

News Briefs

IN CITY

R. M. Murchison of Perth, was in the city today on business. He will return home tomorrow.

VICTORIOUS TEAM

The Fredericton Junction hockey team defeated the Welsford six at the Junction Saturday. The score was four to one. Frank Palmer, Fredericton Jct., refereed the game.

DEATH OF INFANT SON

Mr. and Mrs. Lief Hillman are mourning the loss yesterday of their infant son. The infant is survived by his father and mother and one sister, Mary.

NEW BOOKSHELVES

New bookshelves have been installed at the lower end of the Legislative Library, in the space adjoining the big windows. A rapidly increasing collection of books has necessitated additional space for display.

STILL ALARM

A still alarm Saturday night called the Fredericton fire department to the residence of Mrs. A. R. Wetmore, Brunswick Street, where a chimney fire was quickly extinguished without much damage.

RETURNED HOME

Rev. H. J. Wilks, B.A., Blackville, who conducted services yesterday at Kingsley, Nashwaakiss, and Devon, returned today to Blackville. While here he was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Peters, Barker Street, South Devon.

PLEADED GUILTY

Six drunks appeared before Police Magistrate Walter F. Limerick in the city police court this morning, and pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness. They were sentenced to a fine of eight dollars each or 30 days in jail.

RECOVERED

Many friends will be pleased to learn that George A. Farris, who has been ill at his home on York Street for several months, is now able to be up and around. Although unable as yet to attend to his duties, he is able to leave his home for a short time each day.

PASTORAL LETTER

The Lenten pastoral letter of His Excellency Most Rev. P. A. Bray, C.J.M., Bishop of Saint John, was read at St. Dunstan's Church yesterday. The latter announced that regulations for Lent, which begins this week on Ash Wednesday, would be the same as those of the previous year.

RETURNS TO OFFICE

L. H. Parks, superintendent of fisheries for the inland counties, is expected to return to his office in the Customs House Building tomorrow afternoon. He has been convalescing at his home, Upper Derby, following his release from the Miramichi Hospital where he underwent an operation some time ago.

GAVE LECTURES

Col. H. T. Cock, M.C., A.A. and Q.M.G., and Major J. P. Simonds, district ordinance officer, both of Saint John, lectured yesterday afternoon at the Fredericton Armouries on administrative organization. Sixteen officers of the Fredericton Garrison, District No. 7, attended the lecture. Refreshments were served at the conclusion of the meeting.

ARGUMENT POSTPONED

Argument in the action of the South Devon Fuel and Tugboat Company versus Frank T. Swim which was postponed from Tuesday last, and was to be heard tomorrow at the York County Court before Judge A. R. Shipp, is again postponed for about two weeks, due to the illness of Judge Shipp. A pay sheet of J. Clark and Son, Ltd., will be presented at the postponed hearing, and one more witness will be called by the plaintiff, Arthur McE. Limerick is appearing for the plaintiff, and Ewart C. Atkinson for the defendant.

Receives Word Of Death Of Father

Mrs. C. W. Wade, 258, Saunders Street, received word today of the death of her father, James Archibald of Edinburgh, Scotland. The late Mr. Archibald, who was 77 years of age, came from a family that has been connected with Scottish Railways since the earliest days of Scottish train service. He was connected with the Highland Railway for over 50 years and was retired some time ago.

He was known by several people in the city, David MacDonald, former caretaker of Wilmot Park, was a personal friend, having worked with him in the railway service. Besides his daughter and several grandchildren in this city, he is survived by four sisters, and one brother, all of Scotland. Since his retirement, he has been residing with his sister, Mrs. Andrew Watts, Edinburgh.

COMMITTED TO TRIAL OROMOCTO COURT TODAY

Mike Sacobie Faces A Charge Attempted Murder

Committed Today

Allegedly Shot His Brother-in-Law On February 3

Mike Sacobie, Oromocto Indian, will go on trial on the third, Tuesday in May, in the Sunbury County Court to face a charge of shooting with intent to murder Frank Atwin, his brother-in-law.

His case, originally heard on February 14, was remanded until last Monday, and then again remanded until today. He was committed to trial by Magistrate Harold Kimball, Oromocto, in Magistrate's court this morning.

Dr. H. S. Wright, of this city, who attended Atwin, was the only witness on the stand this morning. He gave evidence as to the extent of the injuries and the location of the wounds. There were no witnesses called for the defence.

According to evidence presented by officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Indian constables and others, the shooting took place on the night of Feb. 3. Sacobie allegedly went to the home of his brother-in-law, opened the door, and discharged a twelve gauge shotgun at Atwin.

Foot Mangled

The pellets mangled the latter's foot, necessitating his removal to the hospital at this city. For a time it was feared that the limb would have to be removed. The first charge, "shooting with intent to maim," was changed to "shooting with intent to murder" at the second hearing on Feb. 14.

Ralph V. Limerick, of this city, Clerk of the Sunbury County Court, conducted the prosecution. Sacobie was undefended.

Coming In Like A Lion But Out Like a Lamb

Old Timers, long familiar with the wiles of New Brunswick weather, and exceptions to the famous statement of Mark Twain, that "Some men are weather wise but most are otherwise," looked forward today to harsh weather for the first part of March.

Weather reports today forecast rain and snow for today, with strong northwest winds and cold weather tomorrow. "She's coming in like a lion," the old fellows say. According to the old adage, the early part of March will be rough, with storms, gales and general harsh weather. A redeeming feature, however, is the promise that the month will go out like a lamb, so that the prospect for the month isn't so bad after all.

F. E. MacDiarmid Again Conducting Classes At Normal

Although he has been working in the laboratory since last Monday, F. E. MacDiarmid, teacher of Chemistry and Physics at the Normal School, took over his classes this morning for the first time since his accident last September. At that time Mr. MacDiarmid received extensive injuries and was confined until a short while ago.

With his return, Major F. A. Good, who last June resigned as teacher of Nature Study and Agriculture, and who has been supplying at the Normal School since the first of the term, again goes into retirement. Amos Anderson, who was appointed to succeed Major Good but has been supplying in Mr. MacDiarmid's department, will take over his own classes.

The many friends of Mr. MacDiarmid will congratulate him on his recovery. He was given a warm welcome by fellow teachers and students of the school on his return last week.

A. C. Smith, M.L.A., Saint John, To Be Financial Critic

Government and Opposition caucuses will be held at the Legislative Building during this week when the members return from their homes. Standing committees will likely commence sittings later in the week. Five Opposition speakers are scheduled to follow the presentation of the budget by Hon. C. T. Richard, provincial secretary treasurer, next week. A. C. Smith, M.L.A. Saint John, will attend his third session as financial critic for the opposition, and will be the first speaker to follow Hon. Mr. Richard. It is not known as yet how many government speakers will speak in the budget debate, but it is expected that there will be as many or more than the Opposition.

Budget For City May Be Delayed Ald. Good Reports

Planned for Tonight, Budget May Not be Ready; Meeting Council Is Looked on With Great Interest; Annual Statement Presented

Although originally intended for tonight, a possibility was seen today that the budget for the City for the present year will not be brought in by the Finance Committee of the City Council. The Finance Committee has been working overtime in the last short while, but the collection of delinquent taxes has commanded the greater part of their labors so far. A special meeting will be held this evening, however, before the committee meeting of the council, in an attempt to conclude the work on the budget and have it ready for the meeting.

With today the final day for the payment of delinquent taxes in the drive which was instituted a week ago, the City Treasurer today reported 'a rush' for the payment of back taxes. No estimate on the full success of the drive could be given, but the report will be made to the Council tomorrow night.

May Get Equipment

One of the reasons for the belief that the budget will not be presented lies in the fact that several committees have not outlined their wants for the year to the Finance Committee. The Fire Committee has been approached by the fire department for the purchasing of new ladders, helmets, rubber boots and other items of equipment. The committee has not yet signified its intentions in regard to this equipment.

A report that sewerage and water accommodation will be extended considerably during the coming summer was not given much strength today, when Ald. Dr. A. W. G. Good, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that they had not been requested to include appropriations for such construction in the budget.

A \$10,000 project for the purpose of laying larger water mains on University Avenue and sections at the rear of the city has already been announced. This, however, is a capital expenditure rather than one depending on current assessment.

Present Statement

One of the big features of the meeting tonight will be the presentation of the annual statement of the city. Several items which will be on the statement will be looked forward to with much interest. Administration of justice costs hold much interest to the public.

The largest item on the budget when it is brought down, is expected to be that of the city schools. The sum of \$115,000 has been requested by the school board, \$2,000 more than the council granted last year. Neither the costs of proposed improvements to the old city dump nor the market facilities at Phoenix Square have been brought to the attention of the Finance Committee. Ald. Good stated today. Considerable road paving and sidewalk construction has already been announced.

In the light of the lack of information which his committee has been given thus far, he stated that it is highly improbable that the budget can be presented tonight. A tentative budget has been drawn up subject to changes but the changes have not yet been made.

U. N. B. Engineers Visited Bridge

The Senior class in Civil Engineering at the University of New Brunswick this morning visited the new C. N. R. railway bridge which is at present under construction. The class accompanied by Prof. E. O. Turner, spent most of the morning at the site of the construction. They inspected the bridge for the purpose of getting practical information on such structures. Trusses are now being put in place on the last span, No. 5. The girders were laid last Friday linking the Devon and Fredericton sides of the river. The work is rapidly progressing.

MORE BIRDS SEEN

Following the report in The Daily Mail on Saturday that crows have already been seen in the district, several residents of the city have reported seeing birds which usually do not return for some time. Why they have begun to return so early is unknown. Some take it as a sign of an early spring.

BOARD MEETS

The Fredericton Board of Health met Friday evening with Dr. J. W. Cameron in the chair. Milk and water reports were heard, and were considered satisfactory. The plumbing inspectors report showed little new work done, mostly repairs. Statistics for the month of February are: Births 28; marriages, 7; deaths, 15.

TWO MINTO BOYS RODE TO DEVON VIA DRAW-BAR

Frank and Paul Brewer, Nine and Eleven On Dangerous Trip

Cold and Scared

Wanderlust All Gone; Will Return Home Tonight

Cold and hungry, and scared as two little fellows can be, Frank and Paul Brewer, nine and eleven years of age respectively, were taken off the morning C.P.R. freight at Marysville today after they had ridden a draw-bar from Minto.

With no apparent purpose other than leaving home and "hitting the rails," the two youngsters hopped the freight at Minto this morning and rode in their dangerous and precarious position most of the 33 miles to Devon before they were discovered.

The two boys apparently did not realize the danger that is attached to such mode of travel. A considerable number of casualties occur each year from hobos riding between box-cars. There is little standing space between the cars, and the jolting and swaying of the train may easily make one lose his grip and fall beneath the wheels.

In the C.P.R. station this morning, they were two sorry little boys, the wanderlust apparently all gone. They "wouldn't talk," when questioned by the press, and would say no more than their names. They will be taken back to Minto on the 7.10 train tonight.

Moneyed Interests Examining Property For Tourist Resort

Moneyed interests from the Southern section of New Brunswick have been examining a tract of land near the "Bluffs" above Oromocto with the idea in mind of establishing a summer and tourist resort in that section. It was reported this morning. The owner of the property is said to be reluctant to sell. The location is ideal for a venture of this sort, being on the main trunk road between Saint John and Fredericton and commanding a view of the river. Tourist cabins on the river side of the road and a large summer pavilion and dance palace on the other side of the road far enough away from the cabins to prevent any noise penetrating to the sleeping quarters, was the idea as reported this morning.

LEFT HOSPITAL

Miss Grace Lint, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lint, Royal Road, who has been a patient of Victoria Public Hospital for the last two weeks, today left the hospital for her home.

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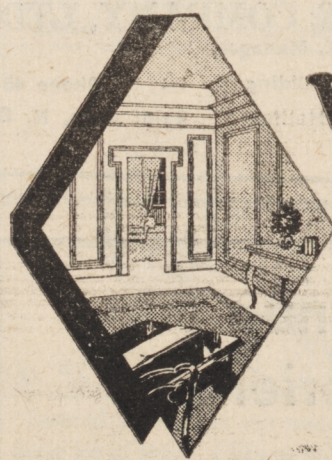
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