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DAILY HERALD.

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HOURS OF LABOR.

The efforts of local carpenters to secure a reduction in the hours of their working day will be watched with interest. Nothing can be achieved by them without combined action. The Carpenter's Union, a labor organization in the United States, comprising nearly all the members of that trade, have done considerable to benefit the condition of their trade, and have secured a reduction of the working day from ten to eight hours within the past few years. Intelligent efforts along this line are to be recommended. In so far as the hours of the working day can be reduced without a corresponding reduction in the output of the trade or in the amount of work done, just so far will the efforts of the workmen meet with the hearty co-operation of the employers' associations. It has been definitely proved that with a shorter working day, employees having more time for self education and enjoyment, take a keener interest and zest in their work and will accomplish as much in eight hours as they formerly did in ten. But the avowed object of most labor organizations in attempting to reduce working hours is to decrease the output and thus to secure more employment for other workmen. In this they fail miserably and receive the condemnation of their employers and the public. The output must not be decreased and any attempt of the Labor Unions towards this end meets with disapproval. Any intelligent efforts of local carpenters to better the conditions of their trade should receive the consideration of their employers and the public.

AN ENORMOUS DEMAND.

It is predicted that Japan will demand as a war indemnity from Russia the immense sum of one billion of dollars, which will practically cover their expenses in the war up to the present time. In addition to this, it is thought as an essential to peace Russia must cede to Japan, Sakhalin, the Liao Tung Peninsula and the Trans Siberian Railway, so far inland as Harbin. Japanese influence in Korea must be regarded as predominate and Manchuria must be returned to China. It is probable that in view of the greatly disturbed condition of affairs in that province Japan will control its administration, giving a pledge to return it to China, when the occasion is fitting. Many other matters of great importance have to be decided by the peace plenipotentiaries at Portsmouth, such as the neutralization of Vladivostok, which is thought to be essential to peace. This will not be really granted by Russia, for it has been the keystone of her policy for the past quarter of a century, to secure an outlet on the Pacific Ocean. Nothing has been accomplished towards an armistice, Japan refusing to take any steps until the peace envoys have met in conference. Even should Russia accept the terms of peace as outlined by Japan it is a matter of conjecture whether Russia, with the present financial embarrassment, could raise such an immense war indemnity.

THE PIKE LAW.

The Bangor News has commenced an agitation against the Pike law, which permits American logs to be brought down the St. John River, manufactured and admitted into the United States free of duty, and declares that it will be repealed at the coming session of congress. Discussing the question editorially The News says:

"The more the situation is investigated the plainer does it become that New Brunswick is making all the profits from the act, while the Maine people are losing revenues ever so long as the act remains in force. Conditions change with the passing years. When the Pike act was passed there was no Maine railroad reaching into Aroostook County. Now the Bangor & Aroostook road covers the whole country like a net. It extends from Houlton to Caribou and Fort Fairfield, and from Ashland and Fort Kent. There is no section of Northern Maine from whence manufactured lumber may not be brought out on cars. It was perhaps needful for Northern Maine to have its lumber at St. John when

the Pike act became a law. Today Maine can saw its own lumber.

"Last winter the legislature of Maine asked congress to repeal the Pike law, thus showing that the demand was by no means local. It has been charged by those who should know the facts, that for every million feet of Maine timbers taken to St. John for sawing fully two millions of manufactured lumber are brought back. To be sure, certain rules of surveying allow for a large overrun, though when the increase causes the result to double, the suspicion is abroad that many trees which grow in New Brunswick went to help make out the amount of lumber received by Maine merchants. Of course such conduct is in violation of the Dingley law, and should be stopped. As it will be a hard task for the customs officials to prevent this kind of smuggling, the best way to get around the difficulty, is to repeal the Pike act at once."

Mr. W. F. McLean, M. P., offers this information through this paper, the Toronto World, to the Globe of that city: "If it is any satisfaction to the Globe to know it, W. F. McLean did not sign the round robin; refused to sign it; kept away from any caucus where it was discussed, and 'cannot return the \$1,000 cheque for extra indemnity,' because he has not taken it. He never saw nor heard of the proposed increases until they were uncovered in the House on that happy Monday."

BITS OF NEWS.

Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges and Other Sources.

Andrew Kazi, a Russian, was arrested at Presque Isle yesterday, on a charge of stabbing William Malasky, a fellow countryman, in the back with a pocket knife and inflicting a serious but not necessarily fatal wound.

Hon. Mr. Fielding left Ottawa yesterday for Rimouski to meet Mrs. Fielding and daughter who are returning from Europe. Miss Fielding has been under the care of Dr. Loring at Vienna for the past six months.

Ex-Premier Parent was yesterday appointed chairman of the National Transcontinental Commission in succession to the late F. B. Wade. Mr. C. F. McIsaac, M. P., for Antigonish, is to be the maritime province representative.

An order in council appointing John Fraser, chief clerk of the finance department, to be auditor general of the dominion has been passed. It is conceded by those who know him that Mr. Fraser is a thoroughly competent accountant.

It is understood that Chief Engineer Lumsden of the national transcontinental railway reported some time ago to the commission in favor of the central route in New Brunswick as against the St. John valley route. It will be taken up as soon as the commission is reorganized.

Former Congressman Jerry Simpson, nationally known as "Socksless Jerry," for some time dangerously ill at his home in New Hampshire, is very ill and death may come at any moment. One of the blood vessels of his heart is ruptured. Simpson is a native of New Brunswick.

Ottawa is to give time signals to Newfoundland. Dr. Klotz, assistant astronomer of the interior department, left Tuesday for Tadoussac, where he will be engaged for several days exchanging time signals to Chateau Bay with Sir Wm. McGregor, governor of Newfoundland. The desire on Sir William's part is to determine the longitude of different points in Newfoundland. For this purpose the Dominion government is co-operating.

The Imperial house of commons yesterday refused to permit Winston P. Churchill to introduce the bill limiting the life of parliament to five instead of seven years. Mr. Churchill explained that the bill would give fuller popular control of the executive. He said there was a growing diminution of parliamentary authority over the government, and by this arrangement more frequent appeals to the country could be of national advantage. The proposal was defeated by 239 to 176 votes.

A special London cable says: The Privy Council today refused the petition of the Dominion of Canada for leave to appeal the Lord's Day Alliance Case. E. L. Newcombe, K. C., deputy minister of justice of Canada, appeared on behalf of the government. He held that the matter was of great public interest and that the Dominion and the provinces should know their respective jurisdictions. The court declined to hear R. U. MacPherson, who appeared for the Dominion Lord's Day Alliance supporting the appeal.

Six deaths from yellow fever at New Orleans were recorded Tuesday up to 6 p. m., making a total to date of forty-five. The number of new cases reported yesterday and complied today is eleven, making all told to date 165 cases. There are now nineteen centres of infection. The organization of forces for fighting the spread of the infection and for a campaign of education and practical application of the mosquito extermination plans has been completed, and besides, 100 men have been put on as extras to clean gutters, while 150 men are working as part of the system of sanitation.

SHOT HERSELF.

Truro Woman Attempts Suicide in a Hardware Store.

Truro, July 26.—A few minutes before 6 o'clock this evening, Mrs. Edith Payne entered the hardware shop of C. S. Hanson and asked the clerk if they kept revolvers for sale, giving as her reason for wishing to purchase the desire for protection for herself and children, as they lived alone, in what she represented as a bad neighborhood.

The clerk showed her what she asked for, a .32-calibre which she took and examined, and asked what size cartridge it took. When she was given one to look at, she dropped it into a chamber and, before those around could think, pointed it at herself and sent the bullet into her body above the right lung.

Medical aid was summoned and the woman was removed to her home, where she is under the care of Victorian nurses. The bullet has not been located, but, unless complications arise no serious results are expected.

Mrs. Payne, a widow with her children, came here from St. John's (Nfld.), about two months ago, and had lived very much to themselves, making no friends among their neighbors. She and her two eldest children found employment in the Truro Knitting Mills, but her health gave out, and for some weeks what the children—a girl of fourteen and a boy of twelve—earned was all they had to live on. The youngest, a boy of eight or nine, living at home with his mother, and her baby, a child of six years, is in an orphan's home at St. John's (Nfld.).

AN ODD PUZZLE.

The Cryptic Inscription That Ornamented a Swiss Church.

A picturesque tower is the oldest part of the Swiss church at Champéry, a village which lies in a valley under the shadow of the towering Dent du Midi.

Dedicated to St. Theodule, this church was built in 1726 on the site of an ancient chapel. The tower, with its unique pierced crown, carries a gilt statuette of the patron saint, a quaint old clock and the following cryptic inscription, which has puzzled many travelers:

QUOD AN TRIS MULCE PA
GUIS TI DINE VIT
HOC SAN CHRIS DULCE LA
By taking the syllables above and below with those in the middle it reads:
Quod anguis tristi mulcedine pavit,
Hoc sanguis Christi dulcedine lavit,
which may be freely rendered:

That which the serpent with sad charm
The blood of Christ with sweetness has
renewed.

SILENT PARLOR MATCHES.

The latest out. No sulphur. No crack. Warranted not to drop fire or deface if ignited on the finest wall paper. The double tipped match at G. T. Whelpley's.—d.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

TENDER FOR QUAY WALL.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside "Tender for Quay Wall, Halifax, N. S.," will be received up to and including

THURSDAY, the 10th day of AUGUST.

1905, for the construction of a Quay Wall of Cribwork at Halifax, N. S.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Terminal Agent at Halifax, N. S., and at the Chief Engineer's office, Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

D. POTTINGER,
General Manager.
Railway Office, Moncton, N. B.,
24th July, 1905.
July 27, d111.



Cheap Sale MILLINERY.

In order to clear we will sell the balance of our stock of SUMMER MILLINERY at half price. These include Hats, Toques, Tourist Hats and Veils, Children's Hats, etc.

Miss Morgan,
Willinery Parlors, - - - York Street
Wedding Hats Mourning and a specialty.

Fredericton

Exhibition

Tenders for Catering, Refreshments, Advertising, etc.

Tenders for the Catering at Fredericton Exhibition to be held September 21st to 27th will be received by the Secretary up to

Monday, August 14th

The Dining Hall on third floor of the Main Building is being enlarged and when completed will seat from sixty to eighty more people than before.

Tenders will also be received up to above date for the sale of Confectionery, Fruit, Nuts, Ice Cream, Soda Water, Non-Alcoholic Drinks, Cigars, etc., etc. Ample space for the above lines will be provided in the Main Building and on the enclosed grounds.

Tenders will also be received at the same time for the Advertising Privilege on the outside of Cattle Sheds on Smythe and Saunders streets.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted, unless approved by the Executive Committee.

Further information can be had from the Secretary, Box 150, Fredericton, N. B.

W. S. HOOPER,
Secretary.

JOHN A. CAMPBELL, M. P. P.,
President.

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INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

TENDER FOR WATER TANKS.

Separate Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and marked on the outside "Tender for Tank, Truro," or "Tender for Tank, Riviere du Loup," as the case may be, will be received up to and including

MONDAY, the 7th AUGUST, 1905, for the construction of two 80,000 gallon Water Tanks, one at Truro, N. S., and one at Riviere du Loup, P. Q.

Plans and specification may be seen at the Station Master's office at Truro, N. S., and at Riviere du Loup, P. Q., and at the Chief Engineer's Office, Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

D. POTTINGER,
General Manager.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B.,
22nd July, 1905.

Fredericton People Know a Good Article

A very large number of people availed themselves of the opportunity given them in our store on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, for testing the famous

**McLaren's
Jelly Powder
and Extracts.**

All were delighted with the goods, showing that they appreciated the quality of same, by securing some of them for their homes. The total number of packages of Jelly sold were 320. Also 36 bottles of Extracts and 68 tins of the McLaren Pure Cream Tartar Baking Powder.

The above results are the largest ever made in same length of time in the province.—McLaren's Demonstrator.

We will continue to sell these goods.

E. G. HOBEN
27 York street.

IT MAKES ME SMILE

"I've been wearing Glasses. I couldn't read half the print of the news, and now I can read it all. This pair makes me feel like a three year old."

WE SOLD THOSE GLASSES and now he's happy. Our Glasses will do as much for you. No occasion for being cross when you wear them. Try them, buy them and see. Don't cost but a trifle.

Jas. D. Fowler,
The Optician and Jeweler,
Opp. Post Office - - Fredericton

OUR ANNUAL Clearance Sale IN OUR Ready-to-wear Department

BEGINS

**SATURDAY MORNING
AT SHARP 10 O'CLOCK.**

On next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock we will have a grand Clearance Sale in our Ladies' Ready-to-wear Department Ladies' Black Cloth Coats, Ladies' Colored Cloth Coats, Ladies' Raincoats, Ladies' Skirts, Misses' Coats. Ladies' Shirt Waist Suits in lawn, muslin and duck. Be on hand sharp on time, as some of the articles will be at just one half the original price.

JOHN J. WEDDALL & SON
Agents for Standard Patterns.

SPARKLETS.

We sell Syphons and Bulbs for the instantaneous preparation of Soda Water at home. No summer camp should be without them. They are easy to use and the cost is small.

Have you tried our Pure West India Lime Juice? Compare it with others and note the superior flavor.

QUART BOTTLES—25 CENTS.

HUNT & MacDONALD
DRUGGISTS, - - - QUEEN STREET.

At Our Soda Fount

You can get all the latest flavors, including

Cherries Ripe with Fruit,
Pineapple Ripe with Fruit,
Strawberries Ripe with Fruit
LIME JUICE, KOLA CLARET, ETC.

It is the only place in town where you can get the great American drink, MOXIE.

ARTHUR J. RYAN.
Corner Queen and Carleton street, - - - Fredericton, N. B.

IN STOCK TO-DAY.

Tongaline,
Alkolithia,
Diamond Lotion,
Pompeian Massage Cream,
Panopeptin, Atwood's Bitters

GEO. Y. DIBBLEE,
PEOPLE'S DRUGGIST, - - - Opp. City Hall.

FANCY FLOWER VASES.

We still have an assortment of

FLOWER VASES

WE ARE SELLING

2 FOR 25 CENTS.

These are in a variety of colors. Just the thing for large bouquets. Sale will only last 2 days longer.

LEMONT & SONS.
HOUSE FURNISHERS.