

LOCAL NEWS

TO ADVERTISERS

To insure prompt change of ads, copy must be in the office not later than 8 a. m. on the day they are to appear.

USUAL SERVICES.

In the Brunswick Street Baptist Church tomorrow, the usual services will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. McDonald.

THE GEM.

At the Gem tonight one of the finest shows ever shown in this city. Don't fail to see it. See our advertisement for pictures.

PAINTED ON STAGE

There was considerable excitement at the Bijou Theatre last night when one of the lady performers fainted while she was singing. She was carried behind the scenes and revived.

BIJOU TODAY.

See the big program at the Bijou today, afternoon 2-5, and evening, 7.30-10.30 p. m. Vaudeville, motion pictures and songs. Good music, 5 & 10 cts.

THE MARKET

On account of the unfavorable weather and muddy roads the market this morning was the smallest in several weeks. Eggs were plentiful at 18 cents a dozen, butter brought 18 cents, veal 6 and 9 cents and potatoes 80 cents a barrel.

STREET NEEDS ATTENTION

The attention of the city authorities is called to the disgraceful condition of Campbell street behind the County Court House, where owing to a large pool of water, it is impossible to get to the weigh scales. Five minutes work with a shovel would remedy present conditions, but as usual it will probably be left to the sun to clear up the nuisance.

SMALLPOX

Richibucto Review: Smallpox has broken out at Adamsville. Drs. Tozer and Girvan are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease. There was a general vaccination Wednesday. It is known as confluent smallpox, which is of the very worst type. One of the victims is very ill and may not recover.

USELESS SLAUGHTER.

Sussex Record: We like to hear of sport in the fishing line and good luck attending efforts of the hardy fishermen who go out for the same, but it makes us tired and sad when we read of four fishermen who recently went out to a lake near Elgin Albert Co., and took back with them 600 trout. How long will our fishing last at this rate?

NEW DENTAL OFFICES

Dr. W. J. Irvine, the well known surgeon dentist, has removed from the Chestnut building to the rooms over the Misses Young's millinery parlors in the Cameron building. He has a very convenient and eloquently furnished suit of offices, and will be pleased to see all of his old patrons as well as others who desire first class dental work.

MOOSE AT ST. JOHN

St. John Telegraph—Several persons who were walking up King street about 2.30 this morning were startled when a large moose, dripping wet, dashed by them towards King Square. The animal had evidently come out of Market slip, and those who saw it say that it seemed to be almost exhausted. They followed the moose through the square, but it disappeared. It probably made its way down Waterloo street and out the Marsh road.

SMALL BLAZE AT

F. B. EDGECOMBE'S STORE

Shortly after ten o'clock this morning an oil stove in the dress-making department of F. B. Edgcombe & Co. upset and caused a fire which did about two hundred dollars damage. Fortunately the fire got very little headway. Much of the damage was done by water.

As soon as the accident occurred, an alarm was rung in and the firemen were quickly on the scene. The premises, however, are well provided with means of fire protection and the department did not have to act. The department in which the blaze occurred is on the second floor at the front, directly over the windows. The water which was put on the blaze by those employed in the store ran down and did considerable damage to dress goods, costumes and other goods in the window. In the dress-making department, the fire did some damage to goods.

No one was injured. Miss Perry of the dress-making department, who was near the stove when it was upset, fainted from excitement, but was soon revived.

PREPARING FOR CAMP AT SUSSEX

71st York Regt. Has Begun Recruiting—Musketry Regulations to be Easier this Year.

The near approach of the period of training of the rural corps of the province at the annual camp at Sussex is occasioning some stir in local military circles. "H" Company, R. C. R., will go into camp on Saturday, the 25th. The 71st York Regt. will leave on Tuesday the 28th instant, but an advance party will proceed to Sussex on the preceding day and take over camp equipments and get the camps in shape for the regiment.

FULL STRENGTH

It is expected that the 71st Regt. will go into camp at full strength, slightly over four hundred. Last year all corps which trained in camp had their strength reduced. This year companies are to be recruited to full strength and stretchers, signalling sections and bands are also to be taken to camp at full strength.

CHANGES AMONG OFFICERS

There have been several changes among the officers of the regiment. Major G. W. H. Thomas of Fredericton Junction has qualified and is now junior major. Capt. F. A. Good has taken over the command of "E" Company, formerly commanded by Major Thomas. It is probable that Lieut. E. W. Sansom of "C" Company, Stanley, will be attached to "E" Company. "A" Company with headquarters at St. Mary's, has a new subaltern in Lieut. Wade, now taking a course of instruction at No. 3 military depot, this city.

RECRUITING

Recruiting has already been begun by the local companies of the 71st Regt. It will be continued all next week and on the following Monday. Each company has a large number of vacancies and recruits will be taken on at the armory every night.

MUSKETRY REGULATIONS

Last year there was much dissatisfaction among the members of the militia on account of the strict enforcement of the regulation concerning marksmanship. Many of the men being unable to make the required score on the rifle ranges had their pay cut down. They claimed this was unfair as they had received no warning that the regulation was to be enforced. This year however, it will be easier to qualify on the ranges as a change has been made in the regulations.

As has been the case in the past few years a detachment of men for No. VIII. Field Ambulance will also be taken from Fredericton. Major W. J. Weaver of this city is an officer in this corps.

MR. JAMES CHRISTIE

A VETERAN HACKMAN

Has Been a Familiar Figure About the City for Over Forty Years—To Move to Portland.

Announcement was made in The Mail some weeks ago that Mr. James Christie, the veteran hackman, intends disposing of his property and removing with his family to Portland, Me., to engage in the hotel business.

He will dispose of his household effects, etc., at auction next week, and later on expects to close with parties who are negotiating for his property. Mr. Christie is one of the land marks of the city and his removal to Uncle Sam's domain will be regretted by his many friends. Mr. Christie has driven a coach here for upwards of forty years, and was a familiar figure about the railway stations and steamboat landings. He was for a long time employed at the Queen Hotel stables; subsequently he served a short time on the police force, and for the past twenty years he has been in business on his own account. He has probably seen more trains and steamers arrive and depart in this city than any other person now living. He was always on the job, and almost everybody who visited Fredericton during the past forty years, including thousands of tourists, knew him, at least by sight. Although he was sometimes accused of exercising undue haste in getting through the streets when he had a train to catch, he was undoubtedly a most careful and obliging coachman and gave satisfaction to his numerous patrons. Last December he had the misfortune to slip and fall at the I. C. R. station and fracture his thigh. He was in the hospital for two months and is only now able to be about with the aid of crutches. "I have driven my last hack," he told a representative of The Mail recently. "I have got to find some easier way of making a living, so have decided to go into the hotel business in Portland, Me. I have been a long time on the job, and am very sorry to leave Fredericton, but it can't be helped."

MR. SLIPP TALKS OF ALBERT CO. OIL WELLS

Member for Queens Thinks Natural Gas May Some Day Be Piped to Fredericton.

Mr. A. R. Slipp, M. P. P., who accompanied the members of the Local Government on a visit to the Albert County natural gas wells, early in the week, and has since been on a tour of his constituency, returned home last evening.

Talking with a Mail representative who found him at his office this morning, Mr. Slipp stated that his trip to the eastern part of the province was one of the most enjoyable of his life and it had been a genuine eye-opener to him. "I had read reports in the press concerning the oil and natural gas wells of Albert Co.," he said, "but had no idea that the proposition was one of such magnitude. Why, I firmly believe that the day will come when the Albert County natural gas wells will be supplying St. John and Fredericton with light, heat and power."

Mr. Slipp went on to say that the party had been met at Moncton by a number of leading citizens who placed autos at their disposal in which the trip was made to the gas wells, ten miles from the city. They spent some time inspecting the works and all were agreeably surprised with what they saw. The party, which numbered about sixty persons, were served with an excellent dinner cooked on a range in which natural gas is used as fuel.

The average housewife would be apt to think the millium had arrived if she were to be provided with an ever ready kitchen fire without the accompaniment of ashes, soot, smoke and dirt.

Speaking of the gas wells Mr. Slipp stated that a number of them had been capped ready for use, and it is estimated that the company could now supply about seven million feet of gas a day. The largest well has tested 225 pounds to the square inch, rock pressure and another shows 150 pounds. In summing up Mr. Slipp said that he was firmly of the opinion that the eastern part of the province is on the eve of great developments.

After visiting the oil wells, Mr. Slipp and the Chief Commissioner and Surveyor General made an automobile trip through Albert County as the guests of Messrs. Dickson and Prescott, M. P. Ps.

Hon. Messrs. Morrissey and Grimmer afterwards accompanied Mr. Slipp on a visit to points in Queens County.

Mr. A. D. MacDougall of St. John is at the Queen.

WILL GO TO ST. JOHN FOR SOME POINTERS

Chairman of Fire Committee Will Inspect Fire Stations at Winter Port Shortly.

Ald. Walker, Chairman of the Fire Committee of the City Council, will go to St. John shortly for the purpose of inspecting the fire stations there and getting some ideas which may be useful to the committee which is to take up the matter of the preparation of plans for the new fire station which is intended to be erected on King Street, where the central station now stands. Ald. Walker will look over the newer stations in St. John, particularly the one recently built in Carleton and the one erected some years ago in North End.

It is the intention to have the new station on King Street large enough to accommodate all the fire apparatus at present in use and what is likely to be bought in the near future. It is to have three double doors, it being the intention to provide room for a chemical engine. The alleyway on the eastern side of the present building is to be used as a part of the site of the new building.

Ald. Walker is giving the matter much attention and if everything goes as is expected, Fredericton will have met all requirements for some years to come.

SUPREME COURT ADJURNS TO FRIDAY JUNE 24TH

The Supreme Court adjourned yesterday afternoon until Friday next when several judgements will be given.

The cases LeBlanc vs. Lutz et al and Donohue vs. Northwestern Land & Investment Company go over until the next term. The case of McKean vs. Daffhouse Lumber Company was completed. Mr. F. R. Taylor moved to set aside the verdict for the defendant and enter verdict for the plaintiff or for a new trial. Mr. W. A. Ewing, K. C., contra. Mr. M. G. Teed was associated with Mr. Taylor and Mr. H. A. Powell, K. C., with Mr. Teed. Court considers.

Mrs. Henry Estey and daughter, Miss Myra, have returned from Oxford, England, where they spent the past year, and are the guests of Mr. J. W. Spurden.

Mrs. A. W. Rideout of Hartland is the guest of her son, Rev. A. A. Rideout.

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