

LOCAL NEWS

One Drunk Arrested.
One drunk was arrested last night and was remanded.

An Ohio Musical Note.
(From the Tiffin News.)
Following three songs by Mr. W. L. Pringle there was some music.

In Shipping Circles.
The tern schooner Nettle Shipman, laden from New York for Mr. A. H. VanWart arrived in port this morning.

At the Police Court.
The coachman convicted of violating the traffic law was fined \$5 in the police court this morning. A drunk was fined.

At the Gaiety Today.
"The Crucial Test," by Francis Marion, a Russian play, featuring Kitty Gordon; also Gaiety Topical Review. Hear our classy concert orchestra. Latest hits.

At the Gem Today.
A Blue Ribbon feature, "The Chatel," E. H. Sothorn, the world's greatest actor, and Peggy Hyland, the English beauty, supported by an all star cast. It's good.

Was Judge at Races.
Mr. Peter Clinch has returned to St. John from Upper Canada where he officiated as judge at the Montreal and Toronto horse races. His work has been highly spoken of.

Had Nephew Here.
Mr. Arthur Wheaton of Barker's Point is a nephew of Gunner John Ainsley Wheaton of St. John, recently killed in action in France. The late Gunner Wheaton was well known here and very popular.

Two New Drummers.
Two side drummers of the Caledonian Clan Pipe band of Boston, arrived in the city today and will join the 236th Pipe band. The drummers were in Highland dress, kilt and white shell jacket.

Sheep Protection.
The Agricultural Committee this morning had the question of sheep protection under discussion and will ask the Government to bring in a bill which will afford a greater protection against dogs and wild cats.

St. John Yacht Arrives.
The sailing yacht Gracie M., of the Royal Kennebecasis Yacht Club, St. John, arrived last night and moored at the A. & B. Club house wharf. The party aboard her is composed of Messrs. John Barton, William McLaughlin and Harry Weagle.

Little Child Lost.
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Blair of York street was taken with wanderlust this morning about 11.30 and started to roam around town. He was seen wandering down towards Queen street and the police were notified. About 1.30 p. m. the little fellow was found in Queen street by his mother.

Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon.
The funeral of the late Joseph D. McCarthy will take place from the residence of his mother, Mrs. B. E. McCarthy, 449 King street, at 2.15 on Wednesday afternoon. Solemn service will be conducted at St. Dunstan's Church by Rev. Father Carney at 2.30. Interment will be made at the Hermitage.

Gave \$2,000 to Fund.
The Allied British, Scotch and Canadian societies of Boston yesterday presented Lieut. Col. P. A. Guthrie with two thousand dollars for the battalion fund of the 236th Highlanders. The presentation was made on the eve of the departure of the detachment of the 236th for Bangor, Me. Lieut. H. A. Seely remains in Boston in charge of a recruiting office.

Bills Recommended.
The Municipalities Committee this morning recommended the bills relating to Port Elgin Village and to authorize the Moncton City Council to sell certain lands. They also agreed to the bill to authorize the City of Moncton to issue debentures, to amend the rates and taxes act, to permit the City and County of St. John to tax for patriotic purposes, and the bill relating to permanent sidewalks in the Parish of Lancaster with some amendments.

Stanley Man Dies of Injuries.
Vancouver News-Advertiser, June 3: Frank Gregory Wilkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson of 3755 Fraser avenue, died at the General Hospital on June 5 from injuries received at the Coughlan shipyards the day previous. The young man was only in his seventeenth year, and came to Vancouver six years ago with his parents from Stanley, N. B. He was a general favorite, beloved for his bright, sunny disposition. He leaves two brothers and two sisters.

Want American Tobacco.
The great want of the Massachusetts recruits of the 236th Battalion is American tobacco. Every day parties go into tobacconists' shops and ask for it. "The Kilties will have to learn to like the Canadian brands. American tobacco is impossible to obtain except from some person who has just returned from the States or from a Canadian border town like St. Stephen, unless the weed has come into Canada by the "underground route." When the battalion arrives in England the men will be even worse off for the English brands are different from either the American or Canadian. Possibly reciprocity in tobacco for the soldiers during the war can be arranged.

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CITY BILLS WERE FURTHER CONSIDERED

Before Committee Today—Interest Rate on Overdue Taxes to be One-Half of 1 per cent.

The Municipalities Committee of the Legislature this morning gave further consideration to Fredericton bills. Those present in support were A. S. Reid, Lemont and Wilkinson and City Solicitor R. B. Hanson. The bill to enable the council to order the removal of unsanitary and dilapidated buildings first engaged attention and met with some opposition. Mr. Hanson explained that the object of the bill was to enable the authorities to get rid of certain buildings which could not be made sanitary and which were a menace and an eyesore to the community. He mentioned as examples a wooden building on Queen street belonging to the McCarthy estate and the Scotch barracks on Regent street. Members of the committee thought the bill a little too drastic and decided to give it consideration in private.

The assessment bill was also discussed at some length. Principal Assessor Sterling explained that its object was to facilitate the collection of taxes. One section asked for authority to lower the discount rate on taxes from five to two per cent., and to add interest at the rate of one per cent. per month to all taxes not paid within thirty days. Members of the committee thought the penalty was too severe and suggested that the interest be made one-half of one per cent.

Ald Reid said if this were done he would ask that the five per cent discount rate be restored. The committee took the bill into consideration and will probably amend it along the lines suggested.

Mr. F. P. Doody of St. John, is spending a few days in the city.
Mr. A. C. Stewart of Woodstock, is a guest at the Barker House.
Mr. W. A. Robertson of Montreal, is registered at the Barker House.

PICTURE-HOUSE MEN APPEARED BEFORE GOV'T

Discussed Manner of Imposing Proposed Provincial Tax on Tickets for Motion Picture Theatres.

A large and representative delegation of the owners and managers of motion picture theatres in New Brunswick waited upon the Provincial Government this morning. The subject under discussion was the manner of the imposition of the proposed tax upon motion picture houses.

Those composing the delegation were Mr. F. W. Winter of Moncton, Mr. W. H. Golding of St. John, Mr. Steve Hurley of St. John, Mr. William Richards of Newcastle, Mr. Babineau of Chatham, Mr. Charles Staples of St. Stephen and Mr. W. W. O. Fenely of Fredericton.

The members of the delegation take the view that the province in imposing a tax upon tickets for performances of motion picture houses enters into a partnership in the business of conducting the theatres. The views advanced by the delegation will receive consideration.

Public Accounts.

The Public Accounts Committee at their meeting this morning took up the expenditures of the Public Works Department and those relating to the roads and bridges came in for considerable adverse criticism, the system under which the structural superintendents dealt with the payments being particularly condemned. In one case it appeared that it cost \$16.50 for the superintendent to make an expenditure of \$6.00 only. The committee will go further into this matter tomorrow.

Mr. T. W. Kilpatrick of Toronto is a guest at the Barker House.

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