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Annapolitan By Birth Descendant of Montcalm

Dr. Payzant, of Wolfville, has many recollections in connection with the period of early French settlers in Nova Scotia that are especially interesting during this period of pageantry in Quebec. He himself can claim relationship with the Marquis de Montcalm, as he is a great grandson of Louis Payzant, whose mother, at least tradition affirms, was a sister of the French commander. Her husband, a French Huguenot, was slain among other members of his household by Penalt Indians, on their island home in Mahone Bay, and Mrs. Payzant, with her three boys and one little girl, were taken captives to Quebec. The unfortunate widow was treated with every kindness by her French custodians, and her sons were educated for the Jesuit priesthood. When Quebec became an English fortress, the Payzant family was released from custody and was granted a tract of land in Falmouth, N. S., which they removed. Philip, the oldest son, soon left his home as the Indians, who had slain his father, threatened the young man's life. All trace of him has been lost until the present year, when a member of the Payzant family found his name and marriage date, 1774, in a Record of Marriages in Boston. Louis, the second son, remained and died in Falmouth. During his old age he lost all remembrance of the English tongue and reverted to the French, and in his mother-tongue he talked continually of early Canadian scenes and wars. The third son, Rev. John Payzant, was a noted "Old Lights" pastor and was the founder of Congregationalism in Nova Scotia. His church was at Milton. Mrs. Don Juan, the elder daughter, was the wife of a French army officer, who removed with his family to North Carolina, and the youngest daughter, Lisette, born after the widow arrived in Quebec, became Mrs. Jesse, and settled at Scott's Bay, where he descendants now live.

Dr. Payzant was born in Annapolis but became a resident of Wolfville in his early boyhood. He possesses many interesting chronicles of his own family and other early Nova Scotia settlers.—COM.

LABRADOR COAST STORM SWEPT

A terrific storm swept over th Labrador coast on Tuesday, resulting in great loss of life and property. Owing to the lack of telegraph facilities complete particulars are not yet available, but it is known that seventeen vessels were lost at Tinker Harbor, and eight vessels and three men at Bryam Bay. No reports have been received from the North coast. It is feared that many vessels unable to reach harbor have been lost with all hands. Governor McGregor was on the coast in the cruiser Fione and has not been heard from. Much anxiety is felt for his safety. Telegrams to The Times today state that no word of him had been received at a late hour.

THE SENLAC'S WITHDRAWAL.

(Yarmouth Times.)

It has been announced that the steamer Senlac has been offered for sale and that the steamship service along the South Shore is likely to be discontinued. The reasons given are that the Federal government has declined to increase the subsidy, that the government of Nova Scoti has withdrawn it, and that of New Brunswick has assumed a generally unsatisfactory attitude in regard to it. The news has been received with general concern and we doubt not that concerted effort to grapple with the situation will be at once forthcoming.

Correspondence

The Burning of the Royal Tar

To the Editor of the Monitor:

Dear Sir,—Replying to the enquiry made by you asking for the date of the burning of the "Royal Tar," I may say, that this disaster took place on Tuesday, October 25th, 1836, off Fox Island, Penobscot Bay. She had on board 72 passengers, 21 crew, $6,000 in specie. One passenger Capt. Wm. Waite, lost $5,000. The menagerie, which was on board and had exhibited in Yarmouth a few days before, was lost and nearly all the animals were either drowned or burned to death. More particulars may be found in a book entitled "Yarmouth Reminiscences."

Yours truly,
J. M. LAWSON

Yarmouth, August 3rd.

P. S. Twenty-nine of the seventy-two passengers, and three of the crew were lost.

To the Editor of Monitor:—

In reference to the local in Monitor of the 29th, I find, in looking up a "Book of Interesting Facts," published by Joe Knowles, of St. John, the following:—

"October 20, 1836, steamer "Royal Tar," with menagerie, burned in Penobscot Bay, en route from St. John."

Yours truly,
E. U. McBRIDE

Sackville, July 30th.

To the Editor of the Monitor:—

In answer to query as to date of burning of Royal Tar would say I have a vivid recollection of the event, being a passenger at the time on board the schooner Good Intent with Captain James Anthony, of Ste. Croix Cove, as master, bound for Boston, at which place afterwards I read full account of the event, and remember the saying, "The only passenger who escaped with his trunk was an elephant." The place of the happening was near Mount Desert; the time, October 1836. Captain Anthony pointed out to me the smoking hull as we passed.

Yours truly,
S. C. LONGLEY.

Bridgetown, August 1st.

FLOODS IN THE WEST AND SOUTH.

Azusa, Cal., Aug. 1.—Fifteen feet of water is sweeping down the big fork of the San Gabriel River, carrying trees and driftwood with it as the result of a cloudburst in San Gabriel canyon. All stages have been tied up and communication with the camps is cut off. A rescue party has been formed and will start for the mouth of the canyon to offer assistance if it is needed.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 1.—Two children drowned, traffic tied up on railroads, and most of the navigable rivers, crops badly damaged, and large areas of lowlands entirely destroyed, is a partial record of effects in Eastern North Carolina of a storm that raged on the Atlantic coast Thursday and yesterday moved inland, accompanied by a very heavy rain.

Middleton Outlook:—His friends, and everyone is a friend of Mr. Albert Gates, were sorry to hear that he met with a bad accident on Wednesday. He was using a horse rake when the wheel came off, throwing him to the ground. The axle struck him in the back, injuring his spine. He is now doing well and is in a fair way to recover.

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George M. Charlton Passes Away at Westboro Hospital

George M. Charlton died at the Westboro, Mass., hospital Friday evening at 6.30, after being in feeble health for three years.

His death was not unlooked for, as for the last few weeks he has been in a critical condition. He was fifty-one years old the day of his death. The nature of his malady cannot be determined until an autopsy, which is now being held, is finished.

Mr. Charlton was born in Williamston, N. S., and was the son of George W. and Eliza Robinson Charlton. He learned the trade of carpenter in Nova Scotia, finishing up with an apprenticeship in Boston where he went when he was nineteen years old. He came to Marlboro five years later and has resided here since, being a resident of this city for twenty-seven years. Mr. Charlton worked for J. E. Warren & Co. and H. O. White, serving as foreman for the latter. For nine years he belonged to the Marlboro fire department. Most of this time he was a member of the Union Hook and Ladder Co., and on the organization of the Combination Co. he became a member of that branch of the fire department.

He was very active in the Odd Fellows, a past grand of Marlboro lodge, besides holding other offices in the organization. He was also past chief patriarch of King Saul Encampment, and was a member of Star of Hope Rebekah lodge.

Mr. Charlton was an ardent member of the Carpenters' union. He was against undue haste or anything contrary to righteousness and his ideas made a strong impression on his fellow workmen. He was president of the Carpenters' union in the early days of its existence and was one of those who reorganized the union and assisted in placing on its feet.

He was a member of the First Baptist church, having been received by letter from his home church. He married Abby S. Witherbee, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Witherbee, of this city, twenty-four years ago. He is survived by a wife, three children, Hoitt N., a student at Dartmouth college; Ralph E., a clerk at E. E. Gray's store; and Miss Mary Charlton, employed in the office of H. K. W. Andrews. He also leaves two brothers, John H., Middleton, N. S.; Thomas, Williamston, N. S.; and two sisters, Mrs. Lemuel Messenger, Clarence Centre, N. S.; and Mrs. Herman Foster, Nictaux Falls, N. S.

Mr. Charlton was a good citizen and always true to responsibilities with which he was intrusted. Whether it was in the family circle, the lodge room or the church, he could always be depended upon to perform the duties to which he was assigned.

The funeral occurred Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock with services at the late home, 15 Hastings street.

Members of Star of Hope Rebekah Lodge were present in a body under the leadership of Mrs. A. A. Hart, N. G., and representatives of Marlboro Lodge of Odd Fellows were in attendance.

In addition to society brethren and sisters, a large number of friends and relatives were present from Woburn, Somerville, Dorchester and Westwood.

Rev. M. R. Foshay, pastor of the Baptist church, spoke words of comfort to bereaved ones, and a quartet consisting of Mrs. W. A. Wood, Mrs. Arthur Fickering, Mrs. George Cadieux, Miss Eva Smith, sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," and "Nearer My God to Thee."

The Odd Fellows burial service was conducted by W. A. Porter, noble grand, and Rockland Walter, chaplain of Marlboro Lodge.

There was a most beautiful display of floral tributes, among them being a Three Links design from Marlboro Lodge, a crescent and dove from Star of Hope Lodge, a galax wreath from King Saul encampment, a pillow from the men's bible class Baptist church, and a pillow from the family. Burial was in Maplewood.

RUIN AND DESOLATION IN THE KOOTENAY VALLEY

Brush Fires Cause the Destruction of the City of Fernie and Two Villages-Terrible Loss of Lives and Property

HOMELESS:—7,000.
LIVES LOST:—70 TO 80 KNOWN.
PROPERTY LOSS:—OVER $5,000,000.
TOWNS WIPED OUT.—FERNIE, MICHEL AND COAL CREEK.
DAMAGED:—HOSMER.

Nelson, B. C., August 3.—Homeless and lacking even the bare necessities of life, seven thousand people have been thrown on the charity of Canada by the fire which swept the Kootenay Valley on Saturday and Sunday, and, still unchecked, is sweeping through the foothills in every direction. Seventy to eighty lives lost and a property damage amounting to about five millions was the estimate made today of the results of the conflagration; but what the total loss in life and property has been may never be known. The city of Fernie and the village of Coal Creek and Michel have been practically obliterated and the town of Hosmer has also suffered heavily.

FERNIE A MASS OF RUINS.

Fernie is in ruins today, only thirty-two houses having survived the disastrous fire which swept the city out of existence. It is not definitely known as yet whether any lives were lost in the city proper but the finding of several corpses in the neighborhood of the city is reported and it is feared that many have perished in the relentless flames.

Bush fires which were raging in West Fernie in the morning jumped the river about three o'clock in the afternoon, striking the south end of the town. Fort Steele Brewery was the first building to go and from there sparks carried the fire into the old town, which was soon a pall of smoking embers.

At the same time the Elk Lumber Company's mill and the Cedar Valley mills caught fire and in but incredibly short time East Fernie was a seething mass of flames with people fleeing in all direction for their lives. The conflagration jumped the river by the wagon bridge and set fire to the west end of the town. Fanned by a hurricane that was blowing, this was soon at the mercy of the fire fiend, the wind attaining the velocity and force of a hurricane.

TRAINS RAN THROUGH SHEETS OF FLAME.

Frightened people were thrown off their feet in many cases, trees crashed to the ground and the scene was most appalling. Crowds rushed to the railway stations in the hope of getting to a train and in this manner numbers reached Hosmer in safety, though the trains had to run through sheets of flame which repeatedly set fire to the coaches.

Relief organization was immediately completed when the worst was over and provisions from the Western Canada Wholesale Company whose building was saved, were distributed. Hundreds of women and children were sent to Cranbrook by a special train and special constables were sworn in to protect the property that had escaped the fire.

The prisoners in the jail were liberated and patients in the hospital were hurried to the Coal Company and Western Canada Company's buildings and were made as comfortable as possible.

At Hosmer the loss is about ten thousand. The Coal Company's surface works were destroyed, a powder magazine there exploded, killing one man.

The C. P. R. have rushed a temporary wire through the burned district.

Telegraphic communication has been maintained at Cranbrook, but is uncertain yet into west and east. The fire-covered district runs from and includes Fernie East through the Crow's Nest Pass. An earnest appeal for help has been sent out by the Mayor of Fernie, and it is only right that all Canadians should know that help is badly needed at once.

Study of the Gold Fields of Nova Scotia

Mr. E. R. Faribault has on the other hand taken the field occupied by Mr. McLeod and H. F. Tufts last summer—Mr. Tufts having tired of geology and gone to British Columbia to take up fruit growing—and will bring to bear his long experience in the complex structure of the slates and whins of the gold fields of Nova Scotia upon a study of the scarcely less difficult rocks of Kentville and the valley of Gaspereau, including the iron ore series of Canaan and Torbrook Mines, in order to supplement and verify the work already done by Mr. Fletcher and his associates.—Outlook.

European Trips for Teachers at Special Rates

At a meeting of the passenger managers of the Allan, C. P. R. Atlantic, Dominion and Donaldson lines in Montreal, it was decided to carry ten teachers on each sailing after September 1st. at the return rate of twenty-five dollars. James L. Hughes, of Toronto, chief inspector of schools, is arranging for the teachers from Ontario and the west, while H. J. Silver, superintendent of Protestant public schools, Montreal, has charge of the arrangements for Quebec province and the east. The project is on the same lines followed by the Moseley party of teachers, who visited Canada and the United States last year, and is held to be beneficial to the interests of education generally.

How can you expect anybody to blow your horn when you are all the time blowing it yourself.

Fire at Sackville Causes Loss of $100,000.00

Sackville was visited by a fire last week which destroyed the Epterprise Foundry Intercolonial Hotel and other buildings.

The loss to the Enterprise Foundry Company is placed at upwards of $100,000, partially covered by insurance. There was a very large stock of stoves on hand ready to fill the fall orders. A. W. Dixon's loss is heavy. His hotel, with the contents of the barns, etc., is placed at $8,000, with only $2,800 insurance. A small quantity of furniture with all the carriages and horses were saved.

The I. C. R. loss is not heavy. It consists of a freight shed about to be replaced by a new one, the old station building, both practically of no value, and a small amount of damage to the new station. One box car was burned on the foundry siding.

AN EMPHATIC DEMAND.

The following, from the Caledonia Gold Hunter, is to the point:—We would like very much if subscribers who have received bills for subscription would remit OUR money.

Stay at Home, Boys!

(Bridgewater Bulletin.)

There is a feature of this summer's travel to this province that is significant. The majority of the persons arriving from the States are home-comers. The percentage of strangers is small compared with other years travel. This state of things is due to the stringency of the financial situation in the States. Most of the tickets now sold by the steamship companies are not for return, which shows that many are coming to stay for a longer time, at least.

This return of our own people should be the time for the folks at home to demonstrate to the prodigals that Nova Scotia is good enough to live in and that there is plenty to do here for all with a comfortable sustenance to reward them and the labor not so arduous as that which they are compelled to do in the alien land.

We have a country that is singularly favored with such atmospheric conditions as are conducive to good health; we have a country abounding in mineral wealth not yet developed; opportunities for exploiting paying industries; good farming prospects, and a host of other assets lying dormant because the brawn and sinew of our offspring have sought their fortunes in a foreign country more for the love of adventure than any other consideration.

During the recent and present financial stringency, this country was almost entirely immune from its effects. Here depression of stocks do not cause a national upheaval, nor do they lessen the height of our wood piles and lower the flour in the barrel. Our people are all happy and contented, and there is ample room for our expatriated ones. Stay home, build up our own country and live a life of ease, comfort an plenty, without the crush and life-sapping hurly burly which seems to be indigenous to American existence.

The Halifax Exhibition

The Maritime Circuit this season has been productive of excellent racing, probably the best ever seen in the Province. Several new horses have come to the front, among them J. R. Cowan's "Dessie Pachen and "Wherle," while the performances of "Axbell," "Peacherina," "Will-Be-Sure," "Estell Boy," and other horses have furnished rare sport.

At the Provincial Exhibition Meeting the interest will be heightened, and there is certain to be splendid racing for the purses aggregating $6,000. "Simmassie" and "Terrace Queen," two old opponents in the free-for-all, will no doubt meet, and they will have other great competitors in that race from among the fleet field of horses now running in the circuit.

The final payment in the Stake Races will be made and entries in all other classes will close on August 18th.

The Vaudeville programme for the Grand Stand will consist of si great acts, and the splendid pyrotechnical show will conclude with the spectacular production of "The Destruction of St. Pierre."

Miss Eliza Ritchie, who is in charge of the Art Department at the Exhibition, says that the display of fine arts in the Art Gallery will surpass in beauty and value any of its predecessors.

The Fisheries exhibit will be enlarged and made more comprehensive. It will include a great variety of strange live fishes brought up by the trawlers. This will be something absolutely new for the Fair that opens at Halifax on September 2nd.

The Sixty-ninth Regiment at Quebec Tercentenary

The Bridgetown members of the 69th Regiment who attended the Quebec celebration were delighted with their trip and the sights and scenes they participated in, and have only unqualified praise for the arrangements made for their benefit and the treatment accorded them. Although the city had not made adequate preparation for the multitudes of guests that thronged the city, the preparations for the military visitors was complete in every detail. The camps were at St. Joseph, just beyond the confines of the city, and one of the most picturesque spots of a picturesque region. In full view of the camp were the celebrated Falls of Montmorency. Asking Lieut. Milner what most impressed him during his visit he informed the Monitor that nothing he saw impressed him more deeply than the grandeur of these Falls, over which the water falls precipitously two hundred and seventy-four feet into the bed of the St. Lawrence. He said also that he was surprised and impressed not only with the beauty and picturesqueness of the ancient province but also with the appearances of thrift and progressiveness everywhere in evidence in the agricultural districts. The city itself, he said, is unique and no words can convey an accurate impression of its beauties and distinctive characteristics.

Asked what especial part the regiment took in the celebration, Mr. Milner said that on Wednesday morning the troops helped to line the streets to receive His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, which was an impressive spectacle, but even more impressive and spectacular was the review and march before His Royal Highness, which took place on Friday morning. Mr. Milner handed us a press report of this pageant which he considered the best description given and which we shall give our readers in our next issue.

Forty-seven members of the 69th regiment attended this great spectacular celebration, the greatest this continent has ever known, and it is a matter of surprise that the 69th regiment was the only militia company in the province to avail themselves of the opportunity of participating in this event.

THE PLAINS OF ABRAHAM.

By the dedication of the Plains of Abraham at Quebec as a public park Canada has provided for the preservation of one of the great historic spots of this continent. The field where Wolfe and Montcalm perished a century and a half ago, was the scene of one of the really decisive battles of the world, a battle which was a turning point in the destiny of the Western Hemisphere. It marks the decline and fall of the power of France beyond the Atlantic.

This week the appointed representatives of France, Great Britain, Canada and the United States have met on the heights of Quebec to celebrate the founding of the city, and cemented again there the ties of international friendship on the field where their forefathers fought and died in battle. By this event the Plains of Abraham become doubly memorable.—New York World, July 24th.

Caledonia Gold Hunter:—"I have just paid eighty-five cents for a bushel of oats," said Mr. William Dukeshire, postmaster, Maitland, as he passed through Caledonia, en route to Milton, on Tuesday. "It is something I never heard of before," said he, "and I think it is time our farmers got to work."

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