

CANDLEMAS DAY WAS MARKED BY BRIGHT SUNSHINE

Nothing to Hinder the Groundhog From Seeing Its Shadow—May Be Forty More Days of Winter.

If there is anything in the groundhog theory and Candlemas day then this section of New Brunswick is in for another winter. There was no possible chance yesterday of the ground hog seeing its shadow as it was cloudy all day. During the night however, the weather cleared up and this morning dawned bright and clear with a slightly higher temperature. If the groundhog emerged from its winter quarters to take a survey of the landscape there would be nothing to prevent it from seeing its shadow, in which case it would hasten to return to its den for sleep and the chances are remain there until well on into the month of April. The supposition is that when the animal beats it back to its den it is with the intention of remaining for another forty days. It is the shadow we are told that decides the issue of the day. If the chuk goes back winter will hang on and perhaps linger in the lap of spring.

February 2nd is said to be the only day on which the woodchuck is alleged to be frightened by its own shadow, but why this should be the case has never been explained by scientists.

The Fuel Supply.

There is another feature connected with Candlemas day which is a little more encouraging. If the householder on taking stock today finds in his wood shed or coal bin one half of the wood or coal he has stored for the winter he may rest assured that he has enough to carry him through until warm weather again makes its appearance. Even though the sun shone brightly on Candlemas day, the present winter so far has not been a hard one on fuel.

CITY AFFAIRS

New Assistant Manager

Mr. F. M. Ewing of St. John has arrived in this city to take over the duties of Assistant Manager of the F. W. Woolworth Co. The former assistant, L. J. Landry has been in charge of this office here.

Funeral Tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. McClure of Skyeaton, Miss., arrived in Saint John Wednesday en route to Cody's Queens county, to attend the funeral of Hon. J. E. Hetherington on Friday. The ladies are daughters of the late provincial secretary-treasurer. The funeral will be held Friday morning at 11 o'clock from the church at Cody's and not from his late residence there, as first reported.

New Car For Police.

Moncton Times—A large high powered Hudson car of the latest model, has been passed over to the local detachment of the Provincial Police, by the Provincial Government, and will be immediately put into service to combat the activities of rum-runners in this vicinity. This is the first of a fleet of speedy cars which will be used by the Provincial Police in enforcing the New Brunswick Liquor Control Act.

Called Home by Death

George Pendleton, student at the Provincial Normal School in this city, was called to his home at Deer Island, on account of the death of his sister, which occurred on Sunday evening at that place. Mr. Pendleton left Monday morning to be in time for the funeral on Tuesday. A sad feature of the young lady's death was the fact that she was to have been graduated in May from the hospital in Calais, where she was training for the nursing profession.

A NEW FOOTBALL GAME AT THE U. N. B. CLUB DANCE!

THE LEGISLATURE MAY MEET FOR DESPATCH OF BUSINESS THREE WEEKS FROM TODAY

The Date Likely to Be Fixed at This Week's Meeting of the Executive—Provincial Appointments Made Today—Municipalities Want to Share in C. N. R. Taxation—The Premier's Views.

Although the date of the opening of the provincial Legislature has not yet been fixed, it is possible that it may meet on Thursday February 23rd just three weeks from today. Premier Baxter stated at noon that he was anxious to have the House meet early but it would depend to some extent on the progress being made with the departmental reports.

The provincial government held a meeting last night and another this morning. All the members except Hon. Dr. Taylor were present at last night's meeting and this morning Hon. Mr. Tilley was called to St. John. The other ministers will likely leave for St. John by this evening's train and will hold another meeting there tomorrow.

Appointments Made.

At this morning's session considerable business was transacted and some appointments were made. Moses Steeves of Westmorland Co. was appointed a provincial constable and Walter Gougen on Kent County a Justice of the Peace. Mr. A. L. Muggage was named as Chairman of the Board of School Trustees for the Town of Shediac.

St. John appointments included Elmer R. Ingraham as a Justice of the Peace and E. R. Bates as a commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court.

The resignation of Mr. Ralph St. J. Freeze as registrar of probates for Kings County was accepted and Miss Jean Wallace was appointed to succeed him.

C. N. R. Taxation.

Premier Baxter stated today that he had lately been in receipt of letters from several municipalities asking that municipalities be allowed

a share of the money paid over to the province in taxes by the Canadian National Railways. His reply had been to the effect that the C. P. R. had been paying taxes to the provincial government for a number of years but there had been no demand to share with the municipalities until the government began to collect from the C. N. R. He also pointed out that the Legislature had adopted a policy in 1870 to the effect that railways in the province were not subject to municipal taxation and that policy had never been repealed. The Premier was inclined to think that there was political intrigue behind the demand now being made upon the government by municipal councils for a share of the C. N. R. taxation. He said that if the government complied with the demands being made upon it, it would simply mean that the loss of revenue which would result would have to be supplemented in some other way.

Died at Kingsclear

The death occurred last evening at Kingsclear of Arthur M. Chiff, aged thirty-one years. Deceased has been in ailing health for the past few years and his death, although not unexpected, came as a severe shock. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Wilmet and Eldon, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chiff, of Kingsclear. Deceased also leaves two sisters, Miss Anna at home and Mrs. John Murray of Charlotte street, city. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Thomas Parker at Peter's cemetery, Springhill.

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