

## LOCAL NEWS

## THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh north westerly winds, fair, Saturday moderate variable winhs, fine and moderately warm.

## ROYAL BIRTHDAYS

May 26th is the birthday of Queen Mary and June 3rd is the birthday of King George. The days will be observed at saluting points by the firing of a royal salute of twenty-one guns.

## PROSECUTIONS NEXT WEEK

Hon. L. P. Farris, commissioner of police on the National Transcontinental Railway, is in the city. Mr. Farris will go to Edmundston next week to hear several cases in which illegal sale of liquor is charged. The commissioner reports that it has been very quiet along the line of construction.

## ON WEDDING TOUR

Mr. L. L. Ross and wife of Boston are here on their wedding tour. Mrs. Ross was formerly Miss Jennie Brown, daughter of Mr. Jas. L. Brown, who resided at Mouth of Keswick some years ago and are well known here. Mr. and Mrs. Ross will spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hagerman, Mouth of Keswick.

## I. C. R. CHEAP RATES

Cheap fares to points on the Intercolonial Railway will prevail for Victoria Day. Between all stations on the railway and to points on connecting lines round trip tickets will be sold at first class one way fare, good going May 23rd and 25th, and good for return on May 26th, thus affording the opportunity for a holiday trip at very reasonable rates.

## AN UNFORTUNATE MOOSE

Chatham Commercial: A fine bull moose, which seemed to be about three years old, became entangled in a wire fence on the Gordon Road sometime on Saturday night and remained there until the morning. It was then released from its predicament by some of the residents of that locality but so great had been its exertions and its sufferings, it was unable to walk and died a little later.

## THE GEM THEATRE

The new Gem Theatre on Carleton street is being rapidly put into shape and will be open to the public on the evening of Victoria Day. The management have purchased an improved moving picture machine, which they claim to be the finest ever brought to the province. An expert operator from St. John has been engaged. They have also procured a fine lot of the very latest pictures. The new theatre will have a seating capacity of four hundred.

## INSPECTED RAILWAY ROUTE

Hon. Robert Maxwell and Solicitor General McLeod, acting as a committee of the executive council, visited Millville on Thursday and drove over the route of the proposed railway line to Hawshaw. They were accompanied by Mr. J. K. Pinder, M. P. P., the promoter of the railway and went as far as the Hawshaw bridge, which they also inspected. They returned home by the evening train. Hon. Mr. Maxwell, talking to a Mail representative, said that he was much impressed with the beauty and apparent fertility of the country along the proposed route, and he was surprised to find it so thickly settled. He thought the people were certainly deserving of better transportation facilities than they possessed at the present time.

## FOR LA ROSE HOLDERS.

Fredericton holders of La Rose mining stock will be interested in the following reply which the Boston News Bureau gave to a man who bought the stock at \$8, and asked if he should sell it at \$4:

"It would seem as if you had little to gain and everything to lose by selling at current prices. The stock has evidently discounted unfavorable developments. Within the last two weeks high-grade ore has been struck in No. 2 vein at the 88-foot level of the Lawson claim, and two other strikes of importance have recently been made on other portions of the La Rose property. If the improvement in property conditions continue, the resumption of the old dividend rate before many months is possible."

## NEW GUIDES' ASSOCIATION.

A number of guides met in the Royal Hotel, at St. John, yesterday, and formed a Provincial Guides' Association. It is said that twenty guides were present but their names are not given in the St. John papers. Mr. Murdoch MacKenzie, of Glensville, was elected president. Mr. Charles Raynes, of Fairville, vice-president, and Mr. D. W. Clach, of St. John, secretary-treasurer. The notices calling the meeting stated that there was dissatisfaction with the New Brunswick Guides' Association, because of favoritism, shown by its officers. If the truth were known, the real cause for dissatisfaction in certain quarters against the N. B. Association is that it has its headquarters in Fredericton; its members are the best known guides; the organization is recognized by the Crown Land Department, and the members do not, as a rule, take much stock in deadhead sportsmen.

## WATER IN RIVER

## 'FALLING RAPIDLY

And The Outlook For Stranded Drives Is Not Very Bright—Miramichi Reports Discouraging.

The water in the river at the point is still receding and will soon be down to summer level. The recent rain, while it extended well up the river was not of sufficient duration to move the lumber stranded near Black River rapids.

Only a few logs are running into the booms at Sugar Island and unless there is a good rain in the near future, rafting operations this season will be conducted on a much smaller scale than last year. Lumber operators have all their logs in safe abandoned hope of getting their logs out. They recall several occasions in the past ten years, when drives abandoned in May were brought into the corporation limits by big rains the following month. The hanging of the big drives is pretty sure to put up price of bank logs and millmen, who bought a supply early can consider themselves very lucky.

Reports from the Miramichi district are not of a very encouraging nature. The water is falling off rapidly and few if any of the big operators have all their logs in safe waters.

Mr. W. J. Scott of this city succeeded in getting his drive out of Jacquet River some days ago.

## AT HALF MAST.

The American schooner Nettie Shipman, discharging coal at the Regent street wharf displayed the Stars and Stripes at half mast today as a mark of respect to the late king.

## CHANGE AT BIJOU.

There is an entire change of programme today. Pat has new songs and new picture souvenirs. Matinee Friday and Saturday. The Bijou will be held in the Opera House Saturday.—d.

## A CHILD'S DEATH.

Dorothy Estey, the ten year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Z. R. Estey of Lower French Village, died last night after a short illness from whooping cough and pleurisy. She was a bright and lovable child and the greatest sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents. The deceased was a grand-daughter of the late Mr. John C. Murray of Kingclear and a niece of Mr. Fred H. Everett of this city. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon with services at St. Peter's church at three o'clock.

Mr. F. Neil Brodie, architect of St. John is a guest at the Queen.

## ST. DUNSTAN SCHOOL

## CONTRACT AWARDED

Tender of Michael Ryan and Son of This City Accepted—To Be Completed By January 1st.

Tenders for the new school, building to be erected by St. Dunstan's congregation were opened this morning by Rev. Father Carney, and Architect F. Neil Brodie, of St. John, and the contract awarded to Michael Ryan & Son, of this city. There were several other bidders, including B. Mooney & Son, and Mr. Corbett, of St. John. The Messrs. Ryan's tender was in the neighborhood of thirty thousand dollars. They will start to work on the contract on Monday next, and will undertake to complete the building, ready for use, by the first of January.

The new building will be erected on the lot on Regent Street, near the residence of Mrs. Timothy Lynch. The building will be of brick, with free stone trimmings and will have a frontage of eighty feet. Mr. Brodie, who prepared the plans, will superintend the work of construction.

The Messrs. Ryan are the proprietors of the Fredericton brick yard, and turn out high class clay products, which find a ready market in New Brunswick and Maine. Of late years, they have erected a number of brick buildings in the city and vicinity which reflect much credit upon their skill.

## ENGINEERS' DANCE

The Engineers' Dance at the University of New Brunswick is announced to take place on the night of May 31st.

## MRS. SPURR'S DEATH.

The friends of Mrs. Hannah B. Spurr, widow of J. DeWolf Spurr, will regret to learn of her death this morning at St. John.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

Rev. M. B. Shewan will conduct a memorial service in St. Peter's church, Springhill this evening, beginning at eight o'clock.

## HONORABLE MENTION

In connection with the award of the Douglas gold medal to Mr. George N. Belyea of the senior class of the University of New Brunswick, honorable mention is made of Mr. J. Wilfrid Estey, who wrote an excellent essay. The subject for the essay was "The Transportation Problem in Canada, Its Bearing on the Future Development of the Country." Mr. Estey in dealing with the economic side of the question surpassed the winning essay.

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