

LOCAL NEWS

WILL VISIT EUROPE

Major J. G. W. H. Massey, manager of the Fredericton Branch of the Bank of Montreal will leave on April 1st. on a trip to the old country.

CHIEF SUP. IN MONCTON

Dr. W. S. Carter, chief superintendent of education, made an official visit to the schools of Moncton yesterday. In the afternoon he conferred with the teachers of that city.

TO PREACH AT MARYSVILLE.

Rev. James Smart of St. John, is to occupy the Methodist pulpit at Marysville Sunday morning and evening. Rev. Mr. Smart recently arrived from England.

POLICE COURT

One drunk appeared before Police Magistrate Marsh this morning and was given three days in jail or a fine of four dollars. The prisoner had appeared several times before the court within the past few days and the light sentence was imposed in order to give him time to get sober.

REMOVED FROM STANLEY

Mr. J. A. Humble, has removed his family from Stanley to this city occupying the residence at the corner of Westmorland and Brunswick streets owned by Miss Hodge. Mr. Humble expects to return upon his duties as I. C. R. Claims Agent in the near future.

SEED FAIR.

The exhibits of seeds at the seed fair being held at the exhibition building in connection with the meeting of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association are said to be the best ever shown in this city. There was a large attendance at the seed fair today.

TO BANQUET F. B. CARVELL

The Hartland friends of Mr. F. B. Carvell, M. P., plan on giving him a banquet at Hartland, April 9th. This is in appreciation of his services during his career in the provincial legislature and at Ottawa and more especially in his having secured the appropriation for the Hartland new post office.

TO RESIDE HERE

Mr. J. A. McNair of Arthurette, Victoria County, intends to remove to this city with his family and take up his residence here. He will occupy the house on Woodstock Road formerly occupied by the late James Tennant. Mr. J. D. McNair Rhodes Scholar from the University of New Brunswick now at Oxford is a son.

CARLETON METHODIST VOTE

The Quarterly Board (Methodist) vote on church union in the Woodstock district was:

Woodstock	for 16	Against 6
Centreville	" 13	" 1
Hartland	" 6	" 2
Andover	" 7	" 0
Jacksonville	" 4	" 6
Lindsay	" 9	" 2

LATE MRS. MARGARET LARLEE.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Larlee, widow of the late William Larlee, took place this afternoon from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. D. C. Burpee, Gibson, and was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. Thomas Stebbings and interment was made at Sunnybank cemetery.

LATE MRS. THOS. MORRISON

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Morrison wife of Ald. Morrison of Marysville took place today the remains being taken to Hoyt Station for interment. Service was conducted last evening at the late home of the deceased by Rev. Mr. Williams and was largely attended. This morning when the remains were brought to this city to be taken to Hoyt Station. They were accompanied from Marysville by His Worship Mayor Hatt, Town Clerk A. D. McPherson and members of the town council.

SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT.

Sir William Mackenzie, Mr. G. G. Reel of Toronto, Mr. D. King Hazen of St. John, and Mr. M. Lodge of Moncton, waited upon Premier Fleming yesterday afternoon in connection with the transfer of the license of the Albert Shale Company to the New Brunswick Shales, Limited, a recently organized Corporation. It is understood that a satisfactory arrangement was made and that some agreement concerning royalties will be made later. The representatives of the company have left for their homes.

C. P. R. FARMING SPECIAL.

Mr. H. P. Timmerman, of the C. P. R., who has charge of the "Better Farming Special," arrived at the Windsor street station, Montreal, on Saturday night, after a three weeks' tour through the Province of Ontario. The car will not be refitted for its tour through New Brunswick which will commence shortly. It is expected that the Macdonald College will assist in equipping the train for the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture. A new feature will also be added to the special in the form of a live stock car, which is expected to prove an additional attraction.

PROSECUTION WITHDRAWS FROM CASE AGAINST HAYES

J. D. Phinney, Counsel for Defence Demands that Examination Continue and Charge be Investigated--Accused let go on his own Word to Appear if Wanted--Charges of Perjury, Libel and False Arrest may Result from Case

Mr. George Hayes of St. Mary's, charged with an attempt to commit a previous assault upon Postmaster James D. Blair of that place, was this morning dismissed by Police Magistrate Marsh on his own recognizance to appear, if it is decided that the case shall continue. Mr. P. A. Guthrie, who appeared for the prosecution, abandoned the case, announcing to the court that he withdrew from it. Mr. Guthrie stated that His Honor had said yesterday that further adjournment than today would not be allowed, but was corrected by the court, who told him that the statement had been that further adjournment without admitting the prisoner to bail would not be permitted.

Mr. J. D. Phinney, counsel for the accused, stated that if the prosecution desired to proceed with the case, as counsel for the defendant, would consent to further adjournment.

"We court investigation," said Mr. Phinney. "Who cares who prosecutes?"

Police Magistrate Marsh stated that he never before had an application of the kind made to him and he would take some time to consider, and would consult with the crown officials concerning the matter, for probably the first time in his experience as a magistrate. He fixed Tuesday next at 11 a.m. as the time on which he would decide in the matter. He would take the word of Mr. Hayes to appear if wanted.

FURTHER ACTION LIKELY.

Mr. Phinney intimated in strong language that action on the part of the accused was very likely to be taken against those back of the prosecution. The matter was not being tried in court, but in the newspapers, it having been stated that the accused had committed a murderous assault on James D. Blair. Such a statement had been published not only in Fredericton, but in St. John. The matter would probably not be allowed to rest.

The newspapers in which the words "murderous assault" appeared "were the Fredericton Gleaner and St. John Standard. It is not unlikely that libel suits may be instituted and the friends of Mr. Hayes state further that a charge of perjury may arise out of the case.

MUCH INTEREST IN CASE

As was the case yesterday the court room was crowded this morning. When the case was opened Mr. Guthrie presented an affidavit signed by B. M. Mullin, M. D., to the effect that James D. Blair and his wife were both under his care and were not able to attend court. The counsel for the prosecution again advanced the argument that these were his chief witnesses and as his honor had refused further adjournment he would have to withdraw from the case. Mr. Guthrie's statement with regard to adjournment was corrected by the magistrate as mentioned before.

On the affidavit being read Mr. Phinney asked to be allowed to read it. Mr. Guthrie stated it was private property and was met with a de-

LADIES AUXILIARY OF Y.M.C.A. "AT HOME"

Entertained Pleasantly at Y.M.C.A. Building Last Evening--Enjoyable Program

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. gave a very successful "At Home" at the Y. M. C. A. Building last night, about one hundred being in attendance. A most enjoyable program of music was enjoyed and refreshments were served during the evening. The guests were received by Pres. W. M. Burns and Mrs. Burns, and by Miss Ella Clark, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The program was as follows: The Misses Kitchen, piano duet; Miss Muriel Masters, Mrs. W. C. H. Grimmer, Miss Baird and Mrs. F. A. Good, vocal solos; quartette, Messrs Cooper, Holder, Edney and Mitchell. The accompanists were Miss Mae Dolan and Miss Daisy McKenzie. Mesdames P. D. McKenzie and John Kilburn presided over the serving of refreshments, and Mesdames W. J. Osborne and Barbour ushered the guests into the tea-room. Ices were served by Mrs. R. B. Wallace, Miss M. Kilburn, Mrs. John Bebbington, Miss Sampson, Mrs. C. J. B. Simmonds, Mrs. Langford Good, Mrs. F. D. Creed, Mrs. C. Camp, Mrs. R. P. Allen and Miss Todd.

TWO OFFERS OF STATION-SITES AT OROMOCTO

James P. Bliss and Gilbert Smith both Willing to Give Land--Neither Site Within a Mile of Oromocto Village

BRIDGE ACROSS OROMOCTO ONE MILE FROM MOUTH

The people of Oromocto and vicinity appear to be fully aware of the importance of railway communication and already two offers of free site for the station of the St. John and Quebec Railway which will serve the village of Oromocto have been received. Neither of the sites offered is very near the village however, the line surveyed for the railway not approaching within a mile of that place.

Mr. James P. Bliss who lives about one mile north-west of Oromocto has offered a free right of way across his farm and also all the land required for a station site. Mr. Gilbert Smith whose property lies a mile and a half south-east of Oromocto has done the same. Both offers are now under consideration.

The bridge by which the St. John and Quebec Railway will cross the Oromocto River will be located about one mile from the mouth of the stream the railway following a route which will pass around the village.

A NEW MANAGER

Mr. Arthur Rowan was yesterday officially notified of his appointment to the position of secretary-treasurer and manager of the St. John River Log Driving Company vice Mr. Lewis Mr. L. H. Bliss, resigned. Mr. Rowan has been in the company's employ for six years, and is thoroughly conversant with his duties. He is being warmly congratulated upon his well deserved promotion.

Wellington, G.Z., March 22--Thomas MacKenzie minister of agriculture and commerce was today elected prime minister of New Zealand by seventy four votes to nine. Sir Joseph George Ward, the present premier will defer his resignation until Mr. MacKenzie has definitely formed his cabinet.

It is announced that Bayard Veiler is the sole author of Grace George's new play, "Within the Law."

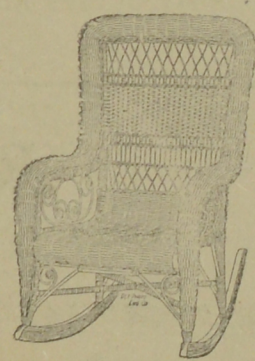
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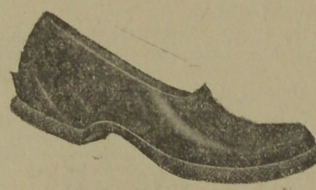
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