

LOCAL NEWS

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Easterly winds, generally fair today; local showers on Tuesday.

POCKET PEDDLARS BUSY.

The pocket peddlars evidently were busy yesterday as there were signs that quite a number of men had been able to obtain liquor.

NEW STREET LIGHT.

A new street light is today being installed at the corner of Waterloo Row and Grey street. The light is much needed in this locality.

BURIED YESTERDAY.

The funeral of Phillip, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser, of Morrison's Mill, was held yesterday afternoon. Interment was made at the Hermitage.

NEEDLESS ALARM.

A chimney of a residence on Phoenix Square caught fire this morning, and for a time created some alarm as it sent out as much smoke as a good sized fire. The flue burned out without doing any damage however.

DATE NOT FIXED.

Owing to the fact that some of the members are away from home the St. John Valley Railway Company has not met to receive the report of the delegation which interviewed Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Ottawa. The date of the meeting has not yet been fixed.

A BRIEF BOUT.

Last evening Regent street was enlivened by a brief fistie battle in which two well known local characters were the principals. The combatants succeeded in cutting one another up to quite an extent, although the scrap was of short duration.

FUNERAL OF LATE MRS. TOBIN.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Tobin, widow of the late Daniel Tobin, took place yesterday afternoon. Interment was made at the Rural Cemetery. The funeral had been postponed for several days to permit a son of the deceased, who resides in Texas, to reach this city in time for the ceremony.

McDOUGALL STILL UNDAUNTED.

Bruce McDougall, who was recently released from custody, after serving nine months in jail here for publishing Free Speech, has announced that he will start another weekly in Moncton, to be known as "The Vindicator." The first issue will appear on April 30. In a handbill, which is being circulated in St. John, Moncton and other places, McDougall states that while in prison a year and a half he gathered some interesting news for the common people.

S. P. C. A. MAN BUSY.

City Marshall Roberts, who is agent of the S. P. C. A., had his attention attracted this morning by a pair of colts of the vintage of 1870, drawing a loaded truck wagon on Queen Street. The animals were so tame that the two together would scarcely make a good shadow, and a powder horn could easily be suspended on some of their strong points. The marshal told the owner not to work the animals again until they had been given a chance to recuperate and he promised to heed the advice.

HAS ENGAGED GUIDES.

Mr. D. W. Clinch, secretary of the Game Protective Association, has engaged guides for Dr. Hornaday and Dr. Charles M. Whitney, of New York two celebrated authorities on animal life, and the outdoors, who will visit New Brunswick woods in the big game season. Mr. Clinch met these gentlemen while attending the late New York Sportsmen's Show, and is making full arrangements for their trip. Dr. Whitney is a camera hunter, devoting himself to the capture of the inhabitants of the wild upon photographic plates instead of by the more sanguinary methods common at large.

SURVEY PARTY GOES OUT.

The survey for the St. John Valley Railway started this morning. The party which will survey between Fredericton and Welsford is made up as follows:

Chief of party—Brown Maxwell, Lincoln. Transit man—Ashley Colter Keswick. Level man—Carleton Brown Queens county. Road man—T. J. Wilson, St. John. Chainman—J. Dickson, Hillsboro. Chainman—Fred. Van Wart, Fredericton. Rod man (for typographer)—James Sproul, Hampton. Axe man—Moses Grass, Waasis. Axe man—Allen McFarlane, Waasis. Axe man—Denis McCarthy, Oromocto. Cook—Duncan Glasier, Lincoln. Teamster—William Patterson, Lincoln. Picket—John Barton, St. John.

Mr. R. R. Stevenson of this city will act as level man for this party after the close of the present term of the University of New Brunswick. Mr. Carleton Brown is filling the position temporarily. It is noticeable that but two Fredericton men and but one from York county are in the party, but that one from Albert county, a district which has no connection whatever with the St. John Valley, had "pull" enough to get there.

EXCITEMENT AT MCGIVNEY'S CAUSED BY INSANE MAN

William Francis, a Newfoundlander, Goes Crazy and Takes to the Woods—Caught after Hard Chase.

A man named William Francis, belonging to Newfoundland, created considerable excitement at McGivney's on Saturday and Sunday. Francis arrived at McGivney's a few days ago and went up the line towards Plaster Rock to work for the Toronto Construction Company. On Friday he returned to McGivney's and soon afterwards became insane and after creating quite a rumpus around the railway station he set out for the woods. He did not return that night and on the following day Constable Gallagher organized a search party and went out to look for him. They located him about four o'clock in the afternoon in a half famished condition and brought him to the village, where he was made as comfortable as possible. Although a watch was placed over him, he succeeded in escaping and again took to the woods. He was recaptured by Constable Gallagher and a posse on the following day, after a lengthy search and returned to McGivney's, where he is now in confinement. He will probably be handed over to the custody of a cousin who works on the railway and who has promised to accompany him to Cape Breton, where he has a brother living.

The unfortunate man was out in the woods two nights and the best part of two days without food and as may be imagined suffered terribly from cold and exposure. He is a man about thirty-two years of age and unmarried.

ROAD IN BAD CONDITION.

The road between St. Mary's and Douglas is in a very bad condition just now. On Friday last one gentleman residing near the parish line assisted in getting out four teams which had become bogged on the highway. This section of the road is a disgrace.

TOUGH PIECE OF ROAD.

If the New Brunswick Automobile Association were to offer a prize for the worst piece of road in the province it is dollars to doughnuts that it would go to the village of Gibson. In some sections of the province the Hazen Highway Act may have brought about an improvement of the roads, but it has not done so in Gibson. The main highway which runs through the village cannot be called a road, as it is nothing more than a quagmire and hardly safe for a team to travel over. Such a piece of road is a disgrace to modern civilization and the ratepayers of Gibson should see to it that an improvement is made during the coming year.

INCREASED SALARY FOR ENGINEER MALLOY

Question of Appointment of City Engineer to be Discussed This Afternoon by Water Committee.

It is now practically settled that Engineer Malloy, who takes the night shift at the Waterworks pumping station will be given an increase in salary. The Water and Sewerage Committee will meet this afternoon to decide upon definite action. Mr. Malloy is receiving at the present time \$550 per year and has no assistant, as the other engineers have. In the case of accident to the engineer at the pumping station during his shift there is no one to take his duties. It is likely that the Committee will attempt to make a re-arrangement of the staff so as to have another man on during this shift.

The matter of the appointment of a city engineer is also to receive some attention this afternoon. It has been proposed that the duties now performed by several officials be given a city engineer and a salary that would attract a suitable man offered. It is realized that Mr. Jack Feeney, who is now in charge of the Filtration Department, is not receiving sufficient remuneration for him to devote his whole time to the duties of city engineer.

Although a section of the city council is favorable to the appointment of a city engineer, another is not, arguing that it will be cheaper for the city to hire an engineer as he is needed than to maintain a permanent official. The argument is also brought forward that during the winter season there is practically no work for a city engineer to do. It is likely that the matter will be decided one way or another at Thursday's meeting of the council, at which all civic officials are to be appointed.

Roadmaster McKay has asked for an increase in salary, but there is no likelihood of his getting it. He will, in all probability, be re-appointed.

The Fire Committee will also meet this afternoon to make a recommendation, concerning the appointment of a new driver for the ladder truck to replace Melvin Bearisto, who has resigned. Applications for the position have been received from Albert H. Boddington, Leo Ward, Harry Pidgeon and Frank Myshrrall.

EVIDENTLY FROM BOSTON.

On Friday night a burglar with a taste for vegetables effected an entrance to the warehouse of J. Clark & Son, King street, by forcing the locks on the door. Examination of the premises next day showed that the only article missing was a bushel of yellow-eyed seed beans.

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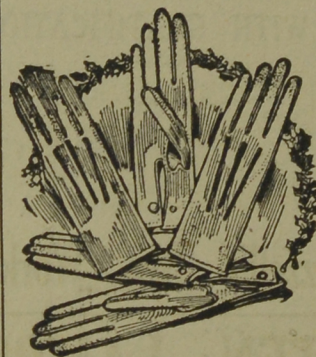
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