

LOCAL NEWS

WEATHER

Maritime—Strong winds and gales, southwesterly shifting to westerly and northwesterly, with rain today, turning colder by night.

ST. ANTHONY'S SOCIAL

Don't forget the big time at St. Anthony's Hall, St. Mary's to-morrow night.

QUEEN HOTEL ROLL-OFF.

The regular weekly roll-off at the Queen Hotel Bowling Alleys took place last night. E. Peterson of Marysville, won. The prize for the week was a fountain pen.

COMING TO ST. JOHN.

The bark Edna M. Smith, Capt. Road, sailed from Santos, Brazil, on the 10th inst. for Barbadoes, for orders. From Barbadoes she proceeds to Mobile to load hard pine for St. John.

SALE SECOND HAND CLOTHING.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church purpose holding a sale of second hand clothing, etc., on Saturday, February 1st, on York street, two doors from Hobens.—dswl.

W.C.T.U. MEETING.

There will be a special duty meeting of the W.C.T.U. in the Y.M.C.A. parlors tomorrow at the usual hour half past three. All the members are requested to be present. A program and refreshments will be provided.

SCOTT ACT CONVICTIONS.

Two first offences against the Canada Temperance Act were acknowledged before Police Magistrate Marsh this morning. Fines of fifty dollars each were imposed with costs. Information was laid by a local man who was refused admittance to the places of business of the offenders.

VISITING FRIENDS HERE.

Mr. Harry Fowler of Houlton, Me., accompanied by his wife and child, is in the city. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donovan, St. John street. Mr. Fowler was formerly chief of police at Houlton and now is connected with the department there. He is well known here.

CURLING MATCH POSTPONED.

The Carleton curlers who were to come here today for a four-rink match with the local curling club were told by telephone this morning to cancel the match on account of mild weather. The Carleton Club will play here on the first cold day. There is talk of the local club playing at St. Stephen on Saturday.

THG BANK MERGER

At the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of New Brunswick yesterday it was stated that the merger with the Bank of N. S. would go into effect on Feb. 15th. In this city the Bank of N.S. will occupy the Bank of N.B. premises. It is said that Mr. W. S. Thomas will act as manager of the united agency for the present.

DEATH AT LAUVINA

Mrs. James Till passed away at an early hour this morning at her home at Lauvina, Sunbury County, after a lingering illness. The deceased was aged seventy-eight years and is survived by two sons, J. D. Boone of Lauvina and Wm. H. Boone of New Hampshire. The funeral will take place Friday afternoon at one o'clock. Rev. Mr. Valis will conduct the service. Interment will be made at Geary.

OPENING OF LEGISLATURE

Ald. Crutshank private secretary to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has opened correspondence with the Divisional Headquarters, Halifax with regard to the military features of the opening of the legislature on Feb. 13. Orders with the regard to them probably will be issued shortly. It is expected that the 19th Field Battery of Moncton will furnish the saluting party and 71st York Regt. the guard of honor.

FREDERICTON'S DEVELOPMENT.

The latest issue of The Shoe and Leather Journal of Toronto, contains an article upon the development in the footwear industry in Fredericton. Particular mention is made of the expansion of the business of the Hart Boot & Shoe Company and the building of new tannery factories by the John Palmer Company Ltd., and the Palmer-McLellan Shoe Company, as well as excellent openings for the establishment of last factories, tanneries, etc., in the city. The information was contributed by Publicity Commissioner G. M. McDade.

BUSINESS MEN'S
ANNUAL DINNER
JANUARY 29

Meeting of Board of Trade Executive Last Night Was Largely Attended
--Representatives of Other Boards To be Invited

The Business Men's Dinner under the auspices of the Board of Trade, which has become an annual event, is to be held on the evening of Wednesday January 28th, in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. The special committee of the Board of Trade appointed to make the arrangements for the dinner now have it in hand. Messrs. F. B. Edgecombe and Moses Mitchell have been added to the committee.

The catering is to be done by the ladies of the Methodist Church and tickets are to cost \$1.50 each. They will be on sale tomorrow. O'Brien's Orchestra is to be in attendance and the dinner is to begin at 6.30.

Two prominent speakers from outside the province are to deliver addresses at the dinner if it can be arranged. Representatives of all the Boards of Trade of New Brunswick and of the Board of Amherst, N. S., are to be invited to attend. Mr. C. F. Crandall, managing editor of The Montreal Star, may be one of the speakers from outside the province.

EXECUTIVE MEETING.

These arrangements with regard to the dinner were decided at last night's meeting of the executive of the Board of Trade, which was very largely attended. Present were President J. T. Jennings, Mayor Hooper, G. W. Hodge, J. D. Palmer, J. J. Weddall, J. M. Lemont, J. S. Neill, A. R. Slipp, M. P. P.; W. J. Osborne, W. G. Clark, C. F. Chestnut, Ald. Hugh O'Neill, J. W. McCready, H. S. Campbell, F. B. Edgecombe, Ald. W. E. Farrell, Archibald Fraser, G. M. McDade.

Various other items of business in addition to the annual dinner were dealt with.

Mr. C. K. Palmer was added to the membership of the executive.

It was decided to print the annual report and Mr. McDade was instructed to prepare the matter.

At the request of Mr. M. Tennant, retiring secretary of the Board, an Audit Committee composed of Messrs Osborne and Hodge was appointed to consider his accounts.

A special committee is to take up the matter of securing permanent office accommodation for the Publicity Commissioner.

MET WITH HEAVY LOSS

Mr. William Laskey of Hunt & MacDonald, druggists, met with a heavy loss last night when his pure-bred English bull-bitch Silver Rosa died of dropsy. With the bitch Mr. Laskey lost also seven pups. Silver Rosa was one of the best bred dogs in Eastern Canada and had been a prize-winner at St. John, New Glasgow, Montreal, Hamilton, Ottawa and other dog shows. Mr Laskey's loss is probably several hundreds of dollars as he refused an offer of \$200 for Silver Rosa. He has been corresponding with the Silver Kennels, Birmingham, England for some time and expects another bitch of the same stock to arrive here in a few weeks.

DOUBLE SERVICE
ON GIBSON BRANCH
TO BE CONTINUED

Curtailment May Follow Investigation of Receipts However--Supt. Downie of C. P. R. In City--No New Station This Year

Mr. Wm. Downie of St. John, divisional superintendent of the C.P.R. arrived in the city last night registering at the Queen. Superintendent Downie is on a regular tour of inspection resuming his duties after absence in the south. When asked concerning the rumored withdrawal of the double train-service on the Gibson Branch Mr. Downie said that he did not wish to make a promise but felt the statement could be made safely that the service would be continued as at present.

"There is a feeling against running a train which is not paying expenses" said Mr. Downie. "Investigation of the returns from the Gibson Branch service might be followed by curtailment in some direction."

Mr. Downie said that Fredericton could hardly expect a new C.P.R. station this year. His trip in the Southern States had shown him that the C.P.R. stations compared favorably with those of other lines. Fredericton in time would have a modern station suitable to all requirements but he thought present demands were being met.

HEAVIER STEEL FOR BRANCH

On the Fredericton Branch of the C. P. R. the work of relaying the line with heavier steel is to be continued in the spring. Last summer several miles of track were relaid but failure to obtain rails in time prevented the completion of the work.

Mr. Downie stated also that an investigation was being held into the circumstances of the wreck on the Tobique Valley Branch in which Fireman Muckler lost his life yesterday. Ice forming on the rails caused the wreck.

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C. H. Burt