

ST. JOHN RIVER SOON CLEARED OF LUMBER

LAST DRIVE WILL BE
AT ANDOVER TODAY

Labor Situation Has Not Been
Acute—Rains Have Been
Local and River is Not
Affected.

The St. John River will be cleared up as far as lumber is concerned within a short time as the last drive of the St. John River Log Driving Company which started recently from Grand Falls is making rapid progress. It will be at Andover tonight. The lumber which was hung on the Upper St. John this season is too far away for any expectation of it coming out before next spring. On the lower section of the river there is very little lumber and the Log Driving Company has only small crews at work there.

Labor Situation
The labor situation as far as driving and rafting are concerned has not been as bad as was anticipated early in the year. The St. John River Log Driving Company has secured adequate driving and rafting crews without difficulty. Rafting is being carried on at both the Douglas and Mitchell Booms.

River Not Rising
Although there have been several days of heavy rain in this section of the province, the level of the St. John River has not changed. The river is now not far above extreme low level. The rains have been local. From Grand Falls it was reported last night that there had been no change in the height of the water.

On Inspection Trip
Premier Foster, Hon. P. J. Veniot and Hon. J. F. Tweeddale are on a tour of inspection of the roads and other government work in the counties of Victoria and Madawaska. They were at Grand Falls last night and will go to Madawaska today.

Returned From Portland
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Morrison returned yesterday from an auto trip to Portland, Maine. Their son Roy, who accompanied them to Portland recently underwent an operation in that city and is still in the hospital.

Storm Was Local
The recent rain storm does not appear to have been general throughout the province. Good weather prevailed in Woodstock yesterday and along the river as far down as Prince William. Rain fell in the eastern part of the province and in Nova Scotia.

Locomotive With Distinction
The C. P. R. locomotive which has been distinguished by the Company's distinctive coat of arms and the name of the driver Jim Foster, has been on the Gibson Branch for the last few days. It is one of three C. P. R. locomotives in this section of Canada which have been so marked.

H. H. Pitts in City
Mr. Herman H. Pitts ex-M. P. P. formerly of this city, but now of Ottawa, is among the guests at the Queen. Mr. Pitts was recently honored by election to the Board of Directors of the Toronto Railway Company. He is looking well and is being welcomed by many old friends.

Pulpwood in Demand
Standard: Chas. E. Clowes, Fredericton lumber and pulpwood merchant is in the city on a business trip. He reported business in the pulp line excellent, and had recently bought some new pulpwood lands, and was buying from private parties. The price of pulpwood warrants production hesays and many were working at getting it out this year.

Stamps on Matches
All the matches being sold in the city now bear the war stamp as required by the recent tariff revision. July 1 was the date fixed for the affixing of these stamps. Some of the dealers complain that hardship is worked upon them in the matter of placing a one cent stamp on every small box but the order is being enforced.

Dr. Townsend Away
Dr. David Townsend, who has been superintendent of the Jordan Memorial Sanitarium since it was opened, and who resigned to enter the U. S. military service, passed through St. John Wednesday. Dr. Townsend will report on next Thursday at New Haven, Conn., where he will join the staff of a hospital for tubercular soldiers which is being opened there. Dr. Townsend expressed his regret at leaving New Brunswick, but said that he felt it was his duty to do what he could in the war effort.

Convicted and Sentenced
Ephraim Myshral of Springhill this morning was sentenced to two years in penitentiary on a charge of theft from the Canadian Government Railways. On another charge he was sentenced to three months and on a third charge to three months. A fourth charge was not proven. In this he was charged with stealing two rolls of roofing paper but the complainant could not identify his property. On one of the other charges he was accused of stealing a stove and was convicted of the offense. It is reported that the C. G. R. may lay further charges.

CASE AGAINST RESTAURANT WAS DISMISSED

HELD PROPRIETRESS
WAS NOT RESPONSIBLE

Interesting Point Arose from a
Seizure of Liquor from
Party in a Local
Restaurant.

The case against the proprietress of Washington's Cafe who was charged with violation of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1916, was dismissed by Police Magistrate Limerick. The particular offense charged was having liquor in her possession in a place other than her residence. The magistrate took the ground that the evidence did not support the charge.

Important Point
The decision is one of importance as it concerns liquor brought into a public eating place by a patron. The case arose from the seizure of a bottle containing a small quantity of liquor at the restaurant some weeks ago. The seizure was made by the Chief of Police who was accompanied by Police Sergt. Hughes. On the second visit to the restaurant a party of five men was found in a stall with the bottle containing liquor, upon the floor between two members of the party. The police claim there were indications that members of the party were under the influence of liquor. The charge of having the liquor was laid against the proprietress of the restaurant, however, and not against any member of the party.

What Might Have Been Done
The provisions of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1916, are drastic and wide spreading but in the opinion of the magistrate were not sufficiently broad to include the proprietress of the restaurant. Those who have studied the act claim that at the time of the seizure all members of the party of five should have been arrested and been made defendants under the act.

Death of Miss Bessie M. Brown
Miss Bessie May Brown daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Brown, passed away at her home Brunswick Street, early this morning, after a lingering illness. The deceased young lady had been studying for a nurse and was compelled by ill health to return home. She was of a bright and lovable disposition and has a large circle of friends who will regret her death. Besides her parents she is survived by one brother Hayward of Marysville and three sisters, Mrs. Harry M. Blair of Halifax, Mrs. George Turner of Woburn, Mass. and Miss Laura, graduate nurse of Providence, R. I., who has been with her sister during her illness. The funeral will take place at 2.30 tomorrow afternoon. The service will be conducted by Rev. G. C. Warren and interment will be made at Marysville Baptist Cemetery.

Women's Eyes

Tired and overworked eyes they are as a rule. Don't seem able to stand the strain of former years. Women's eyes overworked by hard work, sewing or reading, should be attended to promptly. A pair of perfect-fitting glasses should be secured and the strain relieved. I make a special study of this matter.
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CONVICTION OF KEIRSTEAD AFFIRMED

JUDGMENT TODAY IN
QUEENS COUNTY MURDER

Application May be Made to
Minister of Justice—Ap-
peal in Akerley Case
Being Heard.

Robert Kierstead who was convicted before Judge Barry at Gagetown some weeks ago of the murder of his wife and who now is in Gagetown jail awaiting sentence, lost his appeal before the Supreme Court of New Brunswick. The court met this morning the Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen and Judge Grimmer, being present. The judgement of Judge White which was the judgement of the court was read by Sir Douglas. Conviction was affirmed. Mr. A. R. Slipp, K. C. of this city was counsel for the defence and the Attorney General, Hon. J. P. Byrne, appeared for the Crown.

May Appeal to Ottawa
The next step which may be taken on behalf of Kierstead is an appeal to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa. It is understood that application will be made.

Akerley Case Appealed
Argument was begun this morning in the appeal in The King vs. Frank M. Akerley a suit tried by jury before Judge Barry at Gagetown in which the accused was charged with rape. He was acquitted on that charge but was convicted of adultery. Mr. Daniel Mullin, K. C., of St. John with whom is associated Mr. Ralph St. John Freeze of Sussex, support the appeal and the Attorney General appears for the Crown. Mr. Freeze argued this morning and continued when the court resumed at 2.30.

To Meet Government
Chatham World: Mr. McDade has been advised by Premier Foster that the Government will be pleased to hear the views of the members of the association regarding the suggested re-distribution of the Crown Timber Lands at a meeting to be held in Fredericton on July 11th next. About twenty-five lumbermen from the Miramichi will attend the meeting. Mr. F. D. Swim is the new president of the association succeeding Mr. D. J. Buckley who resigned the presidency on his election to the Forestry Commission.

Spurns the Bribe
Chatham Commercial: James A. Dickson, local prohibition inspector, last week received a letter containing twenty dollars and a note reading as follows: "It cost enough, but you might have made it more private." There was no signature, and the envelope was post marked Richbucto. Mr. Dickson does not know who sent him the \$20 and would like the party to forward name and necessary proof so that he can return the money, as he does not feel disposed to accept tips or bribes in performing his duties as inspector.

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