

## LOCAL NEWS

## WEATHER

Maritime—Moderate to fresh westerly winds; fair and cold.

## TO PLAY AT ST. STEPHEN

The Fredericton Hockey team is booked to play the St. Stephen Thistles at St. Stephen tomorrow night. The make-up of the Fredericton team is not yet definitely known.

## EX-PRIEST TO LECTURE

Mr. F. P. Dennison, formerly a priest, will lecture on Rome from within at the George Street Baptist Church tomorrow, (Thursday evening). A collection will be taken.—d.

## ASSESSMENT APPEAL

The appeal of James Colter for relief from assessment on account of old age was received by the City Council last night and was referred to the Assessment Appeals Committee.

## AT THE QUEEN

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor will take up his abode at the Queen Hotel for the session and will occupy the apartments used by three of his predecessors in office, Governors McClellan, Snowball and Tweedie.

## COUNCIL CHAMBER IMPROVED

The appearance of the City Council Chamber has been greatly improved by the laying of a new carpet. Ald. O'Neill, chairman of the City Hall Committee has made a long needed improvement in having an electric desk-light installed at the reporters' table.

## JOB FOR MR. BALMAIN

It is understood at Woodstock that Mr. George E. Balmain will be appointed collector of customs at that port in room of Mr. Williamson Fisher deceased. Mr. Balmain is well known in this city, where his wife, who was a daughter of the late Mr. George Hume, formerly resided.

## ICE BOAT MALICIOUSLY DAMAGED

An ice-boat owned by John Belyea and James Regan of the local Western Union Telegraph office was taken by some parties unknown on Sunday last and subjected to usage so hard that the craft is seriously damaged. The owners would like to learn who the parties were.

## C.P.R. WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE

Supt. Wm. Downie of the C.P.R. has informed the City Council that as the railway in his opinion, will receive no benefit from the maintenance of electric light at Salamanca platform, it will not contribute to the maintenance of such a light which the city proposes to place there.

## CITY TO PURCHASE LOT

The city is to purchase from Mr. Walter Limerick of Lower St. Mary's the lot of land on the north-eastern side of King street a short distance below Regent, which is desired at a site for a fire-station. The option which expired January 31 was taken up and the lot is to be bought as soon as the necessary legal proceedings are completed. The price is \$1000.

## PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

Roadmaster Jewett, acting under instructions from Ald. Moore, chairman of the Road Committee, has had the large air-hole in the river channel below the highway bridge marked out with bushes. It is a most unusual thing to have such a large open place in the river at this season of the year and parties using the ice are warned to keep away from it.

## NEW COMMODORE

At the annual meeting of the Royal Kennelbassis Yacht Club at St. John last night Mr. Fraser Gregory was elected Commodore of the fleet in succession to Robert Thomson. It was decided to hold the annual cruise starting on July 19. Fredericton will be the objective point of the cruise. The reports of the various committees showed that the club was in a flourishing condition.

## APPRAISING FIRE LOSS

Mr. Edgar H. Fairweather, of St. John is here to appraise the loss in the fire at the Colas Kitchen building on Queen street which occurred Monday morning. Yesterday he appraised the loss in the O'Regan fire at Grand Falls at \$1200. Mr. Fairweather inspected the Kitchen building this morning and will complete the examination this afternoon. Estimates of the damage have been exaggerated and it is thought that it will be appraised at about \$1200. Messrs. H. M. Clarke and Judson Barker are acting as valuers.

## POWER TO SUSPEND OR EXPEL RESTS WITH BOARD ONLY

School Trustees Make That Decision in Case of Complaint Re Discipline at High School—Matter of Detention is as Before

Several sessions of the School Board have recently been held at which several questions respecting school management and other matters have been under consideration. Complaint was made that sometimes pupils were kept waiting in the cold before the doors were opened, but this was not at all a common occurrence. An order was passed requiring teachers to be in school twenty minutes before the hour for beginning work, as this is in accordance with law.

One of the latest complaints was that of a parent whose daughter was sent home from the High School because she refused to remain after school hours to review her studies along lines in which she showed weakness. In explanation she refused to obey the teacher because her father ordered her not to remain in school after hours because he considered her not very robust. After careful consideration of the matter, the Board decided that the power of suspension or expulsion of pupils can be exercised under the School Act only by the Board of School Trustees.

It seems that a number of High School pupils showed weakness in some subjects at the recent examinations and they were being kept in for the purpose of review and study. It is creditable to the energy of the teachers that they are willing to give extra time to help the pupils along.

The School Board decided the matter of suspension and expulsion yesterday afternoon at a special session. The parents of the pupil concerned were notified this morning of the decision of the Board and she will be sent back to the High School tomorrow.

No decision was reached with regard to the practise of detaining pupils at the noon hour, objection to which on the part of a parent gave rise to the suspension at the High School. The school trustees discussed this matter but opinion was divided and the matter rests where it was before. The opinion was expressed that the practise had no legal foundation, although it was common.

## DANCE AT THE ALGONQUIN CLUB ROOM

There was a very enjoyable necktie and apron dance held at the Algonquin club rooms last evening under the auspices of members of the club, on which occasion a large number of young people tripped the light fantastic to excellent music furnished by Donovan's orchestra. A feature of the evening was the playing of a beautiful piece written and composed by Mrs. Edith Alice Pope, entitled "Island of Love." During the evening luncheon was served and a delightful time spent by all present. The young men that compose the membership of this well known organization are certainly excellent entertainers.

Mr. J. S. Coated of Amherst, N. S., is at the Queen.

## GOVERNMENT IN SESSION PREPARATORY OPENING OF HOUSE

Preparations Now Being Made at Parliament Buildings—Engineer Bouillon Conferred With Premier Fleming—Executive All Here

The Provincial government is in session today preparatory to the annual session of the legislature which opens Thursday next the 13th inst. The Attorney General, Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer arrived here at noon today from Toronto. Other members of the executive arrived last night.

Mr. Daniel Mullin, K.C., waited upon Premier Fleming last night and presented the request of the Provincial Board of Health, of which he and the Secretary, Dr. B. M. Mullin, of St. Mary's were appointed a committee, that the rules and regulations adopted by that body be printed in pamphlet form and distributed.

Mr. A. M. Bouillon, district engineer of the G.T.P. Railway Company also conferred with Premier Fleming with regard to matters connected with that railway. Mr. Bouillon's visit has revived stories of the construction of a connecting line between the National Transcontinental Railway which is to be operated by the G.T.P., at Napudogan and the St. John & Quebec Railway at Fredericton, the G.T.P. to find mode of entrance into the port of St. John via the St. John Valley.

Preparations for the opening are being made at the Parliament Buildings. The usual work of renovation is being carried on. The seating arrangements in the assembly chamber have not yet been completed but a large number of changes are expected. At the present session of the provincial executive the legislative program will be prepared in addition to other business.

The military features of the opening will be as last year. The guard of honor will be furnished by "H" Company R.C.R. and the 71st York Regt. The salute will be fired by a party from the 19th Field Battery, Moncton.

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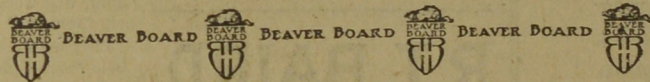
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