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CHARLES TAYLOR.

Sketch of Noted New Brunswick Mechanist and Inventor.

(Montreal Witness.) One of the most remarkable mechanical geniuses of the early days of this country passed away on Friday, at his late residence, 182 Peel street, in the person of Charles Taylor.

Mr. Taylor was born at Sheffield, Sunbury Co., N. B., in 1818, and like many youths of his time, he sought his fortune in the capital city of the province.

Mr. Taylor enjoyed the distinction of being the first man to cross the Miramichi river in a steam craft. When the machinery of any of the large lumber mills of the maritime provinces out of order, his services were generally in demand.

During his residence in New Brunswick, Mr. Taylor became deeply interested in politics and exerted all his influence in favor of confederation.

Mr. Taylor travelled extensively, having visited every state in the Union, and seen the greater part of Canada.

Mr. Taylor was a man of kindly spirit and endeared himself to his fellow-workmen by his interest which he invariably showed in their behalf.

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VILLAGE WIPED OUT.

Belmont, Nova Scotia Swept By Fire—Much Damage by Forest Fires in Various Sections.

HALIFAX, Aug. 29.—Belmont, a settlement eight miles from Truro, was nearly swept out of existence this afternoon by forest fires, six families are homeless and the town is without a railway station.

The fire is supposed to have started in the woods from a spark from a train, which grew into a wild forest fire, sweeping through the whole surrounding country, fanned by a high wind.

Fred Wilson's barn was the first to be burned, then the railway station caught, and in a few minutes the village was a mass of flames.

The latest information tonight is that the fire has subsided but it is in the position of nearly every other fire of the kind. Men are watching it ready to fight for the remaining houses in the village.

The homeless families, who are penniless, have been well provided for by those who have their homes left. The total loss will exceed thirty thousand dollars, and insurance men say there is not more than five thousand insurance.

The chief losses here are the I. C. R. station and freight shed, \$5,000. T. D. Crowe, store and stock, \$5,000. Thos. Lindsay, hotel, barn and out-buildings, \$2,000.

Rapport Church, \$3,000. Edwin Crowe, house, barn and blacksmith shop, \$2,500.

Fred Wilson, house, barn and out-buildings, \$2,500. C. B. Lindsay, house, barn and out-buildings, \$2,000.

Adam Darling, house and barn, \$1,800. J. W. Gunn, barn, \$500.

Supt. Jarvis this evening, after the wind had subsided somewhat and the fire had ceased a little, installed a first class car and fitted it up with telegraph instruments as a station.

MONCTON, N. B., Aug. 29.—The rain of Monday did not completely extinguish forest fires burning over a wide area in Northern New Brunswick, and finally he was compelled to step inside one of the oldest tailor shops in Toronto and was told that Canadian-made woollens were used practically only in the ready-made trade.

Mr. Taylor was a man of kindly spirit and endeared himself to his fellow-workmen by his interest which he invariably showed in their behalf. As an evidence of this fact he had in his possession a huge framed portrait of himself, which was presented to him by his workmen, and which bore the following inscription: "Presented to Charles Taylor, Esq., by the workmen employed at the St. Lawrence Mills, Lobsenz, as a token of their esteem for him as a master. Louis, 15th August, 1874."

The deceased enjoyed perfect health until six months ago, but since that time had not been able to go out of doors much. Last Monday he went for a short walk in Dominion square, but complained of not feeling well. His illness became serious, and he was taken to the Homoeopathic Hospital, McGill College avenue, where he died.

Count Wedel, grand equerry to the Kaiser, has just resigned his post on the plea of advancing years. He made his entry into public life at the age of ten in the city of Hanover, where his father was a member of the Government.

It was in 1848, the year of convulsion in Europe, and little Wedel found the mob one day smashing the windows of a public office. It was great sport, and he joined in it with enthusiasm. Then somebody cried: "Let us smash old Wedel's windows!"

The crowd was delighted, but did not know where old Wedel lived. Then came little Wedel's great moment. He stepped to the front and said: "I know, follow me."

So they followed him, and he joined in the smashing of the paternal glass with peculiar joy. When he tells the story now he adds: "It was the jolliest day of my life!"

DASH FOR THE POLE FROM DAWSON CITY.

Expedition Will Start Out in June of Next Year—Experiments to be Made Next Winter.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 29.—Dawson is out to capture the North Pole on scientific and methodical lines based on experience and experiment and entirely untried.

The International Society of Polar Research and Experiment, with a membership of 200, including Government and private citizens, was organized in the Klondike capital have organized the International Society of Polar Research and Experiment, with a membership of 200, including Government and private citizens.

Mr. Macdonald said the expeditions of all former polar explorers and pole positions had been conducted on a very thing but lines that would be approved by northern travellers of experience.

Yukoners found many weak points in the methods of travel, equipment and composition of nearly every polar expedition of the past. The most familiar example of polar endeavor was the Nansen expedition.

In that expedition it is shown by Nansen's own book that he understood little of equipping and outfitting long distance expeditions. Yukoners handle such with much more simplicity, ease and skill.

Nansen travelled with dogs weighing fifty pounds. Yukoners use sledges and have scarcely ever seen a dog sled. Nansen drove his dogs with each hitched to a single strap, and they were always entangled and causing interminable trouble and delay.

Yukoners drive their dogs in tandem harness and have scarcely ever seen such trouble. Nansen had no handles to his sleds. Handles are a great and indispensable essential to the Yukoners in helping them to right themselves in the Arctic thur far has been composed of sailors, men who are useless anywhere but aboard ship.

Those not military were largely semimilitary. All were headed and equipped with the most experienced northern hunters and travellers, and none but the most experienced and best trained heavy Yukon dogs. The society has appropriated this idea, and it is to be thoroughly tested this winter.

KNEELING STOOLS FOR METHODISTS.

Rev. Dr. Crummy Wants More Devotion and Discusses Surplised Choirs.

(Toronto News) "Our services of worship are defective in many respects, said Rev. Dr. Eber Crummy, in the course of his sermon at Bathurst street Methodist church yesterday morning.

"Why do we kneel and kneel at our seats, with our backs to the person who is offering the prayer?" asked the doctor. "In the days of the fathers of Methodism this was necessary because of the state of the congregation. Would it not be more noiseless, more devotional, more comfortable if we knelt with our faces towards the altar? Let us have kneeling stools if necessary, but let us not maintain obsolete institutions because our grandfathers created them."

Dr. Crummy pleaded for more rational methods of worship. He said he regretted that many Methodists in the past did certain things just because their fathers did them.

"The reason is generally given for providing gowns to choirs," he said, "is that it provides uniformity and induces a more worshipful attitude in the congregation. If members of the congregation wear gowns, we cannot help being devotional with a row of ladies' hats behind the preacher."

At the evening service, when the church was crowded, Dr. Crummy's suggestion regarding the wearing of "Amens" after the hymns, was tried, and some confusion resulted. Following the usual custom of Methodist congregations, many of the people dropped into their seats at the last word of the first hymn, leaving the choir to repeat the word practically unaided.

Dr. Crummy's innovations seem very popular. A few weeks' treatment with Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills will regulate and invigorate these organs and may save you years of suffering.

PLEASED WITH HIS VISIT.

S. B. Hamberger, of New York, Delighted With the St. John River.

Among the visitors from President Roosevelt's republic, now staying at Royal, are Samuel B. Hamberger, a prominent lawyer of the New York, and his niece, the Alma Donziger. Mr. Hamberger was recently appointed by Mayor McEllan a member of the Board of Parole, and is also a director of the Educational Alliance, and interested in other communal activities.

Speaking to the Sun last night, Mr. Hamberger said: "I was up river today. Went far as Evandale. Well, I thought I think well of the St. John river, with fine scenery, but it is not to be compared for an instant with your river. And I got at Evandale the best dinner I have had for twenty-five years."

St. Martins.

ST. MARTINS, Aug. 29.—The Catholic picnic, held today on the beautiful grounds near the parsonage, was very largely attended, and a success socially and financially. A number drove up from Gardner's Creek. Father Collette, a former priest of this parish, was present, and his many friends were rejoiced to see him again.

James D. Branscombe and wife of Boston paid a brief visit to this, his former home. Mrs. Branscombe, accompanied by Miss Maude Branscombe of this place, will visit P. E. I. before the return to Boston.

Mrs. George Clarke and two daughters of St. Stephen, who have been spending some weeks here, returned home today. Albert Whitney left Tuesday morning for Norwood Grove, Winnipeg, where he will in future make his home.

Allan Patterson of Noank, Conn., has paid a visit to her mother, Mrs. Noble Bradshaw. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Anderson of Noank are visiting relatives here.

Miss Bertie Crown of West Quaco left today for Upham, where she takes a school. Mrs. James McLaren of Moncton has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Silas Taylor.

Dr. Burnett of Sussex visited St. Martins today and performed a successful operation for Mrs. Nathaniel McCumber. MILLSTREAM.

MILLSTREAM, Aug. 29.—Rev. Fr. McDermott, who has been appointed to fill the vacancy in this parish caused by the promotion of Rev. Fr. Savage to the parish at Moncton, held services in St. Philip's church on Sunday.

Isaac Frasse, who was injured by a horse lately, is improving. The people in this place have finished having and report a very good crop in some places while in others very poor.

Wm. Murphy was unfortunate last week in having his barns and farming implements burned by the forest fires, which have been raging for the last three weeks. A very pleasing event took place at Head of Millstream, when Miss Edith M. Mason was united in matrimony to John Beiding.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. Bailey at the parsonage of the bride's home. Miss Nettie Wright acted as bridesmaid and the brother of the bride was best man.

Mrs. James Cosman has gone to Boston to visit friends and relatives there. The heavy frost has killed all the garden plants as well as the buckwheat on the low lands.

TROUBLE IN M. E. CHURCH.

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—As the result of a serious illness, brought about on account of worry over the treatment accorded him by the officials of a colored church, this city, and two churches in Brooklyn, Bishop Benjamin W. Arnett, has resigned as bishop of the New York diocese of the African Methodist Episcopal church.

The bishop's council of the church yesterday relieved him of all work in connection with the Philadelphia, New Jersey and New England conference, which with the New York conference, comprise the first Episcopal district.

Bishop Arnett's appointment of Dr. S. Timothy Rice, as presiding elder of the New York conference is stated to have stirred up trouble. Great pressure was brought to bear on the bishop to remove Mr. Rice, because of the latter's political affiliations but he would not consent and finally resigned his office, three of the churches having threatened to withdraw.

Bishop Tanner has been placed in charge of New York and New England conference, and Bishop Levi J. Coppin, formerly bishop of South Africa, has been assigned to the Philadelphia and New Jersey conference.



Lost in the Fog While Fishing Off Grand Banks.

Terrible Experience of Two Fishermen Now in St. John—They Starved for Three Days—Are Feeling Better Now.

On the maritime express yesterday afternoon came two men, Rasmus Hubbard and Fred Mulse, who a couple of weeks ago, while fishing on the Banks of Newfoundland, had an experience which they will not soon forget, and which but for the timely arrival of a Swedish vessel they would never have been able to relate.

These two men formed part of a crew of twelve on the American fishing schooner Valkyrie of Gloucester, fishing on the banks. The schooner left St. Pierre on Tuesday, Aug. 8th. On Friday morning a heavy fog came up. They were then fishing in the southwest of what is known as the Well Deep, about two hundred miles off the coast.

On Friday afternoon Hubbard and Mulse left the schooner, as usual, in their doxy about 1 o'clock and went out about three-quarters of a mile to set their trawls. After leaving the schooner the fog began to settle down thicker and thicker, and by the time they had their trawls set, which took about an hour, they could not see ten feet away from them.

They started back, listening attentively all the while for the fog horn from the schooner. But the horn they never heard, although they must have been at times within at least half a mile of the vessel. The reason they are unable to say. The fishermen always depend on their ears for a time until they might be able to sight some passing vessel. Meantime darkness settled down on them, and they grew faint and hungry after the day's exertion.

Mulse, who is only a young man of barely 20 years, and who was on his first fishing trip, began to grow discouraged and despaired of ever seeing land again. Hubbard, however, who is ten years his senior and has been fishing ever since he was a boy of 15, kept up heart, and day and night he sat erect in the boat, almost fasting to move lest his ear should not catch the whistle of a far-off steamer.

The fog lasted three days, and the remembrance of those three days will go down to their graves with these two men. When the second night began to settle down amid the blinding fog, and no help was in sight, the hearts of both the fishermen began to sink. Mulse, his stomach having grown faint from lack of food, and his eyes grown tired with watching, threw himself down in the boat and slept till nearly noon the next day.

On Saturday afternoon they heard in the distance the whistle of a passing steamer, but realized it was useless to waste any energy in trying to catch a fast boat. On Monday, the 14th instant, about 5 p. m., they sighted the Swedish bark Thoren, bound for Buc-touche to load lumber. Hubbard, who was still on watch, with a shake awoke his companion, who was lying on his back at the time in a state of semi-consciousness, and the two, inspired with hope, caught up their oars and with all the heart they had left started off to catch the bark, about 10 miles away. From about 8 in the morning till 4 p. m. that afternoon they rowed, gaining steadily all the while on the bark. When they were within a mile of her the Thoren saw them and at once tacked in their direction. When they were 70 miles from the place where they had been first lost in the fog.

On reaching the Swedish bark Hubbard had lost strength enough to climb a rope about 10 feet to the bark, but his companion had to be dragged up, and on reaching the deck he collapsed.

On board the Thoren the fishermen were well treated. For three days they slept almost constantly, and were only awakened three times a day for their meals. Mulse claims to have lost twenty pounds during the three days he was out in the fog. On reaching the Swedish bark they were almost starved, but since then they have picked up considerably.

The two men were landed at Buc-touche about 10 miles from Moncton, where they secured the aid of the American consul, who fitted them up with proper clothing and sent them on to this city, where they are being provided for by the American consul here. The Free Baptists, neither paper is denominational journalism. At present the Messengers and Visitor is regarded as the organ of the Baptist church in the maritime provinces, while the Religious Intelligencer speaks for the Free Baptists. Neither paper is denominational property. The Intelligencer, now in its fifty-third year, belongs to Rev. Dr. McLeod, who has been the editor for half his life-time. It goes into Free Baptist homes all over the province, and exerts a strong and wholesome influence. The Messenger and Visitor belongs to the Maritime Baptist Publishing Company, by which the St. John Visitor and the Christian Messenger of Halifax were purchased and amalgamated. The editor of the Visitor had been Dr. Hopper, while Mr. Seldon had owned and edited the Christian Messenger. Both were old papers. The Christian Messenger was established fifty-six years ago and the Visitor one year previous. Dr. Goodspeed was engaged as the first editor of the Messenger and Visitor, and on his appointment to a chair in McMaster Dr. S. McC. Black succeeded him. The feeling is expressed that the union of the two churches should be followed by the union of the two papers. But that is a business matter that rests with the proprietors, who, it is said, are likely to confer on the subject. It was reported at the annual meeting of the Maritime Baptist Publishing Company that the paper has earned last year some \$1,100 over running expenses, and that the subscription list had increased by some three hundred names. The paid up capital throughout the province have declared emphatically for union.

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BAPTIST UNION Will be Consummated About the Middle of October.

The Official Organs of the Denominations May Also Amalgamate—N. S. Freewill Baptists to Consider Union.

During this week the Freewill Baptist conference of Nova Scotia is in session. This organization, which is not to be confused with the Free Baptist church in this province, has not as yet been a party to the church union movement. But the question is to be taken up at this meeting, and since the basis of union agreed upon seems well suited to the conditions in Nova Scotia, it may be accepted at the Shag Harbour conference.

Union between the Free Baptists of this province and the Baptists will probably take effect five or six weeks from this date. Early in October the Free Baptists meet in this city in annual conference, probably the last they will hold as a separate denomination. If they accept the basis of union as prepared by the joint committee, and accepted by the convention at Charlottetown, all will be ready for the final step. No one doubts what the action will be as the congregations throughout the province have declared emphatically for union.

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CANADIAN WRESTLER DEFEATED.

DES MOINES, Cal., Aug. 30.—Jack Carr, the Montana cowboy, defeated the Canadian champion, in a wrestling match here last night. Carr took the first two falls in 19 minutes and 20 seconds and 12 minutes, respectively.

"That is really I should credit for giving dispo Meanwell. Irs a little explained to be by my former to it. Some day restored to me plain civilian, during the next about our mine. "Oh, why not? "Just a person me." "If it pleases fed." He pressed I aver. They were ing trio for other from. "Captain Introduce Mr. A. Ventnor, you before." The sailor sh nor smiled affab "Your enfor land seems to be safe. "Admirably backs, but we the open. Didn "Yes, dear. "Not sufficiently with false testi His lordship somewhat. So martial, nor w claim to all th was her lover. roy, his busy into his peaked manner of their Nevertheless "Even the h Deane," he said. But Anstruthtest uneasiness pressed the re forthwith sugg the walk to the instance, that i wreck. During the neor rather than who told of his and waves; in where the foug Iri who expri of ceaseless to age in the face way in which h clutch of the s preparations a attack and m to mortal the Dyaks' be them off, cri during the man hours' battle. There were t e ended, but thankful happi a silent liston word nor loo, a cold heart as h man's love co know ledge ex more. His hat became a man to mortal a wry stood in h Robert hoped was over. It ha called on to an made? What v valley of death to guess the dim How came he to ing stock of ot of the edible p trees? How? They never vot even the Britis on to the recess comes across as the adventu quarry and cave vein of antimon near the vault. substances that doubtless no one tors who use it, and in Chinese chief factor of e Inside the ca the partially c ledge accounts acres on the fac bones con, the bones of pos remains of a Bur Anstruther wa then hazarded, to the value of were staring at, to baffle further. A trumper of blowing his lung to luncheon was a final query. "I can quite u Robert, "that yo this weird pla know why you You can hardly be pointed to on the rock. Anstruther p answered. He re dark eyes were this point clear questioner squ "There are sunk comes across a will been lost with fault on the pa "Undoubtedly "Well, Capital stationed with kong I encour waded my lif comes out. I to how it seemd threw me ashor