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Forest Fires Raging.

In consequence of the continued drought forest fires are causing much destruction in many directions. The following intelligence will show how our neighbors have been suffering from these disasters.

St. John, N. B., June 5.—Within a period of two hours on Wednesday evening, fire wiped out nearly the entire village of Musquash and Prince of Wales, burned a total of about 110 buildings four railway trestles, two foot bridges, two culverts, caused about 45 families or about 300 people to leave their homes and flee for their lives. Only six houses are left standing in the small village of Prince of Wales. The parish of Musquash has about recouped its final blow, and where there was once a thriving community, whose people were all employed, there is now nothing but a smoking wilderness. A review of the whole situation shows that the flames have wiped out two hundred buildings in different parts of the Province, causing a property loss, exclusive of the destruction of lumber lands, of half a million dollars, on which the insurance is approximately \$100,000.

Latest advice state that most of the forest fires have burnt themselves out. Ottawa, June 4.—Another destructive fire took place here this morning, when the mill and saw factory and planing mill of Messrs Davidson and Theakray, the printing and lithographic establishment of Mortimer Co., the paint shop of P. Stewart, a vacant store on Sparks Street and about ten dwelling houses in Queen Street were burned to the ground. The total loss is \$422,000, insurance \$222,000.

Halifax, June 4.—If there is one thing the rural residents of Nova Scotia desire more than anything else it is rain, and unless it comes, and comes quickly, the loss to property by forest fires will be almost unprecedented.

From almost every section of the province come reports of serious forest fires which are spreading in all directions. Already thousands of dollars worth of timber lands have been destroyed and in some cases dwellings and outbuildings. In many places, organized bands of men are trying by every conceivable means to check the fire, but in most cases little progress can be made. Along the line of the Intercolonial and D. A. R., the trains encountered burning districts and were compelled to pass through very slowly. In many places the air was filled with smoke and the residents are grave with apprehension.

Portland, Maine, June 4.—Burning from one side to the other and in almost every section thousands of dollars worth of property and valuable timber have been destroyed hourly by fires and there is little prospect of changing the conditions.

Our own Province has not wholly escaped although the damage has been small in comparison with what is above recorded. Bad fires raged in the vicinity of Bonshaw and other places during last week. A barn belonging to Peter Ferguson of Bonshaw, was burned to the ground, with its contents, including a horse, cattle and farming implements. Woods and fences were severely damaged and many buildings were in extreme danger.

Grand Trunk Have Placed Free Libraries on Trains.

The Grand Trunk Railway System has installed a free library service on all its through trains, arrangements having been made with the book-lover's library, of Philadelphia, for a supply of the latest works.

Eight cars are to be fitted up with between 25 to 50 books in each, and these will be at the disposal of all passengers on the passenger and Pullman cars.

The service was inaugurated May 22nd, and the first car to be so equipped was No. 2006. This car was attached to the "International Limited," which leaves Bonaventure station at 9 a. m. for Chicago.

Other trains to follow in quick succession will be the through trains between Toronto and Buffalo, those between New York and Chicago, and between Buffalo and Muskoka.

The books will be free to passengers in the cafe-parlor or Pullman cars. But a feature which will appeal to the travelling public is that subscribers to the Booklover's library will be given the privilege of exchanging their books while travelling on the trains. Others will, of course, merely have the use of the books while passing their journey.

While the free library service has become a very popular factor in Western transportation, the G. T. R. is the first line in Canada to adopt the principle. A catalogue will be issued, giving a list of the books and distributed on the trains for the information of the patrons.

Each set of the books will be changed every three months, so that passengers can always obtain the latest literature on the G. T. R. trains. Under the arrangement effected with the Philadelphia firm, the authorities of the G. T. R. expect to have plenty of books in order to meet the varied tastes of the patrons of that line.

DIED

At Corran Bay, on the 23rd ult., Mrs. Joseph Macpherson, aged 78 years, leaving three daughters.—R. I. P.

At Sinnott's Road, Morrell, on the 29th, ult., Mrs. Hugh Jennings (third daughter of the late Hon. Robert Mooney), leaving a husband, three sons and two daughters.—R. I. P.

At Rocky Point, on June 2nd, Maggie Feehan, daughter of Patrick Feehan, aged 18 years.—R. I. P.

In Charlottetown, on Tuesday, June 2nd, 1903, Mary Elizabeth Wickham, aged 65 years, W. R. I. P.

On Friday 5th inst., at 10 30 p. m., Susan, relict of the late Judge D. O'M. Reddin, aged 70 years. She had contracted a cold some weeks previous to her death. This developed into pleurisy; but she had almost recovered when her constitution gave way and she calmly passed to eternity. Deceased was the daughter of the late Alexander Brown of the Central Academy, and sister of Messrs Alexander and Ambrose Brown of this city. She was a most pious, charitable, and exemplary Christian, and will be much missed by the poor who always had in her a good friend. She leaves to mourn two sons, D. O'M. and George Reddin, druggists, and three daughters, Mrs. (Dr.) Green, New York, Mrs. Wm. Murphy and Miss Annie Reddin. Her funeral took place yesterday, and was largely attended. The pall bearers were Lieutenant Governor McIntyre, Judge Hodgson, Judge Warburton, Postmaster Brecken, Prof. Cayen and Thomas Haurahan, Esq. Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Dunstan's Cathedral, by Rev. Dr. Morrison, with Rev. J. G. McLean as deacon, and Rev. Dr. Monaghan sub-deacon. His Lordship, the Bishop, occupied his seat in the sanctuary, assisted by Rev. Dr. McMillan and Rev. D. B. Reid. May her soul rest in peace.

At the Charlottetown Hospital, where he had been for medical treatment, Joseph, infant son of Ambrose and Mrs. Minnie Somers, Head St. Peter's Bay, aged nine months. "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

At St. Louis, Mo., on the 27th, of May Fergie, wife of Walter J. Broderick, and daughter of the late Patrick Stevens of Orwell. A disconsolate husband and five children are left to mourn. May her soul rest in peace.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

TOMORROW will be Corpus Christi. First Communion and Confirmation will be administered in St. Dunstan's Cathedral.

Read the "Crush" advertisement of Souter McLeod & Co., in this issue. Certainly the "Crush" of business is going on there and unprecedented bargains are the order of the day. This will not last much longer, so those who have not already benefited by the "Crush," better hurry up.

Tax judges appointed by the Ross Government in the Gamsay case have submitted their report. It is, as might have been expected, favorable to the Government that appointed the commission. The report says the case against Stratton was not proved; but it does not state, nor did it seek to discover, where the money came from that bribed Gamsay. The report would seem to indicate the judges were trying Gamsay, rather than Stratton. We may hear more about it.

The steamer Halifax has been sold to the Canadian Atlantic and Plant Steamship Co., a new company and will sail under the old management on the same route. The price paid is two hundred and fifty thousand. In addition to the steamer Halifax the transaction includes the plant line wharf property at Halifax the good will of the business, the charter of the steamer Olivette and also of several wharf properties at Charlottetown and Hawkesbury. The Olivette which is under the charter will be placed on the Boston, Halifax and Island route starting from Boston Saturday next.

Business of poultry, both domestic and pet stock, are requested to meet in the office of the Maritime Stock Breeders' Association, Bank of Nova Scotia Building, Amherst on the 18th, inst., Mr. F. W. Hodson, the indefatigable Live Stock Commissioner for the Dominion and Mr. Wm. McNeill, President of the Maritime Poultry Association and one of the most successful poultry breeders in America, to discuss with them ways and means how to improve their status in the Maritime Provinces. It is a meeting that should be attended even at some sacrifice by every lover of birds, either of the utilitarian or fancy kinds. Single fare rates on the I. C. R., Midland, D. A. R., and P. E. Island Railways on the certificate plan are offered to all who may attend.

The Prices.

Butter, (fresh).....	0.23 to 0.25
Butter (tub).....	0.18 to 0.19
Cabbage.....	0.03 to 0.05
Beef (small) per lb.....	0.08 to 0.12
Beef (quarter) per lb.....	0.06 to 0.07
Calf skins.....	0.05 to 0.00
Ducks.....	0.90 to 1.00
Eggs, per doz.....	0.11 to 0.12
Hides.....	0.00 to 0.05
Hay, per 100 lbs.....	0.50 to 0.55
Mutton, per lb.....	0.06 to 0.07
Oats.....	0.34 to 0.35
Onion (per cwt).....	2.50 to 3.00
Potatoes (baggers price).....	0.00 to 0.40
Pork (small).....	0.14 to 0.00
Sheep pelts.....	0.50 to 0.55
Turnips.....	0.00 to 0.25
Pork.....	0.00 to 0.00
Fowls (per pair).....	0.50 to 0.80
Flour (per cwt).....	0.00 to 2.00
Lettuce (per bunch).....	0.00 to 0.05
Rhubarb (per lb).....	0.00 to 0.05
Carrots (per bus).....	0.00 to 0.50
Paranips (per bus).....	0.00 to 0.50
Beets (per bus).....	0.00 to 0.40
Raddish (per bunch).....	0.00 to 0.05

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200 lbs of Hazard's Improved have been placed with us by Mr. Allan Stewart of St. Peter's Road. Any person needing this excellent seed will do well to call at our store.

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May 27, 1903.—41.

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May 27, 1903.—41

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Our Books are Closed, so please don't ask for Goods on Credit, or Goods on Approval. All Accounts must be paid AT ONCE.

Here are a few prices that ought to open your eyes as well as your purses and quicken your steps to "My Store."

33 1-3 per cent. off every dollar's worth in Clothing, the largest and most complete assortment in the city. We suit you every time or refund the money. You run no risk.

33 1-3 per cent. off every dollar's worth in Dress Goods. In this department are to be found all the latest creations. All New Pretty Patterns and Quality of the Best.

33 1-3 per cent. off Blankets, Underwear, Table Covers, Dress Trimmings, Laces, Braids, and lots of other things too numerous to mention here.

25 per cent. off every dollar's worth of Trunks, Valises, Ties, Veilings, Window Shades, Skirts, Hose, Lawns, Men's Hats and Caps, Shirts, &c.

We might go on and fill the paper with the bargains we are giving, but space won't permit. All we can ask is for you to come as early in the day as possible, as we can then give you our best attention, and you will please us as well as yourself.

Don't delay, come quickly, an opportunity like this only comes once in a lifetime.

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