

LOCAL EVENTS.

The News of the City and Vicinity

SINCE YESTERDAY.

General, Social, Personal and Political Items of Interest.

City Council.

The city council will meet in committee this evening to pass accounts and order the assessment for the ensuing year.

The Local House.

The Local Legislature which adjourned for the Easter holidays will resume business at 2.30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

A Popular Soloist.

At St. Paul's church last night, Miss Maud McKee, who is studying music at the Ladies' College, Halifax, rendered a solo that quite captivated the large congregation.

The Government Dredge.

John Anderson, jr. of the Barony went to St. John this morning to take the clamshell dredge out of winter quarters and assist in getting it in readiness for service on the river.

Church Parade.

The fine band of the R. C. R. played the officers and men of the corps to St. Ann's church yesterday morning. The men appeared out in scarlet for the first time this season.

Coming Event.

Mrs Fred B. Edgcombe has issued invitations for a large party of young people to be held at her residence on Friday evening next in honor of her guest, Miss Webb of Boston.

Applicant for Position.

It is said that Dr. Geo. J. McNally is making an effort to secure appointment to the position of military doctor here, or at least to share the position with Dr. Bridges, the present incumbent.

A Child's Death.

William C., the infant child of Mr and Mrs. W. C. Burtt, died quite suddenly on Saturday evening, and the remains were interred in the Rural cemetery Sunday afternoon. George W. Adams was the officiating undertaker.

For the Drive.

Several of the leading lumber operators are now here engaging their crews for stream driving. Good wages are being offered, some of the more experienced men being able to command as high as \$2.25 per day. Regent street in the vicinity of the Waverly Hotel has put on quite a lively appearance.

The Governor's Ball.

Upwards of seven hundred invitations have been issued for the ball to be held in the legislative buildings, on the evening of April 10th by Governor and Mrs. Snowball. The whole building will be given over to the affair which promises to be one of the most brilliant and successful functions ever held here.

An Offender Caught.

Bennett, charged with incest, at Hampton, was caught Friday night in a camp at Goose Creek and was brought to Hampton, Saturday by Constable Campbell. He says he has no knowledge of the offence charged. The examination of the prisoner was held Saturday afternoon and he will be tried by Speedy Trials act on Thursday next.

Died in British Columbia.

Word has been received from British Columbia of the death from heart failure of George A. Thomas, formerly of St. John, and son of the late Charles H. Thomas. Deceased was a former engine driver on the I.C.R., but for a number of years past has been employed in the west. C. H. Thomas of this city is a brother of deceased. Two sisters in Fredericton and a number of relatives in St. John also survive.

Easter at St. Dunstan's.

The Easter services at St. Dunstan's church yesterday, were largely attended. High mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Carney. In the evening at 7.30 vespers and benediction were sung. The altar which was richly decorated and ablaze with hundreds of candles presented a grand appearance. The choir under Miss Katie Hanlon, rendered special Easter music. At Benediction Messrs Lawlor and Foster sang a duet, "O Salutaris" from Wiegand. The Easter collection amounted to over \$350. This is a very generous sum for a congregation the size

of St. Dunstan's, as it will be remembered the Christmas collection a few months ago amounted in the vicinity of \$400.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Hon G A Murchie, of Calais, is a guest at the Queen.

C H Barbour of St. John is among the guests at the Queen.

Fred Russell of Montreal, is among the guests at the Queen.

Rev Father Carney goes to St John on Tuesday for a few days visit.

Mr and Mrs H H Osborne of New York are guests at the Queen.

Mrs. Tweedie will probably accompany her husband the premier to the coronation.

William Vanwart, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, St. Stephen, is home for the Easter holidays.

Frank E Greany, James McCarthy and J T Munroe, of St. John spent Sunday at the Queen.

P A Rowley, of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, Ottawa, is visiting his parents at Marysville.

Miss Regina M Neville, teacher at Covered Bridge, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Thomas Magee, son of James Magee is very low from consumption at his home on Queen street.

Mr and Mrs Harry F. Waugh left this afternoon on a month's trip to New York, Philadelphia and other eastern cities.

W M Thurott of Margerville, who has been confined to his home for a few days by a heavy cold is able to be out again.

Donald Fraser, sr, returned last week from a business trip to the old country, during which he visited his old home in Aterdeen.

John C Ferguson, of the Inland Revenue Department St. John, who has been in the city for a few days returned home this morning.

The Vanwart Estate.

The enquiry into the affairs of the late Wesley Vanwart was continued by Reference Coy this morning. F. St. John Bliss was present in addition to the several lawyers already named in these columns. As Mr. Kitchen, the administrator, is anxious to return to P. E. Island in a few days, the time this morning was taken up in examining the receipts and assets of the estate. It was given out that the total amount collected, not including bank interest, was \$32,562.58. The investigation is being continued this afternoon. Manager Foster, of the Royal Bank, is to be called as a witness to explain the late Mr. Vanwart's banking transactions.

Teachers for South Africa.

Although no official announcement has been made of the young lady teachers who have been selected by the New Brunswick Board of Education as this province's quota to go to South Africa, it is understood that the following have been chosen: Miss Winnifred Johnston and Miss Ida McLeod, Fredericton; Miss Burns and Miss Carr, St. John; Miss Elliott of Chatham and Miss Sophy Pickle of Bloomfield, Kings Co. Alternates have also been selected as follows: Miss Susie Grey, Hartland; Miss Ada B. Crowhurst, Moncton; Miss Mary McLeod, Fairville; Miss Gertie Reid, Newcastle.

Steamship Grounded.

The Beaver Line steamship Lake Superior with 1500 tons of freight and 1130 passengers grounded on a bar off the government pier, St. John harbor, while attempting to anchor at Sand Point Sunday afternoon. The current was so strong that her anchor dragged and in a few minutes she was stuck fast in the mud. An effort to pull her off at high water early this morning failed. The ship is believed to be uninjured, and will it is expected be got off this afternoon.

Methodist Transfers.

The transfer committee of the Methodist church meet in Toronto on Thursday. There are three proposed transfers affecting the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island conference, the Revs. R. W. Weddall, and L. R. McDonald out of the conference and Rev. Jabez Rogers into the conference. The last named is to come to Fredericton next July. The President of the N. B. and P. E. I. conference, Rev G W Fisher, left Moncton today to attend this committee.

Will be Discontinued.

The libel suit brought by Attorney General Pugsley against Samuel T. Miller of Bathurst, was to be heard at Hampton Saturday, but was adjourned until today. Magistrate Morrison who is hearing the case, has received a letter from a brother of Miller, at Bathurst, containing a medical certificate setting out that the defendant in the case is of unsound mind. It is understood that in view of this the attorney general has decided not to press the matter further.

THE JAM BROKE.

River now Open as Far up as Grand Falls.

SATURDAY'S RAIN STIRRED THE JAM.

And It Ran out Without any Damage.

UPWARDS OF FIFTEEN MILLION OF LUMBER AFLOAT IN THE RIVER.

The big jam of ice and logs above Springhill broke away on Saturday evening and ran out during the night without doing any damage or causing any excitement. The news that the jam had broken was brought to the city by John Anderson, jr., of the Barony late Sunday afternoon, and created considerable surprise as few persons expected that the ice would move out so quietly.

The jam extended from Springhill to Long's Creek, a distance of thirteen miles, and it is estimated that it contained in all about fifteen million feet of logs. It had been gradually melting away for the last week, and the big rainfall of Saturday put the finishing touches upon it. At the tail of the jam there were about a million feet of logs in one bunch, which extended for a distance of more than a mile.

The body of the jam passed the highway bridge at three o'clock on Sunday morning, and made considerable noise for a time but did no harm.

The only ice now remaining in the river is a strip between Hart's Island and the Springhill shore, the jam having run out by way of the channel on the Douglas side of the island. The river rose a few inches here during the night and carried away the ice which had lodged above the draw of the highway bridge. The large pile of ice on the wharf below the city hall slip still remains and there are several other stacks at different points along the shores.

On Saturday evening the big boom of Evansdale broke, letting loose about 200,000 feet of logs. On receipt of the news Messrs. Tapley's tug Hercules left Indian town for the scene about 8 o'clock, with booms and as many men as were procurable at the time. At Oak Point about six miles below Evansdale, a great many of the logs were caught. Many of the farmers who live along that portion of the river have captured from 300 to 400 logs apiece.

The Fredericton Boom Company have men and tugs at work swinging the booms at Lincoln and Douglas and expect to have the job finished by Wednesday night. It is said that there are a great many logs still stranded on the islands and intervals between Springhill and Woodstock, and it is hoped to have the booms out in time to catch them, and also the logs that are held by the ice above Grand Falls.

The highway bridge seems to have sustained but little damage during the recent ice freshet. A few sheets of boiler plate were torn from the faces of the piers and the sidewalk was shattered in one place, but as far as can be ascertained there was no other injury. The general opinion seems to be that it will take more than an ice jam to put the Fredericton bridges out of business.

A telegram from Edmundston this afternoon stated that the weather was cloudy and wet at that point and the water falling.

President Neill of the Fredericton and Woodstock steamboat company expects the steamer Aberdeen here in time to start for Woodstock on Thursday morning.

Exciting Runaway.

A. E. Hanson's horse created some excitement on St. John street this forenoon. It had been left standing in front of the departmental building, and becoming alarmed at some passing object, began to prance about in a very nervous manner. The wheels of the carriage got wedged in between the sidewalk and a tree and the horse succeeded in breaking away. It dashed around the corner and up Queen street, and thence through Regent to King street where a capture was effected. The whiffletree of the carriage was splintered but the rig sustained no other damage.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at present session for an Act to incorporate the First National Bank of Canada with the usual powers of Banks under the Bank Act and its amendments.

Signed S. B. WOODS,
Solicitor for Applicants.

March 21—dtf

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