

News Briefs

HERE FOR FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. James Sinnott of Lowell, Mass., and their son Harold, arrived by auto in the city yesterday enroute to Keswick to attend the funeral of Mr. Sinnott's sister Mrs. Minnie Edmondson, which took place today.

FAIRLY COMFORTABLE

The Victoria Public Hospital reported today that Mrs. Herb Coulthard, who has been quite seriously ill with pneumonia for the past few days, spent a fairly comfortable night and her condition today was slightly improved.

TO RESUME HER DUTIES

Miss Audrey Webb, of the department of colonization of the provincial government who has been on leave of absence for the past few weeks has returned to the city from Grand Falls. She will resume her duties during the coming week.

FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral service of the late Mrs. Jessie A. Shields took place this afternoon at two o'clock at Trinity church at Lower St. Mary's, where Ven. Archdeacon A. F. Bate conducted a very impressive service. Interment was made in the churchyard adjoining. The body of deceased, who was one of Fredericton's most highly respected ladies, was taken from this city to the Trinity church where it rested until the hour of the funeral. Many attended the service to pay a last tribute of respect. There was many floral tributes.

HIS CONDITION BETTER

The condition of Roderick ('Rod') Bidlake, who was seriously injured about the head when he was struck on the head by a piece of pulpwood which fell from the crane used in the salvage work on the C.N.R. bridge, was reported to be fairly good today, by the attending physician. The accident occurred on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Bidlake had been engaged with the Garson Wrecking Company as an acetylene torch 'burner', and suffered a concussion of the brain.

ORDINATION SERVICE

His Grace Most Rev. J. A. Richardson, Archbishop of Fredericton, will conduct the ordination service for five priests and three deacons of the Anglican Church which will take place in St. Paul's (Valley) church on Sunday morning. His Grace will be assisted by Very Rev. Dean J. H. A. Holmes of this city, and Ven. Archdeacon H. A. Cody of Saint John. Rev. W. H. Moorhead, rector of St. Paul's who has recently been named as dean of the Cathedral here, will deliver the special sermon.

BEAVER KILLED BY AUTO

Report has reached the Chief Game Warden's office to the effect that a full grown beaver was killed on the highway road near Wiggins Mills by a motorist a few nights ago. The accident was reported by former deputy game warden Houghton Graham, of Millville. In accordance with regulations, the pelt will be dried and shipped to the department. This is the first report on record where a beaver has been killed on the highway, although the department has had reports of muskrats having been killed under similar circumstances.

SUCCESSFUL NURSES

Of the fifty-seven successful candidates of the sixty eight nurses who wrote the examinations of the New Brunswick Association of Registered Nurses to secure provincial registration, four are from the Victoria Hospital here. These were the Misses Helen Beatrice Barker, Lillian Irene McLean, Mary Hazel Murch and Minnie Irene Stabelford. The examinations were held on May 6 and 7 in Saint John and Moncton. The examining board met yesterday afternoon in the nurses' home of the Saint John General Hospital and the results were announced by the secretary of the board, Miss Maude E. Retallick. Miss E. R. Trafton of Devon, a member of the board, was present at the meeting.

AT QUEEN HOTEL

Guests registered at the Queen Hotel include the following: D. B. Brubacher, E. N. Foster, Toronto; P. B. Healy, London, Ont.; Miss Agnes Kitchen, Vancouver; J. Corish, Montreal; J. G. Brander, T. H. Whalen, Newcastle; S. S. Dearborn, L. C. Lawson, Saint John; G. S. Hedrick, Adrian, Mich.; F. J. Callaghan, Summerside, P. E. I.; Dr. P. H. LaPorte, M. P. P.; J. G. Boucher, M.P.P., Mrs. C. L. Landry, Edmondston; J. B. Poirier, Montreal; A. E. Tremblay, Moncton; C. E. Atwood, Toronto; Thomas Buraglia, Claude Buraglia, Bathurst; C. M. Johnston, W. P. Ward, K. Elliott, Hon. Dr. W. E. Roberts, William A. Ross, Wm. Anderson, Saint John; S. J. Griffin, C. M. Hodgson, E. E. Barber, Montreal; W. J. Brockway, Hamilton; E. R. Mellinger, Chamcook; J. E. O'Donnell, Musquash.

HOW F'TON WAS GOVERNED IN THE YEARS GONE BY

In 1867 the Total Payroll Was \$1730—Appropriations \$1373

City Hall Burned Down

Lady Ashburnham's Father Had Foresight Regard Water Works

This seems to be a week for digging up old city bluebooks. Yesterday a Fredericton lady presented the York and Sunbury Historical Society with a very interesting "bluebook" giving information about Fredericton city affairs for the year 1877. Today the Daily Mail has been shown a copy of the Fredericton "bluebook" for 1867. This "bluebook" which was the property of a former alderman, is nicely bound in leather by the late Francis Beverly, father of the Misses Beverly on Brunswick street.

The city government of 1867 was composed of William H. Needham, mayor; John L. Marsh, city clerk; aldermen for Wellington ward, N. S. Hooper and T. L. Simmons; aldermen for St. Anne's ward, William H. Tower and S. D. McPherson; aldermen for Carleton ward, Harris Allen and Henry Torrens; aldermen for Queens ward, Thomas Dowling and John L. Haines; aldermen for King's ward, Mark Neville and Samuel Fleming.

John Richards was city auditor. S. W. Babbitt was city treasurer; and E. Clark alms house commissioner.

The school board was not as large as the present one. They were all appointed by the city and included three clergymen. They were Rev. Charles Lee, rector of St. Anne's; Rev. J. C. McDevitt, pastor of St. Dunstan's church; and Rev. Alexander Sterling. Other city officers were Charles Brannen, city marshal; W. H. Anderson, chief engineer and road master; Andrew Rosborough, assistant engineer; John Fleming, alms house keeper; Jeremiah Gearins, market clerk; and J. T. Wheeler, harbor master. The policemen were Charles Brannen and Robert White. The assessors were Alexander McCausland, John Richards, Robt. Wiley James Burchill. The revisors were Thomas Dowling, Mark Neville, S. D. McPherson, Harris Allan, T. L. Simmons. All of these revisors were also aldermen. All the aldermen were fire wards.

The following were city surveyors at the time: David Currier, Joseph Gill, James M. Wartman, B. Creighton, Martin Noonan, Thomas Paisley, Wilmot Guion, M. Tweedale, W. M. Estey, William Calder, W. R. Turner, S. E. Atherton, G. T. Whelpley, N. T. Wheeler, John Eggar, James Monahan, William Crewdson, Alexander Calder, H. H. Estey, Peter Clyde, William Craft, C. E. Smith, and Hugh Doherty, John Fleming and J. W. Ruel were fence viewers.

According to the report of the chief engineer of the fire department, W. H. Anderson, the old temperance hall on Phoenix Square which was used as a city hall was burned on May 3 of that year, and on the twelfth of June fire cleaned out the whole side of Phoenix Square from Campbell street to Queen street. An item states that the men of the Imperial Regiment assisted in putting out the fire but several citizens refused to render any assistance to the firemen.

Mr. Anderson who was the father of the present Countess of Ashburnham, seems to have been very progressive and far-seeing as he suggested the introduction of water into the city from Tower's Lake. It was almost twenty years after this recommendation was made that the city council adopted a water supply. At the year that this report was printed the men of the 22nd Regiment occupied quarters at the exhibition building as well as at the barracks. The total payroll for the city including the mayor, city clerk, and other officials—ten in all—was \$1,730. The mayor received \$400, the city clerk \$180; the city treasurer \$400; the city road master, 100; and the chief engineer of the fire department, \$100. City policemen received \$1 a day. The total collected in taxes that year was \$9,500 and this included back taxes extending over five years. The total amount allowed for city expenses that year, outside of the salaries, was \$1,373.

There was \$968 collected from tavern licenses. An amount of \$463 was paid for platforms. Arthur Limerick had the contract. It might be explained to the present generation that platforms was the term given to what we today call sidewalks. All the principal streets, including Queen street, had the wooden sidewalk with cracks between the planks in which people used to drop their loose change. Often times boys would take a rake and dig under the platform and salvage a

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Artist to Paint Natural Beauties of This Province

E. P. Ipsen, of South Dartmouth, Mass., and a well known artist in the New England states, is in the city this week. He has been fishing in the province for over a week and is to sketch some of New Brunswick's pictorial beauties of the forests and streams. Mr. Ipsen has a studio at Boiestown and will remain there during the summer months. Mr. Ipsen has been guided on his many fishing trips to this province by Guide William T. Griffin, who was the builder of the Ipsen Studio at Boiestown. Mrs. Ipsen accompanied her husband here today. The Ipsens are driving a beautiful Cord automobile, one of the most elaborate of modern automobile constructions. The Cord is equipped with a finger gear shift with six gears. The car sits low on the ground with no running board and is marked by receding headlights. A large number of admiring citizens gathered in front of the post office, where the car was parked this morning and many were the expressions of admiration.

NO CHANGES TO BE MADE

The rumor about the city within the past few days that changes and extensions were to be made to the Queen Hotel premises, was spiked today by J. P. Corkery, proprietor of the hotel. Mr. Corkery told The Daily Mail that while an estimate had been made two years ago with a view to enlarging the premises and costs obtained there had been no action taken in this connection. He said that there was no intention to make changes at the present time. The presence of the large number of contractors about the hotel during the past week had probably led to the rumor. The contractors are awaiting word of the announcement of the awards of contracts for the government's highway hardsurfacing programme.

TREAT FOR CITIZENS TONIGHT!

Are you going to the Normal School tonight to meet 'Jan of Windmill Land'? Her whole entourage of fairies and Dutch boys and girls will be there. Don't miss this delightful operette. Curtain at 8.15 p.m. Adults 35 cents, and children, 15 cents. Normal and High School students, 25 cents at the door. The operetta is sponsored by the Home and School Association. There will also be sale of candy by the Dutch boys and girls during the evening.

LATE MRS. MINNIE EDMONDSON

The funeral of the late Mrs. Minnie Edmondson, who died in this city on Wednesday, took place this afternoon with service at the home in Keswick at two o'clock. Rev. Mr. Young conducted an impressive service and interment was made in the cemetery at Scotch Settlement. A very large number attended the funeral service for the deceased was popular and was held in the highest esteem by a great many friends. Several from this city attended the funeral. There were numerous floral tributes.

CAR TAKEN BY MISTAKE

The automobile owned by Donald Smith of this city, which was at first thought to have been stolen from where it was parked on Queen street last night, turned out to be only taken by mistake. The car was returned to the owner with apologies.

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JUDGMENT IN THE BANNISTER APPEAL TUESDAY

June Term of Appeal Court of N. B. Will Open on Tuesday, With Four Cases Docketed—Docket a Small One.

The June term of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick will commence on Tuesday of next week, with only four cases docketed—one of the smallest dockets on record. The court is expected to hand down judgment in the appeal of Daniel Bannister, convicted for the murder of Philip Lake at Pacific Junction, and which appeal was argued at a special session of the Appeal court a few weeks ago. The appeal of Arthur Bannister, a brother, convicted for the same charge, was refused by both the New Brunswick Supreme Court and the Supreme Court of Canada. Both are sentenced to hang on June 20. Judgment on the Daniel Bannister appeal will likely be handed down when court opens on Tuesday.

The first case on the June docket is that of George Watt, surviving Trustee, vs. the Town of Newcastle. This is an appeal from an order in chambers made by Chief Justice Barry of the King's Bench Division on November 9, 1935, whereby he dismissed the application of the appellant for the dismissal of this action for want of prosecution. The second case is that of Murray L. Grant et al vs. Canadian Pacific Railway company, which action is brought to recover damages for an injury sustained by the plaintiff, Margaret Grant while in the defendant's railway at Hartland.

The third case on the June docket is that of John McRay vs. Bert Merritt, et al. This action was tried at the Victoria county court on March 25, 1936, before His Lordship Mr. Justice LeBlanc. The jury brought in a general verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$1,000. The action was brought for enticing away the wife of the plaintiff and harboring her.

In the fourth case, that of Alfreda Taylor vs. Diamond Taxi Service, et al, the appeal is from the order of Mr. Justice Fairweather in which he on the application of the defendant, William Puddington, directed that the defendant, Diamond Taxi Service, be struck out. The appellant's factum submits that the learned judge was in error in six points.

APPEARS THIS AFTERNOON

Arthur O'Brien of McAdam is appearing before Police Magistrate Walter Limerick this afternoon, on a charge of selling liquor at McAdam. O'Brien was arrested by Constable Randall of the R.C.M.P.

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