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TUESDAY	7,074
WEDNESDAY	7,028
THURSDAY	6,974
FRIDAY	6,970
SATURDAY	7,182
TOTAL	42,408
Daily Average	7,068
Average Daily Sworn Circulation First Three Months, 1906,	6,741

PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS

The Times has received the following letter from Miss Mabel Peters, who is now in Detroit, and whose interest in the subject of public playgrounds for children is well known to the citizens of St. John:-

Detroit, Mich. April 14th, 1906.

Editor Times:

Sir,—The women of the Local Council in St. John and others interested in the needs and welfare of children, will be glad to learn that yesterday there was formed in Washington, D. C., a National Playground Association. Its object is to collect and distribute knowledge throughout the country and to seek to establish play grounds and athletic fields in all communities; and direct play in connection with the schools. The Association is composed of delegates from various parts of the country—the promoter of the movement being Dr. Luther Gulick, president of the American National Educational Association. After organizing, the delegates proceeded to the White House on invitation of President Roosevelt. In addressing the delegates the president said:

"Let me impress upon you one thing, and that is in trying to shape the plays for children you have got to consult the children especially. You must try to take advantage of their initiative and simply help in shaping it in the proper direction."

The organization of this association is the most auspicious happening in playground matters since the movement for playgrounds took shape, and denotes that education has recognized the value of play and assigned it a place in the curriculum.

MABEL PETERS.

Miss Peters writes also that she attended the meetings of the American National Council of Women in Toledo week before last, and heard glowing accounts of the vacation school and playgrounds from all parts of the United States.

The work is one which should interest the people of St. John. While it is true that this is a small city, comparatively, and that it is not far from any portion of it to the suburbs, yet the children do not go there, and are compelled to use the streets or back yards or alleys for their playgrounds. Here they are without proper direction or counsel, and develop natural antagonism to the policeman, who represents law and order. Public playgrounds could be provided, if the apathy of parents could be overcome. It is time St. John set an example to other cities in many directions where at present it lags behind or manifests no interest whatever.

HANDING IT UP TO GORKY

Maxim Gorky, the Russian novelist, for whom distinguished American authors had been weaving chaplets and forming fine phrases, has somewhat shocked their sensibilities by throwing himself into the arms of rabid socialists like Mr. Gaylord Wilshire. Hence the New York Globe betrays a mild form of anxiety on Mr. Gorky's behalf, and thus delicately gives it expression:—

"It looks not a little as if those who sympathize with the great cause of Russian liberalism should organize a rescue party to free Maxim Gorky from the group of socialists and smallbore agitators into whose hands he has apparently fallen. Gorky came to this country to do something for the oppressed people of Russia. His self-appointed hosts, taking advantage of his ignorance of this country, are exploiting him to gain cheap notoriety for themselves and to promote an economic nostrum for which the American people have shown little sympathy.

"C. Gaylord Wilshire, for example, confesses that Gorky did not see or sign the telegram that was sent over his name to Haywood and Moyer, two men in jail in Idaho on a charge of being privy to the murder of Governor Steunenberg. 'On more mature reflection,' says Wilshire, 'I would not feel warranted in saying that he appreciated in all of its aspects the effect of such a telegram.' This may not be such a case of forgery as District Attorney Jerome must notice, but it represents taking mean advantage of a man who doesn't understand a word of English, and who probably has been told that Haywood and Moyer have been indicted for being socialists—with entire suppression of the fact that the real charge against them is that they are murderers. This Wilshire is the same fellow who is whooping in his publication for a general strike of everybody if twelve men unanimously agree, after a fair trial, that Haywood and Moyer are guilty. 'Let our factories,' he said, 'be closed, let our mills stop grinding flour, and our bakers stop baking bread; let there be a complete paralysis of railway transportation, let our coal mines close, and let us die of hunger and cold if necessary to make our protest heard.'

"When Gorky was in confined in the prison of Peter and Paul and it looked as if he might be sent to Siberia, great efforts were made throughout the world for his release. If then he was in danger of loss of liberty, he is now in danger of having his mission fail if there is not another deliverance. The American public is tolerant, and has no desire to sit in judgment on his personal views concerning socialism, but he should scrutinize the bunch about him. It will not help his cause to have telegrams flying about, with signature attached, the implication of which is that America is like Russia and that our courts make a business of hanging men for political opinions."

THE DEADLY CORKSCREW

The Halifax Chronicle, in March last published a letter from a correspondent who clamorously and at great length demanded the abolition of the corkscrew, as a measure of advanced legislation calculated "to lay the demon of intemperance in the throes of advanced dissolution." This facetious person was especially hard upon the St. John corkscrew, one sample of which had been known to make a carload of people drunk. So fervently did he plead, and so skilfully marshal the stock phrases of the temperance orator, that after reading the article a St. John man could but hang his head and drop his corkscrews into the sewer. But the Nova Scotia legislature declined to pass any corkscrew legislation, and public attention had been diverted from the subject by the return of Dowie to Zion, the reception of Gorky in New York, and the St. John civic elections. But now comes the London Advertiser, with a leader showing that the Nova Scotia reformer has raised an issue of imperial importance. We quote from the Advertiser of April 5th:-

"We commend to the attention of Sir Wilfrid Lawson and the other members of the House of Commons who are to wait on the prime minister today regarding what they are pleased to call temperance reform, a suggestion which appears in the Morning Chronicle, of Halifax, Nova Scotia. The idea of learning anything from a British colony may be repugnant to a Little Englander, but as the teetotallers have ransacked the statutes of the United States and other foreign countries for precedents in support of their demands, they may perhaps be able to overcome the natural Radical antipathy to the admission that a colonist can do anything better than oppress natives and enslave coolies. The writer in the Nova Scotia paper has discovered the root of intemperance. It is the corkscrew. That malignant and baneful implement, he insists, has been the cause of more sorrow and infamy than any other tool known to mankind. "Take away the corkscrew," he writes, "and you take away two-thirds of the facility extended to dram and bottle drinking. Take away the corkscrew and you double the difficulties which men already have to secure what is vulgarly called 'booze,' and thereby lessen and diminish the chances of securing and indulging in the same. One corkscrew has been known to make a whole car-load of people drunk." Accordingly the prohibition of the sale of corkscrews in Nova Scotia is demanded. Moreover, St. John, New Brunswick, is known to be "a hotbed of corkscrews," and every man leaving that city is "loaded to the muzzle with them." It is, therefore, suggested that people crossing thence into Nova Scotia should be searched, and that anyone found with a corkscrew in his possession shall be sent forthwith to a penitentiary. The evils of the corkscrew in all its ramifications is to be impressed on the young—this is where the county council comes in—and in every public school a large corkscrew is to be erected bearing a legend setting forth its evil influence on society. No doubt our borough councils might develop this idea by obtaining statutory powers to expend the ratepayers money in placarding the walls with pictures of the demoralizing screw, and letterpress describing the insidious influence of the accursed thing. In this country, measures must, of course, be taken to prevent the reform being defeated by resort to the screw top bottle. But to meet the case the Child Messenger Act comes in handy. The "corked and sealed vessel" might be made the only legal vehicle for conveying alcoholic liquor from the distributor to the consumer. There should, of course, be no interference with the political corkscrew—we mean the implement which will be used today by Sir Wilfrid Lawson and his friends to extract an inconvenient statement from Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman."

Some of the gentlemen who postponed the purchase of their Easter hats until tomorrow, in order that they might first know the result of the civic elections, will be able to wear a smaller size than would have been the case before.

In two days 23,584 alien immigrants have arrived in New York. There is a remarkable influx of new settlers this spring, despite greater restrictions than those of a few years ago.

Ottawa has established a publicity bureau, and will spend $1500 in advertising the city as a desirable location for factories. Toronto will spend $5,000 for a similar purpose.

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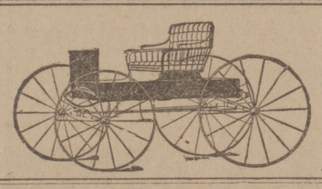
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PORTRAIT WILL BE PLACED IN PUBLIC LIBRARY IN MAY

(Toronto Globe)

An oil portrait of more than ordinary interest is now on exhibition at Mackenzie's gallery, Yonge street, for a few days. It is that of the late Robert Sears, who was the first publisher and editor of Illustrated Biblical and Historical Works in America. Mr. Sears was born in St. John (N. B.) June, 1810, the son of one of the Loyalists who founded that city in 1783. He learned the art of printing in his native city, spending seven years in his apprenticeship. Among his fellow-workers at this time were two young men, Smith and Anderson, who afterwards founded the New York Herald, made famous later by Gordon Bennett.

Mr. Sears took passage in a vessel in 1830 to New York city, and started a small printing office on the exact site where the great World building now stands. Having accumulated some capital in this business, he issued in 1839 his first important work, Illustrations of the Bible, of which 20,000 copies were sold in six months, an enormous sale at that period. This was immediately followed by a History of the Bible, Bible Biography, Pictorial Sunday Book, Information for the People, Wonders of the World, and numerous other important religious and historical works.

He also published the first Pictorial Family Bible, containing nearly 1,000 illustrations, of which many thousands of copies were sold.

These works were all profusely illustrated with the best wood engravings of the time, and Mr. Sears gave the earliest encouragement to that art in the United States.

In the year 1847 he presented a set of his entire works, elegantly bound and inscribed, to Her Majesty the late Queen Victoria at Buckingham Palace, and received a letter, through Sir George Grey, then home secretary, conveying the queen's personal thanks and gracious acceptance of the volumes.

Mr. Sears withdrew from business many years ago, and took up his residence in this city in 1874, and died here in 1892, in his 83rd year.

The portrait was painted in New York in 1844, when Mr. Sears was most actively engaged in literary work in that city. The artist was Thomas Hicks, N. A. D., then a very young man, in his twentieth year, but who a few years later became one of the most celebrated portrait painters of the United States.

Mr. Sears' only surviving son, a well known resident of Toronto, is donating this portrait of his father to the New Brunswick Loyalist Society of St. John, where it will be deposited in the new public library, just erected in Mr. Sears' native city, on the 18th of May next, that day being celebrated as the 123rd anniversary of the landing of the Loyalists (1783).

OLD COMRADES CALL ON GEN. KELLY-KENNY

Ask Him to Use His Influence to Get King's Medals for Last Contingent, But He Thought It Useless to Try.

Ottawa, April 16—(Special)—Col. Lyon Biggar, Lieut.-Col. Cameron, Major Morrison, and Lieut.-Col. Rogets, representing the South African Veterans, called on General Kelly-Kenny, at Rideau Hall, this afternoon. They suggested that he use his influence to secure the king's medal for the last contingent which entered South Africa a little late. Had they arrived at Cape Town, instead of Durban, they would have been entitled to the same. General Kelly-Kenny was glad to see his old comrades in arms, but said that to give medals to the contingent mentioned would also mean about 100,000 others.

A dinner party was given for Prince Arthur at Government House tonight.

It is estimated that there is a total of 8,000,000 feet of bank logs to come down to Springhill this spring. The Scott Lumber Company have virtually got the market cornered and own the greater part of the bank logs that will come down this spring. It is said that there is only 200,000 feet of hemlock bank logs not already contracted for and that these are of poor quality.

With their shipments of Saturday the Scott Lumber Company totalled 7,000,000 feet of laths shipped this season from their new mill at Blissville. There is still 500,000 contracted for and still to be shipped.

The death occurred last night at her home on Charlotte street of Mrs. Kelly, widow of Timothy Kelly. Deceased, who had reached the age of ninety-six years, is survived by one son, Cornelius J. Kelly, of this city, and three daughters—Mrs. James Ryan, of this city, and two married daughters residing at St. John.

MANY CHILDREN SICK

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OTTAWA OPENS PUBLICITY BUREAU

Ottawa, April 16—(Special)—R. Patching has been appointed manager of the publicity department of the city, and has in consequence severed his connection with the editorial staff of the Journal.

The sum of $1,500 was voted last January for the purpose of advertising the city and the duties of the manager of the new department will consist in ascertaining the various freight and canal rates, location of sites, value of materials, and the like for the furnishing of information to manufacturers who are looking for a place to locate.

Removal Notice.

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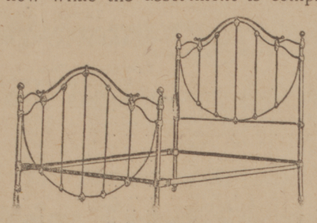
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April 12, 1906.

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