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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1907.

WEATHER

Fresh to strong northwesterly winds. Fine Thursday moderate to fresh northwesterly winds. Fine, not much change in temperature.

ONE CENT

FREDERICTON HAS AN ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION

Jeremiah Harding Tells a Very Peculiar Story

OF WELL DRESSED MAN

Who Invited Him to Drive and Then Took Him Almost to Fredericton Junction—Police Searching for Man.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 15—(Special)—A well dressed stranger about twenty-five years of age made a daring attempt on Sunday last to abduct a fourteen-year-old boy named Jeremiah Harding, of Portland, Me., who is visiting his grandfather, Frederick Harding, of Gibson. The boy was out walking at Gibson on Sunday morning when he was accosted by the man who was driving a black horse attached to a new buggy.

The boy got into the buggy for a drive on the stranger's invitation and when the St. Mary's end of the highway bridge was reached he expressed a wish to get out. "If you attempt to leave me I will blow your brains out," was the driver's startling rejoinder.

This threat thoroughly frightened the boy and he did not repeat his request. The man drove the horse across the bridge to this city and took the road for St. John.

When a short distance beyond Fredericton Junction the reins became caught under the horse's tail and while the driver was endeavoring to release them the boy sprang from the carriage and escaped into the woods.

The stranger did not attempt to follow and later in the afternoon the boy came out of his hiding place, walked to the Junction, and the next day arrived home by train. His prolonged absence caused his grandparents a great deal of anxiety and they were much surprised at the strange story he told.

City Marshal Roberts has been furnished with a description of the mysterious stranger but has not been able to find any trace of him.

It is probable that the man was driving a stolen one and that he took it to St. John.

FRANCE MAY HAVE TO OVERSTEP LIMITS

But as Far as Possible She Will Police Morocco According to Algeiras Mandate.

PARIS, Aug. 14—Government circles decline to discuss the possibility of France being compelled to overstep the limits of the terms of Algeiras convention, but the following statements were made Sunday: "Events may force our hands, but until they do, we shall try in good faith to carry out the mandate which we hold from the powers."

It was officially explained this morning that the heavy artillery being shipped to Casablanca from Oran is designed to replace the machine guns and other light artillery landed from the warships.

John McArthur

CHATHAM, N. B., Aug. 14—The death of John McArthur occurred on Tuesday in Boston. Mr. McArthur was a son of Alexander McArthur and was a very bright and popular young man. He was formerly employed here in W. L. T. Welton's tailoring establishment, but suffered severely from an attack of rheumatic fever, and six years ago he went to Boston in the hope that the climate would be more favorable. For a time he improved, but after another long period of illness he expired at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cecil McArthur, who was 31 years of age and was not married. Besides his father, who is living here, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. George McLean, Harvard street; Miss Rhoda McArthur, of St. John, a nurse in the provincial hospital; Mrs. Cecil, Boston, and one brother, Melbourne, of Halifax.

Robb-Harley

HALIFAX, Aug. 14 (Special)—The marriage took place at Fairview today at the residence of the bride's father, F. W. Harley, of Nina H. and William T. Robb, secretary of the New Glasgow Y. M. C. A., and son of William Robb, of St. John, and brother of Rev. Alex. Robb, missionary in Korea.

CURLEY KNOCKED OUT

NEW YORK, Aug. 14—Frank O'Brien, knocked out Jack Curley in the third round of their fight at the Consolidated A. C. last night. O'Brien showed cleverness in blocking and accuracy in hitting. Several times he staggered Curley with hard rights and lefts to the chin and in the third round a stiff right hook to the point of the jaw, sent Curley down for the count.

The united congregations of St. Peter's and Holy Trinity church are holding their picnic today on the Bishop's grounds, Torriburn. Three trains leaving at 10 o'clock 12.30 and 2.30 took out about 3,000 people. The usual amusements are furnished on the grounds.

Furness steamship Kanawha left Halifax today for this port; she has on board a large London cargo for city merchants.

GRAND LODGE OPENED TODAY

First Session of Grand Lodge of Maritime Provinces I. O. O. F. Opened at St. Stephen This Morning.

(See also page five.)

ST. STEPHEN, Aug. 14—(Special)—The grand lodge, I. O. O. F., of the maritime provinces of Canada, opened this morning at 10.30, Grand Master Dr. Smith Walker presiding. About 125 members were present and about sixty received the grand lodge degree. A. S. McPherson was appointed assistant secretary. Representatives Geo. Kent and W. P. Cunningham were appointed custodians of the secret work.

Smith, Munson and Ernest Young, representatives of grand lodge of Maine, and Bro. Cleland, representative of the grand lodge of Quebec, being in waiting, were introduced.

The following greeting was sent:

To W. S. Johnson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

The Grand Lodge of the maritime provinces, in session at St. Stephen, N. B., extends fraternal greetings to the Grand Lodge of Ontario with best wishes for a prosperous session and extension of the principles of Oddfellows.

SMITH L. WALKER, Grand Master.

This afternoon Miriam lodge will exemplify the initiatory degree.

CASE OF CIVIC NEGLECT

Work Ordered to Be Done on Spring Street Some Time Ago Has Not Yet Been Commenced

Residents of the upper end of Spring street are complaining of the slowness of the city doing certain work on that street which was ordered some time ago. At a meeting of the water and sewerage board the last of July, Director Murdoch was instructed to remove the sewer which is directly in front of the walk leading to Burpee avenue, further down the street. This order has not yet been carried out and until this is done the street department cannot go on with the work of grading the street, which is greatly needed to improve the appearance of the thoroughfare.

The upper end of the street at present resembles a pasture. It is covered with a growth of grass and weeds, while an old tumble-down fence is stretched across the end.

As this street now contains many fine residences and is used by people living on Mount Pleasant, it is felt that some attention should be given to its needs.

It was also stated some time ago that the electric light on Burpee avenue was to be moved so that it would light the walk leading up from Spring street, but nothing has been done about the matter yet.

AN ASSAULT CASE

Frank Lanyon Charged by George Wasson With Striking Him With Ice Tongue.

Frank Lanyon, a driver for the St. John Ice Co., has been placed under arrest on a warrant of assault issued by George F. Wasson, a motorman for the St. John Railway Co.

Lanyon was in court this morning, when he pleaded not guilty, and was remanded to tomorrow afternoon, when the case will be heard at two o'clock.

It appears that Lanyon was unloading his wagon in front of W. Alex. Porter's store, Union street, yesterday, and had the vehicle backed against the curb and the horses standing with their heads across the track when Wasson's car came along. The plaintiff sounded the bell and asked Lanyon to move his horses, but he paid no attention whatever. Wasson repeated this request, and receiving no response from Lanyon, got off the car and moved the horses out of the way, but scarcely had he turned his back when Lanyon dealt him a blow on the head with the ice tongue.

It is understood that the defendant claims he had a perfect right, according to law, to allow his horses and team to remain as Wasson found them for something like six minutes.

Fred. R. Taylor is acting for the plaintiff, and J. B. M. Baxter for the defendant.

LATE PERSONALS

Rev. D. Hutchinson went out on the Atlantic express at noon.

Judge McLeod was a passenger on today's Atlantic express.

Judge Lanyon returned to his home at Dorchester at noon today.

F. J. G. Knowlton went east at noon.

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E. L. Phillips, insurance adjuster, went east at noon today.

Mrs. Alexander Gibb will receive her friends at 126 Bridge street, Thursday and Friday afternoon and evening.

The funeral of Hugh Ray Maher, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Maher, was held at 10.30 o'clock this morning from the residence of his father, who is caretaker of the new Catholic cemetery. Rev. Father O'Neil read the burial service at the house, after which interment was made.

The Times received this morning from George Pierce, the union street barber, some of the largest gooseberries seen about this part of the country. They measure about four by three inches in circumference. For all their size, they are luscious.

Battle line steamer Tanagra, Captain Kehoe, sailed from Barcelona on the 8th inst. for New York, and the Leandra, of the same line, sailed from Copenhagen on March 8, for Tyne and St. John.

THE VICE-REGAL PARTY SPENT A QUIET MORNING

But They Have Quite a Programme Outlined for This Afternoon and Evening ---After Canadian Club Luncheon Earl Grey Will Inspect Cadet Corps, and Ladies Will Visit Institutions.

After spending the morning quietly in their rooms at the Royal Hotel, the vice-regal party will have a busy afternoon and evening, commencing with the Canadian Club luncheon in the Keith assembly rooms, at which His Excellency will deliver an address, the governor-general will afterwards inspect the Boys' Brigade and the A. O. H. Cadets on the Barrack Square at 4.30 p. m.

At 9.30 he will attend the public reception at the Keith assembly rooms, and following that function, will be tendered a supper at the Union Club at 10.30 by the mayor and council of St. John.

The morning was taken up by His Excellency in preparing his address to be given before the Canadian Club.

Her Excellency the Countess Grey and Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn Grey, accompanied by the mayor and Capt. Newton, A. D. C. to His Excellency, the ladies this afternoon visited the Home for Incubables, the General Public Hospital, the Municipal Home and other institutions, where the inmates were greatly cheered by Her Excellency's gracious and kindly interest.

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It is probable that the countess will accompany Earl Grey when he inspects the cadet corps this afternoon. It is quite probable also that the Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn may pay a visit to the golf links.

The governor general's party, which in addition to their excellencies, the aide-de-camp and private secretary, consists of four servants and an orderly sergeant, occupy some ten or twelve rooms in the big King street hotel.

The itinerary of the vice-regal party after leaving here on Friday is not definitely known yet, but it has been planned that they will leave here at midnight Friday for St. Andrew's where they will remain until Monday morning when they leave for Charlottetown via Picton. They will occupy their time until the 20th inst. when it is probable they will return direct to Ottawa.

On the arrival of his excellency at the capital it is expected that announcement will be made of the appointment to fill the vacancy in the office of minister of railways and canals.

Tonight's Banquet

Those who have accepted invitations to the civic banquet at the Union Club this evening are:—Lieut.-Gov. Tweedie, Hon. A. R. McLellan, Hon. C. W. Robinson, Chief Justice Tuck, Hon. C. J. Osman, Judges Forbes, U. S. Consul Willich, Dr. J. W. Daniel, ex-mayor; Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Hon. A. T. Dunn, Recorder Skinner, Sheriff Ritchie, His Lordship Bishop Casey, Chief Kerr, Robert Thomson, com-

modore of R. K. Y. C.; D. J. Seely, president Loyalist Society; Chief Clerk, General Superintendent Downie, C. K. Cameron, president St. Andrew's Society; J. V. Ellis, president Natural History Society; Lt.-Col. Sturdee, president St. George's Society; Geo. V. McInerney, president I. L. and B. Society; George Robertson, ex-mayor; Director Wisely, A. W. Sharp, H. E. Wardrope, Director Murdoch, J. McGregor, ex-mayor; Chamberlain Sandford, J. D. Hazen, W. E. Foster, vice-president Board of Trade, the aldermen and representatives of the press.

Cadets' Inspection

The inspection of the cadet corps at the Barrack Square this afternoon by His Excellency Earl Grey will no doubt be an interesting feature. The Hibernian Cadets are expected to muster about 100 boys, the Scots Company Boys' Brigade will have about 50 or 60, and the St. Mark's Cadet Corps of Stone Church about 30 boys.

The Scots Company and St. Mark's Company will meet at their own hall at 3 o'clock and march to St. Malachi's Hall, where they will join the Hibernian Cadets and all will march to the Barrack Square together.

Lt.-Col. G. Rolt White, D. O. C. will accompany the governor-general on his visit of inspection.

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ASSYRIAN RIOT CASE

Several Witnesses Heard This Morning and Case is Again Adjourned.

The Assyrian riot case was resumed in the police court this morning.

Mrs. Bechara, wife of the elder of the two Becharas under arrest, was first placed on the stand, and after direct examination was cross-examined by Daniel Mullin, K. C., who appears for Fred and Anthony Isaac, and E. S. Ritchie, counsel for Raymond and Thomas Simon and John Sullivan.

Bernard Kennedy was next examined and told of seeing Fred Isaac and another man fighting. He saw five men fighting with sticks. The fighting had been in progress about twenty minutes when Sadie Thomas was struck. The prisoner, John Sullivan, was trying to part the contestants when he was struck on the arm.

Robert Addison was also examined and stated that no English people were engaged in the fight. The remainder of his evidence was unimportant.

George Bechara, who also saw the fight, said that Raymond struck Fred Isaac on the head with a broom stick. Witness took Fred Isaac into the yard with him and the crowd surged around, most of them with sticks and stones, many of which were thrown. He knew that Tom Simon, who he declared was the aggressor in the melee, had struck Fred Isaac. Tom wrestled the stick from Fred and flourishing it wildly and running from corner to corner, said he would kill everybody.

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THE FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT

As Result of Protest Moncton Gets First Place in Yesterday's Sports-Inspection of I. C. R.

MONCTON, Aug. 14 (Special)—Moncton, and not Glace Bay, gets the place honors in the sports held yesterday in connection with the firemen's tournament. A protest was lodged this morning in connection with the 220 yards consolation race against Debuson and McDougall, of Glace Bay, who finished first and second in the event. The consolation race was open only to competitors who had not won first places in other events. The two Glace Bay men had been members of the half mile consolation race which won that event and were therefore ineligible competitors in the consolation race. Wood, of Moncton, who finished third, gets first place.

Moncton firemen, therefore, have twenty-one points, while the number scored by Glace Bay is reduced to nineteen. The other teams stand as before.

This morning a large contingent of visitors went to Point du Chene, extra cars being attached to the morning express. They will return early this evening, when a torchlight procession will be held.

Deputy Minister of Railways Butler, accompanied by officials of the railway, left on a special train this morning for a tour of inspection of the Ontario branch of the I. C. R. The deputy minister arrived here last night, and this morning inspected the new shops being built here, expressing himself well pleased with the excellent progress which is being made. Those accompanying him on the inspection tour today are General Manager Pattinson, T. C. Burpee, engineer of maintenance, Engineer McKenzie, Mechanical Superintendent Joughins, Robt. Simpson and Supt. Jarvis.

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