CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John,

Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges

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THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, issuing weekly 8,500 copies of THE WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers, please make a note of this.

M. A. Harding, Main street, has been awarded $560 for the damage done to his property by the runaway street car two weeks ago.

A subscriber in the state of New York has shown his confidence in the future of the semi-weekly Sun by paying his subscription to July 6th, 1902.

The New Glasgow Milling Co. is still rushed to its full capacity, and although July is a poor month for flour sales, yet they will have shipped this month some 2,500 barrels of flour.

Rev. I. W. Carpenter, formerly of New Horton, but for the past two years of Canterbury, has purchased a property at Lutz Mountains and moved there with the intention of permanently locating.—Maple Leaf.

The Reformed Baptists will hold their camp meeting at Brazil Lake, N. S., commencing Sunday, August 14th, and continuing for ten days. Rev. A. Hartt of Everett, Mass., will be the chief worker. He will be assisted by his son, Albert Hartt. Rev. M. S. Tilton of St. John will also be present.

The firm of I. Matheson & Co., New Glasgow, have just completed a steam launch for the dominion government, to be used on the fishery protective service. She is 42 feet long and 9 feet beam.

On Friday the remains of John B. Smith, who died in Victoria, B. C., some time ago, were brought to this city for interment at Fernhill., Mr. Smith was a son of the late W. M. Smith, formerly steamboat inspector in this city.

The new Furness liner London City, Capt. Patterson, which left London, July 17th, with a large general cargo, arrived off the Island on Friday afternoon. She will come up to port this morning and after discharging a large quantity of powder in the stream, will move in to the Furness line berth.

The causes of death reported at the board of health office for the week ending July 30, were: Cholera infantum, 2; valvular disease of heart, 2; meningitis, 1; diarrhoea, 1; consumption, 1; softening of brain, 1; carcinoma of uterus, 1; cerebral paralysis and old age, 1; asthenia, 1; fracture of spinal column, 1; total, 12.

The Rev. B. Watson, M. A., and W. R Hibbard, R. A., of Lennoxville, Quebec, have been appointed classical and mathematical master respectively at the Davenport school. Mr. Watson in 1893 obtained a prize for Latin and Greek unseen translation. In 1894 he gained first class honors, the Prince of Wales medal for classics, and the Mackie prize for Latin essay. Mr. Hibbard gained first class honors in mathematics in 1895.

Capt. Charles Storey of the fishing schooner Lafayette, lying at Leonard's wharf, sustained severe injuries last Thursday while going on board the vessel. He stepped on the rail and slipping fell to the deck. He had a bad shaking up, and one side of his body was badly bruised. Dr. D. E. Berryman, who was sent for, ordered the removal of the injured man to the hospital, to which institution he was taken in the ambulance. Capt. Storey, who is 70 years of age, belongs on the other side of the bay. He was resting as comfortably as could be expected at an early hour this morning.

It is now clear that the C. P. R. are going to expend a large amount of money in perfecting the facilities at Sand Point. The foundation of the new elevator is finished and the work of erecting the immense structure will be begun at once. Six additional tracks are to be put down between the warehouses and the cattle sheds. There are two tracks there at present. The material required for filling in the wharves is being obtained from Bay Shore, where the company have a steam shovel at work. Some 40 or 50 men are now engaged in this work, and it is expected the number will be doubled within a few days.

J. Edgar Higgins, son of Dr. D. F. Higgins of Acadia College, was married at Wolfville Saturday morning to Miss Nellie T. Chipman, daughter of X. Z. Chipman, and immediately left with his bride for Honolulu, where he has an appointment as head of the department of horticulture and agriculture in the State Normal school. Mr. Higgins took his B. A. degree at Acadia in 1895, taught at Horton Academy and took the course of study in the Nova Scotia school of horticulture one year. During the last two years has been working in the graduate department of Cornell University, where in June last he received the degree of M. A. S. (master of science in agriculture.) The position is a good one. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins passed through St. John Saturday en route to Vancouver, whence he goes to San Francisco to take the steamer for Honolulu direct, a distance of 2,100 miles.

A very heavy thunder storm passed over the town of Antigonish Thursday. Lightning struck the old Lake school building, where several carpenters who were engaged in building a new school building in close proximity to the old one, had secured shelter in the basement. One of the number, John H. Our, of Weymouth, who was standing in the door, received the most direct effect of the lightning and died within six minutes after he was struck. His fellow workmen got badly shocked, but will recover. Mr. Our was 50 years of age.

Major A. O. Brodie, of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, U. S. V., who was wounded at the battle of El Caney, near Santiago, arrived by steamer Boston this morning, says Friday's Yarmouth Herald. He is accompanied by a native Cuban servant, and is en route to Halifax on a visit to his brother-in-law, Walter Mitchell. The major reports the work of the Rough Riders in the vicinity of Santiago a great accomplishment, and speaks of the extreme heat encountered there.

Barkt. Alberta, Capt. Harris, sailed Thursday evening for Beunos Ayres with a cargo of 664,000 feet of spruce lumber The Vamoose sailed Friday from the Wedge for St. Malo, France, with a cargo of 480,000 feet of deals. Ship Ruby is loading at the Wedge for Shields with deals and scantling, and the barkts, F. B. Lovitt and Hillside are now loading here for Buenos Ayres. Barkt. Trinidad, 636 tons, Capt. Card, has been chartered to load lumber at Yarmouth for Buenos Ayres at $11; if Rosaria, $12.—Yarmouth Herald, Friday.

At chambers, yesterday morning, Judge McLeod gave judgment in Clark, assignee, v. Webber, which was reviewed from the St. Stephen civil court. The grounds taken were that an assignee could not sue in his own name in an inferior court for a debt which had been assigned under the Assignments and Preferences Act; also that there was no acceptance and receipt of goods sufficient to bind the defendant under the statute of frauds. His honor decided that the suit was rightly brought in the name of the assignee, but that the sale was not unfavorable under the statute. A nonsuit was therefore ordered.George J. Clarke for plaintiff; W. H. Trueman for defendant in support of the application for review.

D. Buchanan of Apohaqui goes across the bay this morning to Annapolis on a business trip. He has just returned from Centreville, Carleton county, where he placed one of his turbine wheels and refitted the plant of the grist mill owned by Mrs. Getchell. Mr. Buchanan states that the crops up river are in great condition, the hay crop being enormous. He says Carleton is a great farming country, and as a Kings county man, he is amazed at the quantity of wheat and other grain which the Carleton farmers raise. There was a large quantity of wheat waiting to be ground at the mill whic hhe refitted.

The new Donaldson liner Salacia has arrived at Montreal from Glasgow on her initial trip. She is one of the most modern types of a cargo steamer, and was built by Charles Connell & Co., the well known Glasgow builders, and fitted up with triple expansion engines by Dunsmuir & Jackson, also of that city, and can develop a speed when loaded of fourteen knots. She is built of steel, has a double bottom fore and aft, and is rated the highest clas at Lloyds. Her cattle accommodation is first class, special attention having been paid to ventilation. Her passenger accommodation has not been lost sight of, for she has room for a limited number of saloon passengers only, is fitted up with electric light, and has all the improvements up to the present date. Capt. Mitchell, late of the Concordia, is in command of the Salacia. His many friends in St. John will be pleased to hear that he has charge of such a fine ship.

TEA MEETING AT WESTFIELD.

A most successful tea meeting was held at Victoria hall, Westfield Beach, on Thursday, July 28th, under the auspices of the ladies of St. James church congregation. It has been many years since such a gathering was seen in this parish for local purposes. All seemed to vie with each other in their endeavor to make the tea a success. Those who had the care of the undertaking feel much encouraged by the warm sympathy and hearty cooperation which they received, and wish to tender their thanks to all who so kindly assisted them. The net proceeds amounted to the handsome sum of $194.35.

WORLD'S BIGGEST WARSHIP.

The new battleship Formidable is to be launched at Portsmouth in November. She will be the largest battleship afloat, being 10 feet longer than the Majestic.

Another battleship of a similar type to the Formidable is very shortly to be laid down at Portsmouth, where a big scheme is under consideration for increasing the capacity of the yard to build battleships and large cruisers.

WAYS OF EASTERN POTENTATES

His highness the sultan, we hear, has raised by public subscription several hundred dollors for the forthcoming festivities in honor of his birthday. This is a novel proceeding, but perhaps not quite so bad as that of the Nawab of Rampore, who on being blessed with a daughter, ordered a week's pay to be deducted from every state employe to pay for the rejoicing in connection with the event. —Malay Mail.

A NEW DARGAI STORY.

In the last number of the Tiger and Sphinx, the regimental paper of the Gordon Highlanders, is to be found a modest account of the storming of the position at Dargai. One anecdote is entirely new. In the final rush Col. Matilas was outpaced, and was complaining aloud of being blown, so Color Sergeant Mackie gave him a helping hand, exclaiming with kindly sympathy: "Ye re gaun verra strong for an auld man."—Caucutta Englishman.

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L. M. Curren is travelling the Counties of Sunbury and York.

THE DEATH ROLL.

The death of Mrs. Arne Ratchford occurred at an early hour on Friday morning at the residence of Mrs. T. Gray Merritt. Mrs. Ratchford was in her 92nd year and had been an invalid for a long time, and lately became severely afflicted with paralysis. She was a daughter of the late Zalmon Wheeler of this city, and widow of the late E. DeWolfe Ratchford of Parrsboro. Her only near relative is her sister, Miss Wheeler, of this city. Mrs. Ratchford has resided in St. John since her husband's death many years ago. She was a most estimable lady, charitable and benevolent, and was a faithful worshipper at Trinity church.

Mrs. Smythe, Cliff street, widow of Thomas Smythe, died on Friday morning. Deceased was an old and respected resident of St. John, being in her 74th year. Her husband, who died in 1890, was a well known citizen. Mrs. Smythe has not been in very good health of late, but her death was not looked for. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Brown of Boston, Miss Smythe of New York, and Miss Maggie Smythe, who lived at home.

There was considerable surprise in the north end on Saturday morning when it became known that William Purvis had been found dead in his bed. Mr. Purvis, who was in the sixty-fifth year of his age, had been a suffered with asthma for several years, but not until a few days ago did his breathing trouble him very severely. Dr. McFarlane was his attendant physician, but no very serious results were in the least anticipated by anybody. Friday evening the deceased appeared to be resting easier than for some time and retired as usual. It is supposed that his death occurred between four and five o'clock. A family of two, Miss Alice Purvis, who lived with her father, and William, Purvis, jr., who is employed in the Maritime Nail Works, are left to mourn. Their mother is also dead. Mr. Purvis has six brothers and one sister living in various parts of the province. Deceased was a member of long-standing in the Temple of Honor.

Edward Moriarity died suddenly at his residence, Douglas avenue, shortly after noon Sunday. He arose in the morning and partook of a hearty breakfast and later attended church. While at dinner he was taken suddenly ill and Dr. McInerney was promptly summoned, together with a clergyman. Mr. Moriarty passed away about fifteen minutes after the arrival of the doctor and priest. Deceased was a well known citizen and for many years carried on business on Main street. Heart failure was the cause of death. He leaves two daughters, who will have the sympathy of the community in their sad loss.

John Keith, an old and respected resident of Kennebeccasis Island, died suddenly Sunday morning. With his son he started to row to Bayswater to attend church. When only a short distance from the shore, he fell over in the boat dead. Deceased was eighty-four year of age.

HORSE AND CARRIAGE SUNK.

A serious accident occurred on the last trip af the steamer from Somerville and Bayswater to Milledgeville Sunday. There were a large number of teams on the boat and a lot of passengers. On the way over a fire bucket fell from the wheel house and caused a panic among the horses. They began to rear and back up, and one horse and carriage were forced off the boat. They went down and never came to the surface. D. Watson, who was in the carriage, jumped out before it went over, and thus saved himself. Boats put out at once from Milledgeville, but the horse and carriage did not come to the surface. The turn out was owned by J. B. Hamm, and Mr. Watson and another gentleman and two ladies had been enjoying a drive. There was great excitement on the steamer, but fortunately no other casualty occurred. The horse that was lost was valued at about $125.

AN AMHERST SENSATION.

An Amherst despatch of Thursday last to the Montreal Star said: "The disappearance of Ernest L. Black, who has been in business here for six years, under the name of Black Bros., and the attachment by the sheriff of his stock and household goods is announced. Black was last seen on Saturday. A full list of what he owes has not been made, but it will be between $15,000 and $20,000. He had raised large sums by borrowing, failing credit at the banks. The collateral notes were signed by his father, Rev. A. B. Black, and a brother, C. H. Black. In some cases at least it is stated that the signatures to these notes are forgeries, and there is other paper afloat that is said to be bogus. Black belongs to one of the oldest and most respectable families in this province."

The firm of Black Bros. had some business with St. John houses, but not, it is said, to any large extent.

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The recent thick weather has compelled the shad fishermen down the shore to abandon operations altogether.

WAITING ON SPAIN.

The Answer to United States as to Peace

Demands of the Americans Once More Recited by Washington Authorities.

Capt. Evans, of the Iowa, Replies to an Article Published by Pennsylvanian Regarding Capt. Philip.

WASHINGTON, August 1.—All eyes turned today toward Madrid, for it was realized that upon the Spanish cabinet depended the restoration of peace. It has been announced here in a thoroughly reliable quarter that the decision of the Spanish government was not to be submitted before tomorrow at the earliest. In the absence of any new phase in the negotiations here today speculation naturally turned backward toward the remarkable meeting at the White House Saturday, and great interest was manifested in every particular respecting that event. A disposition was shown in some quarters to question the authority of the French ambassador to act as he did, representing Spain. But it can be again stated that regardless of any technical point, such as the absence of signed, sealed and delivered mail credentials, which, of course, could not reach here in the little time at hand, the president regarded M. Cambon as fully qualified to act as a representative of the Spanish negotiations, subject, as are all ministers or ambassadors in these days, to the reference of the work accomplished by them to the government they represent for final approval. M. Cambon made it so clear that he had been fully instructed on every point likely to rise in the negotiations that the president was satisfied that by accepting him as the representative of Spain in this matter a vast saving of time would be effected, and a point of the utmost importance that the negotiations would be technically conducted without the interposition of any neutral government. However, any question that might have arisen as to the hopes of the French ambassador was set at rest by a short and concise statement issued today from the embassy. The discussion turned on the nature of the change made at the instance of M. Cambon in the list of American demands. It was contended in some quarters that no change had been made, in others that important modifications had developed. As a matter of fact as to the character of this change there is a difference of opinion between parties, the administration looking upon it as inconsequential, while M. Cambon attaches importance to it. However this may be, as the administration believes that the change is not essential and that it certainly does not affect the principle of the document, it might be well to recapitulate briefly just what the demands of the United States were. As to Cuba, it is demanded that Spain is to release her government, possession and control. It would be noticed that nothing is said of Cuban independence, and that the acceptance of this position leaves the United States free to deal with the island as it may deem best.

Porto Rico, with the small islands adjacent and embraced within her jurisdiction, is to be ceded unconditionally to the United States. One of the Ladrone islands likewise is to be ceded to the United States as a coaling station.

These three conditions being granted by Spain are to be taken as part payment in lieu of the full indemnity. What further payments shall be required is to be discussed by a commission having authority to act for the president, subject to his approval. Whether Spain shall retain possession of the Philippines as a whole or in part is left to that commission to determine. The reason for deferring the decision as to the future of the islands in this fashion is because the administration is not yet satisfied itself; it is not clear at this moment what sound policy should dictate in the matter. Meanwhile, and until the commission has satisfactorily disposed of the future of the islands, the United States is to exercise a military government over Manila harbor and bay. The commission will be actually a peace commission and will prepare the treaty which will terminate formally the war with Spain. However, a suspension of hostilities may be sooner declared when the Spanish government shall definitely accept the conditions above laid down and renounce its authority over Cuba and Porto Rico.

Notwithstanding the fact that he now has a direct cable to Washington, Gen. Miles sent no message during the day, and all that was heard from him was contained in a belated telegram announcing the arrival at Ponce of the advance of Gen. Schwan's brigade. It is denied that Gen. Miles has succeeded in his plan of intercepting the troop transports before they reach a point in eastern Porto Rico originally selected for their landing, and in diverting them to the excellent harbor he has secured.

Acting upon the recommendation of Surgeon General Sternberg, Secretary Alger has practically concluded to abandon Camp Alger, near this city, because of dissatisfaction with the sanitary conditions there as exhibited by the large number of sick soldiers. The change will not be made immediately, for it is not positively known yet which regiment now in camp will be withdrawn to make up the total of about five thousand required to be supplied to Gen. Wade's command, and, in the second place, it is believed to be absolutely essential to have the new camps selected with the greatest care and put in perfect order for the reception of troops before any attempt is made to instal them.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

GUANTANAMO, July 24. — The Brooklyn was the first American war vessel to appear before Santiago, and she was the last to leave, after eight weeks of vigil. She is now lying in Guantanamo bay, with the other ships of the squadron. Commodore Watson is still here with the Newark, and Rear Admiral Sampson with the New York.

Before leaving the vicinity of Santiago yesterday, Commodore Schley visited the wrecks of the Infanta Maria Teresa and the Almirante Oquendo. The latter was unbearable because of the stench of the dead bodies which it contains. The ship is broken in two and could not possibly be saved. The Maria Teresa is in better shape. It is said by the wreckers that they have pumped her out once, but something is open, for she is filled again. They are looking for the hole and expect to plug it up and then get the vessel afloat. Some of her big guns are all right.

The wreckers found that the magazines of all calibre were full, thus contradicting the story that the squadron left Spain without ammunition.

The Brooklyn is fixing her five inch guns, which, because of the strain to which they were subjected in the fight of July 3, are all badly damaged. She will coal and provision and it is hinted, may then go to Europe.

Major Heistand and Surgeon Mart, who have been making a tour through Pennsylvania recently, returned today and reported the result of their search for camp sites, to Secretary Alger. Further information is required, however, before the department can act.

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PONCE, Porto Rico, July 31 (10 p. m.)—via St. Thomas, D. W. I., August 1.—Col. Hulings, with ten companies of the 16th Pennsylvania, has occupied Juan Diaz, about eight miles northeast of Ponce, on the road to San Juan. The American flag was raised and greeted with great enthusiasm by the populace. The protected cruiser Columbia went ashore while attempting to enter the harbor of Ponce, but it is hoped she will be floated tomorrow.

Gen. Brooke arrived this evening. During the afternoon seven companies of the 19th regular infantry arrived on the Cherokee.

Cable communication was opened tonight, but the line will not be in full operation for several days.

NEW YORK, August 1.—Following is a copy of a letter sent by Captain Evans in reply to an article published by the Index at Williamsport, Pa, praising Captain Philip, of the Texas, for his "after action prayer," and making a contrast between Captain Philip's action and what is referred to by the paper as the "frequently published profanity" of Captain Evans:

U. S. S. Iowa, First Rate,
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, July 23, 1898.
To the Editor of the Index, Williamsport, Pa.:

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt today of a copy of your paper, which you have been good enough to send to me.

I am somewhat at a loss to know whether you sent it for the purpose of calling my attention to the cuss words attributed to me in the newspapers, or to Captain Philip's official show of Christian spirit in announcing to his men on the quarter deck of the Texas, after the battle of Santiago, that he believed in Almighty God. As, however, you have seen it to drag my name into your newspaper, I hope that you will publish this reply, that those who have read your issue of July 16 may also read what I have to say about it.

I have never considered it necessary, and I am sure that a great majority of officers in the navy do not consider it necessary to announce to their crews that "they believe in Almighty God." I think that goes without saying. We, each of us, have the right to show by our actions how much we are imbued with this belief. Captain Philip had a perfect right to show this to his men as he did; it is simply a matter of taste.

Now, for myself. Shortly after the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya had struck her colors, and my crew had secured the guns, the chaplain of the ship, an excellent man, came to me and said: "Captain, shall I say a few words of thanks to Almighty God for our victory?"

I said: "By all means do so; I will have the men sent aft for that purpose," and was on the point of doing so when it was reported to me that a Spanish battleship was standing towards us from the eastward. My first duty to God and my country was to sink this Spanish battleship, and I immediately made preparations to do so.

When it was discovered that this ship was an Austrian, I found my ship surrounded by boats carrying dying and wounded prisoners, and others of the crew of the Vizcaya to the number of two hundred and fifty. To leave these men to suffer for want of food and clothing while I called my man aft to offer prayers, was not my idea of either Christianity or religion. I preferred to clothe the naked, feed the hungry and succor the sick, and I am strongly of the opinion that Almightly God has not put a black mark against me on account of it. I do not know whether I shall stand with Captain Philip among the first chosen in the hereafter, but I have this to say in conclusion, that every drop of blood in my body on the afternoon of July 3 was singing thanks to Almighty God for the victory we had won. (Signed), Your respectfully,

ROBLEY D. EVANS,
Captain U. S. Navy, commanding U. S. S. Iowa.

A LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

At Evangelical Alliance meeting yesterday morning the secretary, Rev. Mr. Steele, said, the chief object of the meeting was to consider some means for the better enforcement of the Sunday observance laws. Judge Forbes spoke strongly on the Sunday observance law, emphasizing the need of united action on the matter. He advised the organization of a Law and Order League.

The suggestion was accepted, and on motion of Rev. Mr. Fotheringham, seconded by Rev. Job Shenton, it was unanimously decided to form a Law and Order League.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a meeting of all citizens favorable to the formation of such a league be called for Monday, the 15th inst., at 4.30, and further that all the clergy of the city be asked to announce the meeting to the congregations.

Rev. Mr. Fotheringham thought that the co-operation of the Roman and Anglican clergy should be sought; and the alliance acting on his suggestion decided to interview, personally the clergy of the churches mentioned. Rev. Mr. Chipman was then introduced to the conference and made a short speech.

In view of the meeting of the plebiscite committee of the alliance on Wednesday next it was moved that the alliance co-operate as heartily as possible with the committee in their campaign.

On motion the meeting adjourned and was dismissed with the benediction by the Rev. Mr. Fotheringham.



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Dated this 18th day of July, A. D. 1898.

E. R. CHAPMAN, Proctor. HUGH BELL, Administrator.

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