

LOCAL NEWS

Putting in Roof Trusses.

Excellent progress is being made by Messrs. McLaggan & MacBean, contractors, on the new Gaiety Theatre, Queen street. The concrete walls are almost complete and the roof trusses are being placed in position.

St. John Medallist.

The Governor General's gold medal for the highest standing in Grade X. of the St. John High school has been won by Sidney Murray with 676 points out of a possible 800. The winner is a son of Mr. E. S. Ranney Murray of St. John, formerly of Springhill, and nephew of Mrs. T. H. Colter of this city.

Visitors From Connecticut.

Rev. H. F. Adams, pastor of Montauk Avenue Baptist Church, New London, Conn., Mrs. Adams and the Misses Bessie and Jean Adams, are visiting Mrs. Adams' brother, ex-Mayor W. S. Hooper, 114 George street. Rev. Mr. Adams will occupy the pulpit of Brunswick street Baptist Church on Sunday.

Repairing Telephone Lines.

The lines of the New Brunswick Telephone Company which were down in York county as a result of Thursday night's storm have been repaired. Along the south bank of the St. John river considerable damage was done near Pokiok and Prince William. The trunk line to Newcastle was out of commission for a time.

Rear Party Away.

The rear party of the 236th Highlanders under the command of Capt. J. D. Black, quartermaster, and a few recruits who have been enlisted here within the past few days, left last night for Valcartier. Only men on leave and a small detachment of the Army Service Corps are now in Fredericton.

Inland Revenue Decreases.

At St. John during the month of July the collections of Inland Revenue showed a decrease of \$12,136.27 as compared with the corresponding period of 1916. A decrease of about \$9,500 in the item of spirits is the chief reason for the falling off. This particular decrease is due to the enactment of provincial prohibition on May 1st last.

City Taxes Coming In.

With the discount period with little more than a fortnight to run, city taxes are being paid in at the office of the city treasurer in a steady stream. It is possible that all previous records of payment within the discount period will be broken. The fact that interest can be charged on taxes in arrears under new legislation will have the tendency to encourage prompt payment.

Bathing is Popular.

The bathing pool below Old Government house is well patronized these days. Scores of people of all ages gather there each evening and disport themselves in the water for hours. There is a fine beach there and the water is so shallow that there is very little danger. Scores of young people have acquired the knowledge of the art of swimming this season.

To Run Trains Tomorrow.

Tomorrow night the C.P.R. will make an attempt to restore train service through the state of Maine. Trains will leave both St. John and Montreal. If the C.P.R. line is not clear the trains will run over the Maine Central via Portland, Me., and in view of the possibility of this occurring no tickets will be sold for points between Mattawamkeag, Me., and Farnham, Que.

Presentation.

On the eve of Miss Edna Vye's departure to Fredericton to reside, the teachers of the St. Andrew's Sunday school, Blackville, called at her home and presented her with a beautiful Morocco Teacher's Bible accompanied by an address. Rev. L. Beaton read the address, and the secretary, Miss Janet Walls, made the presentation. Miss Vye made a brief but suitable reply.

Week-end Market.

Although farmers are busily engaged at haying, quite a number found their way into the market this morning. The variety of produce offered for sale was larger than usual. Green beans sold at 50c. a peck, peas at 40c. a quart, carrots, beets and onions at 10c. a bunch, new potatoes at 65c. a peck, butter at 35c. a pound, and eggs at 35c. a dozen. Wild raspberries sold at 40c. a half pail and blueberries at 20c. a quart.

Sunday Band Concert.

The Fredericton Brass Band will play at Wilmot Park Sunday afternoon beginning at four o'clock. The programme is as follows: O Canada, Lavallee; Hymn, Nearer My God, Thee; Mason; March, Col. Borgey, Alfred; Selection, The Maiden's Prayer; Paderewski; Idyll, Softly Unawares; Lincke; Serenade, The Wayside Chapel; Auber; Gloria; Twelfth Mass, Mozart; March, Trafalgar, Lehr; Hymn, Lead Kindly Light, Dykes; God Save the King. G. H. Offen, Bandmaster.

Twelve French Students.

Twelve female students are taking the French course at the Provincial Normal school, classes in which began August 1st, with Prof. A. Bellevue in charge. Those registered for the course are Louise Albert, Caraque; Regina Bastrache, St. Lazare; Irene Cyr, Baker Brook; Mary Ann Cyr, St. Hilaire; Lizzie Coulombe, Baker Lake; Lottie Daigle, Verret; Bella Goguen, Lower Goguen; Eva Goguen, Cocagne; Elaine Landry, Upper Caraque; Bertha Martin, St. Basile; Josephine Morneau, St. Jacques; Louise Savoie, Tracadie.

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BRIDES WERE TAKEN TO LIVE IN PIG-PEN

Wesley Morgan of Tracey Sent Up for Trial on Charge of Bigamy—Surprising Facts.

Wesley Morgan of Tracey was sent up for trial on the charge of bigamy yesterday by Magistrate Ernest A. Tracey who conducted a preliminary examination at Fredericton Junction. Mr. P. J. Hughes of this city, represented the Crown. The accused was unrepresented by counsel. Morgan expressed intention of standing trial under the Speedy Trials Act. If he puts this into effect he will come before Judge Wilson at Burton in the near future.

Five Witnesses.

Five witnesses were examined. Information other than that obtained at the time of Morgan's arrest was secured. The witnesses were Mrs. Armina Morgan, wife No. 1 of the accused, Mrs. Beatrice Tracey, Viola Thomas, wife No. 2 of the accused, Frank Morey and Mrs. Mary Morey, wife of the preceding witness and widow of the late Marvin Thomas and mother of wife No. 2.

Lived in Pig Pen.

The evidence of the first two witnesses went to show that the accused had been married to the first witness about nine years ago. The other facts brought out were that Morey and his wife decided to get married two days after the death of Marvin Thomas.

Subsequent events delayed the marriage but it was decided to come to Fredericton, June 23rd, to have the ceremony performed. This decision was reached on June 22nd and at the same time it was decided that Morgan and Viola Thomas be married. Morgan paid twenty-one dollars at this time to the girl's mother. Both marriage ceremonies were performed by Rev. G. C. Warren of the Brunswick Street Baptist church. On the return (Continued on page 5.)

MINISTER WILL VISIT THE NEW SETTLEMENTS

Hon. E. A. Smith to Get in Touch with Colonization Before Sept.—Many Applications.

Before the next meeting of the Provincial Government in September, the Minister of Lands and Mines, Hon. E. A. Smith, will visit the colonization settlements which have been in existence in this province for several years. Hazen Settlement and Grimmer Settlement on the line of the International Railway in Restigouche county which have been in existence for about five years will receive attention from the minister on account of being the most recent settlements organized and because of the advancement which it is reported the settlers have made. About twelve hundred people now make their homes where there was wilderness before. Hon. Mr. Smith will also visit the Blue Bell tract in the county of Victoria where successful settlements have been made in recent years. While in that section of the province he will visit New Denmark which has a wide reputation on account of the prosperity of its people, all of Danish birth or ancestry.

Many Applications.

This year a remarkably large number of applications for settlement land under the Labor Act have been made. As has been the case for some years the lots applied for are in the northern counties and the great majority of the applicants are Acadians.

Revenue Coming In.

The Minister of Lands and Mines stated today that his deputy minister reported that the territorial revenue was being paid in better than ever before.

Sugar Advances Again.

All grades of sugar advanced today 30 cents per 100 lbs.

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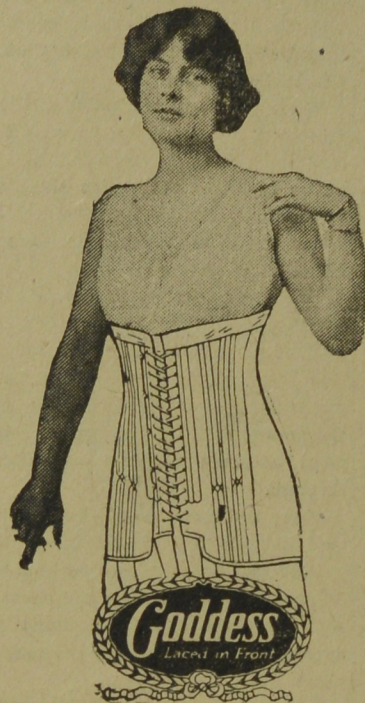
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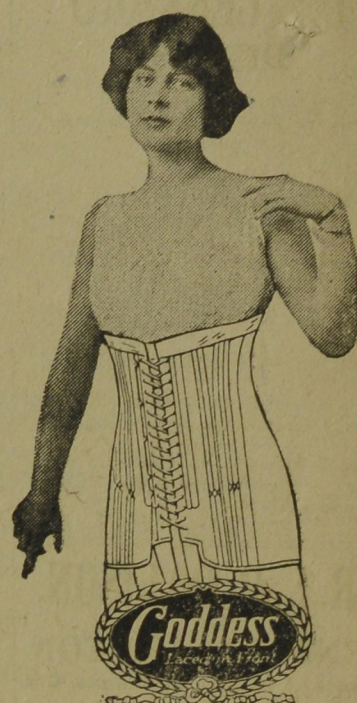
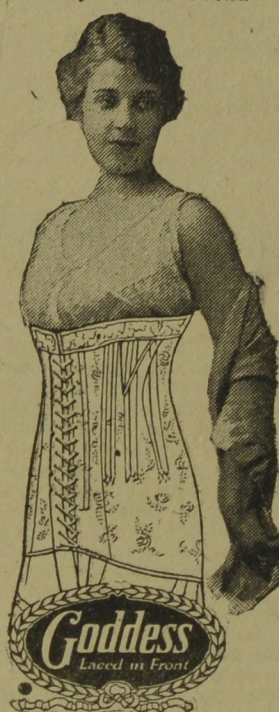
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