

RIVER STILL SOLID HERE, THOUGH RISING

Pumping Sta. Reports River Rising Some—River Ice Broke Up in April Last Year—Rain Will Weaken Ice.

The soft weather, and the appearance of water on the ice in the St. John river here, gives rise to the usual question at this time of year, as to when the ice will run out. Though the ice doesn't run out on the average for another month, the river has already risen a few inches. J. J. Malloy engineer at the local pumping station said today that the ice was still hard and thick and there were no immediate signs of the ice weakening. Last year the ice ran out on April 8th.

The sudden change to cold weather now would make ideal skating on the river surface. Teams and autos are still crossing the river on the beaten paths built earlier in the winter.

Expectation is that the river will have its breaking up this year earlier than in the previous years as the season has been a mild one and indications already point to an early spring.

CITY AFFAIRS

Return to City

Chief Justice Sir J. Douglas Hazen and Lady Hazen arrived here last night and took up their residence in the administrator's suite in the Queen hotel.

Needs Cleansing

The Stone column on the upper side of the Post Office entrance is in a disgraceful condition, and none of the Post Office officials seem to pay any attention to it. It is time somebody looked after it.

Home From Hospital

Louise Ketch, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ketch, Westmorland street, who broke her leg last week, was returned to her home after spending several days in the hospital.

Bridge Party

Mrs. C. K. Palmer, was the hostess last evening at a bridge of three tables in honor of her daughter, Mrs. G. T. Cartenhour, of Forest Hill, Long Island. The prize winners were Miss Maggie Jean Chestnut, and Mrs. Emerson Edgcombe. Mrs. Cartenhour, will return home tomorrow evening.

Egg Laying Contest

The thirty two pens of birds in the New Brunswick egg laying contest produced 973 eggs last week. The Experimental F. pen of Barred Rocks led with 52 eggs and 57.6 points. The total egg yield to date is 8632. The Experimental pen leads the contest with 591 eggs.

Historical Society Meeting

The public is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the York and Sunbury Historical Society meeting at the Provincial Normal School, Wednesday evening. The city firemen will be interested in the fact that an illustrated paper on one hundred years of fire-fighting in Fredericton will be read by the recording secretary.

Busy Week Ahead

Members of the government and Legislature who spent the week end at their homes returned to the city last evening and this morning prepared for what looks like a strenuous week. The budget is being brought down in the House this afternoon by Hon. Mr. Leger, and a ten days debate is likely to follow. The indications are that the debate will be a spirited one and that the opposition will explode any ammunition in their possession. The Municipalities Committee will meet for the first time this session tomorrow morning to deal with a number of bills.

Hon. Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture, was a guest at the Barker House today.

INDIVIDUAL IS ALL IMPORTANT, SAYS SPEAKER

Spirit of the Individual is What Counts for the Kingdom of God—Rev. A. K. Herman Spoke at George Street Church.

The individual and not the crowd is what counts and means everything to the Kingdom of God. The business of God's Kingdom is to create spiritual life in the separate hearts. Such was the theme of a splendid opening address of Rev. A. K. Herman, Minister of the Highfield Street Baptist Church at Moncton, who will conduct services at the George Street church here, for the next two weeks.

Rev. Mr. Herman arrived here yesterday and addressed a large number on the occasion of his opening address last evening in George Street Baptist Church.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts," Zechariah 4:6, was the text of the discourse, a preliminary message on "Our Need of the Spirit of God."

The preacher introduced his message with a touching reference to the lesson to be found in the public interest in loss of the Lindbergh baby, the immense concern that people may have for the individual life.

The individual life means everything to the Kingdom of God. It isn't numbers that count most; it is spirit-filled lives. The business of God's Kingdom is to create spiritual life in separate hearts. Consecrated lives are the strength of the church.

Pointing out the reality of God's spirit in our universe, the speaker went on to show how that spirit can and does work in our churches. The big difficulty, he said, in our present day religious life is not theoretical but practical disbelief in God, failure to appropriate the Divine power. The church's mission must ever be to make sure of "the points of contact" with the spirit of God.

Special emphasis was given to the spirit of triumph and victory that comes with finding God and sensing the power of his spirit. "Let God" was a challenging word flung out to the hearers, and the secret of it was "Let go of self, pride, prejudice."

Mr. Herman is one of our Youngest Maritime Province Preachers, an overseas man, popular in the whole Baptist Convention and widely known amongst the churches for his zeal and earnest convictions. His address was punctuated with telling illustrations and was fervent and emphatic throughout. Miss Winifred Charters sang an effective gospel solo, accompanied by Mrs. Earle McKeen.

A slight disturbance at the Capital Billiard Parlors last evening was quelled after some few moments. It occurred when two young men became involved in an argument and chose to use Marquis of Queensbury tactics of settlement.

DEFENDANT IN ASSAULT CHARGE WAS SENTENCED

The Case of The King vs. Nelson Rogers Heard In Police Court This Morning — Witnesses Heard.

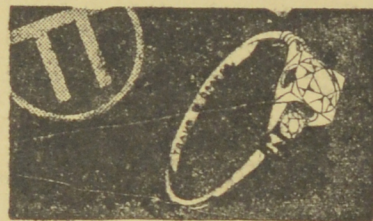
The case of The King, on the information of Horace Denton, vs. Nelson Rogers, was heard in the police court this morning by Police Magistrate Limerick.

The charge laid is that, on the night of February 22, 1932, Nelson Rogers did assault the informant, Horace Denton. C. L. Dougherty acted for the defendant, and C. R. Hawkins for the Crown. The principals and witnesses, are all from Fredericksburg, York Co., where the incident took place.

Witnesses for the prosecution were Everett McCrea and Leonard Rogers. Both testified that they saw Rogers strike Denton and that they were struggling at the edge of the pond on which they were skating. The informant and defendant differed in their versions of the events, the defendant claiming that he was struck by Denton before he himself took any action. Witnesses for the defense were Elmer McGeehan and Lloyd Rogers. Their testimony corresponded to the others. There were no witnesses, however, to the commencement of the hostilities and beyond the fact that Rogers did strike Denton at one stage of the proceedings, little information was given by those called on.

Mr. Dougherty, in concluding his case, emphasized the triviality of the affair and though that the boys should be sent home with the usual sermon on good behavior. Mr. Hawkins showed that an assault was committed and

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