

LOCAL NEWS

Steamer Victoria, of the Star line, will leave for Fredericton tomorrow, but nothing definite has been arranged regarding future sailings.

The St. John City Rifle Club will hold their first open match on the local rifle range on Saturday afternoon, if the weather is favorable. The match will commence at 2 o'clock sharp.

City Marshal John Bond found a lady's pocket book on Charlotte street this morning. He located the owner, Mrs. A. E. McLaughlin, shortly afterwards, and returned it to her.

Miss Ethel Purchase was hostess at a very enjoyable function at her home, on Wentworth street, last evening, the occasion being the closing of the Young Peoples' Whist Club. Prizes were awarded, and the remainder of the evening spent in social intercourse.

The ladies of Portland street Methodist church are holding a rummage sale in the store on Main street, recently vacated by Phillip Grannan. The proceeds are to be devoted to the maintenance of the kindergarten connected with the church, and the sale will be continued today and tomorrow.

PRETTY BASKETS FOR MAY DAY GIFTS

The woman of the feeling, be she matron or maid, never likes a single fete day to pass that she does not enter into the spirit of it in some way or other. May day is no exception to this rule, and her sentiment for the spring festival finds expression in the coming week in simple floral offerings, just as it did when, as a little child, she plucked the first field blossoms and hung them in an improvised basket on the door knob of her nearest neighbor.

This latter, of course, if she was fortunate enough to have been born in the country where "God's smiles" are as free and plentiful as air, and where the next door neighbor is sure to be a friend. But even the city-bred girl, with all the delightful memory of a Spring May party in the suburban woods, and with the annual celebration of nature's springing forth into new life comes the same desire to express joy by a tribute of early flowers, even though these flowers be the less romantic variety which are raised in a hothouse and purchased at the corner florist's.

Both girls, however, take special pride in the method of bestowing the floral gift, and the novelty of the season is the May basket. Here feminine ingenuity comes into play, and if a girl cannot afford to buy the exquisite receptacles offered in the shops and florists, she can evolve for herself unique and dainty effects in which the simple Spring blossoms will find an appropriate resting place.

One of the most charming conceits is the braided paper basket. These can be purchased at fancy work counters for a dollar and eighty cents, but a ready-handed girl makes them for just a sixth of that sum. Strips of pale pink, lavender or blue crepe paper in double or triple fold are woven together into a square or oblong about ten inches wide. A fold of the same paper is then turned up the edges, and the ends are then turned up in different ways to form a deep and odd shaped basket. Attached at the top of diagonally opposite corners are twisted folds of the paper which are long enough to round over well up from the receptacle and crossing each other, serve as handles. The girl who knows how to make tiny paper flowers can fasten a small bunch of them at the joining and crossing of the handles, or per bow of narrow ribbon will answer the same decorative purpose.

A white or colored straw that left over from several seasons' wear can also be made into the most fetching receptacle. The straw should be cleaned with lemon juice and water, and while it is still damp the brim should be shaped into a wide rim, and a small bunch of the straw braid which forms the brim can be carefully ripped apart and several strands of it braided to form a handle and perhaps an edging about the top of the basket. A bit of bright ribbon will add to the attractiveness of the little May box, and if the straw is pinched into the crevices on the sides the small May blossoms can be filled in so that their pretty faces peep out over the edge in every direction.

Another conceit which can be easily copied, originated with the fashionable florist who this year has popularized the sending of a few choice flowers, instead of the huge bunches formerly in vogue. The rare blooms, however, are arranged in the most artistic and imaginable in charming little receptacles which can be made to serve late as table or mantel ornaments. Noteworthy among these is the dainty box formed entirely of twigs interwoven with green moss. The woody sprouts of the trees are so tender that a girl could easily braid a number of them into an old-fashioned flower holder, and what could be prettier than countless Spring violets, star flowers or arbutus buds peering through the interstices of the green young twigs?

DEATHS

TITUS—In this city, April 26, Sarah A. Titus, third daughter of the late John and Elizabeth Titus.

Funeral service at her late residence, 22 Brussels street, Friday at 8 p. m. Interment in Titusville cemetery Saturday morning.

SMITH—In this city on the 26th inst., Margaret Woodburn Smith, aged 61, widow of the late George Smith, of Hartingsburg, Ind., and formerly of Hartingsburg, Ind.

Funeral from the residence of her brother, J. R. Woodburn, 101 Orange St., on Monday 30th inst. Service to begin at 2:30 p. m.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for classification.)

WANTED—AN ACTIVE, INTELLIGENT man to collect advertisements for the Times or more new publications. Address: H. M. F. Times Office. 4-27-1.

WANTED—A FEW GOOD MEN to work on McLean's St. John City Directory. Apply at McLEAN'S PUB. CO'S office, 50 Water street, from 10 a. m. to 12 and from 2 to 4 p. m. 4-27-1.

TO LET—PLEASANT FLAT 3 ROOMS self-contained, modern bath, new house 300 Rockland Road, 138, A. B. McINTOSH, 4-26-1.

WANTED—A PARLOR MAID, APPLY in the evening to MRS. J. F. ROBERTSON, 4 Carlton St.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN, KNOWING the city, to drive delivery and care for horse. Address P. O. BOX 149. 4-27-1.

FOUND—A SUM OF MONEY. OWNER can have same by calling at Times Office. 4-26-1.

SLOSSON AND SUTTON

Famous Billiardists Have Arranged to Play a Match in October for Good Stake.



GEORGE F. SLOSSON

NEW YORK, April 27.—George F. Slosson, who won the world's championship at 18 inch billiards, was today in the recent tournament has announced that he will accept the challenge issued by George B. Sutton, who finished second. There was some doubt as to the regularity of the challenge as it was issued before the tournament was finished.

By mutual agreement the match will be played in the last week in October.

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CANADA PERMANENT MORTGAGE CORPORATION

Maritime Provinces Branch:

Corner Prince William St. and Market Square, ST. JOHN, N. B.

Paid Up Capital, - - - \$6,000,000.00

Rest, - - - - - 2,200,000.00

Assets, - - - - - 25,200,000.00

Trustees are empowered by Order-in-Council to invest in the Debentures of this Corporation.

Deposits received and 4 p. c. Interest Paid or Compounded Half-Yearly.

THE WORLD OF SHIPPING

1906	Sun	Rises	High	Tides
April 27	Mon.	5:24	7:32	11:47
28 Tues.		5:22	7:23	11:47
29 Wed.		5:20	7:14	11:47
30 Thurs.		5:19	7:05	11:47
1 Fri.		5:17	6:57	11:47
2 Sat.		5:15	6:48	11:47

The Times used is Atlantic Standard, for the 6th Meridian, which is four hours slower than Greenwich Mean Time. It is counted from midnight to midnight.

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