

## LOCAL NEWS

SONG OF THE ST. JOHN VALLEY RAILWAY.

"I don't know where I'm going but I am on my way."

## TWO ASSAULT CASES.

Two assault cases were disposed of in the police court this morning. Fines of three dollars with costs were imposed.

## ENJOYABLE PARTY.

A large party of young people drove from Gibson to Douglas last evening and spent a most enjoyable time at the home of Mr. M. Webb. They returned at an early hour this morning.

## HAS BEGUN WORK.

Mr. Thomas Stickles, who has been appointed highway commissioner for District A II, Parish of St. Mary's, has begun work in Gibson and has a crew of men digging a ditch from the highway to the river.

## TO GO TO ENGLAND

Mrs. W. J. Osborne will spend some time in England during the summer. She will sail from Montreal by the steamer Royal George on May 29th. Mrs. Osborne will be in London for some time.

## TO JOIN C. P. R. STAFF

Mr. James C. Ketchum of the freshman year at the University of New Brunswick, son of Mayor T. C. L. Ketchum of Woodstock will probably spend the summer as a member of the engineering staff of the C. P. R.

## WATER TURNED ON.

Janitor Biggs turned on the water in the City Hall fountain on Saturday last. The six-foot sturgeon belonging to the city having escaped. Janitor Biggs is now on the lookout for another to place in the basin of the fountain for the summer.

## A QUICK PASSAGE

The British bark, Edna M. Smith, commanded by Capt. J. A. Read of this city, arrived at Bucksport, Me., on Saturday last, eighteen days from Turk's Island. From Bucksport she will proceed to Bear River to load lumber for Buenos Ayres.

## ON ANNIVERSARY OF FIRE

One of the most interesting celebrations in the Back to New Brunswick week will be in Campbellton, which will make July 11, the anniversary of the fire which destroyed the town, the biggest day of rejoicing in its history.

## MANY COMING BACK

Edmonton has caught the Back to New Brunswick fever and will send a large delegation back to the old home. Mr. W. B. Ganong of Edmonton is making arrangements for the party and already has received enough applications to fill two special cars.

## TO REPORT JUNE 3rd

Mr. Fred W. VanWart, B.Sc., of this city has been notified to report at St. John on June 3rd to take a position in the Dominion Public Works Department to which he has been appointed. Mr. J. L. Feeney left yesterday to take a similar appointment.

## NOTICES ISSUED

Notices of the seventh annual meeting of the New Brunswick Union of Municipalities to be held in St. Stephen in September or October are being issued by the secretary. City municipal matters to be discussed are taxation, railway crossings, water powers, electric franchises, etc.

## MILITIA APPOINTMENTS

The latest Canada Gazette contains the following militia appointments of local interest:

28th New Brunswick Dragoons—To be Major: Captain C. Macintosh, to complete establishment. 15th April, 1912.

To be provisional Lieutenant: Charles Alexander Jewett, gentleman.

## PROMOTIONS IN R.C.R.

The following promotions in the Royal Canadian Regiment recently gazetted concern officers who have been stationed in this city and who are well known here.

To be brevet Lieutenant Colonel: Major and temporary Lieutenant Colonel A. S. Macdonnell, D.S.O., Royal Canadian Regiment, 21st April 1912.

To be Captain: Lieutenant and brevet Captain C. B. Costin, to complete establishment, and is continued on the second list 15th April, 1912.

## BULL MOOSE IN CITY

On Saturday morning last a big bull moose trotted out of O'Dell's Woods and came down into the Pennyfather field on the north west side of Smythe Street at the rear of the exhibition grounds. The animal was observed by a number of colored residents of the locality. It appeared to be bothered considerably by the fence and finally set off up the hill in the direction of New Maryland. Some weeks ago a buck deer was seen for sometime in the same field.

ALD. GUTHRIE'S  
FRUITLESS HUNT  
FOR A CANDIDATE

Spent all day Yesterday Scouring the City to Find an Opponent for Mr. W. E. Farrell in Queen's Ward  
--Several Approached

ABANDONED THE TASK  
AFTER NUMEROUS REBUFS

Ex-Ald. William E. Farrell was yesterday elected by acclamation to the City Council for Queens Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment to office of Mr. H. C. Jewett, the former representative. A desperate effort was made by Ald. Percy Guthrie and that other great patriot, Mr. T. V. Monahan, to bring about a contest but their labors were all in vain.

They began operations in the morning by detailing Mr. A. K. Limerick, a government office holder, to carry around a requisition asking Mr. D. E. Crowe to become a candidate. He carried out his orders and succeeded in obtaining a number of signatures and incidentally a good many rebuffs.

In the afternoon a large and influential delegation composed of Ald. Guthrie and Mr. Monahan, waited upon Mr. Crowe, presented the requisition and supported it by an eloquent personal appeal. Mr. Crowe's reply was brief and to the point. He told them that he was well satisfied with Mr. Farrell's candidature and would under no consideration oppose him.

Baffled and disappointed at Mr. Crowe's apparent indifference to the public interests which they were so anxious to promote, the delegation started on the hunt for new worlds to conquer. The hour was late and as a precautionary measure they telephoned the city clerk that there would be "something doing" and requested him to remain on the job to accept the papers of the promised candidate. Saying this they raced up street to the Rexall store to interview Mr. Geo. Y. Dibblee, whom they had reason to believe would yield to their persuasive eloquence. They landed at Mr. Dibblee's establishment almost out of breath and ran plump into Candidate Farrell, who was standing by the counter admiring a nice collection of "Burpee's seeds that grow." It was an embarrassing situation for the two would-be civic reformers but Ald. Guthrie rose to the occasion by slipping up to the counter and ordering soda water for himself and friend. Candidate Farrell was not asked to quaff and no doubt feeling the slibbit very keenly withdrew from the shop.

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FREDERICTON RURAL  
DEANERY IN SESSION  
Sunday School and Educational Mat-  
ters to be Dealt with by the  
Deanery

The Fredericton Rural Deanery is meeting this afternoon at Springhill and will continue in session tomorrow. There will be service tonight at St. Peter's Church, Rev. Canon Cowie preaching. Holy Communion will be tomorrow morning. Among the matters to be considered will be Sunday School organization and the education of the clergy. A number of clergymen from outside points are here to attend the meeting. Rev. Canon Cowie took a number to Springhill by motor-boat today. Those in attendance at the meeting are Rev. C. H. Fullerton of Prince William, Rural Dean, Rev. Canon Cowie, Rev. Canon Smithers and Very Rev. Dean Schofield of this city, Rev. C. K. Whalley of Oromocto, Rev. Mr. Hailstone, curate of Christchurch Cathedral, Rev. Mr. Sprigg of Keswick, Rev. Mr. Shewan of Springhill, Rev. Mr. Lake of St. Mary's.

## DEATH AT KINGSCLEAR.

Mrs. Isabella Sears, widow of the late Ephraim Sears, died this morning at the home of Mrs. Joseph McKay, Kingsclear, aged eighty years. She was well known in the community and respected by all. The funeral will take place at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the Baptist Church, Lower Kingsclear. Rev. Mr. Stebbings will conduct the service.

## RETURNED FROM WEST.

Mr. J. E. Giles, son of Mr. C. H. Giles of Springhill, arrived here today from Lethbridge, Alberta, where he is located. He intends to return to the west. In Calgary he saw several Frederictonians, including Joseph Scarr and A. Colton McKee.

GRAND LODGE MAY  
ATTEND UNVEILING  
OF MONUMENT

At Request of Grand Master--Details of Entertainment of Grand Orange Lodge of B.N.A. are not Definitely Made

PUBLICING MEET MAY  
BE ARRANGED LATER

In accordance with the wishes expressed by Lt. Col. Scott, grand master of the Grand Orange Lodge of British North America, which is to be in session here next week, the local committee appointed to make arrangements for the meeting have not yet decided upon the entertainment which will be given the visiting delegates. Lt. Col. Scott, by letter, expressed the opinion that any entertainment should be attempted only after the business sessions of the Grand Lodge were completed. They will begin upon Wednesday, May 29th.

## PROBABLE EXCURSION.

Although nothing has been decided upon it has been proposed that the entertainment for the visitors take the form of an excursion to St. John on the day of the unveiling of the monument to the late Dr. A. W. Macrae, who was grand master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick at the time of his death. The monument to the late Dr. Macrae is a very fine piece of monumental work and cost upwards of \$1200.

It is also possible that a public meeting may be held while the Grand Lodge is here but that also is a detail not definitely arranged.

The Grand Black Chapter will meet here on Tuesday, May 28th and the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Society will meet on Monday and Tuesday, the 27th and 28th.

## DEATH AT OROMOCTO.

The death of Arthur Hatch occurred yesterday morning at Oromocto West after a lingering illness. The deceased was aged fifty years and is survived by a widow, one son and two daughters, Earle, Mabel and Ena, all at home. The funeral will take place at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Foster conducting the service. Interment will be made at the Howard Burying Ground, Lincoln.

GOVERNMENT  
BY COMMISSION  
IS PROPOSED

Thought that Civic Affairs Could be Managed Better by Commission than by Mayor and Aldermen

MEETING HELD LAST  
NIGHT BY THOSE FAVORABLE

A movement is on foot for the substitution of the commission form of government in Fredericton in the place of the system of government by City Council composed of mayor and aldermen, which has been in force since the incorporation of the city in 1848. The adoption of the system of government by commission on the part of the City of St. John has had much to do with causing a renewal of an agitation for the adoption of such a system here. For some time past there has been a desire on the part of a certain number of citizens that the commission system be given a trial and it is probable that those favorable to it will endeavor to spread their ideas.

## MEETING LAST NIGHT.

There was a meeting last night attended by those favorable to the proposed change in form of civic government. Dr. W. H. Steeves, who is a prominent member of the party favoring the commission system, stated this morning that little had been done at the meeting but that another would be held shortly, probably next week. The proposals with regard to the adoption of the commission system of civic government will be placed in definite form and submitted to the City Council at a later date. Those favorable to the change believe that it will meet with the approval of the majority of the citizens.

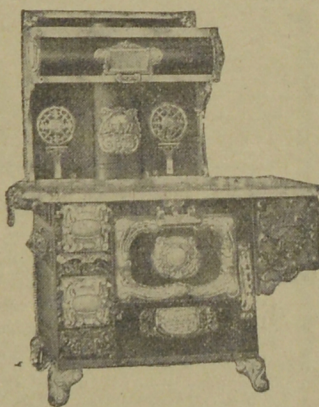
## FINE SHOW AT UNIQUE

Ward and Culhane those entertaining boys in song and dances are making one of the biggest hits of any act seen at the Unique in a long time. Their work is not only clever but extremely novel. Evidently this is the hand of act the people want judging from the hearty applause they received last evening. The pictures today include a beautiful Biograph feature beside two Edison subjects and a good Essanay comedy.

## Remember Graduation Day

Look back to the day when you were stirred with the pleasure and enthusiasm of Graduation Day. Think what it meant to you. Remember how you treasured and cherished Mother's Graduation Gift. Then think what it means or might mean to your daughter. The graduation gift should be something distinctly "personal." It may be serviceable, if you like. But above everything else it should be of really lasting quality. We shall be glad to help you in the selection of a worthy and appropriate gift for Graduation Day.

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