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The opinion was expressed last night that not many St. John people would accept the verdict of the deputy postmaster-general that they were not capable of realizing what was going on regarding the transportation of the British mails to Upper Canada. While they may not have a very definite idea of what is to be done in future with the mails landed at West St. John, it was pointed out that they are fully aware of the fact that the Tunisian's mails, instead of being sent by special train to Montreal over the C. P. R., were kept here six hours and then sent out by regular train over the I. C. R. a route nearly 900 miles longer than by C. P. R. to say nothing of the numerous stops the regular train was forced to make. And it is said on good authority that the Tunisian's mails contained considerable first class matter, that is, letter mail.

A prominent merchant said last night that even if there had been no real matter in that mail, he could see no reason for not sending it forward to its destination as early as possible, and by the shortest route, since it contained nearly 1,000 letters and 700 parcels of various kinds.

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After spending thirty-eight years in the continuous service of the I. C. R., first as brakeman, then as baggage-master and for the last thirty-three years as conductor, George A. Chesley, of Hampton, formerly of this city, one of the most popular conductors on the road, will retire on pension at the last of this month.

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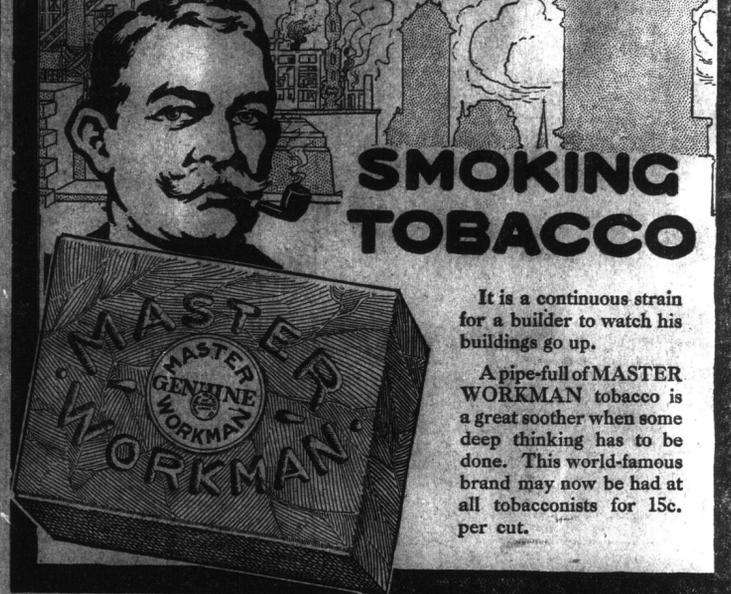
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MASTER WORKMAN



It is a continuous strain for a builder to watch his buildings go up. A pipe-full of MASTER WORKMAN tobacco is a great soother when some deep thinking has to be done. This world-famous brand may now be had at all tobaccoists for 15c. per cut.

IN THE COURTS

Automobile Case Being Heard by Mr. Justice McKeown - Probate Matters.

The civil case of William B. McVey and Selma Regina McVey vs. The Motor Car & Equipment Co. Ltd., was commenced in the circuit court yesterday morning before Mr. Justice McKeown and the following jury: J. C. Spittal, John E. Sayre, James McGuire, F. E. C. Gregory, James Garnett, H. Finigan, E. W. Rowley.

This is an action brought by the first named plaintiff to recover \$2,000 and the second \$5,000 damages for injuries received through alleged negligence on the part of the defendants. The plaintiffs were driving to Westport in one of defendants' automobiles on July 29, 1911. The car went over a twelve foot embankment, injuring the plaintiffs. Mrs. McVey's injuries being of a permanent nature.

The plaintiffs allege that the defendants were negligent in hiring them a car, having a defective steering gear, and by placing an inexperienced driver in charge of the car. They also set up that there was negligence by reason of recklessness on the part of the defendant's servant.

W. B. McVey was examined yesterday morning and in the afternoon Mrs. McVey, Fred Ross and Fred DeForest were examined. The case will be continued today. D. Mullin, K. C., is appearing for the plaintiff and M. G. Teed, K. C., and John A. Sinclair for the defendants.

Probate. In the probate court yesterday in the matter of the estate of Mrs. Jane Robinson, widow, there was return of a citation to pass the account of Alexander F. Barnhill and James Henderson, the executors. The accounts were found correct and passed, and an order for distribution was made. Barnhill, Ewing & Sanford are executors.

BATHURST BOY DROWNS IN SPITE OF MOTHER'S EFFORTS

Bathurst, N. B., Dec. 8.—A son of Jos. J. Melanson, eleven years old, was drowned in the Shoney mill pond about eleven o'clock yesterday.

He was coasting and his sled broke through the ice. His mother witnessed the accident and made strenuous efforts to save her child, but in vain. The body was recovered an hour afterwards.

YARMOUTH NOTES

Yarmouth, Dec. 8.—Mr. McAllister, assistant secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was in town this week holding a conference with the directors of the local athletic association with a view to having a first class man secured for the work and reopening the work again in all its branches. On Thursday afternoon a conference was held with the pastors of the town and the directors, at which the needs were discussed and the views of the clergy obtained with reference to the prospect for support and encouragement of the work. An endeavor will be made to secure a temporary man to open the rooms for the winter, and the maritime secretary will endeavor to secure a strong man to take the work here in the coming spring.

On Wednesday evening last death removed one of the county's oldest residents in the person of Mrs. Barbara Foulis, widow of George Foulis. She resided at Rockville, and was a native of Scotland, being married in the Delaney Islands. She had resided here about 60 years, and was in the 87th year of her age. She leaves four sons, Thomas and Nathaniel, of Rockville, George, of Yarmouth, and James, of Worcester (Mass.); and one daughter, Mrs. Parker Dodge, of Worcester (Mass.). The deceased also leaves a sister in Nashua (N. H.), and one brother and two sisters in Scotland.

Another old resident, Mrs. Elizabeth Durkee, widow of Lyman J. Durkee, passed away at Sand Beach on Wednesday, aged 90 years. She was a native of Vermont, and was married to Mr. Durkee in 1830. She was a member of the United States Vis-Consul Geo. P. Waller was a passenger to Boston by steamer on Wednesday en route to his home in Montgomery (Ala.) to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Saunders returned on Wednesday from a very pleasant trip to Philadelphia, New York and other cities. Capt. Elery Scott, chief officer of the Prince Rupert, has arrived from New York to visit his family.

William A. Killam is lying seriously ill at his home on Second street. Miss Janet McKay left by D. A. R. train Saturday morning for St. John en route to Everett (Mass.), where she will spend the Christmas season with her sisters, Mrs. Leroy E. Gardner and Edna H. Norzley. Another sister, Miss A. R. McKay, of Bradford Academy, will spend Christmas with them. While in St. John Miss McKay will visit Mrs. Hugh Jenkins.

Uhlman Killam, formerly of the Yarmouth police force, has been appointed to the Fernie (B. C.) force. L. C. Goodge, the popular agent in Yarmouth of the Dominion Express Company, is likely to leave Yarmouth at the end of the year, returning to St. John. Mr. Goodge has many friends here who will regret his departure, although rejoicing in his advancement.

Malcolm Duggan, a Yarmouth boy, has been appointed to the position of assistant in pomology to the dominion agriculturalist and will leave for Ottawa shortly.

Tug Burned at Bathurst. Bathurst, N. B., Dec. 8.—The tug Imperator, belonging to The Northern Dredging Company, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The origin of the fire is unknown.

A cupful of liquid is all the cup will hold; a spoonful of liquid is all the spoon will hold. The washing should be brought in as soon as dry, as clothes whip to pieces or rot in the sun.

YORK COUNTY CLAIMS THE MEANEST THIEF

Southampton, N. B., Dec. 6.—The meanest sneak thief in the two hemispheres is the man that stole thirty pounds of butter out of Wetmore Marlin's cellar while he was at the church—only a quarter of a mile away—attending his young wife's funeral. The thief took every bit of butter Mr. Marlin had. He had to borrow some for supper on his return from the funeral.

The stock's visit at the home of Millard Wright gives his friends the opportunity of congratulating him on his first born—a boy.

Peter Dunham, 63 years old, postmaster of Campbell Settlement, died of paralysis and was buried in the Lutheran cemetery, Rev. Mr. Vanwart officiating.

Mr. Page, who has taken over the Imperial Packing Company's entire plant at Woodstock, has here last week bought a carload of cattle. He paid good prices.

Mrs. Lavinia Bregdon, relict of Thomas Bregdon, died at her son's home in Campbell Settlement on Wednesday and was buried today in the Calder burying ground. She was ninety years of age and leaves two sons, Rankin and Anthony. The funeral services were conducted in the Primitive Baptist church at Hartfield by Rev. Perley Quigg.

Willie Morecraft, of Hartfield, was married last Friday to a Miss Bradbury. Arthur Thayer, of Green Lake, lost his barn with all its contents last week by fire. A fine young horse valued at \$250 and four cows were also burned. The cause of the fire is unknown. Bad luck seems to follow the Thabors. When they lived in at the river they had a similar accident. Their barn burned and one horse and three cows. They also had their house at the river burned twice.

Judson Stairs, of West Waterville, had his cows milked in the pasture by an old miser—living in the next settlement. Stairs brought his cows in the field by his house and the miser milked them there. He next put them in the stable and watched. About midnight the old miser came. Stairs let him milk for some time, then sprang on him but the miser is an able man. He shook his cap off and got away. Papers are now out for his arrest.

Peter Shaw, of Fredericton, has rented Charles Cronkrite's store of Lower Southampton and is now stocking it. Hiram Manuel, of Hawkeston, has fifty old men in the woods on the Pookok operating for the York & Sunbury Milling Co. He now has over a million feet on the yards.

J. P. Grant has shipped this fall a million feet of spruce and hemlock to the United States, for which he has received about \$15,000 in cash. He is greatly pleased at the removal of duty on lumber.

A farewell party was given at Deacon Grant's to Rev. Mr. Rutledge and wife before their departure to their new field at Deskstown.

LIBERALS GAIN IN NEW SOUTH WALES. Sydney, New South Wales, Dec. 8.—In the New South Wales general elections today, the Liberals retained thirty-five seats, the Labor Party thirty-five seats, and nine independent seats are still doubtful, while the prospects are that there will be second balloting in fourteen divisions.

The parties in the last parliament were forty-five Laborites, thirty-nine Liberals and six independents. The issue before the people was that of labor versus liberalism.

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Montreal, (C) meeting of the dry Company, good number present.

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The old boy as the following: Sir W. M. A Hamilton Benn Holt, Hon. Natmond, Thos. J. Drummond, W. G. Drummond, and V. G.

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OBITUARY

Miss Mary Foley. Friday, Dec. 5. Miss Mary E. Foley, daughter of the late Thomas B. Foley, of the customs service, died of pneumonia at her residence, 226 Princess street. Miss Foley was a young woman of very fine character. She had been ill for only a short time with pneumonia and the news of her death will be a great shock to her many friends. She is survived by four sisters and one brother. The sisters are Mrs. Charles Wilkins, Misses Agnes, Catherine and Margaret, and brother in law, Frank Foley, of Bathurst. The funeral will be Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. A. Coupe. Friday, Dec. 5. The death occurred yesterday, of Mrs. Elizabeth Anne, wife of George Coupe, at her late residence, at Elliott Row. She was 70 years of age and was survived by her husband, three sons and one daughter. The sons are J. W. of Halifax, G. G. of Vancouver, I. E. of Lincoln, Nebraska, A. W. of Fongkeepack (N. Y.), H. W. of Winnipeg, and E. A. of the daughter is Miss L. A. Coupe. The funeral services will be conducted at the house by Rev. W. H. Barrough tomorrow (Saturday), at 3:15 p. m.

Michael Walsh. Chatham, Dec. 4.—The death occurred yesterday of Michael Walsh, who died at his home in the 64th year of his age, and is survived by one brother, James, also of this town. The late Mr. Walsh was a well known citizen. The news of his death was heard with much regret by many friends. Mr. Walsh was a brother of the late Mrs. William Engdahl, who passed away but a few days before.

Miss Edythe J. Dickson. Saturday, Dec. 6. Many friends will regret to read of the death of Miss Edythe Jennie Dickson, who passed away Thursday afternoon at her home, 421 Charlotte street, West End, at the age of sixteen years. Two years ago, because of ill-health, she had to give up attendance at the High school where she was bright and popular. Though not really well, she died came unexpectedly. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Jennie Dickson, and one sister, Miss Rita of the Western Union Telegraph Co. Her father died about three years ago, and her grandfather since then, so that there has been much trouble for the family to bear. The grandfather, John Nixon, was caretaker of the McAllister tower.

Robert Guthrie. At the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Hickey, New River, Pennfield (N. B.), Robert Guthrie passed away on November 21 at the age of 79. He had lived in Pennfield all his lifetime, being greatly respected by all with whom he came in contact, and many will feel with regret of his death. His wife died sixteen years ago. He is survived by four daughters and one son. The former are: Mrs. George Urwin and Mrs. Hendie P. Hadley, of Woonsocket (N. L.), Hickey, of Pennfield; the son is William Guthrie, of Pennfield. Burial took place in the Church of England cemetery at Pennfield, the services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Spencer.

James Farnham. James Farnham died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Vantassel, Monday morning, aged 88 years. In the days of the old wooden ship building, Mr. Farnham was a well known caulker, but had not been actively engaged for a number of years. He leaves two sons

and two daughters: C. E. Farnham, St. John; T. S. Farnham, of Jamaica Plain (Mass.); Mrs. Chas. Vantassel, of Digby, and Alva in Boston. He is also survived by one brother and two sisters: Mr. William Farnham, of St. John; Mrs. Richard J. Thorne, of Digby, and Mrs. Frasier Dakin, of Weymouth. The funeral took place on Wednesday, with interment in the Episcopal cemetery. The service at the house was conducted by Rev. J. D. Brehaut, and at the grave by Rev. William Driffield. Among those out of town who attended the funeral were: Mr. S. Farnham, of Jamaica Plain, and Chas. Farnham, Jr., of St. John—Digby Courier, Dec. 5.

W. Tremaine Gard. The news of the sudden death on Saturday morning, at 4:30 o'clock, of W. Tremaine Gard, of this city, was heard with great regret. He was working up hill at 10 o'clock on Friday night, and appeared to be in his usual health, but during the night was taken suddenly ill and died before medical assistance could reach him.

Mr. Gard was born on June 12, 1848, in the old Disbrow house, the first brick house built in this city. He was a prominent jeweler and a well known and respected citizen. He was a member of several societies including the Oddfellows, Knights of Pythias, St. George's Society, and Sons of England.

He was a noted singer, and had sung in the choirs of Queen Square Methodist church, Foxland Methodist church, St. Andrew's church, and St. James church. Mr. Gard leaves his wife, two sons and one daughter.

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Mr. Gard had been in the jewelry business for fifty-one years, starting with his brother, Thomas D. Gard, in the early sixties in the Vernon building in Germain street. He was later with Page Brothers for two years, and then went to Boston and New York where he perfected himself in his trade. On his return to St. John he established himself in business as successor to John S. Rowe in Germain street. During the week of Wilson's Beach, he lost all his stock. He set up a temporary place in King street, moving later to the Magee building in Germain street. From there he moved to the McLaughlin building in the same

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INVESTING HEAVILY IN BLACK FOXES

Some idea of the confidence of Prince Edward Island people in the Black Fox industry can be had from the fact that fox companies incorporated there since Jan. 1, 1914, have an aggregate capitalization of more than \$5,000,000. Still other companies are being formed rapidly and it is expected that this year's capitalization alone will amount to \$10,000,000.

Whatever the outside world may think, Prince Edward Island's faith in the fox business is greater than ever, and this is proven by the amount of local money which continually goes into the business. Recently, too, a considerable amount of English and American money has been invested. The increased prosperity resulting from this activity has been subjecting the prohibition law to a severe test in Charlottetown.

WEDDINGS

Kearns-Steeves. Osborne Corner, N. B., Dec. 3.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Willard Steeves was the scene of a very interesting event on the evening of Nov. 26, when their eldest daughter, Josephine L. Kearns, was married to George E. Steeves, of Hill. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. H. D. Worden. In the presence of a number of friends and relatives of the contracting parties. The bride was charmingly gowned in cream silk voile, trimmed with overlace and brilliants, with large sash to match. The parlor was decorated with evergreens, and the bridal party stood under an arch of evergreens and artificial flowers. After the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Many beautiful presents were received, including cut glass, china, etc. The bride's traveling suit was of royal blue cloth and she wore a large white hat. Mr. and Mrs. Kearns will make their future home in Beach Hill. They have the best wishes of their many friends.

Babcock-Harvey. Campbell, N. B., Dec. 4.—An interesting event took place at the rectory, Campbell, on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, when Miss Mona M. Harvey became the wife of Gorham H. Babcock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. Edgerton in the presence of a few friends. Mr. Gough gave the bride away. After the ceremony the happy couple drove to their future home at Wilson's Beach.

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ARREST 350 MEN IN EDMONTON GAMBLING RAID

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 8.—Three newly organized social clubs here were raided on Saturday night, and 350 occupants taken to the police station, on charges of gambling. They were afterwards released on bail, and will come up for trial today.

Valuable Collegiate Training. "Do you think your son's college education is going to be of any real benefit to him?" "Yes, I think it is. I notice that he can get out and run around for hours with nothing but a pair of scanty trunks to shield him from the blast. It will be a lucky thing for him to be able to do that in case he is unable to earn his clothes after I get through paying for them."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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