

LOCAL NEWS

PURCHASING CAR.

Mr. Robt. F. Randolph has arranged to purchase a Detroit-Chalmers touring car through T. Eaton & Co., Toronto.

CHANGE IN STAGE DRIVERS.

Mr. George Simms, who formerly was driver of the Fredericton-Meductic stage, again occupies that position, having taken the place of Driver Grant.

TO BE FILLED IN MAY.

The vacancy on the Board of Health made vacant by the resignation of Dr. McGrath on his appointment as Health Officer will not be filled until the May meeting of the City Council.

GRANT FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

The City Council last night voted four hundred dollars as the annual grant to the Local Improvement Association. This association over expended last year.

COMING WITH SETTLERS.

Mr. A. Bowder, provincial immigration commissioner in Great Britain, is expected to sail from Liverpool on April 5th, with a party of immigrants destined for this province. The party is expected to arrive at St. John on the 12th inst.

LIGHTS WENT OUT

While Mr. Fred. Sproule M. P. P. for King's was speaking in the House of Assembly last night the lights went out and his remarks were interrupted. In the interim of darkness Mr. S. A. Leger M. P. P. for Gloucester entertained the members of the house with several songs.

ARRANGING TO TRANSFER

It is understood that the provincial government is making arrangements for the transfer to the Dominion Department of Public Works the fee-simple of the waterfront of Phoenix Square where it is the intention of that department to erect a concrete wharf.

LATE CLARENCE VANBUSKIRK

The funeral of the late Clarence VanBuskirk took place this afternoon from his late residence McKee's Corner and was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Thompson. Interment was made at the Pickard Burying Ground.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

The Maritime Baptist records that the editor of the paper, Rev. Joseph McLeod, D.D., has just completed forty-five years of continuous editorial service. Dr. McLeod is now a resident of St. John, but formerly lived in Fredericton. Hon. H. F. McLeod, provincial secretary, is his eldest son.

EASTER FOOTWEAR OPENING

The Easter footwear opening at VanDine's yesterday and today was largely attended and the beauty of the decorations of the store called forth favorable comment from many. The Empress, the leading Canadian line and the Queen Quality, the leading American line are those displayed.

TO REFUND LICENSE FEE.

The City Council has decided to refund to Mr. H. G. Veness, formerly of this city a license fee for a merry-go-round which he operated in this city in 1909. The license fee amounted to twenty-dollars and was illegally exacted from Mr. Veness he being a rate-payer of the city at the time.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

The Summer School of Science for the Atlantic Provinces of Canada which held its sessions in this city in 1911 has applied to the City Council for assistance in the form of the presentation of one or more scholarships of ten dollars each which might be competed for by local teachers attending the school. The Finance Committee of the City Council will consider the application.

REFERRED TO CITY ENGINEER

The City Engineer will consider the application of the New Brunswick & British Colonization Company for the laying out of streets through the Scully and Howie properties recently acquired by that company. At the meeting of City Council held last night Ald. Guthrie objected that the laying out of streets as suggested by the company would destroy the regularity of the street plan of the city and should be permitted only after careful consideration.

TO MEET CHIEF COMMISSIONER

The matter of lighting the highway bridge between this city and St. Mary's which has been in a dormant state for some months is again to the fore. Mayor Hooper is to arrange a conference between a joint committee of the City and Municipal Councils and Hon. John Morrissey Chief Commissioner of Public Works concerning the matter and the means of defraying the expense should it be decided to light the bridge.

ST. JOHN RIVER

HYDRO-ELECTRIC

BILL OPPOSED

Fishing and Lumbering Interests and St. John Board of Trade Oppose Damming of St. John River at Meductic Falls

COMPANY SAYS FISHWAY

CAN BE INSTALLED

The Corporations committee met this morning and took up the consideration of the St. John River Hydro-Electric Co. Bill. R.B. Hanson, Max McCarthy, and F. W. Holt, C.E. appeared in the interests of the bill, while J. Fraser Gregory, represented the lumbermen. J. Hunter White the St. John Board of Trade, J. J. P. Winslow and T. F. Allen the Tobique Salmon Club, Messrs Evans and Galbraith the Lorneville fishermen and F. R. Taylor the N. B. Railway Co. Mr. Holt presented a plan of the dam which the company proposes to construct at the foot of the Meductic Rapids. It would not be more than 25 feet in height and probably only 20 feet.

J. Fraser Gregory said that such a dam would interfere with the operations of the St. John River Log Driving Company and opposed the bill on that account.

Mr. White spoke of the dams on the St. Croix River, and said that the fishway was not feasible.

FISHING INTERESTS

Messrs Evans and Galbraith said that if the dam were constructed it would interfere with the fishing of Lorneville fishermen and would prove injurious to all the fishing on the river and in the Bay of Fundy.

Mr. Allen said that the fisheries were a very valuable asset and should be protected. He was familiar with the fishways on many rivers and he knew of no instance where a fishway was feasible with a dam as high as 20 feet. The spawning grounds for the fish of the Bay of Fundy were above the proposed dam and if fish cannot reach the spawning beds it means inevitable destruction to this industry.

Mr. Hanson said that he believed the shad did not go above Fredericton to spawn.

Mr. Allen said that the headwaters of the Tobique River were the spawning grounds of all the fish of the Bay of Fundy.

(Continued on page 4)

TO PREPARE BILL

FOR SECRET BALLOT

City Council will Attend to Matter Concerned in Petition at Date as Early as Possible

TO REFUND LICENSE FEE.

The City Council last night instructed the City Clerk to prepare a bill for presentation to the legislature which would embody the desires of the petitioners for a secret ballot in civic elections in this city. The petition was read at last night's regular meeting of the City Council and a large delegation of its supporters was present.

The City Clerk was asked for an opinion on the bill which had been prepared by the petitioners. He stated in reply that the bill as received could well be improved.

In its present form it would conflict with the existing legislation and would prove awkward in operation. The petitioners were informed that it was the intention to have the bill prepared at a date as early as possible and to have it brought before the legislature at the present session.

EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Flowers in Miss Sshleyer's greenhouse never was in a more promising condition than at present for Easter. The new greenhouse built last fall has added much to the growing facilities especially in Carnations which gives more than double the cuts. Roses are exceptionally 'good Brides Maid, Richmond Killarneys perfect flowers and long stems. Potted Roses in good stocky plants. A very fine collection of primulus which are very effective and which are in the reach of everyone. Have just received a very choice lot of the latest Ferns for Easter trade. Azaleas, Asparagus, Palms, Easter Lillies, Valleys, Daffodils, Hyacinths, Tulips, etc. All orders receive prompt attention and carefully packed. Don't forget every one is expected to come to our Easter display.—d.

TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES.

Rev. James H. Sprague of Gordon, Victoria County, has been registered under provincial statute to solemnize marriages.

LOG-DRIVING

COMPANIES MEET

THIS AFTERNOON

On Account of St. John River Hydro-Electric Bill Meetings were Postponed from this Morning--Lumbermen Here

FOUR AND HALF FEET

OF SNOW ON HEADWATERS

The annual meetings of the St. John River Log Driving Company and the Tobique Log Driving Company are being held at the Queen Hotel this afternoon. The meetings were to be held this morning but on account of the interest displayed in the St. John River Hydro-Electric Bill before the Corporations Committee of the legislature and because several of the lumbermen desired to express their views before the committee they were postponed until 3 p.m.

Those here to attend one or the other of the meetings are J.F. Gregory, Charles Miller and F. C. Beaty of St. John, John Kilburn and J.A. Morrison of Fredericton, Archibald Fraser of Cabano, P.Q., Donald Fraser Jr., of Plaster Rock and J.D. McLaughlin of Andover.

Mr. J. F. Gregory when asked this morning stated that there were still four and a half feet of snow on the headwaters of the St. John River and that there was no doubt that the lumber which was hung up last spring would come out safely. He said that at the present time there were good prospects for brook driving but that heavy rains late in the spring would be needed to bring the drives out on the main river.

The retirement of Mr. Lewis H. Bliss from the office of manager and secretary-treasurer of the St. John River Log Driving Company and the appointment of Mr. Arthur Rowan to succeed him will come before the company at today's meeting.

CUT CURTAILED

For various reasons the cut on the St. John River has been curtailed this season and if the amount of lumber estimated to come through the booms is 80,000,000 to 90,000,000 feet.

SEVERAL COMPANIES

MAKE APPLICATION

FOR INCORPORATION

Doherty & McHugh, Limited, Capitalized at \$24,000 to Take Over Wholesale Footwear Business in St. John

ADAMSVILLE TELEPHONE CO.

AND MERRITT MOTOR CO.

Today's issue of the Royal Gazette contains application for incorporation under the New Brunswick Joint Stock Companies' Act of several companies. Application is to be made for the incorporation of the Adamsville Telephone Company, Limited, The Merritt Motor Company, Limited and Doherty & McHugh Limited.

The Adamsville Telephone Company Limited is to carry on in Kent and Queens Counties a general telephone business. The applicants are residents of Adamsville. The capital stock of the company is to be \$4,000 and the chief place of business is to be at Adamsville, Kent County.

The Merritt Motor Company Limited is to take over the business lately conducted in St. John under the name of Smith & Merritt. The main office is to be in St. John and the capital stock is to be \$5000.

Doherty & McHugh, Limited is to conduct the wholesale boot and shoe business lately conducted in St. John under the name of Doherty & McHugh. The capital stock is to be \$24,000 and the chief place of business is to be in St. John.

Mr. R. Max McCarthy of St. John arrived in the city last night. He is at the Barker House.

TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING

The A. O. H. of York County will hold a public meeting at St. Dunstan's Hall on Wednesday evening of next week. County President Thomas Kane will preside and among those who have been invited to be present are His Worship Mayor Hooper, Hon. John Morrissey past provincial president; Hon. Francis J. Sweeney, Mr. J. D. McCluskey provincial secretary of the order of New Brunswick and others. The last three named gentlemen will deliver addresses.

Look Well To Your Eyes



Eyes examined scientifically without the use of Drugs. Our optician is skilled in use of the Retinoscope and the "Shadow Test" with which the most exact diagnosis of visual defects are made. The new FIT-U finger nose piece with Toric Lenses, is very popular. Call and try them.

SHUTE & COMPANY 566 QUEEN STREET A Reliable Place to buy

:- 1912 :-
Linoleums and Oilcloths

Complete Variety of this Season's Patterns.

Linoleums in 1, 2, 2 1-2, 3 and 4 yd widths.

Inlaid Linoleums,
Cork Carpeting, etc,
Oilcloths.

Colwell & Jennings
The Home Furnishers.

Easter Holiday Goods

AT

EDGECOMBES'

An elegant line of
NEW GOODS
for Evening wear and
social functions.

Beautiful New Goods in every Department.

Ladies will want a New Suit or Long Coat stylish ones and up-to-date like we are selling. Pretty Waists and dainty neckwear, Scarfs, Belts, Laces, Trimming etc, Hair Ornaments, Hat Pins, Shopping Bags and all the accessories that go to make a ladies' toilet complete. Handkerchiefs and Kid Gloves etc, also everything for Men's wear.

Our Sale of
Easter Kid Gloves
begins Wed. April 3rd.
A very special line at 73c.

Fred. B. Edgecombe Co., Ltd.

The "BIG STORE" is an easy place for Gents to visit for Easter presents for ladies, or ladies to visit for Easter presents for their gentlemen friends.

Prepare for House Cleaning

This list contains a lot of things you will need, look it over and phone us for what you want

ONTARIO STEP LADDER,
4, 5, 6, 8 feet.
HERCULES STEP LADDER,
4, 5, 6, 8 feet.
TWIN MOPS.
SELF-WRINGING MOPS.
CRANK MOPS.
GAL. and TIN PAILS.
GALVANIZED TUBS.
CLOTHES WRINGERS.
CURTAIN STRETCHERS.
WASH BOARDS.
SCRUB BRUSHES.
CARPET WHIPS.
WHISKS.

PAINTS of all kinds.
PUTZ CREAM for BRASS.
SILVA PUTZ for SILVER.
LIQUID VENEER.
DUSTLESS DUSTERS.
DUSTLESS BRUSHES.
DUSTLESS MOPS.
OIL BRUSHES.
CHAMOIS SKINS.
CORN BROOMS.
MOP HANDLES for BRUSHES.
BRASS CLEANING CLOTHES.
SILVER CLEANING CLOTHES.
JAPALAC.
BRUSHES.

ORDER WHAT YOU WANT FROM US

Jas. S. Neill & Sons Limited
F'ton's Big Hardware Store Wholesale and Retail

3 to 6 oclock EASTER 3 to 6 oclock

Footwear Showing

TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY

April - - 2nd and 3rd.

R. B. VanDINE - - YORK ST. QUEEN ST.

Remember our Shoes are always High Class

GENUINE
FRENCH

Talbot's Maraschino Cherries
" French Peas
" Pate Foie Gras
" Mushrooms, B & G Olive Oil.

C. H. Burt