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THE WATER EXPERIMENTS.

The successive boards of aldermen have sought to deal with the question of improving the quality of the water supply, but never seem to get anywhere.

Periodically someone arises with a new plan, but beyond the incurring of expenditure nothing comes of the various schemes set afloat.

It is only a few weeks ago that the city footed extensive bills for Prof. Jack's survey of the river, and for bacteriological tests of the water. The result of these was a recommendation to remove the intake pipe further up river, and filter the water the whole business to cost some \$70,000 or \$80,000. The citizens paid up the bills for these services cheerfully, but it seems that after all nothing is to come of it.

In the meantime the new council purposes to sink an artesian well at a cost of probably \$2,000, and if that is a success it is presumed that the present water supply system, which cost over \$100,000, will be practically superseded, and a system of artesian well will be sunk at a heavy cost.

The ratepayers of Fredericton have generally shown a willingness to make expenditures for needful objects, but they like to know if they are getting value for their money. They would be better satisfied if the council would adopt some settled policy with respect to water improvement and stick to it until practical results are attained. Experimenting is rather costly.

Plenty of people believe that Fredericton water is all right, that if sanitary conditions are not what they should be the blame lies rather with the lack of sewerage, and that a successful solution of this problem would put everything straight.

It is possible that by the time the experiment of sinking an artesian well is concluded, there will be another city council with some other idea of improving the water supply, and we shall go on ad infinitum, without accomplishing anything substantial.

On the financial side it is worth while enquiring if the council in this year's assessment has made provision for sinking an artesian well, for if the precaution has not been taken we shall find ourselves short some \$2,000 at the end of the year, with another proposition to bond an indebtedness which should be paid out of current revenue.

A LOST OPPORTUNITY.

The Mayor was absent from the first regular monthly meeting of the city council since his election, and the anticipated inaugural address, outlining his policy for the year did not materialize. If His Worship had the document prepared and inadvertently carried it with him on his professional visit to the country, it is still open to him to hand it to the newspapers for publication, and in this way the public will be made aware how he proposes to signalize his occupancy of the responsible and dignified position to which his fellow citizens have elected him.

A gentleman of the Mayor's liberal education, wide reading and practical experience must have concealed somewhere about his interesting personality, ideas that would be valuable for the better government of the city, and he owes it as a duty to his constituents to impart his knowledge for the public good.

What does he think or know about sewerage, about the necessity for improving the water, about the propriety of installing a filtration plant, and sinking artesian wells, and a dozen different matters of supreme public interest.

His Worship must realize that the people expect him to be more than ornamental, during his term of office, and to propose more than his policy of bonding a floating indebtedness of the city, for the up-building and development of the capital of New Brunswick.

It is a great pity that His Worship lost his opportunity at the first regular meeting of the council to expound his views on public questions, and it is to be sincerely hoped that in future his professional calls will not conflict with the full performance of his civic duties.

IMPORTANT LINK WANTING.

The sensation which Hon. Robert

Rogers, a member of the Tory government of Manitoba has sprung with respect to the interference of the papal delegate to secure separate schools in Manitoba as the price for federal authorities extending Manitoba's boundaries, lacks a very important link to effect its object, which is to prejudice the English provinces of Canada against Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

There is no evidence that the Mgr. Sbarretti had any authority from Sir Wilfrid to make any such offer to the Manitoba government, and the returns of the negotiations for an extension of that province's boundary, submitted to Parliament, do not contain the slightest suggestion that the premier is involved or compromised in the scheme which the Manitoba politician seeks to exploit to the injury of the Premier and the Liberal government.

The Hon. Robert Rogers is a spectacular politician, of a very violent Tory type, and would go to any length to injure the Liberal party of Canada. Just now he and his colleague are smarting under the refusal of the Liberal governor of the province to dissolve the legislature and appeal to the people on the boundary question, and his screaming manifesto should be taken with a generous supply of salt until at least Sir Wilfrid is heard from.

SUNDAY FUNERALS.

The proposal made in the St. John Presbytery, to do away with Sunday funerals, is a step in the right direction, if it were only in the interests of the clergymen. The active pastor of a church after he has conducted the two regular services of a Sunday, and a Bible class, has done enough work for one day, and it is unfair to expect him to add a funeral service to his programme. Too often Sunday funerals are made the object of unusual display with bands of music parading the streets, and in many instances the affair could have been conducted on the previous or following day without seriously interfering with any other interest.

The discountenancing of Sunday funerals may well be followed up by the clergymen until the practice is discarded, and in a campaign of that kind they should have the sympathy and support of the people.

Was it on April 1st that Mr. O. S. Crockett and Mr. Wilmot, two Tory M. P.'s, interviewed the minister of militia with respect to the fake report that the R. C. R. in this city was to be removed to Halifax? The minister told the meddlers that the report was all moonshine.

The extension of Fredericton's water system and the requests for the opening up of new streets, are evidences of the city's steady growth and development.

THE STOCK MARKET.

C. P. R. Goes Slightly up and Twin City Drops.

Montreal, April 5.—(Special)—The stock quotations this morning were as follows:

Dominion Coal, 83½, 83½.
Dominion Iron and Steel, 23½, 23½.
Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 71½.
Nova Scotia Steel, 66½, 66½.
C. P. R., 149½, 150.
Twin City, 121, 118½.
Montreal Power, 92½, 92.
Rich. and Ontario Navigation, 74½, 74½.

MARRIED AT THIRTEEN.

Woman Charged with Bigamy Started Matrimonial Life Early.

London, Ontario, April 5.—(Special)—In the police court yesterday evidence was produced in the case of Mrs. Cornelia Marlott, charged with bigamy, to show that the woman was married in 1893 to John Marlott, when 13 years old.

In 1898 she was married again at Port Huron to Aylmer Schramm.

WEATHER PROBS.

Toronto, April 5.—(Special)—East and south winds, showery today, and Thursday in western districts, and fair until tomorrow in eastern districts.

A PECULIAR CASE.

John Moore, eldest son of Adam Moore, the well known guide of Scotch Lake, was taken ill a few days ago from an ailment which Dr. McNeill diagnosed as paralysis of the muscles. His condition is reported to be very critical.

SYDNEY CARNIVAL.

Sydney, N. S., April 5.—(Special)—The date of the Sydney carnival was fixed today at 31st of July, and continuing until Saturday August 5. The programme will include aquatic and athletic sports, horse racing, regatta, naval, military and trades parades.

DEATH AT MARYSVILLE.

The death occurred at Marysville, this morning, after a lingering illness, of Mr. John McArthur, a well known resident. He had reached the advanced age of eighty-nine years. A family of eight daughters survive him. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2.45, with services by Rev. R. S. Crisp. The remains will be taken to Harcourt, Kent county for burial. George W. Adams is the officiating undertaker.

THE TOBIQUE COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the Tobique Log Driving Company is being held at the Queen Hotel this afternoon. Those in attendance are Senator Baird, J. C. Hartley, A. J. Beveridge, Donald Fraser, sr., Donald Fraser, jr., and Henry Hilyard.

Fred S. Sayre, registrar of deeds at Richibucto, received word last evening that his brother, Frank, was killed by a train that morning at Kamloops, B. C. He was a son of the late C. J. Sayre, ex-M. P. and had been living in British Columbia for several years. The deceased was thirty-eight years of age, and leaves a wife and one child.

Sleeping In Church.

"Some men preach," said Sydney Smith, "as if they thought sin is to be taken out of a man as Eve was taken out of Adam, by casting him into a profound slumber." So at any rate thought not South, who, preaching one day at Whitehall, observed King Charles II. and several of his attendants asleep. Stopping down, he cried out to one of the delinquents, "My lord, I am sorry to interrupt you, but if you snore so loud you will wake the king." His majesty thereupon awoke and, turning to his neighbor, remarked with his accustomed good nature: "This man must be made a bishop. Remind me on the next vacancy." Latimer speaks of a woman who suffered from insomnia, and who, all soporifics having failed, was taken to the church of St. Thomas of Acres, when she fell at once into a refreshing slumber.—London Mail.

He Shut the Fire In.

A bright lad was given a dime the other day by a visitor to whom he had been exhibited as the pride of the household. The youngster promptly lost the coin under the bed in his room and in searching for it with a lighted candle set fire to the bedding. He found the dime and went downstairs without saying a word about the conflagration. A few minutes later the head of the house sniffed suspiciously. "I smell smoke," he remarked. "Something's burning." "It's my room," admitted the youthful prodigy, "but," he added reassuringly, with a flash of the brightness in which the family took so much pride, "the fire can't get out. I closed the door tight." The fire department arrived in time to save the house.



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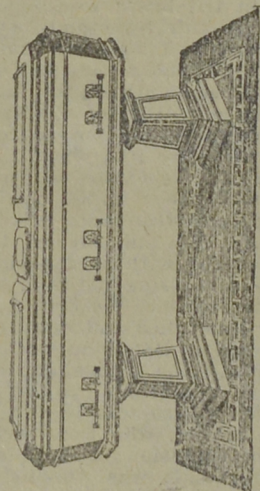
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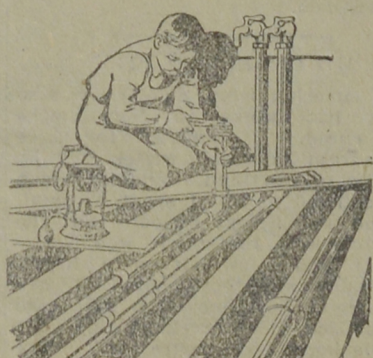
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