

LOCAL NEWS

SHADOW SALE.

Members of R. T. of T. will hold a shadow sale and entertainment in Temperance Hall at Gibson this evening.

ILL AT HALIFAX.

Mr. Arthur Robinson, the New York stock broker who owns sporting camps on the Miramichi, is ill in a hospital at Halifax, from a severe attack of pneumonia.

LOTTERIES.

Lotteries at Boistown picnic on July 20 include a gentleman's gold watch with vanguard movement, a lady's gold watch and chain with diamond setting, a magnificent clock with musical procedure, a beautiful suit case with toilet articles attached, and high grade camera. Winning numbers will be announced day of picnic.—d.

HAD A BAD TURN.

Judge Gregory, who lately retired from the supreme court bench on account of illness, had a bad turn at his residence here this morning. His condition was quite serious for a time, but along towards noon he rallied somewhat. The attending physician says that he is in no immediate danger.

DECIDED AGAINST HORSES.

It is understood that the fire and road committee of the city council will not recommend the purchase of horses by the city. The sub-committee, who were appointed to consider the matter, have concluded that the expense of the purchase and maintenance would be such that the proposition would not be a profitable one.

AFTER MEN

Mr. J. J. Culford, foreman for the John McMartin Construction Company, who are working on the Transcontinental Railway at Jewett's Brook, was at the Queen last evening en route to Montreal to procure men for work on the construction in his contract. There seems to be considerable difficulty in getting Italian navvies to come to New Brunswick, but a large number of other foreigners are always available.

DEATH OF B. S. PALMER.

Benjamin S. Palmer, one of the best known residents of Hampstead, Queens county, died at his home there on Tuesday morning. Mr. Palmer, who was 74 years of age, had been in poor health for some time. He was a life long Liberal and was highly respected throughout the county. The late Mr. Albert Palmer, M.P.P. for Queens was a brother. He is survived by one son, Edgar Palmer. Mr. Palmer was a very large man, his weight being given as 330 pounds.

THE POLICE COURT.

Four Scott Act violators acknowledged first offences at the police court this morning, and were fined \$50 and costs.

A seventeen year old girl, who has been running the streets at night was given in charge of the police by her mother. She appeared in court this morning, and was charged with vagrancy. The girl stated that her sister had turned her out of the house, and that she had no place to go. The girl's mother explained to the police magistrate that her daughter was keeping bad company and was beyond control, but suggested that if His Honor would give her a word of warning it might have the desired effect. Col. Marsh told the erring young woman that she was subject to her mother's direction until she reached the age of twenty-one, and if she came before him again, she might pack her trunk for the jail or reformatory. She promised to be a good little girl and was allowed to go.

A LIVELY TUSSELE.

The appointment of Mr. J. H. Barry, K. C., to the supreme court bench, vacates owo local government positions. Judge of Probate and Clerk of the County Court. As there is a very good stipend attached to each billet, there is naturally quite a contest on among the Tory lawyers of the city for the prizes. The list of starters in the race includes Mr. F. St. John Tass, Mr. J. W. McCready, Ald. J. J. F. Winslow, and Harris G. Fenety. All seem to think that they have a good fighting chance to win. Mr. Bliss is understood to have the endorsement of Premier Hazen.

GLORIA SOLD.

Readville, Mass., May 25.—But three horses went under the hammer at today's opening of the annual Fasig-Tipton sales. Va Za Ka, 2.23, owned by the estate of the late Leander R. Peck of Providence, brought the highest price, \$1,125. Another horse from the same stable, Rensen Robinson, brought but \$625. The buyers respectively were Wm. G. Gradley, of New York and John Miller, of Somerville. Gloria, an old campaigner on New England provincial tracks, with a mark of 2.10, owned by Frank Fox of Medford, went but for \$610 to P. J. Allyn of Boston. (Gloria was formerly owned by E. LeRoy Willia of Sydney.)

COVERED BY INSURANCE.

Messrs. A. C. Dutton and C. K. McCloy, of Springfield, Mass., who are interested in the Scott Lumber Company, arrived here last evening and are guests at the Barker. Mr. Dutton is authority for the statement that the two and a half million feet of lumber destroyed by fire at Magaguadavic on Saturday was well covered by insurance. The estimated value of lumber is said to be \$50,000.

Mr. John J. Bodkin arrived here last evening from Dublin, and is at the Queen. He expects to return to Dublin in about three weeks.

COAL LAND DISPUTE.

Surveyor General Grimmer Adjudicating on Claims of A. G. Robinson and F. P. Shaw.

Surveyor General Grimmer is holding an investigation at the Crown Land office today, with a view of determining who has the best claim to six and one-half miles of coal areas in the counties of Queen's and Sunbury. The Canadian Coal Lands Company, Limited, of which Mr. F. Pierpont Shaw of New York, formerly connected with the Marysville cotton mill, is the leading spirit, and Mr. A. G. Robinson of Marysville, are the rival claimants to the property, and are putting up a stiff fight for its possession.

A lease of the mining areas was made to Mr. Robinson some years ago, and subsequently assigned by him to the Canadian Coal Lands company. He claims that the lease was secured from him by the company by means of fraud and deception, and some time ago he made application to the Surveyor General to have it restored. The Surveyor General fixed the hearing for April 8th, and nobody appearing to oppose Mr. Robinson's application, he was given back the lease.

Recently Mr. Shaw got busy in the matter and succeeded in having the enquiry re-opened. He claims that the company paid Mr. Robinson \$1,000 for the lease, and \$1200 for his services and expenses. In view of this he does not think that Mr. Robinson has any bona fide claim to the property.

Mr. R. B. Hanson was present at today's hearing on behalf of Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Robinson's interests are being looked after by Hon. H. F. McLeod.

The whole situation is somewhat complicated, which makes the hearing interesting and lively.

CHARGED WITH THEFT.

North Shore Man Suspected of Having Stolen Watch and Chain.

Campbellton, N. B., May 25.—Chief of Police Crawford and Policeman Brown went to Dalhousie today and arrested a man named McCrae, charged with committing a robbery on the Restigouche river about three weeks ago.

Macrae is suspected of stealing a gold watch and chain and locket valued at \$120, from William Crocette. The watch and chain were found in the possession of the prisoner.

Crocette was cook on R. B. Calder's drive, which about three weeks ago was in Jordan Brook, a tributary of the Restigouche. Macrae was cookee on another drive which, about the same time, was five miles from Jordan Brook on the main stream. It is alleged that one night Macrae walked to Calder's camp and stole the articles while the crew slept.

On the drives reaching Campbellton yesterday Calder's boss laid complaint of the robbery with Chief Crawford. He went to work on the case, and suspicion fell on Macrae whom he found had gone to Dalhousie, and he and Policeman Brown went there and the arrest followed.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in whom our Readers are Interested.

Miss Mary A. Bohan of Bath, has been spending a couple of days with her sister, Mrs. T. Lynch.

Mr. C. W. Risteen, a former resident of this city, but now of Winnipeg, is registered at the Queen.

Lieut. Governor Tweedie, who will preside at the convocation exercises of the University tomorrow afternoon, is at the Queen Hotel.

TO GUARANTEE STAKES.

The exhibition directors at a meeting yesterday decided to guarantee the purses for two stake races to be held at the trotting park during exhibition week. This action of theirs ensures a five days' meet.

Have you ever almost run into some one on the street, and then dodged from side to side for half a minute, vainly endeavoring to pass, while the other person, by some strange fatality blocked your every move by trying to pass you in the same way?

Such was the recent experience of a young man in Portland, Me. He and a strange young woman had been going through this performance for several seconds, when his unwilling vis-a-vis staggered him by saying: "Well, hurry up! Which is it to be—a waltz or a two-step?"

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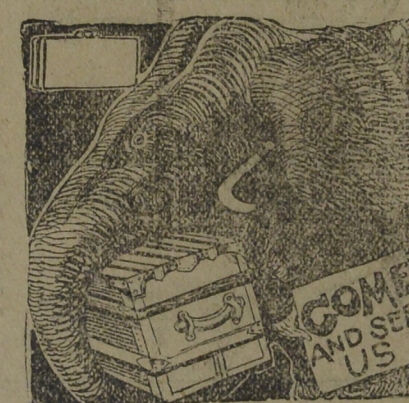
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