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TRAIN SERVICE.

Beginning this morning and continuing all winter according to present expectations, the C. P. R. will give Fredericton and the western section of New Brunswick one of the poorest train services that it has experienced in years. The railway authorities are able to excuse themselves by saying that the service is as good as they can arrange under the circumstances. New Brunswick is not the only section of Canada which has suffered in the matter of winter train schedules, and can console herself—if it is any consolation—with the thought that the coal strike in the United States is making itself felt here.

The public a few years ago, in general, sympathized with the striker, no matter where he was or in what industry, and that sympathy went far toward winning concessions from the employers. Lately the public has not given support to strikes in either a passive or an active manner. It has learned that in the long run the public pays the price of a strike and with the cost of living pressing harder and harder, the tendency has been to oppose anything which would make the burden heavier.

In the Minto coal fields there is the material for a strike. The latter may develop within a few days. People who have come in close contact with the miners say that there is an element which is clamoring for a strike against the advice of leaders who believe that negotiations should be exhausted before any other step be taken. Unfortunately the would-be strikers are getting certain support from outside. If a strike should develop, it will be interesting to see which side will have public opinion behind it.

SNOW REMOVAL.

City Engineer McDowell has stated that citizens will be required to live up to the city by-law requiring all occupants of premises to keep the sidewalks on their frontages clear of snow. Like many another by-law, this has been a dead letter for years, and it remains to be seen if the citizens will support active enforcement, or by passive resistance force it to remain inoperative. Public opinion is necessary to enforce any legislation, civic or otherwise.

The mild weather of the week-end cleared all sidewalks of snow, so enforcement of the by-law in question can start with a clean sheet. That was fortunate, as the civic departments seem to have been caught unprepared as far as icy sidewalks were concerned. It is hoped that the sidewalks will not again be permitted to go without attention in the matter of sand or the scarifier.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

The writer of communications to a newspaper has a value of a peculiar kind and often reflects shades of public opinion on various questions. Letter writing for publication can be overdone, however, particularly if it is of the "fake" variety. Spurious support of lines of policy, editorial or otherwise, by means of published letters from Pro Bono Publico, Fair Play, Citizen or any other of the numerous tribe of letter writers, seldom imposes on the public, although frequently tried. Examples of this could be observed not far from Fredericton for some time past. Public officials have been attacked and false information disseminated in this manner, but it is doubtful if the thinking public has been impressed.

BETTER THAN REPORTED.

Since the year 1915, when the most wonderful crop in the nation's history was gathered in, we have had no bumper crops, and the loss to Canada has been severe. The past summer, however, has been a more prolific season than at first reported the latest figures placing the wheat crop at 193,688,800 bushels, or twenty millions above the previous estimate. Although the year was a dry one in the west, yet there were sections where the product was a record one, the grain running from 25 to 30 bushels to the acre, while in one section of Alberta it ran to 40 bushels.

The total yield of oats fell a few thousand bushels short of 400 millions, a truly enormous crop. Barley yielded 66,443,500 bushels, and rye over 3 millions. The potato crop was above the average, both in quantity and in quality. Yet while these figures give cause for satisfaction, the fact remains that prices have been going up all the same.

New York Herald: It would be interesting to be behind a curtain at Buckingham Palace and hear the Prince of Wales give his own account to father and mother of the best time he ever had in his life.

The suggestion of that California raisin packer that the high price of raisins is due to increased demand resulting from prohibition, doesn't jibe with the disgusted comments of those who have tried the lauded raisin and found it sadly wanting.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Be good, but don't be too easy.

What is needed is a dollar that will go farther but develop less speed.

Ready-to-wear clothing abounds, but ready-to-pay money is still a little coy about appearing in public.

The best sermon is the one that goes over your head and hits the other fellow.

It is easy to be content with what we have; it's what we haven't that worries us.

A wise man knows a good thing when he sees it, but a fool doesn't know a good thing when he sees it.

The faculty with which an Alteration Sale alters a \$20 bill to 92 cents amply justifies the term.

Distribution of everything seems to be wrong save that of advice, which is just as freely and widely spread as ever.

"What is the winter itch?" asks a correspondent of a doctor. In some homes it is unmentionable, and in others it is a Persian lamb coat.

To Return Today

Miss Hazel McCain, supervisor of the Women's Institute branch of the Department of Agriculture who has been ill for some time is expected to return to her duties this afternoon.

Left The Gaity

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Auspland, who have for the past three years been engaged at the Gaity Theatre in this city, the former as pianist and the latter as trap-player are leaving for Sherbrooke, Quebec, where they have accepted positions. Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly of Marysville are accepting the positions vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Auspland and will make their first appearance at the Gaity this evening.

Meeting Finished

The Provincial Government concluded its meeting at noon Saturday. Premier Foster stated that only routine business was disposed. In regard to the lumbermen, he said they had requested the government to fix the present rate of stumpage for five years on the ground that it would give stability to the lumbering business and permit of the making of contracts in advance. There was no action.

On New Schedule

It was announced this morning that Conductor Barry Clark, son of Mr. C. L. Clark of Fredericton Junction, a former Bridge Inspector of the C.P.R. would probably be in charge of the Fredericton Branch train under the new C.P.R. schedule. Conductor Costley is now running between Fredericton Junction and St. John. Considerable dissatisfaction is being expressed by commercial men at the change in schedule.

Died Last Night

The death occurred Sunday evening after an illness of more than a month of Mrs. Charlotte S. Ross, widow of Malcolm Ross, formerly chief engineer of the Fredericton water department. She is survived by two sons: Charles D. Ross of this city, and Robert Ross of St. John; four daughters Mrs. Kerr of Philadelphia; Mrs. Anderson wife of Lieut.-Col. A. H. Anderson, formerly of St. John and now of Ottawa; Mrs. H. W. O'Key, of Somerville, Mass., and Mrs. J. D. Mackenzie at home. The late Mrs. Ross was a daughter of the late N. S. Hooper who several years ago was a prominent merchant of Fredericton, and is also survived by one brother, ex-mayor W. S. Hooper of this city, and four sisters, Mrs. M. Haslin of Philadelphia, Mrs. Marion Cameron of Campbellton, Mrs. H. F. Adams, of Darby, Pa., and Miss Annabelle Hooper also of Darby. The funeral will take place Tuesday with service at the house by Rev. J. S. Sutherland leaving at 3.30 p. m. and interment at the Rural Cemetery.

Died in St. John

The death of Miss Annie Lugin on Sunday at her residence, 15 Welling row, St. John, has removed from the community a lady who for years enjoyed the respect and admiration of all who knew her to a degree vouchsafed to but few. Miss Lugin although terribly handicapped physically, patiently and bravely overcame many obstacles and successfully conducted a large class of singing pupils and semi-annually presented a very attractive concert, in which at times artists of international reputation took part. To all who came in contact with Miss Lugin, her life was an inspiration. She remained uncomplaining to the last and never once lost hope of recovery. The late Miss Lugin's three sisters, who were intimately associated with her in business as well as in her social life are the only near relatives surviving. The body will arrive in this city tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and will be taken to Christchurch Cathedral where service will be held at 10.30 by Very Rev. Dean Neales. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

Mr. J. E. Arrowsmith of St. John is at the Queen Hotel today.

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 Queen's Ward—Methodist.
 Carleton Ward—George Street and Reformed Baptist.
 St. Ann's Ward—Brunswick Street and Reformed Baptist.
 Wellington Ward—Presbyterian.
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 Afternoon Tea, 25 cents.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

CHANGES IN TIME SCHEDULES, November 30th

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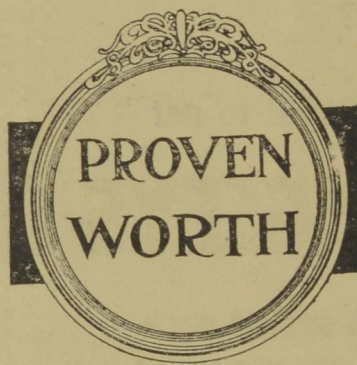
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