

Local News

DECLINED.

Lieutenant Governor Tweedie was invited to deliver an address to-day at the closing exercises of Pine Hill College, Halifax, but had to decline on account of the near approach of the legislative opening.

GOING TO IRELAND.

Messrs. John Sullivan and Irving Higgins of Marysville will sail from St. John on Friday on the steamer Empress of Ireland on a trip to Ireland. Mr. Sullivan is a native of Kerry but has been in America about twenty years. The gentlemen will spend about two months in the old country.

MILITARY INSPECTION.

Brigadier General Drury of Halifax, commanding the Maritime Provinces, Lieut. Col. Wadmore, commanding the R. C. R., and Lieut. Col. George Rolt White, D. O. C., are here today inspecting No. 5 military depot. They will examine the company's books today, and tomorrow will inspect the troops on parade, and also the barracks' premises.

IRISH DRAMA.

Coom-na-gappell means the Glen of the Horse and is applied to a beautiful Irish drama in five acts, which will be presented in St. Dunstan's Hall on Friday evening, May 1st by the Young Men's Society.

Great preparations have been made for the staging of this play, every detail being carefully arranged and the young men are all well up in their parts.

As it consists of entirely male characters it should prove to be quite a novelty and draw the same bumper house which the society played to last year.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The American three masted schooner, Golden Ball, is expected to arrive from St. John this afternoon with a cargo of four hundred tons of hard coal, consigned to Hatt, Morrison and Company.

The barquentine Hancock left St. John yesterday afternoon for this port in tow of a tug. She has a cargo of six hundred tons of hard coal, consigned to Mr. Patrick Farrell.

MURDER TRIAL.

The grand jury in the case of Richard Gray, a Carleton county man, charged with the murder of his daughter's infant, found a true bill, and the trial is now proceeding at Woodstock. Solicitor General McLeod, assisted by Mr. J. C. Hartley, represent the Crown, and Hon. W. P. Jones appears for the prisoner.

WELCOME RAIN.

The first rain storm in three weeks set in yesterday afternoon and continued the greater part of the night. It has started the grass on the squares of the city, and will undoubtedly do a great deal of good in the country.

SCOTT ACT MEETING.

Rev. Thos. W. Street, sub-dean of the Cathedral is to preside at to-night's meeting in the Arctic Rink. Joseph Gibson, A. M. Belding, Dr. McLeod and others will speak and great pictures and cartoons will be shown. The 71st Band will be in attendance.

CHANGED HIS MIND.

Mr. Frank Schelyer who was appointed to act as agent for the License Committee on No. 1 poll has changed his views on the question and refuses to act for the license party in this election.

ADVOCATES LICENSE.

Mr. Summerhayes' Third Address in Support of Scott Act Appeal.

Mr. Summerhayes held his third meeting in the Masonic Hall last evening. The stormy weather interfered somewhat with the attendance but the hall was about two thirds full. No ladies were present and among those in attendance were a considerable number who have been looked upon as uncertain. They remained until the end and gave the speaker a most attentive hearing. Ex-almshouseman Stearns presided.

Mr. Summerhayes regretted the other side had not accepted his offer of a joint meeting. He had been furnished with a full manuscript report of Mr. Gibson's speech of the previous evening. Seven eighths of it consisted of the usual temperance sermon on the evils of intemperance. He trusted Mr. Gibson would now get down from the clouds and discuss the real issue in the campaign, "Scott Act or License." He corrected several errors made by Mr. Gibson. Temperance orators in their wild fury against the traffic did not trouble to be exact. The suggested proportion of 5 per cent of possible excessive drinkers in this community would be 40 not 400 as Mr. Gibson said.

On Quebec the municipalities in which there were no licenses were not under a local option law. If there were no licenses the cause was either the beneficial influence of the Parish Priest or because no one wanted a license. The 180 places in Ontario under Local Option were with 4 or 5 exceptions rural districts or villages affecting each only a small number of licenses. The Scott Act Constitutional question had been settled more than twenty years ago and yet since that time not a single country anywhere in Canada had asked to put the act into force. Mr. Gibson was president of the Ontario alliance for the suppression of the liquor traffic. Why did he not test the question in an Ontario county? In the 30 Ontario counties where under Scott Act the officials records showed 3559 convicted drunkards. The same counties for the same number of years ten years later when they were under license had only 2248 convicted drunkards.

McCAFFERTY-McCAFFREY.

Sister of the Queen Hotel Proprietor Wedded to City Editor of the Telegraph.

The wedding took place at the Roman Catholic Cathedral at St. John this morning of Frank I. McCafferty, city editor of the Daily Telegraph, and Miss Katherine L. McCaffrey of St. John, sister of Mr. J. J. McCaffrey, proprietor of the Queen Hotel of this city. Owing to the recent demise of the bride's parents the wedding was a quiet affair.

Rev. D. S. O'Keefe, a cousin of the bride, officiated. The groomsmen was Dr. Thomas Lunney, and the bridesmaid Miss Francis O'Keefe. The bride was given away by her brother Mr. J. J. McCaffrey and was attired in a gown of white muslin trimmed with Valenciennes lace and insertion. She wore a large black picture hat with ostrich tip and carried a bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. The groom's present to the bride was a diamond ring, to the bridesmaid a pearl crescent, and to the groomsmen, a carbuncle stick pin.

From the president and writing staff of the Telegraph the bride and groom received a handsome mahogany mantle clock. Many other handsome presents of cut glass and silverware have been received. Mr. and Mrs. McCafferty arrived here this morning and are guests at the Queen Hotel.

POLICE COURT.

A Scott Act case against the proprietor of the Commercial Hotel is being tried at the police court today. The principal witness for the prosecution is Frank Long, who has been engaged as a spotter.

The case against the Waverly Hotel has been stood over until Friday to give the defence a chance to call witnesses.

A drunk run in by the police last night was released this morning on making a deposit of \$5. He turned up at the police court at eleven o'clock with the expectation that he would get a refund of \$1, as the charge of \$5 is supposed to be only for drunks who pay in advance. "Five dollars or ten days" was the penalty imposed.

THE DOG COP.

At the Opera House for the balance of the week moving pictures are the attraction. Tomorrow's list is fully up to the usual high standard set. The Tragic Half-Caste's Revenge the Marvellous and Funny Aeronauts First Appearance and the Thrilling Dog Cop are all leadets and are only half the list. The hundreds who could not see Uncle Tom's Cabin will have the chance Friday as it will be shown in addition to the usual new program.

TRAIN TO BE HELD.

The Woodstock train on the Gibson Branch will be held until 9.30 o'clock tomorrow morning for the accommodation of passengers who wish to vote in the Scott Act-License election.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in whom our Readers are Interested.

Dr. Sormany, M. P. P., for Gloucester, and Mrs. Sormany have arrived here for the session, and are at the Queen.

Dr. Bourque, M. P. P., for Kent, arrived in the city last evening, and is a guest at the Barker.

Mr. Fred M. Sproul, M. P. P., of Hampton, arrived last evening for the session, and is a guest at the Barker.

Mr. John Robinson, chief game warden of Newcastle, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr. W. W. Hubbard, official reporter of the legislature, is among the guests at the Barker.

Mr. Frank L. McCafferty, city editor of the Telegraph, and bride, arrived from St. John this morning, and are guests at the Queen.

Mr. Thomas F. Allen, superintendent of the Tobique Club, arrived in the city at noon today, and is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. J. G. Sherron, barrister of Moncton, is stopping at the Queen.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

Mr. W. F. Summerhayes, the license advocate who is here speaking for the license party in the present campaign, will address a mass meeting at the Opera house this evening, when he will deal with issues of the fight. Mr. Summerhayes, who is a total abstainer and member of the Anglican Temperance organization, is an eloquent speaker and well worth hearing.—d.

SCOTT ACT ELECTION.

The Scott Act election takes place tomorrow and promises to be quite exciting. Both parties are well organized and confident of victory. Electors living above Carleton street will vote at the city hall and those residing below Carleton street at the court house. The poll will open at nine o'clock and will close at five.

AFTER A GRANT.

Rev. J. B. Daggatt, of Florenceville, representing the Carleton and Victoria Poultry Association, appeared before the government this morning and asked for a grant to enable the association to hold a poultry and nest stool show this fall. He was promised that the matter would receive careful consideration.

IT'S A BOY.

Prof. Perrott of the U. N. B., and Mrs. Perrott are receiving the hearty congratulations of their friends over the arrival of a baby boy at their home last evening. The flag is flying over the engineering building at the College in honor of the event.

MICHAEL O'LEARY DEAD.

Mr. Michael O'Leary, son of the late Dennis O'Leary, died early this morning at his home on Regent street, after a brief illness, aged 42 years. He was unmarried.

THE RIVER RISING.

The water in the river rose fully a foot during last night, as a result of the heavy rain storm. There is very little floating ice to be seen today.

THE WEATHER.

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