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## CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL AT ESCUMINAC HAS PROVED A MOST PROGRESSIVE STEP

### Four Schools and Their Work Successfully Concentrated at One Point—Driving Has Proven A Success—Students Show Much Greater Interest in School Work and Other Good Results Are Apparent—Some Details.

In view of the importance of the new period of advancement in education on the Gaspe Coast the Graphic has taken pains to investigate the progress made in the establishment of a Consolidated School at Escuminac, Que., which project was undertaken there last year. The school was opened in the fall of 1923 and many apparently favorable results have been noted in the progress made and no doubt these facts will be a revelation to many and of great interest to the inhabitants of the Gaspe Peninsula who are anxious to see the cause of education supported and advanced as it should be.

Four Schools in One  
The term "consolidated school" is not very in the Eastern part of Quebec, so we may explain that it means the union of several rural schools into one. A central school to be built and children living at a distance are conveyed to and from it by means of a school bus.

Consolidation of schools started in Massachusetts about fifty years ago. It has now spread to many parts of the world so that it has been well tried and is no longer in the experimental stage. Its greatest success in Canada has been in Manitoba where in 1920 there were about 100 such schools. Alberta in the same year had 60. In Quebec the policy of consolidation of rural Protestant schools has been the province of the Department of Public Instruction since 1922.

Keen Interest Shown  
Never before have the pupils taken such a keen interest in their work. This is largely due to the fact that the school is now a place where there are at least several in a class. This interest will show itself in the number who will remain at school to take the Grades VII, VIII and IX and who will thereby be better equipped for life.

Outlook Bright  
The building at present used as a school is very much crowded, but the complete success of consolidation this year assures us that shortly permanent quarters will be secured and that the new year will be the best of all conditions. A new community spirit is growing, centering in the school, and one can look forward to the day when Escuminac Consolidated School will be thoroughly up to standard, suitably housed, and with fine large playgrounds, and that it will be the pride of the peninsula.

Kind Words From A Trade Journal  
The Campbellton Graphic is a well conducted newspaper reflects a good deal of credit both to himself and his organization. This month sees the twentieth anniversary of the Graphic's publication. It is a credit to the publisher, Mr. J. E. Andrew, and his staff, for they have done a very good deal of work in a short time. The Graphic is a credit to the publisher, Mr. J. E. Andrew, and his staff, for they have done a very good deal of work in a short time.

## ITINERARY FOR PUBLISHER'S TRIP

### Brief Outline of Entertainment Planned for Canadian Newspaper Publishers

(FROM PRINTER & PUBLISHER, TORONTO)  
After the convention of the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association in Toronto, June 6 and 7, some 150 of the men and women of the association will sail from Montreal on June 11, on the C. P. R. liner Melita, for a two months' trip to Belgium, France, and the United Kingdom.

Interests Figures  
The trip will last 75 days and the party will not lose a day and the other items did not last more than two days. No child was hurt and no one was injured. The trip was a success and the party will be well satisfied with the results.

25th Anniversary Bathurst College  
Celebration to Last Three Days—Bishop LeBlanc May Assist.  
Bathurst, N. E., May 17.—The 25th anniversary of the founding of the College du Sacre Coeur here, next week, will be one of the largest gatherings of graduates and friends of the college during its history.

## DUAL FATALITY ON JACQUET RIVER

### Joseph and John Murphy of Archibald Settlement Drowned on Drive Last Friday

A dual fatality occurred on the Jacquet River on Friday last when two brothers, Joseph and John Murphy of Archibald Settlement were drowned while at work on the lumber drive of the London Lumber Company there.

Bishop of Gaspe Blessed Bells  
Cardinal Beugin Unable to Attend—Imposing Ceremony Marked Occasion  
Quebec, May 19.—The blessing of the bells of the Basilica held yesterday afternoon in the courtyard of the Seminary was an imposing ceremony.

## C.N.R. HOTEL MERGER STILL PENDING

### Site at Black Point Favored—Decision Depends on Property Owners There

As the matter of the proposed large summer hotel to be built and operated by the Canadian National Railways at Black Point, now stands it appears that the consummation of the project depends entirely upon the attitude of the property owners a part of whose farms it would be necessary for the railway to acquire in order that sufficient ground might be secured for a site for the big hotel.

## GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS HERE TO PREPARE FOR SEASON'S ROAD WORK IN RESTIGOUCHE

### Three Miles of Road Work on Tide Head-Morrissey Rock District Will be Started in a Few Days Highway From Nash Creek to Charlo Bridge To be Turnpiked and Gravelled—Upsalquitch-Kedgwick Road to be Started About June 1st.

According to information given out by Government Engineer L. Theriault of Fredericton while in town yesterday, the extensive highway improvement work in Restigouche County will be started immediately. The road programme to be carried out during the summer throughout the North Shore district is an extensive one and motorists particularly will hear of the government's plans and watch their execution with keen interest.

## CONSOLIDATION TO BE DISCUSSED

### At Educational Meeting in Matapedia Next Week—Inspector General to Be There.

A public meeting in the interests of education is to be held in Matapedia on the evening of May 29th and at this gathering the question of further consolidation of schools in the Gaspe Peninsula will be discussed.

## YOUNG MAN'S JOKE LED TO HIS DEATH

### He Experimented With a Gun Set by Merchant For Thieves

Sheet Harbor, N. S., May 19.—George Harnish, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Harnish of Sober Island, five miles southward of here, was killed Friday night when he caused the discharge of a 22 calibre rifle, the bullet from which penetrated his heart.

## WEDDINGS

LOFLEUR-LANDRY  
The marriage of Miss Lactia Landry daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Landry of St. Jean Evangelist to Henry Lafleur, son of Mr. and Mrs. Telesphore Lafleur of Quebec, was solemnized May 14th in the church of St. Jean L'Evangelist.

## ORGANIZE FOR SUMMER'S WORK

### Lady Members of Restigouche County Club Appoint Officers and Executive.

The Ladies of the Restigouche County Club meet at the Curling Rink Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of arranging for the season's work.

## TO HUNT CURRENT WHICH MAY ALTER OUR WEATHER

### Washington, May 19—United States coastguardmen off the coast of Labrador, have started on a hunt for an elusive Arctic current, whose captures, scientists venture the opinion, may change the weather of Europe and North America.

## SAYS COLUMBUS WAS NOT THE FIRST

### Antiquarian Declares Whole Atlantic Coast Was Known as Ireland the Great

Montreal, May 17.—That there were Irish in New York before Columbus ever saw western land and that about the year 1000, all of the coast of America from Nova Scotia down to Florida, was known as "Ireland the Great," was a statement made here last night at a meeting of the Antiquarian and Numismatic Society by Rev. Father Devine, well known Canadian antiquarian.

## TO BROADCAST SONG OF NIGHTINGALE

### Will Lure Songster to Valley in the Surrey Hills to Make Test.

London, May 19.—Hundreds of thousands of radio fans are anxiously awaiting the result of an effort to broadcast the song of a nightingale tonight.

## Local Topics

Not-bits on the Tip of Everybody's Tongue

From Hanchow  
A note from Rev. T. H. Hanchow of the Apostolic Mission, Hanchow, in the Province of Szechwan, China, says that the mission is doing very well.

## IN AID OF THE S. M. E.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Mowat will appear here on the evening of June 6th in the Presbyterian Church in support of the S. M. E. They will sing and play the organ.

TO-DAY  
The Graphic is published every day except on Sundays and public holidays.