

LOCAL NEWS

 TO ADVERTISERS.

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WAIT

For the old fashioned tea meeting to be held in the vestry of the Methodist Church on Thursday December 1st.

GROUP PHOTO TAKEN

The members of the Fredericton High School football team had a group photo taken at Harvey's Studio this morning.

CLOSE GAME

"H" Company, R. C. R., and Fredericton High School played a close game of basketball yesterday at the drill hall. The soldiers won 17 to 16.

PEARL OF SAVOY.

The St. John Dramatic Club, under the direction of Mr. Theodore H. Bird will be seen here in "The Pearl of Savoy," on the night of Tuesday, December 6th.

SPURDEN CLASS.

The men's class of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church meets on Sunday afternoon at 2.30. Subject tomorrow: "Justification by Faith." A male quartet and orchestra will take part. All men welcomed.

FINANCE CAMPAIGN

Next week the Finance Committee of the Y. M. C. A. is to make a united and persistent effort to secure the needed subscriptions for its current work and to pay the cost of the pool table and box ball alley.

SNOW DOWN RIVER.

A gentleman who arrived in the city this morning from down river says that nine inches of snow fell near Gagetown a few days ago, and there is now excellent sleighing in that vicinity.

COUNTRY MARKET

The country market this morning was fairly well attended. Pork sold for 8½ and 9 cents per pound, potatoes at \$1.50 per barrel, eggs at 35 cents per dozen. Chickens varied in price from 50 cents to \$1.50.

FROM SOUTH TO NORTH.

A personally conducted tour through Italy and Norway in the Methodist Vestry on Monday evening Nov. 21. Train starts at 8 p. m. sharp. Conductors Miss Edith K. Edgecombe and Miss Edith A. R. Davis.—4.

TO BE BURIED AT SHEFFIELD.

The body of the late William Barker of Sheffield, who died near Los Angeles, Cal., some days ago, arrived here last night and was taken to Sheffield by steamer this morning. The widow and child of the deceased accompanied the remains. The funeral will take place tomorrow.

IS MAKING GOOD

Councillor T. G. Cook of Wainwright, Alberta, son of Mr. Samuel Cook of this city has gone into the amusement business in Wainwright and with his partner will erect the first closed skating rink in Wainwright. Coun. Cook is one of the many Fredericton boys who have made good in the west.

THE JUBILEE SINGERS

Remember the only chance to hear the Famous Jubilee Singers will be next Thursday night, Nov. 24, in the Opera House. The Knights of Pythias present them and guarantee an evening of pure delight in listening to the negroes sing the melodies of the black folk as only negroes can sing them. Seats on sale at McMurray's.

RODENTS CAUSED FIRE

Mice or rats gnawing matches in a closet at the residence of Q. M. Sgt. Galloway, R. C. R. Regent street, caused a fire last night which would have done considerable damage had it not been discovered when it was. The firemen were called to the place by an alarm from box 37 but found it possible to put the fire out with a few pails of water.

PURE MAPLE PRODUCTS

A bulletin issued by the Inland Revenue Department containing reports on an analysis made of samples of maple sugar and maple syrup has been received at this office. Among the samples of maple syrup analyzed was one put up by Mr. J. H. Haines of Mactaquac, and procured at the store of Mr. H. C. Jewett of this city. It was found to be genuine. A sample of maple sugar procured from Mr. C. H. Burt and put up by Mr. W. L. Burt of Zealand, another procured from Mr. E. G. Hoban and put up by Goddard Bros., and a third procured from Hatt, Morrison & Co., and put up by Alfred Brown & Son of Bear Island, were analyzed and found to be genuine. All of the New Brunswick samples stood the test.

Buy White Lily Biscuits. They satisfy.

NAVIGATION SEASON
EXPECTED TO BE OF
AVERAGE LENGTH

Longest Season on Record in 1902—
 Earliest Close of Navigation was
 in 1833.

The withdrawal of some of the river steamers from their routes draws attention to the fact that the season of navigation is drawing to a close. So far however, there has been no very cold weather and no ice except what little has formed in shallow and calm creeks along the river. River men expect that navigation will continue for a week or ten days.

The present season of navigation will be about of the average length. It began early in April and is expected to end during the latter part of the present month.

Records of the season of navigation on the River St. John have been kept since 1825 and show that in 1902 there was the longest season on record, 250 days from March 23 until November 29. In the following year the season extended 247 days. In 1874 it was of equal length. In 1833 the ice closed the river on November 5th, the earliest closing on record.

The records are as follows:

Year	Opening	Clos.	Dys.	Op.
1825	April 15	Nov. 20	219	
1826	April 17	Nov. 14	211	
1827	April 6	Dec. 3	241	
1828	April 20	Nov. 19	213	
1829	April 17	Nov. 15	212	
1830	April 18	Nov. 29	226	
1831	April 10	Dec. 1	235	
1832	May 3	Nov. 15	196	
1833	April 10	Nov. 5	219	
1834	April 11	Nov. 17	220	
1835	May 1	Nov. 23	206	
1836	April 28	Nov. 19	205	
1837	April 17	Nov. 9	206	
1838	May 1	Nov. 25	208	
1839	April 25	Nov. 23	236	
1840	April 16	Nov. 23	221	
1841	April 27	Nov. 27	214	
1842	April 24	Nov. 22	213	
1843	April 26	Nov. 14	202	
1844	April 14	Nov. 27	227	
1845	April 23	Dec. 4	225	
1846	April 6	Nov. 28	236	
1847	May 2	Nov. 20	223	
1848	April 19	Nov. 13	208	
1849	April 8	Dec. 2	238	
1850	May 2	Nov. 27	209	
1851	April 16	Nov. 17	215	
1852	April 26	Nov. 25	220	
1853	April 27	Nov. 25	221	
1854	May 7	Nov. 10	208	
1855	April 28	Nov. 22	218	
1856	April 25	Nov. 17	215	
1857	April 18	Dec. 5	230	
1858	April 22	Nov. 13	204	
1859	April 16	Nov. 29	226	
1860	April 23	Nov. 27	217	
1861	April 20	Dec. 3	230	
1862	April 18	Dec. 3	229	
1863	April 22	Nov. 30	222	
1864	April 20	Dec. 9	232	
1865	April 6	Nov. 10	233	
1866	April 14	Dec. 12	242	
1867	April 22	Nov. 17	209	
1868	April 22	Nov. 16	208	
1869	April 20	Nov. 26	220	
1870	April 11	Nov. 22	223	
1871	April 10	Nov. 24	227	
1872	April 22	Nov. 29	221	
1873	April 23	Nov. 12	203	
1874	April 21	Nov. 22	214	
1875	April 27	Nov. 19	206	
1876	April 22	Nov. 30	222	
1877	April 13	Dec. 4	235	
1878	April 5	Dec. 18	247	
1879	April 27	Nov. 22	209	
1880	April 22	Nov. 21	213	
1881	April 2	Nov. 22	234	
1882	May 1	Nov. 26	209	
1883	April 18	Nov. 15	216	
1884	April 16	Nov. 19	217	
1885	April 23	Nov. 27	218	
1886	April 21	Nov. 23	216	
1887	April 27	Dec. 1	217	
1888	April 26	Nov. 21	209	
1889	April 16	Dec. 1	228	
1890	April 21	Nov. 24	217	
1891	April 14	Nov. 29	229	
1892	April 15	Dec. 6	234	
1893	April 14	Nov. 21	220	
1894	April 21	Nov. 20	212	
1895	April 19	Nov. 22	216	
1896	April 18	Nov. 21	216	
1897	April 21	Nov. 21	213	
1898	April 20	Dec. 9	232	
1899	April 26	Nov. 13	202	
1900	April 21	Nov. 20	213	
1901	April 17	Nov. 24	221	
1902	March 23	Nov. 29	260	
1903	March 24	Nov. 27	247	
1904	April 25	Nov. 10	200	
1905	April 20	Nov. 21	215	
1906	April 15	Nov. 26	225	
1907	April 17	Nov. 20	211	
1908	April 21	Nov. 23	216	
1909	April 19	Nov. 30	225	
1910	April 6			

WILL CONSIDER MATTER

The Council of the Board of Trade will meet on Monday evening to consider the request of the people of Tracy for support in their application for the appointment of a station agent. By error it was announced in The Mail yesterday that it was the people of Harvey who had applied for the appointment.

The new uniform rank in connection with the K. of P.'s, Marysville, will hold a sale of fancy articles on the 8th of December.

SUGGESTIONS MADE
FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF
VICTORIA HOSPITAL

Proposed to Change Semi-Private
 Wards to Private—Nurses' Home
 Favored by Some.

A joint meeting of the members of the medical staff and trustees of the Victoria Public Hospital was held in the Mayor's office last night and continued in session until about 11 o'clock. Those present were President Tennant, Vice President Randolph, His Worship the Mayor, Hon. Judge Barry, Coun. Rogers, Mr. Sterling, Dr. Weaver, Mr. McMurray and from the medical staff, Dr. Atherton, Dr. VanWart, Dr. McGrath and Secretary Sampson, of the Hospital.

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS.

Mr. Tennant said that there was a generally expressed desire by the public to increase the scope and efficiency of the Hospital, and the trustees had called this meeting for the special purpose of obtaining the views of the members of the staff respecting the enlargement of the Hospital and to hear any suggestions they may care to make. Dr. Atherton then asked some questions respecting the present financial condition of the institution. The Secretary Treasurer showed that for several years the receipts did not meet the current expenses. It was necessary to draw upon the permanent account to meet liabilities, but with the increased number of patients, the prospects were brighter for making the hospital self-sustaining, with the continued generosity of the public and the government, municipal and city grants, and the annual grant of Hon. H. D. Yerxa, of Boston. The doctor favored turning the semi-private ward into a private ward and thus enabling people who are unable to pay for a room to secure their family physician in a private ward of five beds upon payment of say five dollars a week. When funds are available, he would build wings upon the present building.

FAVORS IMMEDIATE EXPENDITURE.

Dr. VanWart thought the trustees need not be afraid to create a debt. The Hospital is not carried on in Fredericton for the purpose of making money, but for the health, benefit, and comfort of the people, and there are many friends ready to contribute to its support. He would favor the immediate expenditure of sufficient money to make the operating room an up-to-date department. The Dow wing is not a creditable branch in its present condition, and what is needed is a modern pavilion for the care of contagious diseases, an obstetrical department, which would place our nurses in training on a par with nurses from other hospitals.

DR. McGRATH SPEAKS.

Dr. McGrath saw many ways in which improvements could be made in the Hospital, and while the suggestion had been made to enlarge the receipts by increasing the charge for private rooms, he doubted the advisability of this. He suggested that the trustees might purchase a building in the neighborhood of the Hospital.

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BAWDY HOUSE
CASE WILL BE HEARD
TUESDAY MORNING

Summonses Issued For Proprietress
 and Inmates of Suburban Resort
 of Ill Repute.

Summonses have been issued in a bawdy-house case which will be heard before Police Magistrate Marsh next Tuesday morning. The defendants will be charged with keeping and with being inmates of a bawdy-house known as The Farm, on the Woodstock Road, in the Parish of Kingsclear. A summons was served by the Chief of Police yesterday at the resort mentioned, the service being made on the proprietress. Others concerned in the case have been served since. Daisy Wilson will have to appear to answer to the charge of keeping the place and women named Johnson and Watson of being inmates. Two men have been summoned in the case, and it is understood that one woman who is wanted could not be located.

Action against this resort has been pending for some weeks. It is said that complaints of persons residing on the Woodstock Road between the city and the place in question caused action to be taken. It is also understood that delay on the part of an officer of the law in bringing the matter to a head was not relished by the authorities, who were concerned in the prosecution.

As far as is known the evidence for the prosecution will be given by officers of the law. It is expected that the offence will be acknowledged.

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