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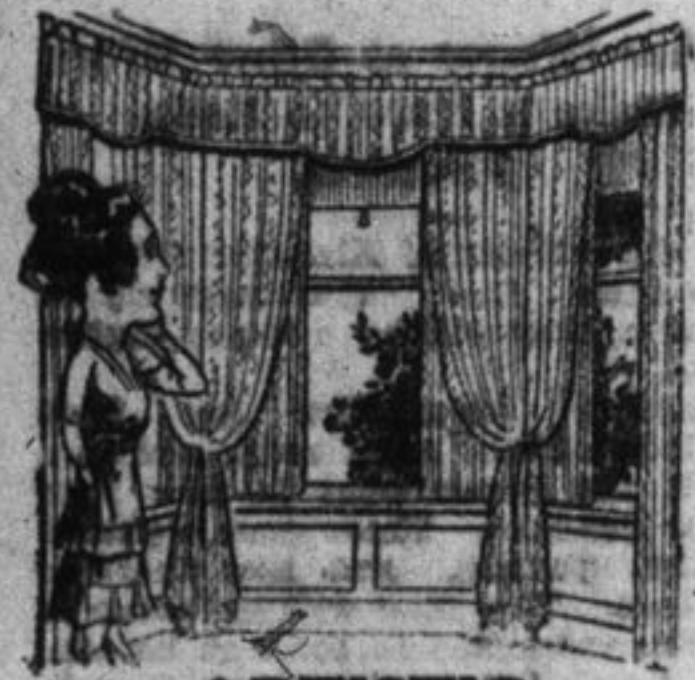
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ON FIRE PREVENTION

THIS WAS BIG TOPIC AT FIRE CHIEFS' CONVENTION.

Important Legislation is Coming to Compel People to "Clean up" Premises so as to Prevent Fires—Chief Armstrong Home From Windsor.

The main topic of discussion at the convention was fire prevention, said Chief James Armstrong to the Whig on Monday morning.

He has just returned from Windsor, where he attended the annual meeting of the Dominion Association of Fire Chiefs. He says that the convention was one of the best ever held in the history of the Association. It was attended by fire chiefs from all parts of Canada and the United States.

The chiefs will always have to fight fires, but the great work they are now undertaking is that of fire prevention, and the important question was very ably handled by several of the firefighters. Important legislation is now on the way whereby fire chiefs will have the power to make an inspection of property, and in case an order to clean up is given and it is not adhered to, within a reasonable time, and a fire occurs and does damage to other property, the man who neglected to clean up his premises will be held liable for the loss incurred.

The delegates were well entertained at Windsor. It was decided to meet next year at Port Arthur. Chief Armstrong was re-elected secretary of the Association.

Crusaders' Meeting.
 The Crusaders' meeting was largely attended on Sunday evening, and was presided over by Prof. R. Carr-Harris. The meeting opened with a solo by Phillips Macdonnell. Eleven men from various battalions and batteries gave evidence of the reality of the change which has come into their lives since they have enlisted in the army of the King of Kings. Miss Rosvear rendered a beautiful solo, and the meeting closed with an appeal from Sergt. McAlpine and a prayer by William Matheson.

Eloper Reported Arrested.
 Word received from Syracuse, N.Y., states that the Kingston young man who recently eloped with a married woman has been arrested in that city on a serious charge and is now in jail. The woman is reported to have made her escape.

Lieut. R. W. L. Crawford Dead.
 Lieut. R. W. L. Crawford, Royal Artillery, who died of wounds received on the 20th of July, was a graduate of the Royal Military College, Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wylie, Toronto, parents of W. H. Wylie, Child's Aid Inspector, are spending the month of August with Mrs. Robert McMahon at her summer home, "Camp Welcome," Garden Island. Millions of Harold Bell Wright's books have been sold. Now read his best, "When a Man's a Man." Special this week only \$1.20 at College Book Store.

Herbert B. Holder, wife and daughter, Rhea, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMahon, at their summer home "Camp Welcome," Garden Island.

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A RULE IN BASEBALL

WILL BE APPLIED IN THE CASE OF MICHAEL McNALLY.

Who Has Been Before Mayor Richardson Twice Inside of a Week—On the Third Strike He Goes Down and Out—Blue Monday in Police Court.

Four "week-end drunks" occupied the attention of Mayor Richardson, who is still handling the scales of justice, at Monday morning's session of the Police Court.

Michael McNally bobbed up again. He has been bobbing up and down for many years. This time he was minus his "Sunny Jim" smile, and he wondered, for it was only Wednesday last that he was before the bench. He thought sure there was something coming to him; Michael's promises are like pie crusts—made to be broken, for he promised the Mayor that he would help gather in the hay crop on Wolfe Island. He returned to the hay field, but his appetite for liquor got the better of him; and he came back to town. His only excuse was that the farmer would not pay enough money. He was to receive \$10 a month and his board.

"You kicked about the wages, and still you come back here, spend your money and get drunk," remarked the Acting Magistrate.

"Just give me one more chance and I'll get out of town," said McNally. "I don't like to go to jail in the summer time."

Mayor Richardson, realizing the need of soldiers, asked McNally if he would like to be a soldier.

"I tried to sign up, but they did not want me," he said. McNally is now forty-five years old, but if he would keep sober would be able to do his "bit" with younger fellows.

The Mayor thought the matter over, and finally stated that he would apply baseball rules in McNally's case.

"This is your second strike," said the Mayor. "On the third strike you go out."

This means that Michael has been before the Mayor twice, and if he should come up again he goes to jail.

McNally thanked Kingston's Chief Magistrate for his leniency.

Old and feeble, Thomas Hackett trembled as he stood in the prisoners' box, charged with being drunk. It is only a few weeks since he was in the toils. He had no money, but stated that he felt sure he could secure sufficient to pay his way to Westport, where there was a job waiting for him.

"Now, you are not stringing me on this are you?" asked the Mayor. Hackett declared that he was telling the truth, and the Mayor gave him a chance to hit the trail to Westport.

David Teel should have been in a hay field on Wolfe Island, instead of decorating the Police Court room. He has been doing his "bit" for the farmers, but happened to come to the city on Saturday. There is no need to go into details, simply to say that Teel landed in the lock-up.

He was given a chance to make a bee line for the Wolfe Island boat. Frederick Rhodes had a good job to go to, but he was sent to jail for thirty days. He was drunk on Saturday, and told a story about meeting some fellows who were going out West. He did not say anything about having any liquor to drink, but the Court understood matters.

PRaises HANDLING OF 146th's MONEY. Inspection Showed That it Had Been Spent For Men's Comfort.

It will be a matter of general interest to the friends of the 146th Battalion to know that when Gen. Lessard, Inspector-General of Canada, visited Valcartier recently to inspect the troops, his aide-de-camp, whose duty it is to inspect all battalion books and records of funds, etc., stated: "Of all the different battalion accounts that I have inspected, I have found none in better shape than those of the 146th Battalion. The Government insists that all monies received by battalions must be spent for the men's comfort. This the 146th Battalion records show has been done to the utmost measure. I will take pleasure in notifying the Department to this effect."

The many friends of Lieut.-Col. Low and the officers of the 146th Battalion expected nothing else, and it is a matter of local satisfaction that the funds of the battalion have been handled so judiciously.

GR. JOHN PATTERSON DIES OF ILLNESS

In No. 2 Canadian Hospital at Boulange, France—With 31st Battery.

John Patterson, 235 Colborne street, received the sad intelligence on Monday morning that his son, Gunner John Patterson, had died from a gastric ulcer in No. 2 Canadian Stationary Hospital at Boulange, France. On Saturday Mr. Patterson received word from militia headquarters that his son was seriously ill.

The young soldier, who was only eighteen years of age, enlisted with the 31st Battery. His mother stated that she did not think her son had been on the firing line.

Besides his parents the deceased is survived by two sisters, Margaret and Kate, and one young brother, William.

YOUTH OUT ON PAROLE. Will Be Reported For His Conduct In The City.

A seventeen-year-old youth was taken in charge on Saturday on a charge of theft, but the case was not proceeded with in the Police Court on Monday morning. He was accused of stealing a razor. He is now out on parole from the Industrial School, and his case will be reported to the authorities at the school.

DR. JOSEPH GRAHAM HERE

FROM HAMMOND INDIANA, VISITING HIS COUSIN.

Tells of Some Kingston and Frontenac People Who Have Achieved Prominence in His Locality.

The Whig had the pleasure on Saturday of a call from Dr. Joseph A. Graham, of Hammond, Indiana, who is now in Kingston as a guest of his cousin, James Sherman, 256 University avenue. Dr. Graham is a well-known graduate of Queen's University, and at one time indulged in newspaper work as a member of the staff of the Montreal Herald. He has been located in the west for many years, and for some time been deputy coroner of Hammond.

Among the Kingston and Frontenac people who have achieved prominence in Dr. Graham's locality he mentions the following:

Dr. T. Edwin Bell, ex-senator, a Kingston boy who has been nominated by the Republicans of Indiana for secretary of state; Lawrence Cox, ex-chief of police of Hammond, and a former Howe Island boy; Gilbert Thompson, draftsman with the Superheater Co., of East Chicago, formerly a well known draftsman with the Canadian Locomotive Works, Kingston.

It will be recalled that the Whig late in December last published details of the inquest held by Dr. Graham into the death of a former Kingstonian, Frank Holder, who was murdered at Hammond. It was through the Whig that the relatives of the deceased in this city learned of his death. The murderer, who is supposed to have been an Italian hired by a discharged employee of Mr. Holder, has never been apprehended. The police, however, have not given up the quest.

KINGSTON DEATH RATE VERY LOW IN JULY.

The City of Calgary, according to a dispatch, claims the lowest death record in Canada for July, its figure being 6 per thousand population. Kingston can knock the spots off that, as there were thirty-three local deaths during July, or 1 1/4 per thousand of the population.

LIEUT.-COL. H. J. LAMB. Awarded D. S. O.—Is a Graduate of the Royal Military College.

Lieut.-Col. H. J. Lamb, who has been awarded the distinguished service order, is a brother-in-law of Cornelius Birmingham, Kingston, and a graduate of the Royal Military College. He was district engineer here of the Department of Public Works for the Dominion Government and commander of the Corps of Guides. When war was declared he was among the first to offer his services and left for Valcartier, Que., having almost entire charge of the engineering work for the camp. He accompanied the first contingent and has been at the front for nearly two years now, being attached to the headquarters staff for some time back. Once an exploding shell killed the horse he was riding, but he has escaped anything else, although in the danger zone most of the time.

Called the Firemen. Smoke coming out of one of the windows of Lack's Bakery, Brock street, led some persons to believe that there was a fire about 6.15 o'clock on Sunday night, and the firemen were called. The smoke came from the oven, which were being heated, and there was no trouble whatever.

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