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MILLINERY SALE

The balance of our Summer Millinery to be sold at half price.

SAILORS, TRIMMED HATS AND CHILDREN'S HEAD-WEAR

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YORK STREET.

A FULL ASSORTMENT

Off Ladies' and Misses'

Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats

AT LOWEST PRICES

Miss M. E. Flanagan

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Finest Mixed 1lb Boxes	-	-	75c
Finest Mixed 1-2lb Boxes	-	-	40c
Toronto Creams 1 lb Boxes	-	-	60c
Toronto Creams 1-2 lb Boxes	-	-	30c
Cream Peppermints 1-2 Boxes	-	-	25c
Educational Chocolates 10 cents Packages	-	-	

GEO. Y. DIBBLEE

PEOPLES' DRUGGIST.

OPP. CITY HALL

Flies Carry Disease

Kill them off by using Fly Paper, Sticky and poisonous, Insect powder etc. You can get it at

WILEY'S YORK ST.

*Chestnut
says.*

"You are entitled to two comfortable feet. Why not resolve to have them? Scarcely any other minor trouble causes the discomfort and suffering that smarting, itching and burning feet do. These and a variety of other foot ailments are almost instantly relieved by "Foot Elm." Price, 25 cts. Mailed to any address on receipt of price."

"THE QUALITY STORE."

572 QUEEN STREET

SILVER POLISH!

New lot of this **LIQUID** polish at 25c per Bottle

ALSO

The powder at 10c per box.

F. E. BLACKMER

ST. GEORGE THREATENED.

Forest Fires Surrounding Town and the Worst is Feared--Wind Favorable for Spread of Flames

ST. GEORGE, July 15--(Special)--The wind died out last night and the fire situation was somewhat improved, but it still made headway. It is now burning toward the Mascarene Shore.

The wind is springing up and if the fire secures a hold it will wipe out every house in this district. Spark and embers are falling in the lower end of the town, threatening buildings in that locality.

Unless rain comes today the worst is feared.

Mails for Back Bay, Letete and Mascarene are held up here.

The mail driver got in this morning having driven forty miles to get around the flames. The distance is only ten miles from St. George to Back Bay.

Letang, Back Bay and Letete and Mascarene are cut off from all communications with St. George. Telephone poles are burned and the line put out of business.

Ten deer were driven from the

woods on Letang Road last night. Rabbits and other small animals are being driven out in large numbers.

Edward McGrattan, the local fire warden, with a large crew of men fought the flames all day yesterday. A very large area has already been burned over.

Yesterday afternoon one hundred and fifty men and boys, at the request of Mayor Lawrence and the people whose homes were threatened, fought the flames and succeeded in saving the threatened buildings on the Letang road. The fire was started Sunday in the woods between Saint George and Letang. Monday progress was slow, a swamp staying the flames. At noon yesterday a high wind drove the devouring element across the road and the houses of Mrs. James McLean, Mrs. John Callaghan and the beautiful summer residence of Mrs. C. H. Lee at Mount Vernon were threatened. The crackling of the flames could be plainly heard on the main streets of the town. The call for help was answered, the town hook and ladder company was ordered out by the mayor.

IN SELF-DEFENCE

Commissioners of Police in Reply to Their Critics

To the Editor of the Herald:

Dear Sir: Kindly give space in your columns this afternoon for the following explanation of the position of the commissioners of police.

The first sentence of Section 3 of the Act creating a Police Commission for the city of Fredericton reads as follows: "Upon the coming into force of this Act, the said Board of Commissioners of Police shall, and from time to time thereafter as occasion may require, appoint a sufficient number of fit and able men, as required by this act to act as officers in preserving the peace, keeping law and order, preventing crimes and felonies and apprehending offenders against law within the City of Fredericton."

These words are mandatory and having accepted the office of commissioners of police we promptly acted in accordance with the mandate on July 2nd inst when our work began and subsequently as needed.

Section 13 reads as follows: "The Board shall determine the number of men to be appointed on the said Police force for the said city and shall fix the amount of remuneration to be paid each officer by the said city, subject, however, to the approval of the city council of the city of Fredericton."

We carried this into effect by sending to the city council a full transcript of the records of our appointments and the wages agreed to be paid in (me for the first meeting of the council which was held after the Act came into force. Appointments of police constables were made on the basis we considered needful as to the number required to overtake the protection of life and property and the observance of law and order in a community whose houses cover a section six miles long by two or more miles in width, in which area every ratepayer helps to support the police force and is entitled to the use and advantage of what he pays for.

We have acted strictly in accordance with the meaning and intent of the act creating the police commission as we understand it.

When we made our first report to the city council we expected that it not concurring in the report would have been referred to a committee with instructions to confer with us and with power to adjust matters in harmony with the views of a majority of the aldermen. When we made our second report we arranged it in such a form as would enable the council to express its united judgment by adopting, amending or eliminating the several sections. The council altered every section of the report and then refused to adopt the report as amended, leaving us without knowledge of what the majority of the council desired and declining to accept the request made by us for a conference with the council in committees.

We were appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to carry on a civic legislature and have endeavored to do so. It does not seem to us that reasonable criticism has been made upon our action to date; the responsibilities resting upon the commissioners of police and the judgment likely to result therefrom in making appointments and fixing wages have not been considered but we have been discredited without a hearing and without any endeavor being made by the council as a whole to learn our reasons for the course heretofore taken.

(Signed) L. W. JOHNSTON,
HAVELOCK COY,
M. TENNANT,
Commissioners
of Police.

Fredericton,

July 15, 1908.

SYDNEY WEDDING

Former St. John Girl Wedded to Mr. H. H. Jost

SYDNEY, N.S., July 15--(Special) A pretty wedding took place this morning at 11 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Fanjoy, George Street this city formerly of St. John when their daughter Catherine May was united in marriage to Mr. Harry Hooper Jost of this city.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, pastor of the Falmouth Street Presbyterian church.

ENJOYED THEIR TRIP.

Messrs. Adam Moore and Arthur Pringle, well known guides, who accompanied Premier Hazen and Surveyor General Grimmer on their trip to the Tobique, were in the city yesterday. They speak of the trip as being one of the most enjoyable of the kind they ever had, and they were most royally treated along the route, particularly by the members of the Tobique Salmon Club. Speaking of the young ladies, who were members of the party, Miss Katie Hazen and Miss Lois Grimmer, Mr. Pringle stated that they were clear grits through. They were absolutely fearless, and seemed to take the keenest enjoyment in roughing it. Mr. Pringle was inclined to doubt if any New Brunswick girls had ever before penetrated so far into the woods of the province as had these young ladies.

Mrs. T. A. Wilson and children are spending a few weeks at St. John.

CANAL ACCIDENT

Steamer Damaged Welland Lock and Water Overflow Nearly Drowned Two Men and Injured Wheat Field

ST. CATHERINES, Ont., July 15--(Special)--The steamer Mary Horton, Liverpool, chartered by the Dominion Lumber company, commanded by Captain Edward Brown, carried away the head gates of lock 13 on the Welland canal last night.

The steamer was bound from Fort William to Montreal, and was about to leave the lock, but Engineer Collins reversed the engine instead of getting ahead.

Water from the upper level rushed in and carried the steamer down to lock 12, where her captain ran her ashore.

John Shrum, assistant at lock 12, was standing on the bank when the

accident occurred, and the flow of water carried him over the bank and five hundred yards into a neighboring wheat field. Shrum was badly injured and had to be removed to his home.

A barn containing a horse and wagon was also carried away, but the horse escaped without a scratch.

Lock Master Wm. Strong escaped drowning by hanging on to the railing of the lock.

The steamer is held pending a deposit of \$4,000 cash, to cover the damage done to the canal, and \$1,000 damage done to the wheat fields.

A large staff of men worked all night and navigation was resumed this morning.

TROUBLE AT ST. MARYS

Election of Dr. Mullin as Fire Commissioner Said to be Irregular

The ratepayers of St. Mary's held a meeting last evening, to deal with matters pertaining to the fire and water commission, and it proved quite lively. The trouble arose in connection with the election of Dr. B. M. Mullin as a commissioner, in place of Mr. Whitman Brewer, whose term of office expired a short time ago. The doctor was elected at a previous meeting of ratepayers, and it is claimed by some that there were irregularities in connection with the election.

At last night's meeting an effort was made to upset the election of Dr. Mullin, but the chairman, Mr. Willis MacPherson, declined for some reason or other to put the motion. Mr. W. B. Dayton, one of the commissioners, expressed a wish to retire from the board, but the meeting declined to release him. There was quite a lively debate, in which Mr. Lewis Bliss and others took part. The meeting finally adjourned sine die, without very much being accomplished.

A short time ago the commissioners dispensed with the services of Mr. Peter J. Hughes, who has acted as solicitor for some time, and appointed Hon. H. F. McLeod to the position. Whether he is entitled to it or not, Dr. Mullin is given the credit for having the change made. Mr. Hughes performed his duties in a satisfactory manner, but he has no patronage to dispense, therefore it was deemed advisable to give the job to the solicitor general.

There has been a complaint that a barn belonging to the estate of the late Mr. Reid Blair, is partly located on the engine house property, and some of the ratepayers are of the opinion that the executors should be compelled to have it removed. As Commissioner Mullin and Solicitor General McLeod happen to be the executors, it is more than likely that the barn will remain where it is for the present at least.

Another up-river resident has paid the penalty of netting salmon in the St. John river without a license. At the police court today Mr. Ezra Grant of Southampton, admitted the offence and was fined \$10 and \$14 costs. The complaint was made by Warden J. H. Murch to Overseer McKay. Mr. Grant was quite indignant at the warden for interfering in his case. He declared that his net was set from his own land, and even King Edward himself couldn't stop him from fishing under such conditions. The result, however, proved costly to Mr. Grant.

ILLEGAL FISHING.

At the personage this afternoon Rev. A. A. Rideout performed the ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. Daniel Boyd of Upper Gagetown and Miss Emma Foss of Oromocto, sister of Policeman Foss of this city. The happy couple left by the Hanstead this afternoon for their future home at Upper Gagetown.

WEDDING BELLS.

Meet your monthly payments as you would wish others to do if these were to pay your own certificate.

THE ELECTIONS BILL

Contentious Clause Passed After a Lengthy Debate--Provision for Building Quebec Bridge

OTTAWA, July 15--After a debate lasting most of yesterday, the Commons at ten o'clock last night finally passed clause 1 of the election bill.

The Opposition kept up for eight hours a sort of half-hearted fight against the clause as the amended bill's determination to secure fair lists in unorganized districts of Northern Ontario by having a revision of lists by the board of judges before a federal election. Mr. Boyce of Sault Ste. Marie, who forces defeat at the next election if the present unfair lists are discarded, led the fight, but facts as to the unfairness of the lists and the weight of argument adduced by the government speakers were so conclusive that the rest of the opposition members declined to enter into the argument with any display of conviction, and the clause was finally passed without further amendments. The remaining clauses were then taken up and rapid progress made.

During the debate Mr. Boyce made a sorry display of bad taste by making a personal attack on the Minister of Justice, on the score of his unfortunate malady of the past year. Mr. Boyce demanded the Minister's resignation, because of his infirmity. A salutary rebuke was administered by the Premier and Leighton McCarthy.

Hon. Mr. Graham will submit to the house tomorrow afternoon a resolution authorizing the government to take over the whole of the undertaking, assets property and franchise of the Quebec Railway and Bridge Co. upon terms and conditions set forth in the agreement between the government and the Quebec Bridge Company, dated 19th October, 1903, and providing that money required for that purpose be appropriated out of consolidated revenue.

The resolution will be followed by enabling legislation. The government's policy is to place the whole undertaking of reconstruction of the bridge under the supervision of the transcontinental railway commission, with a view to having the bridge constructed as speedily as possible as link of the transcontinental railway. The commission will intrust the work of drafting plans and oversight of the work of construction to a board of three of the best engineers available in the world. Among several names mentioned for this board one is a Canadian, one an American, one is from Great Britain. The government's intention is to have the whole undertaking carried out so that there may be no possibility of any mistakes either in the plans or erection of the new bridge.

It is understood that the government will assume the loss of all expenditures made by the Quebec Bridge Company under bond issue guaranteed by the government up to the time of the collapse of the bridge, amounting to between five and six millions. The Phoenix Bridge Company's loss will amount to between one and two millions.

Mr. A. R. Slipe, M. P. P., has returned from a ten days trip through Queens County.

Mr. W. A. Mott, ex M. P. P., of Campbellton, registered at the Barker House yesterday.

Two little sisters, of seven and nine, who were taken to see Othello, were much impressed by the death scene. "I wonder whether they kill a lady every night," said Lucy. "Why, of course not, Lucy," said her sister. "they pretend to. It would be altogether too expensive to really kill a lady every night!"--Harper's Magazine.