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C. P. R. LINER IN COLLISION.

Empress of Britain Runs Down Collier Schooner Helvetia, Crashing Into and Sinking the Schooner.—Officers and Crew Rescued by Steamer.—Empress Disabled and Returns to Port.

Quebec, July 28.—During a dense fog, the Canadian Pacific Railway's steamer Empress of Britain, which left Quebec at 7.15 on Friday evening, collided with the collier Helvetia, a collier from Sydney, bound to Quebec and Montreal, at 4.45 p.m. on Saturday evening. The collision of the disaster was between Cape Magdalen and Fame Point. The first news of the accident came to Quebec about six o'clock on Saturday evening via wireless, and this was followed by another despatch stating that the Empress was returning to Quebec with her bows badly crushed and her forecompartments filled with water.

CUT HELVETIA IN TWO.

As far as can be gathered the Empress struck the Helvetia amidships, cutting her in two, the injured vessel sinking shortly afterwards. Those on board the Helvetia, however, were all rescued and taken on board the Empress.

Captain Murray immediately gave orders to have his ship brought back to Quebec, and assistance was sent

to her, the wrecking steamer Lord Strathcona being despatched at once, while the C.P.R. tug cruiser, which was in Montreal, was also despatched to the scene, passing through here this morning, on its way to help the Empress.

RESCUED ALL ON BOARD.

The latest news of the disaster showed that Capt. Murray was proceeding through the dense fog cautiously, when suddenly and without warning the Helvetia was seen, but too late to avoid collision, the Empress plunging into the Helvetia and, it is said, cutting her in two. Successful efforts were at once made to rescue the captain and officers of the sinking vessel, a few moments after which she sank.

The occurrence naturally created consternation on the Empress, but this was soon quieted and Capt. Murray had an investigation as to the damages, which his ship had sustained. He then wired news of the disaster to the C.P.R. authorities and ordered his vessel to return to Quebec. The Britain had 29 passengers.

Inglewood School.

The colored school at this place during the last quarter in session, has been re-enforced by children from the County Home, under the guardianship of Mr. Myers. Six were enrolled, one having a home provided elsewhere, left in two weeks; five being in attendance until end of term. These with five other white children, have swelled the daily average, which otherwise would have been very small.

Owing to removals and irregular attendance the percentage has not been what it should have been during the semi-annual school year. Out of thirteen children in the section only eight have had any real benefit. These deserve honorable mention for a fair degree of industry and perseverance. Those deserving credit in Grade VI are Ethel Tyler, Abby Jackson and Lila Clements. In Grade V, Jack Tyler, Preston Tyler, Gilbert Cuff and Luella Tyler. In Grade III two, and in Grade I eleven make up the whole number in actual attendance.

The majority in Grade I were eligible only for kindergarten work. A nice flag staff was given by Mr. John Tyler, and painting was done by Henry Jones. In view of the possibility of a school during the next school year, any unused books from the town school in any Grade under seven, will be thankfully received, also books suited to juvenile minds for the library.—COM.

GERMANY WOULD LIVE IN PEACE.

Vancouver, July 26.—"The German menace, now occupying so much attention, is only a myth. Belief in its existence has been encouraged by French Chauvinists or ultra-patriots with the idea of embroiling Great Britain and Germany. I think that war between these two countries is unconceivable. It is unfortunate that an element among the British people misunderstands the aims and aspirations of my countrymen," said Dr. Herman Paasche, vice-president of the Reichstag of the German Federal Parliament, to a representative of the Canadian Press here today.

The distinguished visitor and his wife reached here this morning by the Canadian Pacific Railway from the east, and were met by the residents of the German Embassy. They will sail for the Orient on the Empress of India tomorrow.

Annapolis County S. S. Association.

The following is a statement of the financial condition of the Annapolis County S. S. Association:

District	pledged	paid
No. 1 Middleton	\$51	\$14.30
No. 2 Lawrencetown	25	9.00
No. 3 Bridgetown	29	10.00
No. 4 Granville	20	11.08
No. 5 Clements	20	5.84
No. 6 Annapolis	26	14.20
No. 7 Nictaux	26	10.45
No. 8 Springfield	11	2.75

The County is pledged to pay \$160 to the Provincial Association aside from running expenses of County Association. We have a little over two months to meet our indebtedness and I appeal to every Sunday School Superintendent in the County to help remain a banner County, by sending a remittance at once, if possible, before the Annual County Sunday School Convention, which will be held at Bridgetown in the Baptist church, Aug. 23rd.

W. C. MacPHERSON,
Secy.-Treas.

SIR WILFRID ON SPEAKING TOUR.

Ottawa, July 15.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Lady Laurier are to leave tomorrow morning for a few weeks' quiet holiday at Sir Wilfrid's old home in Arthabaska, Quebec. Sir Wilfrid is in splendid health and spirits and is greatly enjoying the opportunities of his first summer in more than fifteen years free from the constant cares and responsibilities of office.

During the autumn months he will probably visit various points in eastern Canada and address Liberal meetings on the present political issues. He has received many requests from all parts of the Dominion asking him to speak at political meetings. The Liberal leaders in every province are evidently prepared to lose no time in the work of organization and education preparatory to the next federal election which is expected to follow the passing of the redistribution bill next session of parliament.

A HORROR BY FIRE IN LONDON.

London, Eng., July 28.—Seven girls were killed, five girls were fatally injured and several others severely injured in a fire which occurred today in the heart of the city, occupied by celluloid Christmas card manufacturers, who employed many females.

Middleton Preparing for Visit of Royalty.

(Outlook.) Mayor Goucher called a meeting of the Town Council and Council of the board of trade to consider arrangements for the proposed visit of the Duke of Connaught to Middleton. This meeting was held in the Town Hall on Monday afternoon. After lengthy deliberations a resolution was passed expressing appreciation of the proposed visit of Royalty to Middleton on Aug. 17th and appointing a committee to draw up a program to be submitted to a meeting of the citizens.

The committee was composed of the following—Mayor Goucher, A. L. Davidson, M.P., Fred E. Cox, F. L. Shafner, president of the board of trade, Dr. J. A. Sponagle, vice president, J. R. Harrison, president of the M.A.A.A., A. J. Morrison, president of the Middleton Driving Park Company, Coun. Andrews, J. H. Potter, W. B. Ross and W.F.C. Parsons. This committee met in the Town Hall on Thursday evening.

A public meeting was being held last evening to receive the report of the committee. But as we were to press early last evening, we are unable this week to give any information regarding the outcome of the meeting.

The report of the committee was to recommend that the town give an address, reception and an auto drive to the Duke of Connaught and party; that the MacDonald Greys Cadet Corps form the guard of honor; that Aug. 17th be declared a public holiday in Middleton and that the Middleton Driving Park Co. and the M.A.A.A. be requested to arrange a program of sports for that day.

Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition.

The following programme of Foot Races will be held in connection with the Horse Races at the Provincial Exhibition.

Wednesday, Sept. 11th.
220 and 440 yards, open to Maritime Colleges only. Half-mile and one-mile, open to all amateurs in the Maritime Provinces.

Thursday, Sept. 12th.
Half-mile, one-mile and one-mile relay, open to all Maritime Colleges only.

220 and 440 yards and obstacle race open to amateurs in the Maritime Provinces.

Monday, Sept. 16th.
220, 440 yards, 1 mile and one mile open to all boys under sixteen years.

The prize for colleges is a valuable Silver Cup, to be won three times before becoming the property of the winner.

In all other races, 1st prize, gold watch; 2nd, silver watch. These races will be sandwiched between the heats of the horse racing on the above dates.

The management is in correspondence with a skilled aviator and hopes to be able to announce in next issue that he has been secured. This will not be an airship, but an aeroplane of large design and one that will give daily flights of thirty minutes or over.

Church Lads' Brigade

To the Editor of Monitor-Sentinel:—As all over Greater Britain there are now ex-members of the C.L.B., and requests have been made from many parts for the formation of means whereby these young men may be kept in touch one with the other. I have been asked to make it known as widely as I can that Headquarters propose to form an "Old Comrades" Association, similar in character to Old Boys' Association of our great public schools, and should develop that "esprit de corps" which has always been the aim of the C. L. B.

Colonel Gee, Secretary and C.S.O., will be in Canada from August 10th, 1912, and will be glad to receive the names and address of any of our old members of the C.L.B., which should be sent to him at the Post Office at Montreal. He will also be glad to see personally any who are able to call upon him.

Truly yours,
ERNEST UNDERWOOD,
The Rectory, Bridgetown.

HYMENEAL

MILES—MOORE.

A very quiet and pretty wedding took place on Tuesday, July 16th at North Williamston, the principals being W. F. Miles of Sussex, N.B., and Miss Edith M. Moore, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore. The ceremony took place at 11.30 a.m., at the home of the bride. The officiating clergyman was Rev. J. A. Hart, former pastor of the Methodist church at Lawrencetown. Miss Bessie Miller of Lawrencetown, played the wedding march.

The bride looked charming in a gown of white silk, trimmed handsomely with apique trimmings. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses. A wedding luncheon was served immediately after the ceremony and the happy couple then started on their honeymoon trip. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Miles will reside in Sussex, N.B.

Mrs. Miles was a very highly respected young lady. She moved to this community about five years ago with her parents, winning many friends during her stay here, and leaves with the best wishes of her many friends.

During the past year Mrs. Miles has held the position as teacher in the city of St. John, where she won many friends, who presented her with several nice gifts on taking her departure. The bride was the recipient of several handsome and useful presents. The gift of the groom was an elegant piano.

Mr. Miles is a popular and highly esteemed young man and occupies the position in the business of Miles and Eveleigh, Sussex, N.B.—COM.

(Outlook please copy.)

WHITMAN—LEWIS.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Lewis, Skowhegan, at high noon on Tuesday, July 26th, Miss Berle Ethel Lewis was united in marriage to James Ernest Whitman by the Rev. Joshua M. Frost of Auburn, Maine.

The bridal procession consisted of the officiating clergyman and Ruth Gwendolyn Pierpont, carrying the two rings, Harry Rosecoe Pierpont, the best man, Miss Beulah May Ireland as bridesmaid and the bride leaning on the arm of her father. The double ring ceremony was used. After extending congratulations, those in attendance inspected the numerous and valuable presents, following which refreshments were served.

Miss Lewis was recently graduated from the high school where she was exceedingly popular, as is her husband among the young men of the place.

An interesting feature connected with the service was the former relation the minister bore to the families of the bride and groom. Mr. Frost received the parents of both into the Centenary Methodist Episcopal church, he married both couples and baptized the bride in infancy.

The house was beautifully decorated with running vines and potted flowering plants, while the rings were exchanged and the promises made beneath an arbor of evergreen and wedding bells.

The bridal gown was white silk mesaline trimmed with Irish lace and the flowers carried were white carnations. The bridesmaid wore white embroidered voile and she carried pink carnations. The gifts included cut glass, silver and linen. The newly married couple will make Skowhegan their home.—COM.

GIDNEY—VAN BURKIRK.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodman, of Digby, on Wednesday afternoon, July 17th, when their daughter, Miss Nellie V. VanBuskirk, became the wife of Mr. Edwin E. Gidney, son of Councillor E. A. Gidney, of Mink Cove. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. L. Danforth. The bride was handsomely attired in white and carried a large bouquet of white roses. Her bridesmaid was Miss Gretchen Vroom, of Deep Brook. The groom was attended by Mr. Edwin Vroom, brother of the bridesmaid. The bride was the recipient of some elegant and useful presents. After luncheon was served and a pleasant hour spent by the guests, the happy young couple left for their home at Mink Cove in Councillor Gidney's automobile, the genial councillor and Mrs. Gidney accompanying them.—Digby Courier.

Interesting Letter from Rev. G. H. Mellick.

To the Editor of Monitor-Sentinel:—I am thinking a few lines from us will be of interest to our people.

Our friends in Lawrencetown gave us this month for a rest and we are enjoying it very much.

We came to "The Island" via Pictou, stopping a night at Truro. The journey was very pleasant. We wished the sea voyage was longer. At Charlottetown we were entertained by Rev. and Mrs. Fash, and their kind attention made our stay there very enjoyable. Rev. Mr. Fash is much beloved by his people in Charlottetown and he is doing good work.

We went from Charlottetown to Victoria, by a small steamer and the trip was delightful. As we skirted the shore we had a fine view of a beautiful part of the Island. We were accompanied by quite a number of delegates going to the Baptist Association at Tryan. Anybody who claimed to be a Baptist and was bound for the Association, of that lovely trip of twenty-five miles for twenty-five cents, and our word was accepted as sufficient credentials. No wonder we like the Island! We were met at the boat by friends who took us to their homes and entertained us for three or four days, and regretted we were leaving so soon.

Tryan is one of the most beautiful and prosperous farming districts on the Island. The people are very comfortably well to do. Our host is a retired farmer. He has an estate in a black fox ranch. He and his associates bought a pair of foxes for \$2,000 about a year ago. A litter of five came this spring, and they were sold for \$20,000, so the original pair have already paid for themselves. There are quite a number of fox ranches on the Island. Large money has been made in the business, but these high prices cannot be expected to continue very long. The Island is said to be the native home of the black fox, but we could see them there just as well in Nova Scotia as they do here. The ranch is easily constructed. An acre or so of nice brush or wood land fenced with wire and properly secured would accommodate a large number of foxes. This large enclosure is subdivided, so each fox or litter is kept in its individual enclosure except during certain seasons. We visited a mink ranch. This was all under cover, but the mink are said to do as well this way as in the open. I doubt it, however. If they succeed in these new lines as they seem confident they will the Island will become a very wealthy province. It is a wonder more tourists do not take advantage of the delightful summer climate here. I think probably the Islanders like to look after their homes and hogs better than they do catering to tourists and so they do not give the attention tourists demand.

Automobiles are not allowed to run on the Island. While this does not suit the tourists, generally, it does give us a sense of security to know they are beyond the sea. If the liquor law were as effective as the auto law there would be still greater comfort over here.

Prohibition does not entirely prohibit but it crowds the liquor business into a very close and uncomfortable position. They tell us the Tory government is starting well. They are widening the roads and requiring all road fences to be put back to give the proper width.

The crops are looking fine. Hay, oats, wheat, barley and potatoes are the principal crops. The potato bug is a terrible pest. A man told me there was no doubt but the devil made the potato bug. We would perhaps be willing to suffer that pest if Satan had confirmed his work to the bug.

We are having a delightful time. We expect to return Aug. 2nd.

H. G. MELLICK.

NOTE.—The Editor regrets that this came to hand too late for publication last week.

VISIT OF GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Great Preparations in Halifax and Elsewhere to Celebrate Visit of Canada's Governor-General, Duke of Connaught, and Party.—Regatta. Naval Review, Etc.

The committee having in charge the arrangements for the Duke of Connaught's visit have drawn up a programme for the reception of His Royal Highness, which has been accepted.

Citizens are asked to decorate and make preparations to give the Governor-General a Royal reception. The Duke and his party including Princess Patricia, will visit Halifax August 14th and 15th. If Her Highness' health will permit the Duchess of Connaught will also be in the party.

The party will reach here on the "Earl Grey" on Tuesday evening, August 14th. Wednesday will be declared a public holiday in Halifax and Dartmouth.

Wednesday morning the party will land at the Dockyard and addresses will be presented.

At noon the party goes to Memorial Tower and will be met by the Canadian Club and Boy Scouts and a chorus of five hundred children and later the dedication address will be delivered.

The royal party will then lunch at the Waegwoltic.

The regatta on the Arm will commence at three o'clock, and in the evening an illumination on the Arm will be the feature.

On Thursday, the Duke, who is Field Marshal of the British army, will review the Naval Brigade, the troops of the fortresses and the Veterans of 1866, on the Common, and present certificates to candidates of the Nova Scotia Branch of St. John Ambulance Association.

The Duke the same afternoon will lay the corner stone of Dalhousie, and will then meet the Halifax Historical Society and unveil a bronze tablet to Sir John Moore, and later

will visit the Naval College and the Niobe. He will later visit the Yacht Squadron and then attend an official dinner at Government House.

PROGRAM THROUGH THE VALLEY.

The approaching visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia with their party is awakening much interest in Nova Scotia. The city and towns to be visited are planning a royal welcome.

The Kentville Advertiser gives their program as follows:—

The party will spend Aug. 14th and 15th at Halifax. They leave Halifax on the morning of the 16th for a trip through the Valley. The private car of Mr. Giffins "Sanspareil" will be part of the Royal train and Mr. Giffins will accompany them over the D. A. R. line. The train will arrive at Windsor at 11.30 a.m., and leave there at 1.30. Luncheon will be served on the train between Windsor and Wolfville.

Arriving at Wolfville at 2.30 p.m., the party will leave the train there and after the welcome from the town they will take an automobile drive through various points, landing at Kentville some time in the afternoon.

At Kentville a reception will be tendered the Royal visitors, who will remain here until the morning of August 17th, leaving for Middleton at 8.17 and arriving there at 9.30. There another auto trip has been arranged and the party goes on to Annapolis, arriving at twelve noon. They leave Annapolis at 2 p.m. for Digby, and after a stop there, His Royal Highness and party will leave their train and take the S. S. Earl Gray for St. John.

DIGBY LIFE-SAVING STATION

Work is going on at the life-saving station at Bay View. The new boat "Daring," commanded by Capt. John W. Hayden, is manned as follows:—James Ellis, engineer; Fred Adams, mate; Wallie Abbott, Edw. Bremmer, Samuel Wilson, Orbin Condon, sailors; Albert Hersey, cook. Temporary quarters have been secured which will be used until the new station is built. Capt. Hayden and his crew keep the "Daring" in excellent condition and ready to go to sea at a moment's notice.—Digby Courier.

EXPRESS OFFICIALS HERE TODAY.

V.G.R. Vickers, superintendent of the Atlantic Division and Foreign Department of the Dominion Express Company, is expected here this evening in his private car and will be accompanied by members of the Railway Commission. Mr. Vickers' visit to the province is for the purpose of arranging with the Commission the area within which the Express Company will be asked to receive and deliver parcels and packages free of cartage charges. Already several places in Nova Scotia are asking free delivery, a privilege which Yarmouth has had for years.—Yarmouth Times.

The Royal Bank of Canada

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RESERVE FUNDS \$9,160,000
TOTAL ASSETS \$119,000,000

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