

## SPILLED FROM CANOE; SOME EXCITEMENT

BOAT USED TO BRING VICTIMS TO DRY LAND

Three Returned Soldiers Had a Narrow Escape in the River This Morning—Many Spectators.

Three returned soldiers while out in a single canoe this morning had a narrow escape from drowning. At the time of the accident they were some distance out on the river and the canoe upset. One of them who was able to swim, swam to the shore and reached the wharf back of the coal sheds owned by Mr. A. H. VanWart from which position he was assisted. The other two who were unable to swim clung to the canoe and were carried down stream by the current. The men were picked up by Mr. John Dougherty in a row boat none the worse for their stay in the water.

The motor truck of the Fredericton Fire Department was summoned with the pulmotor for resuscitation as it was thought at first that the upsetting would result seriously to some of those in the canoe. A large crowd collected on the wharf back of the City Hall to watch the rescue by Mr. Dougherty and people seeing the crowd flocked to see what the excitement was.

### Navy League Meeting

A meeting of the Fredericton Branch of the Navy League was held last evening at the Board of Trade rooms, Queen Street, with a fairly large attendance. Arrangements were made for the annual meeting of which the public will be notified later.

### Weekly Roll Off

About eighteen bowlers took part in the weekly roll off at the Palace Bowling Alleys last evening. Murray Kierstead winning with a total pinfall of 307. A. C. McCulloch came second with a total of 285. Several match games will be played this evening.

### Appeal Court Opening Changed

Under the Act passed at the last session of the Legislature the date for holding the June session of the Appeal Court was changed from the second Tuesday in June to the first Tuesday. As the first Tuesday is June 3rd, the King's birthday, the Court of Appeal will open on Wednesday, June 4th.

### Meeting Postponed

The meeting which was called last evening at the G. W. V. A. rooms of all returned soldiers who have been bandmen was postponed until Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock on account of the absence of some of the men. The meeting is being held with the object of starting a Great War Veterans' Band.

### Meeting This Evening

A meeting of the Board of Trade is called for this evening at eight o'clock to consider several important questions relating to the tariff. A resolution from the Maritime Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association which met at Amherst concerning the tariff question will be dealt with.

### Held Pie Social and Dance

A very enjoyable pie-social and dance was held last evening at St. Margaret's Hall, at Morrison Mills, and a number of young people from Devon were in attendance. After dancing the offerings of the evening in the shape of pies were distributed. The highest price paid for a pie was \$5. The money raised will go to the church funds.

### Fire Department Meeting

The annual meeting of the Fire Department was held last evening at the fire station and the usual business was carried out. The officers for the ensuing year was elected as follows: Honorary President, Ald. H. M. Young; President, Capt. Alex. Sinnott; Vice President, Johnson McKenzie; Secretary, Capt. William Grannan; Treasurer, Asst. Chief W. M. Clarke.

### Meeting of St. Paul's Trustees

A meeting of the trustees of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church was held last evening to consider the matter of a new heating apparatus. It was decided to use the furnaces another year as the price of heating appliances would, it was hoped be down by that time. Several necessary changes are to be made on the main church including the painting of the roof.

### Returned Soldiers' Aid Meeting

A meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Aid was held in the City Council Chamber yesterday afternoon with a large attendance of members. The regular monthly reports were read and showed the work of the society to be progressing well. On being asked by the G. W. V. A. the Returned Soldiers' Aid will furnish the supper on May 24th for the monster celebration planned by the G. W. V. A.

### A Good Showing

The South Devon Methodist Church of which Rev. A. D. McLeod is the energetic and popular pastor seems to be making substantial progress in the campaign of saving souls. On Sunday evening no less than eighteen persons were received into full communion in the church and all by profession of faith. Afterwards the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to the largest number of communicants which the church has seen during the whole course of its history.

## INQUEST ON HARRIS DEATH CONTINUED

TRAIN CREW SAY THAT WARNING WAS GIVEN

Also That Hard Blow was Not Struck Box Car—Inquest Will be Continued on Wednesday.

Joseph Arbeau

The inquest into the death of the late George Harris who was killed on May 5th while unloading wood from a car to a wagon at the C. N. R. yards in this city was continued last evening. R. B. Hanson appeared for the C. N. R. and P. J. Hughes for Mrs. George Harris the widow of the deceased. Three of the train crew, Conductor Joseph Arbeau, Driver Bedford Cummings, and Fireman Charles West and R. T. Baird were called as witnesses.

Joseph Arbeau, who was conductor of the train at the time employed in shunting was the first witness. He stated that he did not know Harris, the man killed, but had warned a man on No. 3 siding who was unloading wood from a car to a wagon at the time, that shunting was about to take place. The man was in the car at the time and was the only person he had seen handy. A car on the same siding the third from Harris had to be moved to another siding and Conductor Arbeau stated that he had seen and heard Brakeman Hanson warn the man with the following words: "Look out! We are going to couple up." Following this Hanson gave the "back up" signal and the cars coupled in the usual way with no unusual shock. After ten or fifteen minutes' shunting the engine was taken to the station and went to Marysville. At Marysville he heard the first news of the accident when someone told him that a man had been hurt at the Fredericton yards. On the return trip from Sandyville he heard further that the man was dead.

Cross-examination by Mr. P. J. Hughes showed that the witness had seen two wagons on the platform at the time and just before the shunting he had seen the man he had warned and whom he presumed to be Harris sitting in the wagon holding the reins of the horses. The witness was asked if he would pledge his oath that the bell was ringing at the time the shunt was made and he stated that he would. About 7.30 he had gone back to the yards to the scene of the accident and

## JUVENILE CRIME ON THE INCREASE

CHILDREN FREQUENTLY STEAL FROM STORES

Little Boy Recently Stole Baseball from Store—Revolver Taken Out of Window Some Time Ago.

Juvenile crime, particularly in the matter of theft, is becoming more prevalent in Fredericton, according to information which is received at the office of the Police Magistrate. His Honor at present has in his possession a baseball and a rubber ball which were purloined from a well known store in Queen Street by a boy aged six or seven years. The story is that the lad who recently came to Fredericton was playing with a number of other children who said they wanted a ball. The boy said he would get one for them and going to the store took two balls without being observed by the clerks. They now show signs of having been well used in play.

### Revolver Stolen

Several months ago a boy stole a revolver out of a window of one of the largest hardware stores of the city without being observed by any person in the store. Detection of the theft came in another manner.

### Fancied Mouth-organs

Another juvenile offender who was brought before the Police Magistrate had in his possession no fewer than seven mouth-organs. He had stolen them in several stores about the city.

Lack of watchfulness on the part of clerks and other members of the staffs of stores is responsible to some extent for this wave of juvenile crime. In addition to that however is slackness of control and a tendency toward theft on the part of many children.

had noticed blood on the car floor and on the bracket which fastens the door but had noticed none on the door.

### Bedford Cummings

Bedford Cummings, engineer was the next witness. He stated that Engine No. 4530 on which he was at work had come in on No. 3 siding at least twice and had backed in. The first time he could not see the platform from the crossing but the second time he did and stated that he saw two teams on it one at each end, one unloading wood from the car on No. 3 siding and the other engaged at work

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