

ARCHIVES REVEAL TALES OF INTEREST OF SAINT JOHN CORNERS

Old Coffee House Was Meeting Place—The Story of Chubb's—Benedict Arnold's Home at King and Canterbury—At Germain and King Boy Fatally Shot Citizen in 1818

TO SOME of the city residents there are street corners in Saint John which are known by names familiar in the pioneer days, but there are few, even of the older residents, who can recall the names bestowed upon specially notable corners in the Loyalist city. The late Ven. Archdeacon Dr. W. O. Raymond, who loved to delve into ancient traditions and to preserve historical data, has left some very interesting accounts of the old names of corners in Saint John.

In the files of the local office of the Dominion Archives copies of his manuscripts are carefully kept. One of these written about 1895 gives an account of some of the city corners.

CHUBB'S CORNER
"The name of Chubb's Corner is not one of great antiquity, in the relative sense in which anything may be regarded as old in a city which has been settled for only a trifling over a century. Henry Chubb bought the property (on the north east corner at Princess and Prince William streets) in 1839 and it began to bear his name after he put up a brick building which was then one of the most notable mercantile buildings in Saint John. So Chubb's Corner, widely as it is known, has a much more modern title than many of the corners which still bear the names they bore when the old men of the present day were boys. That is the older people know them by those names, even though the ancient designations convey no meaning to the ears of the younger generations.

Who, for instance, among the school-boys of today, thinks of the Bank of Montreal as being the Coffee House Corner or of the Western Union Telegraph office being on Parlow's Corner? Yet these were the names by which these localities were known. There are a few others in the same class, but most of the street corners which have names now-a-days do not go back far for their titles.

COFFEE HOUSE CORNER
Everybody who has made any study of local history knows that the Coffee House Corner took its name from the boarding house and coffee house kept by William Cody, though he was not the original proprietor. The house was built early in the history of the city by Mr. Cody from 1803 to 1824. It was the great gathering place of the citizens and the old papers abound with notices of meetings of one kind or another held there. It was the place where leading merchants and professional men met night after night to discuss the events of the time.

Here, too, petitions, subscription papers and other documents to which signatures were desired, were usually left, as being at a place where people were in the habit of calling. The court house, city hall and market were close at hand on the square, and for some years the post office was near there, a little farther south in Prince William street.

SOME WHO MET THERE
Some notable projects in which the public were interested were inaugurated and discussed at this coffee house. In 1862, for instance, there was a meeting to consider the practicability and probable expense of building a canal from the Bay of Fundy to Baie Verte and this was a live topic for more than half a century afterwards. To show the class of men who used the coffee house for such gatherings at times, it may be mentioned that at the meeting in question Judge Chipman was in the chair, and that he and such well-known citizens as Hugh Johnston, Thomas Millidge, Thomas Heavilside, Charles Simonds and Laurence Donaldson were appointed a committee to raise funds to the extent of \$1,000 for the purpose of having a survey made.

When it is considered that the cost of such a canal in later years was estimated at \$7,000,000, the courage of the men of that day in purposing to go on with the work is worthy of admiration.

TORN DOWN IN 1853.
The old Coffee House building, a two-story wooden structure, had several narrow escapes from destruction by fires which swept Prince William street and Market square, but it remained and was used for stores until it was torn down to make way for the Imperial Building, which was erected by John Gillis in 1850 and was at that time a wonderful advance in the line of structures devoted to business. This building and the Commercial Palace of Doherty & McLeish, a short distance above, in King street, were the wonders of the time in the dry goods trade.

Before the time Mr. Cody occupied the Old Coffee House it was used at intervals as a place of meeting for the Freemasons, from 1786 to 1813, when Charles McPherson was the owner. After Mr. Cody left in 1824 the Courier printing office was in the famous long room.

The Bragg building at the corner of King and Cross streets was used for a time by the Masonic body after it was purchased by Mr. McPherson, who sold it later to George Bragg. Bragg converted the upper story into a ball room and public hall. According to Bunting's "Freemasonry in New Brunswick," the fire by which the building met its fate occurred on Feb. 8, 1860, after which the lot was leased to Lawton & Vassie.

The Imperial Building, long occupied by Magee Brothers, remained until the fire of 1877, after which the present structure, then known as the Dominion building, was erected.

BARLOW'S CORNER.
Barlow's Corner, where the Western Union building stands, was so called as having been the place of business of Ezekiel Barlow & Sons, who kept a general store there as far back as 1814, in which year the elder Barlow bought the property. The firm subsequently became T. & E. Barlow, the business being carried on by the sons of Ezekiel Barlow. The building was a large imposing one for those times. It was of wood, three stories high. The lower flat was used for stores and the upper portion for the Barlow residence. The building was destroyed by fire many years ago, and for a long time this valuable lot in the centre of the business part of the city had merely a board fence around it.

The Western Union Telegraph Com-

Weddings

Ryan-Gibson.

The marriage of Miss Greta Grace Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Gibson of Douglas avenue, and Lloyd Chester Ryan of Saint John will be solemnized this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Gibson country home at Riverside, w/ Rev. Canon A. Daniel, rector of St. Paul's church, Rethesay, performing the ceremony in the presence of the immediate family.

The bride, who will be given in marriage by her father, will be gowned in a pink shot tulle, simply designed, and will carry pink and yellow roses. The bride and groom will be unattended.

Immediately following the ceremony, the bridal party will come to the city, where a reception will be held at the residence, with 100 invited guests. The bride will change her gown for a handsome Burgundy crepe dress, with fur-trimmed coat of new design, and will leave on the evening train for New York and other United States cities. They will reside at the Hotel de Ville. Many lovely gifts were received, among which was the groom's gift of a beautiful diamond ring, set with sapphires and diamonds, which is the main street. As most of the wood was bought from woodboats lying in the Market Slip, this corner was the most convenient place for those who were on the alert to secure the job of saving and splitting.

TIDDALE'S CORNER.
Tidale's Corner, at the junction of North Market wharf and Water street, was so called from the building of Walker Tidale, which stood there and where for very many years there was a hardware store, which passed through the hands of several proprietors. In 1815 the corner was occupied by Willie Carpenter. It may be that even at that time it was a sort of open air exchange for laboring men, as it has been ever since anybody can remember it by the name of Tidale's Corner.

In the days when it was the custom to burn cordwood more generally than at present, this corner was the headquarters of the men with buck and saw, and there were plenty of them in those days. As most of the wood was bought from woodboats lying in the Market Slip, this corner was the most convenient place for those who were on the alert to secure the job of saving and splitting.

WHERE ARNOLD LIVED
Half way up King street was Bragg's Corner, on the west side of what is now Canterbury street but was then a narrow thoroughfare known as Cross street. Here was the historic house built soon after the landing of the Loyalists and famous as the home of Benedict Arnold for several years. Bragg's was a subsequent owner. The building was of wood, with oak frame, two stories high with a double pitch roof, the gable end being on Cross street. It was pulled down by fire several times in its history and had undergone considerable modifications to adapt it to commercial purposes prior to its being burned down on March 30, 1865.

The southeast corner of King and Germain streets has preserved the name of Foster's Corner, having been occupied by members of that family for several generations. Ebenezer Foster had his grocery store there more than 80 years ago and in later years Stephen K. Foster had a boot and shoe store there.

CORNER WITH A TRAGEDY
On the opposite side of Germain street was Ward's Corner. This lot was drawn by Major John Ward as a grantee of this city. There he built his house, a two and one half story wooden building modified and adapted to mercantile purposes, which stood until 1871, when it was pulled down and replaced by a brick structure.

The Ward corner was the scene of a peculiar tragedy on the evening of June 18, 1818 when Daniel DeVoe was accidentally shot and killed by Barno Powlett Wallop, grandson of Major Ward and then a lad only 10 years of age. DeVoe was a man of 68, who lived for a while, Barton Wallop pointed his pistol at some mark across the street and pulled the trigger. The pistol hung fire and the boy, supposing that it was the head of DeVoe, who died within half an hour. An inquest was held and a verdict of accidental death returned.

SOME OTHER CORNERS
On the opposite side of King street, where Oak Hall now is, was Vernon's Corner, so called from Moses Vernon, who for many years lived in the brick building which is still there, but which has been very much remodelled and enlarged. The post office was at one time in this building, having the entrance up a pair of outside stairs in Germain street.

On the opposite side of Germain street was Anning's Corner, where John Anning, whose money subsequently gave the corner some occupation, kept a general store, and was known as Chalmers's corner, from John Chalmers's drug store, and many were alone in a front room of the house, upstairs and had got hold of a pair of horse pistols belonging to their uncle, Charles Ward.

One of the pistols was not loaded, but the other had a charge of powder and ball which had been in it for a year. After playing with the weapons for a while, Barton Wallop pointed his pistol at some mark across the street and pulled the trigger. The pistol hung fire and the boy, supposing that it was the head of DeVoe, who died within half an hour. An inquest was held and a verdict of accidental death returned.

GIFTS FOR BRIDE.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Williams, Manawagonish road, was the scene of a happy party, given by 35 friends of Miss Dolly Leggett of High street, whose marriage will take place at the last of October. An imitation wedding cake with candles set at regular intervals around the table made for attractiveness, with flowers intermingled. When the bride-elect entered the dining room, the candles were lighted and disclosed at each place a nice gift. Bridge was enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served by the hosts.

ENTERS POLITICS.
QUEBEC, Que., Oct. 10.—Murdock MacKenzie, notary, yesterday was selected Conservative candidate in Bellechance county. This will be Mr. MacKenzie's debut in politics.

chell, Danvers, Mass., a former resident of Sussex, is a brother. Several grandchildren also survive. The body will be brought to Sussex for burial. It will arrive here on Friday and funeral will take place from the residence of George Dryden on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at which Rev. Canon Sheven will officiate. Interment will be made in Kirk Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Moore was very well known in Sussex and her many friends here will learn with the deepest regret.

Mrs. John Hunter.
Mrs. Isabella Hunter, a life long resident of Kings county, and one of the oldest residents of the province, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Geldart, Main street, on Monday evening after a brief illness. This grand old lady first breathed the breath of life in Ireland in October, 1822, making her age at the time of her death 103 years.

Mrs. Ella O'Hara.
FREDERICTON, Oct. 9.—Mrs. Ella O'Hara, wife of John O'Hara, of this city, died today at Victoria Hospital, aged 46 years. Death followed an operation after a lengthy illness. Surviving are the husband, six sons and a daughter, all of Fredericton. Two brothers are Wesley and Benjamin Allen, of Fredericton, and four sisters are Mrs. Henry Davenport, Mrs. David Campbell and Mrs. William Gibson, of Fredericton, and Mrs. Joseph Bolster, of Devon.

FRANCE CUTS WAR BUDGET
PARIS, Oct. 10.—The finance committee of the Chamber of Deputies has pruned the war ministry's budget appropriation by another 30,000,000 francs.

Want a Cook? Use a want ad.

Baby Killed While Making Mud Pies
BOSTON, Oct. 10.—While making mud pies in the street in front of her home at 5 Marvin place, Cambridge, Evelyn B. Waumbolt, 16 months old, was run over and killed instantly by a wagon of the New England Bakery Company. Her 4-year-old sister playing by her side escaped injury. The child was youngest in a family of five children.

\$30,000 Heartbalm Is Asked by Boston Girl
BOSTON, Oct. 10.—Helen F. Anderson of Boston seeks \$30,000 heart balm from John C. Morgan of Belmont in a suit for alleged breach of promise to marry her on Nov. 1, 1922, and in doing so fraudulently and deceitfully represented he was desirous of marrying her and legally competent to do so, whereas in fact she says he had a wife at that time.

GLORIA COULD AWAY SECRETLY TO PARIS
NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—The New York American says that Mrs. Gloria Gould Bishop has sub-let her New York apartment and sailed secretly for Europe while her husband, Henry A. Bishop, Jr., has gone to a camp in the Maine woods. Her friends say, according to the story, that she will establish a residence in Paris. She departed on the steamship Majestic last Saturday, the story says.

Sublets New York Apartment—Husband Remains in Camp in Maine.
GLORIA Gould, daughter of the late George Jay Gould, sister of Lady Duff Gordon, and the inheritor of great wealth, has attracted much attention since her marriage, two years ago, at the age of 17, by her determination to carve out a life for herself and earn money for herself. She has announced her belief that every wife should do the same. Last December she made her debut as a professional dancer. She has clung to her maiden name throughout her professional career.

Deaths

Mrs. J. A. Sinclair.

Born the year Queen Victoria was crowned, married in the old St. Andrew's Kirk in Germain street by Rev. William Donald in 1856, Mrs. Janet Alexandra Sinclair, widow of William Sinclair, passed away suddenly and peacefully at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edith Hastie, Leinster street, early last evening. Mrs. Sinclair was about the house earlier in the day but was seized with weakness shortly after the supper hour. She talked with her children almost to the last moment. Deceased lady was one of Saint John's oldest and widely respected mothers. Indeed she was not only a grandmother but a great-grandmother, cherishing that title to five little ones. The surviving children are: Mrs. F. W. Harrison, of Boston; Mrs. John Mulvey, of the city; Mrs. Conn; Mrs. Clarence T. Lugin, Mrs. Arthur E. Henderson, Mrs. Edith Hastie and Miss Alice Sinclair, of this city. The sons are Peter Sinclair, of J. & A. McMillan's employ, and Douglas, of Boston, who visited his mother a short time ago.

Mrs. Sinclair's maiden name was Douglas, daughter of John and Ann Douglas of Loch Lomond, descendants of that sturdy Scotch stock who settled in this city of centuries ago. The formative period of her life was a restricted activity of the past few years due to rheumatism, enjoyed reasonably good health. She was a lady of wide acquaintance and delighted in many lifelong friendships. During the past summer Mrs. Sinclair enjoyed reunions with her children from distant parts, as she had been doing for years past. She was a member of Knox church, in which she and her family worshipped throughout the household life.

John A. Lipsett.
Many friends of John A. Lipsett will regret to learn of his death which occurred yesterday, after an illness of three months. Mr. Lipsett was the proprietor of the Lipsett's Variety Store, Prince Edward street. He was a member of New Brunswick Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, and Court Saint John Order Canadian Foresters. He was a staunch member of St. Mary's church. He leaves his wife and two sons, John S. and Frank Hazen, at home.

The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon from his residence, 100 Exmouth street. Service at 3:30 o'clock.

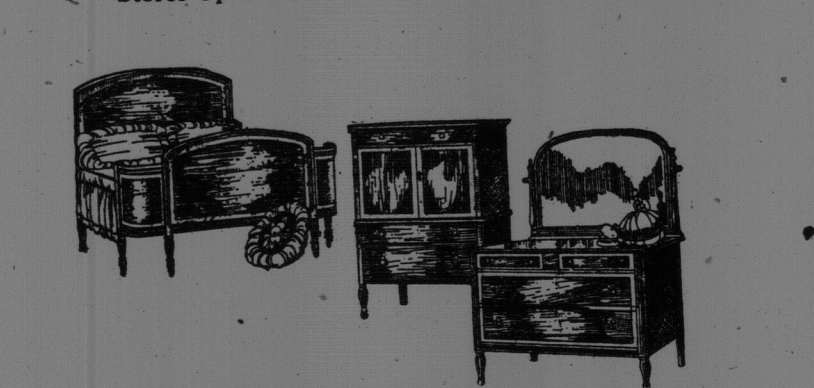
Mrs. S. S. Hall.
Many in the province will bear with regret of the death at Lloydminster, Sask., on Sept. 16, of Helen Glendinning, wife of Herbert B. Hall, formerly resided in Rethesay and Gagetown. The Lloydminster Times of Sept. 24th has a lengthy account of the funeral of Mrs. Hall, showing the general esteem in which she was held, the business houses of Lloydminster being closed while the funeral was in progress. Two cars, loaded with floral tributes from relatives, friends and organizations in various parts of the West followed in the funeral procession, which included over forty automobiles.

The service was conducted by Rev. A. Cross, L. Th., rector of St. John's Church, Lloydminster, assisted by Rev. Archdeacon Noyes, M. A., and was most impressive, the church being crowded to standing capacity. Mrs. Hall's death took place on the 5th anniversary of her marriage, after only a brief illness. She is survived by her husband, who served overseas as officer in the 87th Battalion, and is prominent in the Lloydminster G. W. V. A., and one little daughter, Helen Katherine, also her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glendinning and one sister, Mrs. A. Rogan.

Mrs. Amy Milton.
HOPEWELL HILL, Oct. 9.—The death of Mrs. Amy Milton, widow of William Milton, a former resident of this locality. Mrs. Milton was formerly Miss Amy Martin. She was held in high respect by all who knew her. She leaves five sons, Betty, Joseph, King, Lorenzo and Clark Milton, and one daughter, Mrs. William M. Goveang. Two sons, Whitney and George, and a daughter, Mrs. Edward Cote, died some years ago.

Mrs. M. Moore.
SUSSEX, Oct. 9.—The death occurred in Sussex on Oct. 6 of Mrs. Margaret Moore, a former resident of New Brunswick. She is survived by one son, George, and two daughters, Mrs. E. Martin and Mrs. Minnie Balch, all of whom are residents of the United States. Mrs. George S. Dym, of Sussex, is a sister, and Charles R. Mit-

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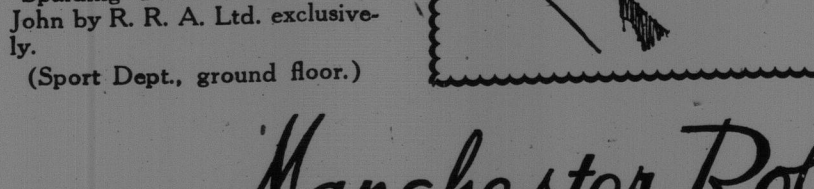
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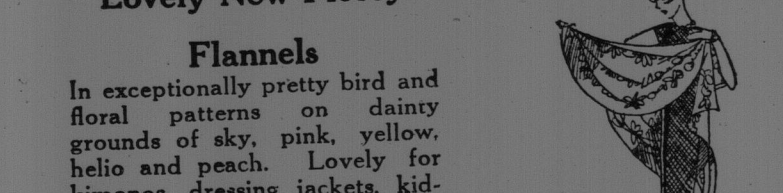
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