

ALBERT SHALE BEING TESTED HERE TODAY

**BURNED IN OPEN GRATE
AND IN CLOSED STOVE**

**Trial Very Successful — Now
Being Mined on Commercial
Scale—Burns With
Great Heat.**

The long expected samples of Albert shale which have been on their way here for some time finally arrived this morning. The shipment was made by L. J. Corey & Company, Messrs L. J. Corey and William Cruikshank accompanying it to the city. The shale was obtained from a mine in Albert County in which His Honor Lieut. Governor Pugsley, Hon. James Dymville and others are interested. A spur line was run to the mine some time ago from the Albert Railway which is now being operated by the Canadian Government Railways.

First Demonstration

The first demonstration of the shale was made at the Barker House this morning when it was mixed with bituminous coal. Owing to the intense heat the shale cannot be burned alone in an open grate as it warps the iron. The results produced were very satisfactory the shale gave a good heat and burned with a brilliant flame.

Another Demonstrates

This afternoon at two o'clock His Worship Mayor Hanson was asked to attend the demonstration of the Shale burning in a stove. Mr. George R. Thompson's stove in his store, Queen Street.

The shale is being mined on a commercial basis and will likely find a heavy sale in the province. The only drawback to the shale question is the storage, as two tons of shale are equal to one of coal.

The process of distillation has also been carried on with the shale and shows an average of forty-eight gallons of oil to the ton. The prospects are bright for the shale in this region on account of the scarcity of anthracite coal.

Returning to Southampton

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Grant, of Fredericton purpose returning to their home at Southampton in the near future as Mrs. Grant's health is considerably improved.

Governor in Ottawa

Ottawa Citizen, Tuesday: Hon. William Pugsley, the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, and Mrs. Pugsley, are expected in town today from St. John, for a short visit. They will stay at the Chateau Laurier.

Officers Reporting

Lieut. R. G. Dean and Capt. R. J. Major, M. C., were among the officers who reported at the District Depot yesterday. Capt. Major was transferred from the 55th Battalion to the 26th and was wounded four times.

Woodstock Mayoralty

Woodstock Press: Coun. J. S. Leighton, who has represented the town at the Council board for many years and is thoroughly informed on town matters, asks the Press to announce that he will be a candidate for mayor at the coming election in January.

Soldiers Reporting

A large number of soldiers who have been away on two weeks' leave for Christmas and New Year's are reporting today at the District Depot. They are being quartered at the Exhibition Buildings which have been put in readiness to hold several hundred soldiers. Five discharges were given today and next week the staff will be increased so that the discharges will amount to twenty or thirty a day.

Flu Apparently at a Standstill

Mr. G. Y. Dibblee reports no change in the "flu" situation. Everything seems to be clearing up and the disease is practically at a standstill at present. A few cases have been reported but nothing serious has turned up recently. At the Temporary Hospital two patients are seriously ill and two returned to their homes this afternoon. One patient was admitted to the Hospital making in all six patients who are at present taking treatment.

Twice Mentioned in Despatches

Among the officers reporting at the District Depot is Lieut. Alexander Gunn, M. C., 26th Battalion. Lieut. Gunn was a resident of New York at the outbreak of the war but came to Canada and enlisted in the 26th Battalion. In addition to winning the M. C. Lieut. Gunn was twice mentioned in despatches for distinguished conduct. After spending several weeks with relatives in New York Lieut. Gunn has reported here. He will remain in the service for some months longer.

MAYE V. DALE OF BLACKVILLE ENDED LIFE WITH CARBOLIC ACID AT GRAND HOTEL THIS MORNING

**Was to Have Been Married Here Today—Motive for Rash Deed
Uncertain, but Believed She Thought Herself Deserted—
Intended Husband Did Not Know of the Suicide Until This
Afternoon—Coroner's Jury Viewed the Body and Inquest
will be Held on Wednesday.**

A young woman, apparently aged twenty years or less, committed suicide this morning at the Grand Hotel Queen Street, by taking carbolic acid. She registered at 8.30 this morning at Maye V. Dale, Blackville. Half an hour afterward a chambermaid passing her room heard heavy breathing and notified the proprietress, Mrs. George E. Jordan. People belonging to the hotel then entered the room and found the unfortunate girl on the floor frothing at the mouth. Dr. G. C. VanWart was summoned and offered all assistance possible including the use of the stomach-tube but without success, death ensuing at about eleven o'clock.

Circumstances of the Case

The young woman arrived from Blackville last night accompanied by her sister Lillian Dale and a man named C. Davidson from Upper Blackville. All registered at the Barker House. From remarks made to the clerk it was gathered that the party was going to Boston by the evening train today. Early this morning members of the party gave indications of some trouble among them Maye Dale crying and her sister displaying great anxiety on her account. At about 7.30 this morning the bills of all three members of the party were paid and Davidson disappeared as far as the hotel people knew. The two girls asked for a coach to take a train and when asked what train said the first one would do. Later they cancelled the order for a coach. Maye then left the Barker House evidently without her sister's knowledge for she came to the desk in a state of great excitement saying that the other had threatened suicide. The clerk told her that the other had gone out on the street. Her sister then rushed out in search and up to an early hour this afternoon had not been located by the authorities. Prior to the alarm expressed by the sister Thomas D. Sewell of Newcastle who also arrived by C. G. R. last night and registered at the Barker House stated to the clerk at that hotel that Maye Dale had threatened to do away with herself.

Bought Carbolic Here

A one-ounce bottle labelled carbolic acid which had been bought at the

drug store of G. Y. Dibblee was found near the girl at the Grand Hotel. The supposition is that she purchased it as she came up Queen Street with the intention of ending her life, and registered at the Grand Hotel which was the first she would pass after leaving the drug store.

Body Viewed This Morning

Coroner B. M. Mullin was notified of the death this morning and with Policeman Nathaniel Jones as constable empanelled a jury which viewed the body and adjourned to meet at the City Hall Wednesday, January 8th when witnesses will be examined. The jury is as follows: Thomas W. Sansom, foreman; F. H. Everett, Gustave Grandame, Stephen Jones, Wesley Ross, John E. Sullivan, A. G. Sterling.

Later Developments

Later this afternoon both Mr. Davidson and the sister of the unfortunate girls returned to the Barker House. Mr. Davidson was amazed to learn that she had ended her life. It transpired that he and the girl were to be married here this afternoon. This morning he left the Barker House and went to Devon to see some relatives intending to return about noon. This he did. It is believed that the girl who was in a very nervous condition believed that he had left her and determined to end her life.

Prohibition Charges

A prohibition charge laid against a local physician came this morning before the Police Magistrate and was adjourned until next Friday. A similar charge against the same physician will be brought up on Tuesday.

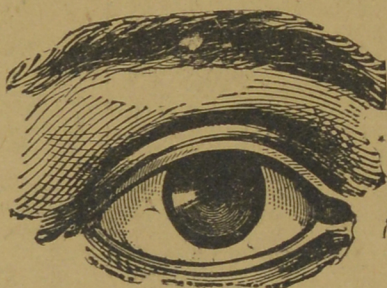
Taken to Provincial Hospital

Perley T. Day, who was arrested and lodged in the County Jail on last Saturday was brought up before the Police Magistrate on Monday and was remanded to jail again. His mental condition was that of an insane person and several articles of furniture were smashed by him. He was given a medical examination yesterday by two physicians whose verdict was that he was violently insane whether temporarily or not was not known. The Chief of Police and one officer accompanied him to the Provincial Hospital this morning.

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Case Adjourned.

The case King vs Ward has been adjourned by the Police Magistrate until next Friday on account of the illness of both Counsel and Defendant.