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BETTER FARMING SPECIAL TRAIN

Dates and Hours Along the I. C. R. System — To Be Composed of Seven Cars.

The farming demonstration special train will start its tour of the Intercolonial Railway in New Brunswick under the auspices of the provincial government on Friday, June 21, from Fredericton.

The "Better Farming Special" will be composed of seven cars; three baggage cars being fitted with exhibits and specimens of farming products chiefly from the Macdonald College Farm near Montreal, supplemented by a number of native exhibits from New Brunswick, including apples and other fruits, as well as grains, etc. There will be two first class coaches for the lecturing staff and assistants; one sleeping car and one dining car.

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Trites decided to have a swim but his companion did not go in. The unfortunate lad dived into the cold stream and was evidently taken with a cramp. As he came up near the opposite bank he called to his companion for assistance, but before Patriquin reached the shore near which Trites was struggling the boy sank never to rise again. The water at this point was about ten feet deep.

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The Record Foundry & Machine Company had a large number of machine patterns and other material stored in the building and with the exception of some wagons and articles on the first floor all the contents were lost.

The barn was valued at about \$800, but it is difficult to estimate the loss on the contents. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

LAD DROWNED NEAR MONCTON

Walton H. Trites Went Swimming in Creek and Was Seized With Cramp

COULDN'T SAVE HIM

Companion, on Opposite Side of Stream, Arrived Too Late to Render Aid—Parents Are Grief Stricken—Fire in Record Foundry Building Destroys Many Patterns.

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PATRONAGE THE CURSE OF POLITICS

Hon. Mr. Foster Tells U. N. B. Alumni That Members of Parliament's Lives Are Made Miserable by Office Seekers.

Fredericton, N. B., May 17.—(Special)—Speaking at the banquet of the Alumni Society last night, Hon. George E. Foster deplored the fact that the public men of Canada were kept so long that they had no time to carefully consider the problems of the country. Referring to members of parliament, he said that while in Ottawa they were harassed by an enormous correspondence which was simply damnable. Because of this, he went on to say, members of the government and parliament had no opportunity to carefully consider matters which came before them. Consequently their decisions were often hastily given.

Col. S. Hughes, minister of militia, accompanied by Colonel Humphrey, was here this morning. He was shown the military property of O. S. Crocker, M. P., and promised to make some extensive improvements.

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OBITUARY

Mrs. Henry Graham.

St. Stephen, May 16.—A telegram received this morning brought the sad intelligence of the death at Charlottetown (P. E. I.), of the widow of Henry Graham, late collector of customs at this port. Mrs. Graham had resided with her daughter, Mrs. H. S. Pettick and husband in Charlottetown since the death of her husband more than a year ago. The body will arrive here on the C. E. morning express tomorrow, the funeral being held from Trinity church at 2 p. m.

Dr. John Thorburn.

Ottawa, May 16.—Dr. John Thorburn, a Canadian educationist of note, died here this morning after about a week's illness of pneumonia, aged 82. He was at one time professor of classics at St. Francis College, Richmond, and presented the address of welcome there to the late King Edward, when as Prince of Wales he visited Canada in 1896.

Felix McGirr.

Saturday, May 18.

A well known resident of this city passed away yesterday morning, when Felix McGirr, butcher, died after a brief illness. Mr. McGirr was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, in 1836. He came to St. John when he was five years old and had resided here ever since. He was respected by all acquaintances who will learn with regret of his death. His first wife was Miss Margaret Brophy and his second wife who survives him was Miss Anne McCarron of Centerton, Kings county. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Joseph Taylor of this city; two sons, Felix and Joseph, both of this city, one brother, Frank, of the post office department, Chicago, and one sister, Mrs. Henry Sharkey of Waverly, Ohio.

Peter Burns.

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The death of Peter Burns, of Milford, took place Thursday evening in the hospital after an illness of about two weeks. Mr. Burns was forty years of age and unmarried. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Susan Harvey, of Milford; one brother, Edward Burns, and one half-brother, Joseph Harvey, of Milford. The funeral will be tomorrow at 2:30 o'clock from his late home.

Mrs. John T. Flewelling.

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OBITUARY

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