

## Local News

### HOME GUARD DRILL.

The members of "B" Company of the Home Guards will meet for drill at the Armory at eight o'clock this evening.

### AGAIN POSTPONED.

The Scott Act case against the Waverley Hotel was further postponed at the police court this morning until tomorrow afternoon.

### GOING AS CHAPLAIN.

Rev. E. B. Hooper, of St. Paul's Church, St. John, has been notified by Col. Humphrey, of Halifax, that his offer to go with the second contingent to the front has been accepted.

### COMING WEDDING.

Mr. Alex. Turner of the Bank of N.S.J., Chipman, and Miss Gertrude Hannah of St. John, are to be married on the 26th inst. The ceremony will be performed at St. David's church, St. John. Mr. Turner was at one time on the Bank of N.B. staff in this city.

### VOLUNTEERS ENTERTAINED.

Messrs. Clyde and Robert VanWart entertained a number of the members of the Field Battery at their home last evening. Among those present were Lieut. Jones, John Harvey, Gordon McDonald, Archie Williams, Harvey Lewis, Wilfrid Hand and Lloyd Dorey.

### ST. JOHN'S NEW DOCK.

The new dock lately completed at St. John West, will be opened for traffic tomorrow. Sir Robert Borden, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. Robert Rogers will deliver addresses. Miss Frances Hazen, daughter of the minister of marine, will formally cut the white ribbon across the entrance to the dock.

### YOUNG RAILWAY MANAGER.

Mr. E. M. Sherwood, manager of the Salisbury and Albert Railway, is in the city, the guest of his father, Mr. A. Sherwood. Mr. Sherwood succeeded his father as manager of the Albert railway when the latter came to this city a year ago to take over the management of the Gibson and Minto road. He is one of the youngest railway managers in Canada.

### AGED LADY'S DEATH.

Mrs. Rice, widow of Mr. Thomas Rice, died at New Maryland yesterday at the advanced age of eighty-three years. She is survived by one son, Mr. William Rice, and two daughters, Mrs. Oliver Grey and Mrs. James Gilmore of Medford, Mass. There is also one sister, Mrs. Abraham Segee, and two brothers, Mr. Thomas Graham of this city, and Mr. John Graham of this city, and Mr. John Gratake place on Wednesday afternoon, with services by Rev. Mr. Fenwick.

### DEATH AT TAYMOUTH.

Mrs. Abigail McLaggan, widow of Mr. Peter McLaggan, died at her home this morning. She was seventy-five years of age and is survived by a family of five sons and four daughters. They are John of Edmonton, Alta.; James of Dawson City, Martin of Oregon, Kenneth of St. Mary's, Mrs. Harry Kendall of Colfield, Alta.; Mrs. George H. Young of Taymouth, Mrs. Miles Fraser of Evanston, Alta.; Frank in British Columbia, and Miss Annie McLaggan of this city. The funeral will take place on Friday at one o'clock from the residence of Mr. G. H. Young.

### FATALITY AT MONCTON.

A sad fatality occurred in Moncton on Monday afternoon shortly before four o'clock, when Annie, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Steeves who reside on Seventh street, was smothered to death through dense smoke which emanated from a fire which it is believed started from a defective flue. A younger brother, Addison, aged two years was picked up in a semi-conscious condition, and it was only through the quick response of medical aid that the child's life was saved. Coupled with this tragedy the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Steeves was quite badly gutted by the flames, before they could be extinguished.

### THE POTATO EMBARGO.

The officials of the department of agriculture have not yet been notified of the removal of the United States embargo on Canadian potatoes. The announcement of the removal of the embargo has been made in the produce journals and other American publications. It is said that potatoes entering the United States must undergo inspection at the ports of Boston and New York. Mr. W. W. Boyce, a local produce shipped, stated this morning that the outlook for an export trade in potatoes with the United States was not very bright. He did not think people would care to ship them to Boston or New York and incur the risk of having them turned down by the inspecting officers.

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## BOARD OF TRADE TO BE REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE

Delegates Named to go to Amherst  
On Dec. 17th--Want I. C. R.  
Operation of the Valley Road--  
The Antimony Mine

The council of the Board of Trade held a special meeting in the office on Queen street last evening and transacted considerable business. The question of being represented at the conference of manufacturers to be held at Amherst on the 17th was discussed and President Palmer and Mr. A. R. Slipp, M.P.P., were named as delegates.

A resolution recently passed by the Gagetown Board of Trade calling for the immediate operation of the Valley Railway by the Intercolonial, was before the meeting and discussed at some length. A committee composed of Messrs. Jennings, Slipp and Secretary Campbell was appointed to prepare a similar resolution and forward the same to the I.C.R. authorities. There is a strong feeling among the business men of the community that the road should be put into operation without delay.

Mr. Slipp made mention of the fact that he had recently paid a visit to the antimony mine at Lake George. He pointed out that that mine had been closed for three years, but he found the property in good condition. Antimony is now selling at a much higher price than prevailed when the mine closed down and he believed that it could not be operated at a profit. He thought that the board should take steps to make it known to the outside world that there were valuable deposits of antimony in the County of York which if the necessary capital forthcoming could easily be developed.

## WILL NOT OPERATE VALLEY ROAD ON 40 P. C. BASIS

I. C. R. Authorities Want Local Gov-  
ernment to Guarantee That Deficit  
Will be Made Good--Proposal  
Will Not be Entertained

The latest report in connection with the Valley Railway is that the I.C.R. authorities have "jacked up" on the agreement to operate it on a forty per cent. basis and have submitted to the provincial government a counter proposal of a rather astounding nature. They are willing, so it is said, to take over and operate the road and turn over fifty per cent. of the gross receipts to the government. This sounds very good on the face of it but there are certain conditions attached. One of the conditions is that the St. John and Quebec Railway Company, which is generally supposed to own the road, will undertake to make good any deficit which may result from its operation and that the government give a guarantee that the amount of such deficit will be paid over to the I.C.R. authorities. This proposal only applies to that section of the road between Centreville and Fredericton. So far as the Gagetown section is concerned, the I.C.R. authorities are unwilling to operate it upon any terms.

President Gould and Mr. Ross Thompson were in Moncton last week and conferred with General Manager Gutelius, but were unable to arrive at any agreement. The latest I.C.R. proposal, so it is said, had been submitted to the government, but will not be entertained.

It is said now that the St. John and Quebec Railway Company will come forward with a proposal to operate the road. As this concern is without rolling stock it means that if their proposal is accepted the road will be operated by the Canadian

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Pacific, a consummation not devoutly to be wished.

The suggestion has been made that a strong delegation wait upon Hon. Mr. Hazen during his visit to the province this week and urge that he take some action to compel the I.C.R. to operate the road.

The poet wears his hair long because there is no short cut to fame.

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What to Give?

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