

FREDERICTON MEN
WILL BE WITH US

To Take Part in the Firemen's Tournament
--St. Mary's to Have Water System--
Donald Fraser & Sons' Properties--
Died in Kamloops.

FREDERICTON, May 17 (Special).--At a meeting of the ratepayers of the village of St. Mary's last evening it was unanimously decided to install a gravitation water system for domestic and water purposes. Another meeting will be held early in June, when it is likely commissioners will be appointed to carry on the work.

Hon. Isaac Stephenson, recently elected to the United States senate from Wisconsin, is a native of Manerville, Sunbury county. The family left there when he was quite young, and resided for a time at Hartland, Carleton county, before removing to Wisconsin. Mr. Stephenson visited here a few years ago and met many old friends.

Donald Fraser, Sr., of Donald Fraser & Sons, is among the visitors to the city today. He says that option given to his firm's property, obtained some time ago, by a Woodstock lawyer, acting for an American syndicate, expired on May first. Fredericton firemen have been invited

to take part in the St. John tournament and will likely accept.

The Canadian Pacific Railway recently had engineers here making a survey of the proposed siding from the railway station to the Aberdeen mill site. Messrs. Fraser will rebuild the mill as soon as they are given assurances that the railway will construct a siding.

The weather here today is very mild and the water in the river is at a standstill. There is a good run of new logs at Sugar Island boom. Rafting operations are progressing satisfactorily at the Mitchell boom, a crew of fifty men being at work.

Geo. Beatty, butcher, of this city, received a telegram last night, notifying him of the death at Kamloops, B. C., of his brother, Edward Beatty. He had been suffering from tuberculosis and went west only three weeks ago, hoping that the change would benefit him. A telegram has been sent to Kamloops asking for further particulars. The deceased leaves a widow and one child, living here.

HE SHOT HIS
SUCCESSOR

Shocking Crime by an Ex-Chief
of Police in Pennsylvania
Town.

MONROESVILLE, Pa. May 17--Thos. Guest, chief of police of Bellevue, 3 miles from here, was fatally shot last night by Wm. Cates, his predecessor, who then walked down Main street firing a 38-calibre revolver at every one who attempted to approach him.

Cates was finally subdued by several citizens but before a squad of officers who had been summoned could reach Cates, he was severely beaten by an angry mob which threatened to lynch him.

Chief Guest arrested Cates on a charge of disorderly conduct. While searching him at the jail, Cates suddenly drew a revolver and fired a bullet into Guest's forehead. Threatening Jas. Frost, another officer, Cates escaped from the jail to Main street where he began firing at everybody he saw.

No motive is known except that Cates had been drinking.

TRAGIC DEATH OF
NEW YORK MAN

Fell Out of Bed in His Sleep
and Was Found Dying on
the Floor.

NEW YORK, May 17--Alonso J. Jones, a well known retired architect and yachtsman, died at Bellevue Hospital last night as a result of injuries sustained in falling from his bed.

A piece of a broken china cuspidor was embedded in his side and he had lost a large quantity of blood.

It is supposed that Jones rolled from the bed in his sleep and fell upon the cuspidor, his head striking the floor hard enough to render him unconscious. The cause came from Philadelphia. He designed many of the large buildings in this city.

Jones was a member of the New York Yacht Club and had many friends in yachting circles. He was about 60 years old.

STROMBOLI IN ERUPTION

MESSINA, Sicily, May 17--A violent eruption of the Stromboli volcano occurred yesterday. It was preceded by a tremendous detonation and followed by continuous less violent explosions.

ARBOR DAY OBSERVED
IN THE CITY SCHOOLS

Pleasing Programme in
the High School--All
the Schools Had One
Session.

Today, Arbor Day, was observed in the public schools of the city by one session, the scholars being freed from their tasks at 1 o'clock. In the various classrooms of the schools, studies on plant life were given but no outdoor work was taken up, as has been done in some previous years. In the High School an interesting programme was given in the large hall in which students from the different classes participated. The exercises commenced about 11:30 o'clock and the programme was as follows:

Music--School. The Maple Leaf.
Recitation--Colin Mayo, grade ix.
Recitation--Flo. Hayes, grade xi.
Essay--Jask Woodrow, grade ix.
Recitation--Dora Evans, grade ix.
Piano solo--Gladys Wilson, grade ix.
Recitation--Edison, grade viii.

Essay--Rosalie Waterman, grade ix.
Recitation--Edgar March, grade viii.
Recitation--Vera McKay, grade ix.
Recitation--Florence Brown, grade x.
Recitation--Raymond Trueman, grade x.
Reading--Madeline de Sorres, grade x.
Recitation--Cristine Crawford, grade ix.
Recitation--Constance Reed, grade x.
Essay--Wm. Brittain, grade xi.
Piano duet--Enid Hutchinson and Florence Brown, grade x.

Recitation--Helen Johnston, grade ix.
Recitation--Hattie Vanwart, grade ix.
Recitation--Stanley Irvine, grade ix.
Essay--Irene Shaw, grade xi.
God Save the King.

Tomorrow being Loyalist Day, coming as it does on Saturday, the scholars will be given a holiday on Monday, the 27th, in its stead. Lessons have been given during the week in the various schools on the subject of the Loyalists.

On Empire Day, Thursday May 23, there will be two sessions as usual. In the High School an entertainment will be given in the afternoon to which the general public are invited. A programme similar to last year will be provided and several prominent citizens will be invited to address the pupils. Friday, May 24, Victoria Day, will be observed as a general holiday.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN
MACAULAY BROS. STORES;
\$100,000 DAMAGE DONE

Frightened Girls Employed on Top Floor of Big Building
Carried to Safety by the Firemen.

Fire Started in the Basement Shortly After Twelve O'Clock--Smoke Shot Up
Elevator Shaft and Filled Entire Building--Serious Blow to One of
St. John's Most Progressive Firms.

One of the most serious fires St. John has had this year was discovered a few minutes after noon today in Macaulay Bros' big dry goods establishment on King street, and in a very short time thousands of dollars worth of damage was done and several young women employed in the millinery rooms on the fourth floor of the large building had their means of escape cut off by dense volumes of smoke and were rescued by firemen who placed ladders to the rear windows on South Market street, and carried the frightened girls to safety.

Started in the Basement
The fire started in the basement at the King street front of the store, presumably in a quantity of cotton, but what caused it is not definitely known.

B. R. Macaulay had occasion to visit the basement about 11:30 o'clock, but at that time there was no sign of what eventually developed into the most serious conflagration in the firm's history. A few minutes after noon, while the big show rooms were well filled with customers, Edmund Owens, of the dress goods department was cutting samples for a customer. Suddenly he smelled smoke and he was evidently a tiny curl of smoke issuing from a fixture directly behind him. A hurried investigation revealed smoke issuing from other cracks in the fixtures and Mr. Owens informed his customer he would send the samples to her, that there was evidently a fire in the store and she had better get out as quickly as possible. The word was soon passed quietly to the other customers and the store was emptied of all but the employees without the slightest disorder.

Dense Columns of Smoke

In the meantime the dense smoke had filled the basement and poured up the elevator shaft to the upper floors of the building.

It being the dinner hour, many of the clerks were away from the store. Three or four girls working with Miss Duffy, dress maker for the firm, on the upper floor, were nearly suffocated. A Miss Stevens of the north end was about to jump out of the third story window on South Market street. The smoke was so dense and it was thought at one time that the girls could not hold out until the ladders were hoisted. Miss Stevens was crying out: "I am going to jump!" but the firemen encouraged her to hold on.

At last the big truck was hoisted by the firemen and the two girls rescued. They were nearly exhausted when they reached the ground. The crowd watching the rescue of the girls sent up a great cheer when they reached the ground. One other girl was taken out from the front entrance on King

street by two of the Salvage Corps at almost overcome with smoke.

While the firemen were rescuing these girls by the rear windows another young woman appeared at the big bow window on the King street side of the third floor. She was very much excited and it was feared she would jump to the street. Firemen, however, came to her rescue, and she was carried down the stairs. Another girl crawled out on the window ledge and gazed curiously at the gathering below. She did not appear to be frightened and climbed back again and walked down stairs.

How the Fire Was Fought

The fire alarm was sent in about 12:10 from box 23 and every stick of fire fighting apparatus in the city was on hand in short order. There was very little fire in the building, but the whole building was filled with heavy smoke which poured out of the second, third and fourth floor windows of the main building on both the King and Market street sides.

One engine was stationed at the corner of King and German streets just at the time the fire was done. The firm carried a particularly heavy and an especially valuable stock, they having received all their spring goods and a large portion of their summer orders.

B. R. Macaulay when seen could give no accurate idea, but said it would probably exceed \$100,000. It is known that between \$50,000 and \$70,000 insurance was carried but this will not cover the outright damage to the stock without taking account of the building.

Firemen Handicapped

The firemen worked like beavers but the smoke was so thick that their task was a very difficult one and it was next to impossible to locate the seat of the trouble effectively.

The first floor of the Macaulay building is devoted to the general dry goods, small wares, dress goods and silk stock, the second is devoted to ladies' ready made clothing, millinery and millinery show-rooms, the third has the house furnishing department and the fourth or upper floor is devoted to the millinery manufacturing and an immense reserve stock room.

The offices are situated on the third floor in the rear.

When the fire broke out the office staff devoted their attention to saving the books and accounts. Most of these were deposited in the big safe while the remainder were carried into Waterbury & Rising's store.

As late as two o'clock the fire had not been gotten under control, while the heavy stocks of expensive dry goods, ribbons,

silks, dress goods and millinery were so badly smoke damaged as to be almost worthless.

Whole Glass Front Smashed

The flames were confined to the basement, where the fire started, but it was feared it would work into the first floor. Practically the whole of the splendid plate glass front was shattered by the firemen, and much of the flooring on the lower floor was ripped up to allow free access to the fire in the basement. The members of the salvage corps worked heroically. Rolls of dress goods and bolts of silks, boxes of ribbons, gloves and in fact whatever could be secured were carried into the gent's furnishing department, where the fire did not reach, and piled in a heterogeneous mass, while some of the stock was also piled on the King street side. The soldiers fired a volley at the fleeing Terrorists but only succeeded in hitting some by-standers, two of whom were killed and 5 were injured.

Very Heavy Damage

It is impossible at the time of writing to form anything like a correct estimate of the damage done. The firm carried a particularly heavy and an especially valuable stock, they having received all their spring goods and a large portion of their summer orders.

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The cotton in the basement was still burning furiously at 2:15 o'clock and the smoke did not seem to be greatly diminished in volume.

Some anxiety was felt for the firm's cash books which had been left behind when the office staff made their escape. Walter McLehlan, a fireman, entered the office through the rear window and brought the books out.

Floor Falls Into Cellar

The firemen who were working in the cellar had a very narrow escape about two o'clock. They had just gotten out of the cellar when the first floor gave away and fell into the cellar with a crash that could be heard on the street.

A later estimate places the insurance at \$80,000 and the loss at more than \$100,000. At 2:30 the fire was practically under control.

Messrs Macaulay say that their business will be resumed at the earliest possible moment.

FROM MILK AND A DOLLAR A DAY TO
WEALTH AND AN ACTRESS-BRIDE

NEW YORK, May 17--William Ellis Corey, president of the United States Steel corporation, and his bride, who are now on the Atlantic en route to Paris, where for six weeks they will spend their honeymoon in a romantic old chateau on the outskirts of the city. The chateau, unlike most of the ancestral halls of old France, is in first class condition. Mr. Corey having ordered that it be made one of the finest homes in France. Then he presented it to his bride as a wedding present. But his generosity did not end there, for with munificence befitting a steel king and an ardent lover, he has, through his agents, transferred to his bride through his agents, United States steel company's bonds to the extent of \$1,000,000. These bonds and the chateau were the principal wedding presents. The diamonds and other costly jewels were merely in the way of incidentals.

The funeral of the late Samuel E. Wallace was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his son's residence at Kingsville, to Cedar Hill cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Deinstadt conducted the funeral service at the house.

American schooner A. G. Wyland, at Georgetown, P. E. I., reports loss of Frank and Edwin Landry, of Tusket, N. S., in a fog while attending trawls.

Thomas Lawlor, a well known citizen of St. Stephen, died today.

Mr. Justice Graham is appointed chairman of the Cumberland Coal and Railway Co. conciliation board.

Fred Blake's large stable at Milltown, Me., was destroyed by fire today.

burg millionaires which has already given to the world a Thaw.

There is in St. John at the present time a gentleman who knows the Corey family very well in Pennsylvania. He tells an interesting story of how Ellis Corey's mother had a small farm and one cow and dispensed milk to the neighbors. And he said it was good milk too. Corey at that time was a struggling youth on a \$1 a day salary.

But now the steel king has put all that behind him. His milk has become champagne, and his wage of a dollar a day has swelled to as many thousands. All of which in an apt illustration of what can be accomplished on this glorious continent. From milk, a dollar a day and a faithful wife, to champagne, a French chateau and an actress bride is but a short step after all, but few decent men would care to take that step with Corey and share his moral responsibilities.

There is no doubt that when they return from their wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Corey will undoubtedly be a welcome addition to that colony of eccentric Pitts-

THE HORRORS OF LIFE
UNDER RUSSIAN RULE

Forty-five Officials and Workmen Shot
Down by Cossacks--The Czar's Nar-
row Escape --- Terrorists Kill Four,
Wound Nine, and steal \$5,000.

LODZ, Russian Poland, May 17--Forty-five officials and workmen of Kuttner's spinning mill were shot down this morning by a patrol of Cossacks because a band of terrorists attacked a mail wagon in the neighborhood, killed a Cossack guard and wounded another Cossack and two post office officials.

WARSAW, May 17--A band of Terrorists held up the city office of the Vistula Railroad in Długa street today and got away with \$5,000, after a severe fight in which four persons were killed and nine others were injured. The office was full of people at the time and the Terrorists attacked them with revolvers, killing two and wounding four of the guards before they reached the place where the money was kept. Then snatching up a bag containing \$5,000 the men ran out of the office. The soldiers fired a volley at the fleeing Terrorists but only succeeded in hitting some by-standers, two of whom were killed and 5 were injured.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 17--Further details of the plot at Tsarskoye-Selo, against the life of his majesty, the emperor, which came to light yesterday, were obtained yesterday and indicated that the emperor's escape during passion week was very narrow.

The plot was deep laid, and the conspirators were members of the emperor's personal escort. The arrest of one man, a Cossack Sergeant, has made it possible to trace the conspiracy back for four months.

Witnesses were secured and the arrests were finally made on order of the district attorney, who will prosecute the case in open court.

The lower house of parliament is taking the keenest interest in the story, and it is reported that the leaders of the constitutional democrats only await official confirmation to introduce a motion to the house expressing joy at the preservation of the emperor's life.

IN MONTREAL
AND NEW YORK

Today's Situation in Regard to
the 'longshoremen's Strike--
Another Conference.

MONTREAL, May 17 (Special).--A conference is being held between the longshoremen's committee and shippers this afternoon. The longshoremen have refused the shippers' offer of last night, and are expecting a substitute offer. Secretary of Labor Acland is acting between the parties. Conditions on the wharves continue peaceful.

NEW YORK, May 17--Jos. Cuneo, stevedore contractor for the Cunco Steamship Company, the Trinidad steamer, ship docked in Brooklyn, today granted the demands of the striking longshoremen. President Connors, of the Longshoremen's Union, announced today that the joint executive council of the United Teamsters of America had decided to support the Longshoremen. The Celtic of the White Star line sailed on time today with a light cargo.

TEN YEARS
AND LASHES

A Very Stiff Sentence for Two
Nova Scotia Highway Rob-
bers.

HALIFAX, May 17--(Special).--Ira Carter and Thos. Walters, arrested for assault and highway robbery on G. Verdi, were today sentenced by Judge Fielding to 10 years in Dorchester and 10 lashes. The assault took place about a month ago near Verdi's home.

THE DRIFT DRIVE

The drift drive reached Millidgeville last night, and those interested report that the work is coming along excellently. It is estimated that about 3,000,000 feet of logs arrived.

John Kilburn's logs are farthest up the river, at Fort Kent, and his drives are coming along fine on account of the excellent depth of the water. Cushing's, Murray and Gregory's and Stetson, Cutler & Co.'s drives are also meeting with excellent success.

EARL GREY'S VISIT

A special meeting of the common council is called for tomorrow (Saturday) morning at 10:30 o'clock, when a committee will be appointed to make arrangements for the Governor-General's visit to the city. A delegation from the Y. M. C. A., relative to the removing of the Chipman house from its present site will also be heard.

LIVELY TIME IN THE
POLICE COURT TODAY

J. B. M. Baxter and Offi-
cer Crawford Exchange
Verbal Thrusts in Currey
Case.

There was a hot session in the police court this morning when the case of Chas. Currey, who was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Crawford, on four charges, came up for hearing. The charges are using profane and obscene language, and abusive and insulting language to Patrolman Crawford, resisting the police and threatening to assault Wm. Brophy.

Some heated words passed between J. B. M. Baxter, Currey's counsel, and Crawford, and the case aroused considerable interest.

After summing up the evidence his honor allowed Currey out on suspended sentence of 88 or two months for abusive language and dismissed the other charges. Mr. Baxter, in the course of proceedings

expressed the opinion that Crawford went in for scrap, after the style of prize fighting. The officer's conduct was, in his opinion disgraceful, and looked as if he had been trying to exercise his "little brief authority." Mr. Baxter stated further that, under the circumstances, he thought Currey would have done a pretty nearly right if he had laid Crawford out.

Patrolman Crawford was highly indignant at Mr. Baxter's remarks, and in no uncertain tone gave him and the court to understand that he (Crawford) was not looking for scrap nor acting like a prize-fighter. He only asked fair play.

Mr. Baxter told Crawford that if he were crown prosecutor he would not want a finer chance of charging him with perjury. Crawford hotly declared that his statements were supported by those of two witnesses.

Mr. Baxter thought the affair was very unfortunate and said that had Currey been unable to obtain the \$50 bail, he would have been obliged to pass the night "in the toms."

Crawford intimated that there were others who might be accused of perjury. Decision was given as above stated.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

MR. BINKS SHOT HIMSELF.

Mr. Peter Binks got himself into quite a heated altercation with the Times new reporter this morning. Mr. Binks made the remark when the two met that tomorrow would be the 18th of May. The new reporter said he had seen it referred to somewhere at Loyalist Day, and asked Mr. Binks why it was so named.

"What!" shouted Mr. Binks. "You don't know why it's called Loyalist Day? I don't know that it was the day on which three thousand of the noblest souls that ever lived landed on these bleak shores to leave our home in the wilderness under the old flag, and to perpetuate here those glorious institutions which are the priceless heritage of the British subject? You tell me you don't know that?"

"Oh," said the new reporter, "I have



heard some talk to that effect, but I don't take much stock in it."