TERRIFIC STORM SWEEPS PROVINCE

William Neil Dead and Four Fishermen Missing From Lorneville and Dipper Harbor

No Word From Yacht Comfort, Not Having Arrived at Eastport--Nashwaak Bridge Threatened and Boom Broken, Setting Free 1,000,000 Feet of Lumber—Several Ships Lost on North Shore.

Saturday, July 1

From early yesterday morning the whole province was in the grip of a terrific storm which abated only late last evening. One man was drowned at Lorneville, four other fishermen of that district are reported missing, and there is little hope held out of their lives. No word has come to hand of the safety of the yacht Comfort.

In the city the gale raged throughout the day, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain which registered two and a half inches. The river showed a marked rise and at Fredericton the breaking of a boom at Nashwaak was reported and the destruction of a bridge across the Nashwaak was also feared.

Several ships went ashore on the Kent county coast and further north around Caraquet, but fortunately here there was no loss of life.

Bay of Fundy fishermen suffered heavy damage in the terrific easterly gale which swept the bay early yesterday morning and one seiner, William Neil, of this city, lost his life in the storm while the fleets which had been stationed far off shore for the morning tide battled towards the distant coast through the raging elements, while four others are still missing. Serious loss has been suffered by the fishermen; many of the boats' crews report that their nets were carried away and others tell of damage to gear and boats.

William Neil, aged 21 years, resided in the Strait Shore, and was working with James Hargrove, of Chance Harbor, with whom he was fishing yesterday.

Hargrove and Neil were setting out the nets when the storm broke at dawn and their craft was overturned. Neil was flung far from the upturned craft by a huge comber and was not seen again by his companion. Hargrove, who clung to the keel of the boat, was rescued by George Shanks, of Lorneville, several hours later. The rescued man suffered severely from exposure and from prolonged exertions in clinging to the craft in the sharp pitch and heave of the sea; but rallied when given stimulants and was reported resting comfortably at his home in Chance Harbor last night.

Mr. Hargrove sustained heavy damage in the loss of his boat and gear. Percy and Howard Mawhinney, of Chance Harbor, made an unsuccessful attempt yesterday to locate the craft.

Four Missing.

Two boats were reported missing last night. David McAdam and his son, William, of St. James street, who made their headquarters at Dipper Harbor during the summer, have not been heard from, and word is being anxiously awaited from Howard Galbraith and Samuel Ferguson, of Lorneville, who left for the fishing grounds at noon on Thursday.

Ferguson is 45 years of age, married, and has five children; Galbraith is 22 years of age and single. Henry E. Galbraith, of Lorneville, father of Howard Galbraith, said last night he had grave fears for the safety of the Lorneville men. Hanford Evans, of Lorneville, lost all his gear in the gale.

Good news was received at Lorneville yesterday afternoon in a telephone call that Leslie Ferguson and Alfred Galbraith, who had been missing, had put into Dipper Harbor for shelter and had later started for Lorneville. James Driscoll and a companion, of the west side, also were reported at Dipper Harbor last evening.

George Tyner and Rodney Seward, in a boat owned by Wallace Belding, of Chance Harbor, arrived at Seely's Cove yesterday after an exciting experience and reported the loss of their nets. It was thought for a time that the men had met with a mishap.

Harry Graham and a companion, of Musquash, also sought shelter at Chance Harbor and later proceeded to their home port.

Weirs at Musquash were damaged in the gale and a weir at Dipper Harbor was wrecked. The C. G. S. Lansdowne was ordered down the bay yesterday by the marine and fisheries department for rescue work, but the steamer was forced to go head for Beaver Harbor on account of rough weather. The Lansdowne was loaded with barrels of oil and other supplies and was in a dangerous condition when exposed to the full strength of the gale.

Schooner in Distress.

A message from Point Lepreaux, last night, told of a tern schooner apparently in distress in a position between the Wolves and Grand Manan. The schooner was at the mercy of the elements and, with only a small piece of canvas set, was making no steerway. The vessel was loaded.

Point Lepreaux reported another three-master, bound in with cargo, having passed the light late in the afternoon.

Messages from all points along the coast tell of a furious gale, which caused considerable damage to fishermen and which endangered the lives of the great numbers of boatmen, who were preparing their nets for the morning tide, and who were exposed to the full strength of the storm.

Comfort Due at Eastport.

Further word has been received in regard to the yacht Comfort, of Boston, which is reported to have foundered in the Bay of Fundy, with a loss of four lives.

A Digby despatch says that the yacht Comfort, of Boston was supposed to leave Eastport on July 12, for Digby; but inquiry at Eastport last night brought no information concerning the missing craft.

Gale Lasted Into Day.

The northwest gale blowing at the rate of 48 miles per hour, caused marked discomfort to citizens here, yesterday afternoon, and the streets in many sections were strewn with leaves, quite as if autumn had come. Following a pronounced downpour of rain, which started at 8 o'clock on Thursday night and which continued, with a heavy easterly gale in the early hours of yesterday, the weather yesterday afternoon was a remarkable storm for July.

The storm period, while unusual, was not a phenomenal occurrence for this season of the year.

During the last 42 years, twenty-two gales have been reported in July, and in several instances, two and sometimes three gales have been noted in one month.

The total rainfall for the whole storm period was 2.7 inches. Of this two and a quarter inches was registered between 1.30 and 9.30 o'clock yesterday morning, and for the two hours ending at 7.30 a. m., exactly one inch was the record.

Storm signal No. 1 was ordered last Thursday from Toronto to give warning of a disturbance of increasing energy, which was approaching the Maritime Provinces, and signals were displayed at St. John, Pt. Lepreaux and Quaco. The easterly gale set in at 1.30 yesterday morning and continued until 7.15 o'clock with velocities from 38 to 42 miles an hour. The wind shifted to the northwest in the afternoon and at 2 o'clock, was blowing at the rate of from 40 to 48 miles per hour. At 9 o'clock last night the velocity of the wind was 40 miles. The barometer also gave an exceptionally low mark, falling rapidly to 29.10 inches.

The rainfall, though unusually heavy, is not a record breaker. On the 24th June, 1901, the observatory records show a rainfall of four and one-third inches in ten hours, but in that instance it was attended by a severe thunderstorm.

The temperature yesterday ranged from 54 to 59 degrees.

An ancient tree on the upper side of the middle path in the old burying grounds toppled over yesterday afternoon, and several other old trees were damaged. Washouts occurred along the Sandy Point road.

Up the River.

A terrific gale and a rainstorm swept the upper St. John river, between 9 o'clock Thursday night and 9 o'clock yesterday morning, according to despatches from Fredericton. Dr. C. C. Jones, in charge of the meteorogical station at the U. N. B., announced that the total rainfall at Fredericton in twelve hours was 2.55 inches.

Considerable damage to the crops is expected the result from the heavy downpour of rain.

The water in the Nashwaak had been rising at the rate of a foot an hour and fears were entertained at Taymouth that the crops would be totally destroyed along the lower levels of the banks.

The tremendous head of water which lifted at the mouth of the Nashwaak is reported to have parted the Partington Lumber Company's boom and to have released one million feet of logs into the St. John river.

The highway bridge over the mouth of the Nashwaak was deemed unsafe and was closed to traffic.

In general crops are reported to have been damaged along the St. John river. The river is rising at Grand Falls.

Serious washouts have been reported on the Gibson & Minto and Valley railways.

A late despatch from Fredericton says: The covered highway bridge at the mouth of the Nashwaak river, is now in a very dangerous condition as a result of the terrific downpour of rain, during the past twenty-four hours. The abutment on the eastern bank of the Nashwaak sank about four feet this afternoon and later the structure showed further signs of going to pieces. The bridge is a wooden one and is about twenty-five years old. A modern steel bridge is much needed. At present there is a jam of logs and other debris held on its upper side. These were carried down by the river which rose about one foot per hour during the early part of the day.

Intervale lands are flooded and near Taymouth crops are under water. There will be heavy loss.

The weather now is showing signs of clearing. The St. John river is rising rapidly.

On the North Shore.

Chatham, N. B., July 9—The storm here has been remarkably severe but luckily no loss of life nor of much damage to property has so far been noted. The crops it is true have been badly damaged, oats and wheat, but on the hand there has not for twenty years been so much water in the streams and the many floats of lumber that had been held up this spring are now almost all out of the rivers.

Four fishing boats went ashore at Caraquet but the fishermen were in no great danger, they say, and were able to get on shore easily and it is hoped that the vessels too will be all right as the storm has now very much lessened.

While the rain was at its worst the brook running through the town broke bounds between Duke and Water streets and flowed into some of the business places in the latter street.

Several Crews Saved.

Rexton, N. B., July 9—A violent storm began here at 2 a.m. today with a southeast gale, accompanied by a downpour of rain. The brooks in many places are running over the highway.

A ship is ashore at Kouchibouguac Beach, and a schooner, name unknown, was driven ashore behind the north breakwater at Richibucto Beach and went to pieces but the lifesavers saved the crew.

Several boats ran ashore at Richibucto Cape but there is no known loss of life. The wind has changed to northwest but the rain continues.

Fire in Midst of Storm.

Bathurst, N. B., July 9—As far as could be learned there has been no damage to shipping and no accidents. The velocity of the wind is about sixty miles an hour.

A fire broke out in the lumber yards of the Bathurst Lumber Company about 10 o'clock this morning. Fortunately the fire was soon discovered and extinguished before it had gained much headway. The effect of the wind was somewhat counteracted by the heavy rainfall, and greatly aided the fire fighters. The damage done was slight and was covered by insurance.

ANOTHER DROWNING ACCIDENT

Monday, July 12

Ernest C. Mabey, who was a young married man of about 25 years of age, a son-in-law of Dr. Hazelwood, West St. John, was one of a family fishing party consisting of Dr. Hazelwood, the deceased, F. W. Cunningham, of Graham Cunningham & Naves, and a young man named Clowes, when went to Wetmore's Lake, Kings county, on Saturday. Early yesterday morning Mr. Mabey and Clowes were on a catamaran on the lake soon after 4 o'clock, when by some means that has not yet been made clear, the former toppled over the side. Clowes did all that he could to help at once, but it was some time before he could get hold of Mr. Mabey, and then he was terrified beyond words to find that he seemed dead. It is presumed that the shock must have caused death. The body was recovered and taken back to the camping ground.

News of the sad occurrence was telephoned in to Dr. J. A. Morison, of the Kirk, West St. John, just before evening service last night, and he at once informed the family. Mr. and Mrs. Mabey lived at the old James Cruickshank house, Lancaster.

The body was brought to the city on the late train last night and taken to the undertaking room of W. E. Brenan.

The Lorneville Fishermen.

No word had been received last night of Samuel Ferguson and Howard Galbraith, fishermen of Lorneville, who have been missing since early Friday morning when a terrific gale swept the bay, causing loss of life and great damage to the fishing fleet.

Henry E. Galbraith, of Lorneville, father of Howard, said last night that only one boat of all the fleet was unaccounted for, and the missing craft was the motor boat which had been manned by his son and Samuel Ferguson. Mr. Galbraith believes that there is little hope the men may have escaped.

News of Ferguson is anxiously awaited by a wife and five children. Galbraith is unmarried.

It is feared that two other names will be added to that of William O'Neill of this city, in reckoning the toll exacted by the storm of Friday morning.

James Driscoll and Trecartin, of the West End, who made port at Dipper Harbor, after a thrilling battle with the elements, relate a tale of hardships and peril in the race for shore through a high dangerous sea. Trecartin arrived home last night.

That David McAdam and his son, of St. James street, West Side, had arrived safely at Seal Cove, Grand Manan, was the good news telephoned to the city Saturday morning. The men had great difficulty in operating the engine during the storm and their boat was nearly swamped on several occasions while they manoeuvred in the rough seas. Both men were exhausted when they made Seal Cove.

Newcastle, N. B., July 11—The lumbermen interested in the breaking of the Southwest boom met here this forenoon and arranged for concerted action in saving the logs. James Robinson was given full charge of the operations.

It is estimated that not more than 6,000,000 feet of logs have gone adrift, and nearly all these will be saved.

All available boats were out yesterday and today with great success. The saved lumber will be sorted and surveyed at each mill and the costs apportioned.

The Barnaby River and Northwest booms held. Much lumber is still jammed in the Southwest Miramichi above Millerton.

The logs ran so thickly yesterday that the Chatham ferry was blocked. The water in the Southwest Miramichi rose six feet yesterday in two hours, and it fell five feet last night.

Fishermen operating in the southwest river suffered severely in the flood, and those who had salmon nets there lost all their property. One man is out of pocket $1,500 on account of damage to nets. The fishermen have sustained a marked setback from the storm as they have been affected practically while the salmon season is at its height.

SOLDIER'S WIFE DIES IN HUSBAND'S ABSENCE

The death of Mrs. Robert J. Ross occurred on Wednesday at her home in Brookville, under circumstances rendered the more pathetic by the fact that her husband is now in France doing his part in fighting the battles of the empire.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Ross was Miss Emily Cameron, of Marysville, York county, and since her marriage has resided in St. John. Her husband left with the First Canadian Field Ambulance Corps, first contingent. She is survived by a little daughter, aged four years, and a baby boy, born after the departure of his father. For several months she has been suffering from tuberculosis and, in the hope that the change might benefit her, she was removed from her home in St. Patrick street to Brookville a month ago.

During her illness she was given every care and attention by the members of the Soldiers Wives League, and the ladies of the Patriotic Fund Committee, who did much to lighten the burden imposed upon her.

The funeral took place yesterday and the interment was made at Silver Falls after service in the church there. Among the floral tributes were a wreath from the Soldiers Wives League and flowers from members of St. Monica's Society.

Trading With the Enemy.

(Daily News and Leader.)

It is right that the Defence of the Realm Act should be enforced unsparingly. The incomprehensible feature of the whole transaction is psychological. The offence cannot be described as motiveless, for the ostensible motive was frankly financial. Even so, it is hard to believe that men capable of realising the international situation to the full should have deliberately persisted in an illegal transaction for the sake of a limited personal gain. If that is the true explanation—and there is no other that fits the facts—their conviction can call for no shred of sympathy.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Oliver McAfee.

Friday, July 9.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth McAfee, wife of Oliver McAfee, died yesterday at her residence, Bellevue avenue, after an illness of several months. She is survived by her husband and two sons, James and John, both of this city. She was a daughter of the late William Dempster.

George W. Wheaton.

Friday, July 9.

Friends of George W. Wheaton will regret to learn of his death, which took place at his residence in East St. John yesterday after an illness of six weeks. He was formerly a resident of Fairville, but moved to East St. John where he was with the Courtenay Bay Construction Company. He was in the sixty-ninth year of his age and is survived by his wife, three sons, Allan J. of this city, and George R. and William W. of Boston, and four daughters, Mrs. J. L. Butler of Maine, Mrs. L. Singland of Sydney, C. B.; Mrs. J. Ferguson of Boston, and Mrs. Fred Irvine of West St. John.

G. Howels Corbett.

The many friends of Howels Corbett, Lakeville, were grieved to learn of his sudden death which occurred at his home on June 29. The week before his death he received an injury which ended in spinal meningitis. He was respected and esteemed by all who knew him. He was 68 years of age, and was the youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Corbett. A sorrowing widow and one sister, Mrs. Mary Jane Smith, survive to mourn the loss of a loved one, besides a large number of relatives.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Henry Penna, of Centreville, both at the house and grave, were largely attended. Interment was at Williamstown church cemetery. Much sympathy is expressed for Mrs. Corbett in her bereavement.

Robert Hill.

Moncton, N. B., July 8—Robert Hill, aged 77, of Moncton, who underwent an operation in New Bedford, Mass., hospital, died this morning. He was a native of England and had been living in Moncton for many years. He is survived by three sons—Robert of Staten Island, John and Arthur of the I. C. R. here, and two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Farrington of New Bedford and Mrs. James DeWitt of Shediac.

John McMullin.

Friends in St. John will hear with regret of the death of a resident of this city, John McMullin, which occurred Thursday in Cambridge (Mass.), where he had been for the last four weeks. His sister-in-law, Mrs. James McMullin, of Wright street, received word of the death. He was for many years engaged in the I. C. R freight department, and was well known to many friends about the city.

The body is to be brought home today for burial on Sunday at 2.30 p. m. from P. Fitzpatrick's undertaking rooms. It will be accompanied from Cambridge by his brother, James. Another brother, Alex. McMullin of this city, survives, and there are three sisters, Mrs. Andrew Thain, at whose home the death occurred; Mrs. S. Woodworth and Miss Mary McMullin, all of Cambridge (Mass.)

Alexander Turnbull.

J. C. Turnbull, of Smith & Turnbull, received a telegram yesterday morning to the effect that his brother, Alexander Turnbull, had been killed in an automobile accident on July 6 in Marysville (Cal.) No particulars were given. Mr. Turnbull visited St. John three years ago and made many friends who will learn with regret of his death. He was a native of Brantford (Ont.) His wife died about a year ago, and their only child is thus an orphan. St. John friends extend their sympathy to the bereaved.

Samuel Campbell.

Moncton, July 8—The death occurred Sunday morning of one of Moncton's oldest residents, Samuel Campbell. Deceased had not been in good health for some time, but was able to be about until a week ago, when he had a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Campbell resided with his son-in-law, George Ballentyne, Steadman street. He was born at Fredericton 78 years ago. Besides his wife he leaves one daughter, Mrs. George Ballentyne, and a little grand-daughter. Mr. Campbell lived in St. John many years before coming to Moncton in 1907.

The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon, the services at the house and grave being conducted by the Rev. W. A. Ross.

Among the outside relatives attending the funeral were Isaac Campbell and Miss Campbell, of Amherst, and Mrs. James Brittain, of West St. John.

James J. Cook.

Saturday, July 10.

The death of James J. Cook occurred yesterday morning at his home, 2 White street, after an illness lasting for some time. Bright's disease was the cause. Mr. Cook, who was 59 years of age, had been for years engaged as a teamster. He is survived by three sons, John, Samuel and Robert of this city and four daughters, Misses Jennie, Letitia and Jessie at home, and Mrs. Fred G. Fargey, of Fairville. The funeral will be held on Monday at 2.30 p.m.

Patrick Barry.

The death of Patrick Barry occurred at his home, 61 Newbury street, Bangor, on Thursday, after a long illness. Mr. Barry received an injury affecting his spine, about seven years ago and since that time had been in ill health. He was born in New Brunswick, but moved to Bangor several years ago. He was a long time in the employ of the Maine Central as a section man. He was well known and highly respected for honesty, industry and good citizenship and his many friends will learn with regret of his death. Mr. Barry is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters, Edward J., William J., and Mrs. William D. Cowan of Bangor, and Mrs. George E. Libby of Orono. Four brothers also survive, John of St. John, N.B.; Edward of Peterville, N.B.; William of Minneapolis and Thomas of Bangor.

Mrs. Mary Donovan.

Monday, July 12

The death of Mrs. Mary Donovan occurred yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Margaret McGowan, 39 Richmond street. She was ninety years of age and a widow of Jeramiah Donovan. Mrs. Donovan is survived by three sons, Dennis, James and Michael, of this city, and three daughters, Mrs. Catherine Hazel, Mrs. Ellen Callahan, and Mrs. Margaret McGowan, of this city.

Kendrick Outhouse.

The death of Kendick Outhouse occurred at his home, 28 St. Andrews street, on Saturday morning, after a short illness. He was born at Tiverton (N. S.), but about twelve years ago moved to St. John, and for a long time was in the employ of Leonard Bros., but only recently was appointed to the position of collector of the West Side ferry department. He was well known and highly respected and his many friends will learn of his death with sincere regret. He was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters for many years, being an officer of Court La Tour 125, in which he took an active part in its fraternal work.

Mr. Outhouse is survived by his wife and three daughters—Mrs. W. H. Plummer, of Sussex; Miss Lennie and Miss Melda, at home; and one brother, Captain Hanford Outhouse, of Tiverton (N. S.) The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Ross, of Coburg street church, will officiate, and the Foresters will attend the funeral. Ceremonies of the order will be conducted by high court officers.

Joshua McDonald.

Fredericton, N. B., July 11—(Special)—Joshua McDonald, aged fifty-seven years, passed away this morning at his home, Campbell street, after a lingering illness. A widow, five daughters and two sons survive.

The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon at 2.30, Captain Cosidic, of the Salvation Army, conducting the service. Interment will be made at the Rural cemetery.

Albert D. Wilson.

Monday, July 12

A former St. John man, Albert D. Wilson, who at one time was well known at the market and had a North Market street business, died at Boston yesterday. He was seventy years of age, the son of the late Francis E. and Elizabeth A. Wilson. He had been in the States some years. Among the relatives in the province are Sheriff A. A. and Z. O. Wilson, of the city; George A., of the railway department, Moncton; and W. E. Wilson, of Fredericton, brothers, and there is a sister, Mrs. J. C. Perry, of Havelock, and another brother, Amos P., in Lynn (Mass.) No details are yet to hand of the cause of death.

Miles McNally.

Miles McNally, who lives at 5 Harris street, and worked at the Cornwall cotton mills, died at the General Public Hospital on Saturday night. He was stricken with apoplexy while in his yard, was taken to the hospital in a comatose condition, and did not recover consciousness. He leaves besides his wife, a family of three boys and three daughters. One, Harry, is now a soldier in Quebec.

Mrs. Robert Patterson.

Friends of Robert Patterson, of Duke street, West St. John, will sympathize with him in the death of his wife, which took place on Saturday morning after a lingering illness from rheumatism. She was before marriage Miss Bessie M. Carson, of St. Martins, and had lived for many years in Noank (Conn.), but had been for many years in St. John. She had been a faithful member of the Methodist church. Besides the husband there is left a daughter, Miss Grace, and one sister, Mrs. M. Ewen; two brothers, Thomas, of St. Martins, and Edward, of Noank. Mr. Patterson is a carpenter in the employ of the Maritime Dredging Company.

Samuel S. Mayes.

Monday, July 12

A well known resident of West St. John and a direct descendant of the United Empire Loyalists passed away yesterday in the person of Samuel S. Mayes. Mr. Mayes, who was 84 years of age, had been in poor health for four years. He was pre-deceased by his wife about three weeks ago.

Mr. Mayes' great-grandfather came to New Brunswick with the Loyalists from Long Island (N. Y.) and settled on the St. John river, the settlement being still known as Long Island. An abnormal freshet drove them from that location and they removed to Gagetown, where Samuel Mayes was born. Mr. Mayes came to this city when sixteen years of age and for many years was engaged in business as a contractor, retiring several years ago. In his youth he was a noted skater and athlete and participated in many of the local meets. In religion he was a Baptist and for years held office as deacon in the West End church. In 1907 he and Mrs. Mayes celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding, Mrs. Mayes continuing in fair health until shortly before her death. He is survived by four sons and one daughter, all living in West St. John. The sons are Gershon S., George F., Herbert S. and Gilbert J., and the daughter, Miss Hattie Mayes. There are also one brother, David B. Mayes, and three sisters, Mrs. John C. Beatteay, Mrs. S. M. Wetmore and Miss Elizabeth Mayes, all of St. John. To all the sympathy of many friends will go out in their renewed sorrow.

The funeral will be held from his late residence, 215 Winslow street, on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 with service at the house at 2.15.

WEDDINGS

Copp-Steeves.

Friday, July 9.

A quiet wedding took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. Camp, 302 Princess stret, when Miss May L. Steeves, daughter of the late Ephriam Steeves, of Hillsboro, Albert county, was united in marriage with Aaron W. Copp, of Waterside, Albert county (N. B.)

The bride, who has been a resident of Lynn (Mass.) for several years, wore a navy blue traveling suit and Tuscan hat, trimmed with blue ostrich plumes. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Copp, both in New Brunswick and in Lynn, will wish them much happiness in their new life.

The happy pair will reside in Waterside, Albert county.

Simms-Dunbar.

(Montreal Star.)

A quiet wedding, owing to a recent bereavement in the bride's family, was solemnized in St. Stephen's Presbyterian church, Winnipeg, yesterday afternoon, by the Rev. Dr. Patterson, when Willena, daughter of the late John Dunbar, and of Mrs. Dunbar, of Mulgrave (N. S.), was married to Morris St. Clair Simms, of Montreal, son of Mr. Lorenza Simms, of West Gore (N. S.) The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her brother-in-law, John Scriver, was unattended. She was attired in a tailored suit of blue serge, with blouse of ivory ninon, over silk, trimmed with handmade Maltest lace, and a transparent hat trimmed with pink rose-buds, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses and lilies of the valley. The bridegroom's gift to her was a three-stone diamond ring. After the ceremony a buffet supper for the bridal party and a few intimate friends, was served at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Scriver, Fort Rouge. Later, Mr. and Mrs. Simms left for Winnipeg Beach, and will return to Winnipeg for a few days before leaving for Montreal, where they will reside.

Robertson-Shaw.

(Montreal Gazette).

The marriage of Mrs. Bessie Gibson Shaw, of New York city, daughter of James Gibson, of Marysville (N. B.), to Colonel D. M. Robertson, M. V. O., of Williamstown, and formerly commanding officer of the 48th Royal Highlanders, Toronto, was quietly celebrated on Tuesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Chilton Longley Hervey, Lancaster, Ontario, now absent with the Canadian Construction Corps.

The Rev. Arpad Govan, of Williamstown, officiated. Only a few intimate friends and relatives were present, including the bridegroom's brother, Farquhar Robertson, and Miss R. Robertson, of Montreal; E. Osler, of Toronto; and Gibson P. Shaw, of New York. The bride wore a handsome gown of white satin and a maline overdress, with heavy pipings of satin trimmed with old lace and carried a shower bouquet of white roses, orchids and lilies of the valley. The floral decorations were carried out with the early summer flowers, the dining room being done with white ribbons and roses, with a silver bell hanging from the chandelier, while the pyramid cake bore the initials of the bride and bridegroom and was decorated with the flags of the Allies. After a wedding trip of two or three weeks, Colonel and Mrs. Robertson will occupy the Manor House at Williamstown for the summer, returning to Toronto to reside in the winter. The bride went away in a navy blue tailored suit and black velvet hat with white wings.

DONATIONS TO SOLDIERS' COMFORT ASSOCIATION

The Soldiers Comfort Association, of St. John, received the following donations from the Women's Canadian Club of St. Stephen (N. B.), of which Mrs. George J. Clarke is president, as the result of a Field Comfort Day, held June 26: Candy, 10 pounds and 5 boxes; cakes, 2 baxes; chewing gunm, 479 packages, 5 boxes and 3 bars; dental buds, 1 large box; chocolate, 64 boxes of 2 doz. bars, 27 bars and 18 lbs.; cocoa, 1 can; molasses kisses, 1 large box; combs, 6; cold cream, 28 boxes; foot ease, 2 doz. bottles, 1 can and 2 boxes; handkerchiefs, 128 1-2 dozen; headache tablets, 13 boxes; lead pencils, 11 dozen; marmalade, 2 bottles; matches, 28 boxes and 11 packages; nuts, 3 pounds; olives, 1 bottle; paper, 11 pounds, 85 boxes; envelopes, 63 bunches; writing pads, 185; safety pins, 11 dozen; shirts, 4; shoe laces, 35 dozen; soap, 11 boxes and 343 cakes; socks, 112 pairs; suspenders, 2 pairs; towels, 94; tooth powder, 11 bottles; tobacco, 62 1-2 pounds and 236tins; cigars, 15 boxes and 1 dozen; ciragettes, 4,661 boxes; pipes, 8 1-2 dozen; vaseline, 86 bottles; wash cloths, 85.

FREEDOM OF SEAS DENIED IN GERMAN NOTE

Washington, July 11—Formal study of the official text of Germany's reply to the American note on submarine warfare, as it affects neutral rights, strengthens the conviction of high officials that a most critical point in the relations between the two countries had been reached.

Not only do they feel theUnited States must refuse to accept the German proposals for the future conduct of American citizens on the high seas, but the failure of Germany to disavow the sinking of the Lusitania, with the loss of more than 100 Americans, in their view has brought on a crisis, the outcome of which it is difficult at present clearly to foresee.

Berlin, July 9, 9 p. m., via London, July 10, 1.05 a. m.—Germany's offer embodied in the reply to the American note regarding the sinking of the Lusitania and submarine warfare, which was delivered to James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, last night, is:

First, reiterated assurance that American ships engaged in legitimate trade will not be interfered with, nor the lives of Americans upon neutral ships be endangered.

Second, that German submarines will be instructed to allow American passenger ships to pass freely and safely, Germany entertaining, in return ,the confident hope that the American government will see that these ships do not carry contraband. Such ships are to be provided with ditsinguishing marks, and their arrival announced a reasonable time in advance. The same privilege is extended to a reasonable number of neutral passenger ships under the American flag, and should the number of ships thus available for passenger service prove inadequate, Germany is willing to permit America to place four hostile passenger steamers under the Aemrican flag, to ply between North America and Europe, under the same conditions.

D. A. R. ROUND HOUSE AT KENTVILLE BURNED

Kentville, N. S., July 8—The third in a series of disastrous fires occurred shortly before midnight, when the Dominion Atlantic railway round house was totally destroyed. Only two engines were in, these are the chief loss. The firemen put up a stubborn fight and saved the machine shop, which is a continuation of the round house. The coal shed also caught, and partly burned.

Though a number of houses facing Main street were near the shed, none caught.

Child Dies of Black Diphtheria.

Fredericton, July 8—Alice, the eight-year-old daughter of Arthur Rice, of Earker's Point, died this morning, after a few days illness from black diphtheria. The disease developed from a severe cold which she contracted while out in the woods last week.

NORTHLAND SAFE AT PLYMOUTH WITH MORE CANADIANS

Montreal, July 10—The White Star liner Northland with Canadian troops on board, has arrived in Plymouth. Among the troops on board were the second University Company under Captain George C. McDonald, going to serve as reinforcements to the Princess Pats. This included a number of men from McGill University, as well as graduates and under graduates from Toronto, Kingston, Winnipeg, Calgary, Victoria, and other Canadian universities.

A draft to reinforce the Canadian Field Artillery from the 27th battery under Lieut.-Colonel J. Bruce Payne, which is now training at Valcartier, and also drafts from New Brunswick and the west.

Some interest was created here by the above despatch stating that in the Canadian troops which have reached Plymouth on the Northland are drafts from New Brunswick. This was at first thought to mean the draft that left the 55th Battalion at Sussex but all that company was on board the Corsican, which arrived in England a week ago. Possibly a mistake has been made for it is not known that any New Brunswickers, as a body, were on board the Northland.

Some New Brunswick men were in the McGill corps, however.

London, July 11—Major-General Sam Hughes, Canadian minister of militia, and members of his staff arrived at Liverpool this afternoon, and reached London late tonight. He was met at Liverpool by General Carson, Lieutenant-Colonel Garnett Hughes and Lieutenant-Colonel McBain. Major-General Hughes, who is stopping at the Savoy hotel, where Sir Robert Borden is also a guest, informed the Montreal Gazette representative that the party had enjoyed a pleasant voyage, and that all were well.

Frederick W. Sumner, the new representative in London of the province of New Brunswick, also arrived today.

Halifax, July 9—The North Atlantic transport liner Minnehaha, before reported as having had an explosion in one of her forward holds on Wednesday last, arrived at Halifax this afternoon to discharge part of her cargo and to investigate the causes of the explosion. That it was a bomb was responsible for it was not admitted by Captain Claret, master of the Minnehaha, who stated that it was against the rules of his company to talk for publication.

SEVENTH DISTRICT BAPTISTS HEAR CHEERY REPORTS

St. George, N.B., July 10—The seventh district meeting of the United Baptist convened in annual meeting yesterday with the United Baptist church at St. George. The session opened at 2.30 p. m., Rev. W. R. Robinson as chairman. The delegation, owing to the severe storm, was small.

After the organization of the session, letters were read from all the churches in the district except two—Castalia and Bartlett's Mills. These letters show that during the year twenty-six churches had raised over $28,000; that seventeen of the twenty-seven churches report additions. One hundred and forty-nine were added, making the membership about 3,200.

Delegates were present from eleven churches, viz., St. John, Fairville, St. George, Grand Bay, Second Falls, Beaver Harbor, St. Andrews, St. Stephen, Baillie, Grand Harbor, Seal Cove and Mascarene.

The home mission board was represented by Rev. Dr. Hutchison and Rev. J. B. Ganong, of St. John.

The devotional exercises of the second session were conducted by Rev. A. F. Brown, of Beaver Harbor.

The evening was devoted to missions. Dr. Hutchinson, of St. John, spoke on home missions. After speaking of the action of the home mission board in its choice of Rev. J. B. Ganong as superintendent and expressing the opinion that the work of the superintendent would justify that choice, the speaker proceeded to give reasons which justified home mission enterprises.

The second speaker was Rev. W. S. Tedford, of St. Andrews, who for a number of years was a missionary in India, who said the needs of India are intellectual—only seven per cent of India was literate—economic, social and spiritual. The millions of India have no true knowledge of God, sin or salvation.

During the afternoon delegates arrived from Fair Haven and Wilson's Beach. The choir of the local church rendered much help.

This morning dawned bright and clear. Delegates arrived from Mascerene, Fair Haven, Wilson's Beach and North Road.

The pastor of the entertaining church, Rev. W. H. Johnson, conducted a conference meeting.

At the opening of the business session the courtesies of the district were extended to Revs. Drs. Harrison, Presbyterian, of St. George, and Edwin Crowell, of Fairville.

D. C. Clark gave the report of the summarizing committee. The following statistics show briefly the condition of the district.

Of the twenty-seven churches twenty-five reported. These are cared for by thirteen pastors. There are three vacant pastorates. During the year three have been added to the membership 149, making a total of 3,176, a gain over all losses of 84.

The total value of property reported is $109,600. These churches and Sunday schools report a total of $23,064.21 raised.

The Sunday schools have an enrollment of 2,789.

The report on obituaries was prepared by Rev. A. F. Brown and showed that while various churches had lost efficient lay members none of the pastors had been called to their eternal reward.

The report of the Sunday school was presented by Bro. A. A. Hovey, revealed an increase in the enrolment, the finances and the average attendance.

During the year two new pastors have settled in the district—Rev. F. A. Currier at Wilson's Beach and Rev. McKay on Deer Island.

St. John's approximate population is 58,650. That is the best estimate that perhaps can be made and is based on the new issue of the St. John City Directory by the publishers, the E. McAlpin Company.

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Germans Capture Przasnysz.

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