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TUESDAY	6,680
WEDNESDAY	6,625
THURSDAY	6,623
FRIDAY	6,613
SATURDAY	7,029
TOTAL	40,242
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THE PLAYGROUNDS

Some citizens are asking how much money is required for supervised playgrounds, and how it will be spent, and how many playgrounds there will be.

It is impossible to give a complete answer at the outset to these questions. The necessity for prompt action if anything is to be done this year has made it necessary to act at once with regard to the funds and work out the details of the plan before the holidays begin. The Women's Council, which is heartily in accord with the movement, will meet on Saturday and will doubtless appoint a strong committee for active work. The school board will meet on Monday and there can be no reasonable doubt that it will grant the use of such portions of school premises as are needed. If any other suitable grounds may be secured, that also will be looked into by those interested in the work. It will then remain to secure such teachers as are required, and the necessary supplies. The amount of funds available will determine the extent of the work to be done. The money will be spent in the most judicious manner by persons who will freely give their own time and effort, with the sole object of producing the most satisfactory results. The contributors to the fund may rely on the statement that every dollar will be put to the best use. Although well established in other cities, supervised playgrounds are new to St. John, and there will be a great deal of hard work at the outset. That the effort will be amply justified by results is beyond question.

A FUTURE PLAYGROUND

It has been suggested to the Times by several citizens that the place for a public playground is the property at the entrance to Rockwood Park, which was purchased by Mr. Joseph Allison for that special purpose.

As a playground for the larger children no finer site could be asked, and the Times has no doubt that within a very few years it will be utilized as it should be. Indeed the present movement to provide supervised playgrounds should not be considered finished until that has been accomplished. But it would only be supplementary to the work now in hand, which is chiefly to provide for the small children, who could not go so far from home.

The editor of this paper went over the grounds at the entrance to the park on Monday evening. There is an area of quite a number of acres, ridged up in the usual manner of marsh land yielding a crop of hay. There are shallow ditches between the ridges and in these at present water lies. The stream which makes the very picturesque waterfall at the entrance to the park also winds through a corner of the property. It would be necessary to divert the course of the stream, which could be very easily done, so that it would run along the roadside. It would also be necessary to open up the shallow ditches and under-drain the whole area. The drains could then be covered, the ridges levelled into the trenches, and a magnificent stretch of level ground provided, with a road on two sides and the wooded margin of the park on a third. Here on the edge of the park could be erected a gymnasium with shower baths, and in front would be ample grounds for base-ball, foot-ball, cricket, and every sort of game the young people would care to play. Of course there would be proper supervision, to keep good order on the grounds, but that would not be at all a difficult matter.

If these grounds were put in proper shape, as Mr. Allison desired should be done when he purchased the property, the city would have a great free playground such as every other city in Canada might envy. The city council might very properly consider this matter, and there can be no doubt at all that the citizens would heartily support the scheme. If there should be a scarcity of civic funds, there are many ways of providing what is necessary. It would be a capital beginning if the council would employ a competent man to look over the property and give an estimate of the probable cost of the work necessary to fit up the playground, even if at the outset the gymnasium feature were omitted. The property lies there, awaiting the transforming hand of skill to make it of incalculable value to the young people of the city.

IN RUSSIA

Touching the possibility of a revolution in Russia, the New York Commercial makes some observations that are a good deal nearer the mark than much that is written on that subject. We quote:—

"The reader of the daily dispatches from St. Petersburg must have been impressed by the persistent comparison of events there with those of the French Revolution. It is not untimely, therefore, to say right here that such comparisons are absolutely idle talk. It is so easy for the foreign correspondent, brought up on an historical diet of French Revolution, to strain all the facts that can possibly be made to bear it into significant "pointers" toward an upheaval recalling France's most tragic era. But in doing this superfluous work the correspondents overlook entirely that a French revolution, even in spirit, is not a bare possibility in Russia. The differences between the Gaul and the Slav are basic. The absence in the French people of the Slav's patient temperament that bears a burden yet a little longer rather than throw it off in a way to impede future progress, is racially characteristic. The Slav's lack of the touch-and-go, chip-on-the-shoulder temperament of the Gaul, who first riots with his passions and then regrets with his calmer reason, makes of motives and occasions which would incite to violence in Paris merely material for serious consideration in St. Petersburg. This is not taken account of in the current news dispatches from the Russian capital, it seems to us. Should Russia ever be embroiled in revolutionary disaster—and we are not predicting it—there will be evolved a different type of uprising from any seen among Gallic peoples, especially a century ago."

The Philadelphia Press believes that a movement from the city back to the soil is inevitable, and that present conditions will not endure. It says: "The great centres of population will always draw young men and young women of unsettled purpose, full of ambition, inexperienced in the world, and eager for change and excitement. At the same time the call of the soil will attract additional thousands every year from the crowded avenues and the brick and mortar hives back to the hush of the country and the companionship of nature. And the time will come when these forces will counterbalance. The immense growth of rural trolley lines and of suburban communities indicates this; and suburban life is only one step from the farm."

The following is an extract from the Memorial Day address of Gov. Hanly, of Indiana:—"Thrift, wealth and aggregated capital are essential to the prosperity of the people and the development of the country. I wage no war against these. But I do wage war against the thrift that grows by theft and peculation, against the abuse of wealth, against the corrupt practices of incorporated capital and the undue and unholy influences it exercises in the administration of government."

The police have discovered nearly twelve hundred dogs in the city. To state the exact number of those still awaiting discovery would perhaps require more than four figures.

The board of trade moves in the right direction when it takes up the question of the proper and continuous equipment of this port to meet the demands of a growing winter traffic.

SEDDON THE SOCIALIST

Premier Seddon, undoubtedly the most advanced Socialist in public office in the British Empire, has become exercised over the serious increase in the cost of living in New Zealand, and states that he hopes his government will adopt further measures in the direction of Socialism in order to remedy the evil. Mr. Seddon asserts that the fish combine only permits a certain quantity of fish to be placed on the market, the surplus being thrown back into the sea, in order to keep up prices. Because of this fish combine, blue cod caught in New Zealand waters is actually sold cheaper in Australia than in Wellington. Similarly, the people of London, Cardiff, Liverpool and Manchester can get New Zealand lamb, mutton and beef superior to that retailed in the colony at less than the retail price charged in any New Zealand town. "We will shortly fix the price of coal to the consumer by means of the State mines." Premier Seddon announces. "We are about to fix the rent payable by the worker by means of the "Workers' Dwellings Act, and we have fixed the fire and accident insurance premiums by means of state insurance offices. The success of previous experiments impels me to the conclusion that the simplest, most economical, and surest way of dealing with the rings is to open fish markets and meat markets, and fix the maximum rates payable by the consumers."

Survival of the Unfittest

(New York Sun.)

A gentleman, hurrying down town, stopped for a paper.

"Can't let you have one," said the boy.

"Why not? I heard you crying them."

"Yes, but that was down the other block where I hollered."

"What does that matter? Come, I'm in a hurry. No fooling."

"Couldn't sell you a paper on this block, mister, 'cause it belongs to Limpy. He's up to the furdest end just now. You'll meet him."

"Who is Limpy? And why does he have this block?"

"Cause us other kids said we'd let him have it. You see, it's a good run 'cause of the offices all along, and the poor chap is that lame he can't git round lively like the rest of us, so we agreed the first one caught selling on his beat should be thrashed. See?"

"Yes, I see. You have a sort of brotherhood between yourselves?"

"Well, we're going to look out for a little chap what's lame, anyhow. There comes Limpy now."

The gentleman bought two papers of him and went on his way down-town, wondering how many men in business would refuse to sell their wares in order to give a weak, halting brother a chance in the field.

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If it were sporty to be good;
No man would cheat or steal or slay
If it were sporty to be good;
The gambler's cards unused would lie,
The drunkard, with his head held high,
Would proudly pass the dramshop by
If it were sporty to be good.

We'd all be leading upright lives
If it were sporty to be good;
Rude men would cease to beat their wives
If it were sporty to be good;
We'd have no sturdy men in blue
To guard us, or endeavor to,
But what would all the lawyers do
If it were sporty to be good?

—Chicago Record-Herald.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

A FRIEND, INDEED!

"Pretty woman you bowed to."
"Yes, rather."
"Friend of yours?"
"Lord, no! Why, that's my wife!"

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SERVED IT ON HER, ANYWAY.

Mistress (indisposed) — What is it you wish to say to me, Bridget? I am too ill to sit up.

Domestic—Well, mum, ye can take no tice widout sittin' up. I lave ye nixt Sath'rday, mum.

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ANOTHER CHARGE.

Magistrate — Ah! they caught you drunk again, eh?

Hobo—No, your honor. Impersonatin' an officer dis time. I guess dey caught me asleep in a doorway.

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INDEFINITE.

"Darling, yours shall be a sunny lot in life."

"Now, look here, George; are you talking of your behavior, or of where we are going to build in the suburbs?"

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NO PLEASURE IN IT.

Mrs. Chase — Oh! I don't like to go to that store. It's so unsatisfactory to do our shopping there.

Mrs. Shoppen—Why, they have everything there.

Mrs. Chase—That's just it. No matter what you ask for, they can suit you right off.

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POOR PROSPECTS.

"Do you hope to raise much on your land this year, farmer?"

"Well," replied Farmer Kornkob, reflectively, "I was kind o' countin' on a mortgage, but even that looks doubtful now."

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BUSINESS-LIKE TRANCE.

"Did that clairvoyant go into a trance when she told your fortune?"

"Yes. Then she went into my pocketbook."

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PREMATURE.

"Have you yet selected the theme for your graduation essay?"

"Goodness gracious, no, indeed! Why, I haven't yet decided on whether my costume will be cut princess style or gored skirt and blouse effect."

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STARTING THE MACHINERY.

"Pop, is there going to be a revolution in Russia?"

"I am afraid so, my son. The government there seems determined to see how the wheels go 'round."

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BOTH OPTICS CLOSED.

Towne—When I saw him this morning he was looking for fight.

Browne—O! but that was this morning.

Towne—Well, isn't he looking for it now?

Browne—I don't think so, because he couldn't see it if he did. He found it this morning.

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ONE WOMAN'S WAY.

Husband—Why do you encourage that Mrs. Tattles to keep calling so often? Is it because you enjoy hearing the neighbors talked about?

Wife—Oh, no, but when she is here I know she isn't somewhere else talking about me.

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CONVERTED.

(From the Chicago Record-Herald).

"What became of that neighbor of yours who used to get so mad whenever anybody advocated public ownership of anything? I thought he was going to assault me one evening when I met him at your house and expressed the opinion that it might not be a bad thing if the government owned the railroads. He told me I was rather a traitor to my country and intimated that I ought to be in the penitentiary or the lunatic asylum. I never saw anyone who seemed to be quite so earnest as he was in demanding protection of the vested interests."

"Yes; he had no patience with anybody who even hinted that there might be any sort of justice or the faintest tinge of reason in public ownership of anything under any circumstances. He lost his money a year or two ago, however, and the last time I heard of him he was assistant editor of a Socialist weekly."

YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION

Because Olivier Sauvage, an employe of Cote des Neiges Cemetery, Montreal, yielded to "undue temptation" and hugged and kissed Mrs. Fabien Gagnon, of 47 Brinville street, Montreal, he is now being sued for $500 by the lady's husband. It seems that Sauvage went to Gagnon's house when the master was absent to collect fees for the care of a cemetery lot and that he took advantage of the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Shadbolt, Miss Shadbolt and Mr. Heald, of St. John, were in Toronto for the Shadbolt-Atkinson wedding yesterday.

Arthur Kirkpatrick left last evening for Montreal on a week's business trip.

Holden Merrit returned to Woodstock last evening.

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