework. Also a nurse girl. Apply to MRS. A. W. MACRAE, 82 Colburn street.

A FEW desirable Rooms with board at 5 Horsfield street. 23.54

BARGAINS IN LADIES' JACKETS. Serviceable Trimmed Beaver Cloth Jackets for \$5.00 and \$10.00. \$10.00 and \$15.00 Jackets to be sold for \$2.00 and \$3.50. Hatty, Lohood & Hatty, 255-321 Bussells street and 296 Waterloo.

TENDERS WANTED on or before Oct. 1st, for painting my two houses, 57 and 59 Hazen street. Specification at Office, No. 7 North Wharf. H. B. WHITE.

WANTED—A girl to get on. Apply to the Steward of the Union Club.

W. AMOS, Boots and shoes neatly and promptly repaired. 75 Wall street.

WANTED—Girl about fifteen or a teen years old to assist in light house work and look after child of two years. Apply to Mrs. Baker, 3 Peter street.