

LOCAL NEWS

At the Gaiety.

Today a Metro picture, "The Purple Lady," featuring Irene Howley. The Gaiety's concert orchestra.

At the Gem.

Today, Lillian Walker in "The Man Behind the Curtain," a great production. Good music and an excellent picture.

Assault Case Adjourned.

The assault case arising out of some trouble last week between civilians and soldiers was further adjourned this morning until Monday next.

Birthday Celebration.

A number of the friends of Mr. John Anderson, ex-M. P., living in this city and elsewhere, will gather at his home this evening to assist in the celebration of his 95th birthday.

European Supper.

The ladies of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church will hold a European Supper and sale of fancy articles in the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6. Supper will be served on the European plan from 5.30 until 7 o'clock. A good time is promised all who attend.

The Latest Forecast.

Chatham World: Senator Thorne for Governor in succession to Governor Wood, and Premier Clarke for Senator in succession to Senator Thorne, and Hon. J. A. Murray as Premier, is the latest forecast.

Death at French Village Reserve.

Margaret Francis, an Indian woman residing at French Village Reserve, died yesterday. The funeral took place this morning with interment at St. Ann's churchyard, French Village.

Fleming-Alexander.

Miss Lottie Alexander, of St. John, and Mr. William Fleming, of Sheffield, were married by Rev. H. H. Ferguson at the Gibson Baptist parsonage Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming will reside at Sheffield, where the groom is a prosperous farmer.

Bishop's Son Hurt.

High Rev. John Richardson, D. D., Bishop of Fredericton, was called to Halifax recently because of an accident which befell his son, Wilfred, who seriously injured his right hand while at the Royal Naval College. The young man is improving.

At Gibson-St. Marys Churches.

The 236th Highland Battalion attended divine service in St. Marys and Gibson yesterday. The detachments went to the various churches according to their denominations. The pipe band furnished music.

Police Court.

In the police court this afternoon a sentence of thirty days in jail was imposed on a local hotel proprietor for a violation of the Canada Temperance Act. This case was adjourned from last week. It resulted from a raid.

The Late Marvin Dunphy.

Marvin Dunphy, of Douglas, died on Saturday at Nashwaak Village after a short illness. He is survived by a widow and five sons. The latter are Frank B., of Fredericton, and Ferdinand, Woodford, Horace and Howard, all of Nashwaak. The funeral took place this morning at 10.30. Interment was made at Pickard Burying Ground, Douglas.

May Run for Mayor.

Mr. A. A. Barker, of the Two Barkers, Limited, Amherst, N. S., is being strongly urged to run for the mayoralty of that town. Mr. Barker is one of the most successful business men in the Maritime Provinces, and would undoubtedly make a good chief magistrate. He is a son of the late Mr. Thos. Barker, of St. Marys, a former M. P. for York, and a cousin of Mr. George Y. Dibble, of this city.

Hydrant Froze and Burst.

The fire hydrant on Brunswick st. in front of the Curling rink froze last night and burst. Employees of the Water Department installed a new hydrant. City Engineer McKnight says this hydrant was thoroughly drained of water before the cold weather. He believes some person maliciously turned water into the hydrant recently. While the repairs were being made householders along Brunswick street were put to some inconvenience by the water being turned off.

Wretched Mail Service.

The train from the east did not connect with the C. P. R. at St. John on Saturday evening, consequently mails for this city did not arrive until the 11 o'clock train, too late to be assorted. It is very seldom now that there is a St. John mail on Saturday evening, and it is usually late on other nights. Supt. Gross of the railway mail service ought to get busy and see if some improvement cannot be made. If the mail service to Fredericton is bad now, what will it be like when the holiday rush of travel is on. It is a condition of affairs which the people of this city should not tolerate.

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CITY COUNCIL

WILL HAVE SESSION OF INTEREST TONIGHT

Report of Water Committee to be Received--Old Govt. House Will Probably be up For Discussion.

An interesting session of the City Council in committee is to be held tonight. The report of the Water Committee upon conditions at the Pumping Station and Filtration Plant is to be received, as previously announced, and the work at Old Government House, for which the city is paying is also to come in for some attention. Bills for this work, which has been going on for some time, will be before the Council tonight.

The preparation of Old Government House for the quartering of troops principally consisted of the installation of sanitary apparatus and its connection with the city sewerage system. Labor was furnished by the 236th Battalion for outside work, and by the military contractor for inside work. A vote of \$3,500 was made by the City Council to meet the expense.

It is reported that city officials are not satisfied with the rate of progress on the work or the manner in which part of it was done, particularly the back filling of the trench for the sewer.

A special committee composed of Mayor Mitchell Ald. Shea, Ald. Baxter and Ald. Barker is representing the city in connection with the work. Ald. Shea, the chairman, and City Engineer McKnight are to inspect it this afternoon. A report will be made tonight by Ald. Shea.

Mr. LeBaron Anderson, of Four Falls, Victoria county, is in the city today.

COAL SHORTAGE

HAS CAUSED SERIOUS SITUATION HERE

Some Plants Running With One Day's Supply--Intercolonial Railway Operations Interfered With--Labor Shortage Blamed

The situation with regard to the coal supply has become very serious.

Stocks of bituminous coal are almost exhausted and anthracite stocks are also feeling the drain. One dealer stated this morning that American anthracite appeared to be the only salvation, but that the consumer would have to pay high for it. Importation of American anthracite by rail from New York has been going on for some time. The freight charges by an all rail route are \$5.60 per ton, which will be the chief item in the high price which the consumer must pay.

Effect on the Railways.

The effect of the coal shortage on the railways is serious. The Canadian Government Railways is in the worse position, as the Canadian Pacific has the greater part of the output of the Minto mines at its disposal. The Canadian Government Railways depend on Nova Scotia coal, and it is said that private supplies are being taken already by the railway to operate the trains. Recently two freight trains were stalled at McGivney Junction until enough coal could be sent out from Fredericton to enable them to finish their runs.

Shortage of Labor.

Shortage of labor is the cause of the shortage of coal. At Minto miners are in demand at all times, but in Nova Scotia the scarcity is much more keenly felt. In one case the daily output of

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MEN'S WINTER ULSTERS AND OVERCOATS.

Reg. \$12.50 for \$ 9.10	Reg. \$20.00 for \$14.60
" 16.00 for 11.50	" 22.50 for 16.00
" 18.00 for 12.95	" 25.00 for 18.90

MEN'S TWEED AND WORSTED SUITS

While they last, oneline of Men's Strong Tweed Suits for \$5.95 per Suit. Be one of the lucky ones and get yours.

Men's \$15.00 and \$16.00 Suits	\$11.40
" 18.00 Suits	12.95
" 20.00 Suits	14.90
" 22.00 Suits	15.95

BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S WINTER COATS

Child's Winter Overcoats—Regular	\$5.50 for \$3.90
" " " " " "	7.00 for 5.95
Boys' Winter Overcoats	6.75 for 4.95
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MEN'S FINE SHIRTS—Extra Special 43c.
MEN'S HEAVY BRACES 19c.
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MEN'S DRESSED KID WOOL LINED KID GLOVES, 89c. a pair, regular \$1.25.

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