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OUR COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, May 10.—Reports from the Gibson company drives on the Nashwaak and tributaries are of a most encouraging nature. The Arnold Brook drive in charge of Scott Young is all in safe water, and the Cross Creek drive is expected to get out tomorrow. It is believed that the whole drive will be out in the course of a few days' as the conditions are very favorable.

A rise in the river is expected as a result of today's rain. Very little word is coming in from the main river drives. Men who arrived here last night from up river stated that R. A. Estey's drive on the Rockaway stream was coming along wonderfully and it looked as though he would make two records this season. Another gentleman who had come down from upriver said that he understood that Robt. Aitken's drive on the Machias was coming along very slowly and that the stream was dry but the rains of last night and today should help them, it is felt. From Chatham it is reported that there was a fine rain all morning and that at noon it was cloudy.

Dr. Nugent, of Chipman, was in the city yesterday looking over the ground with a view of practising his profession here.

John Crerar, a prominent barrister of Hamilton (Ont.), and father-in-law of C. E. Neill, inspector of the Royal Bank, is dead, aged 68 years.

Mrs. Adams, wife of Capt. Adams, at one time military secretary to one of the governors of New Brunswick, and sister of Mrs. R. D. Wilmot, of Belmont, died recently at Kingstown, Ireland. Deceased was formerly a Miss Black of Halifax.

The York Co. Rifle Association elected the following officers last night: President, Lieut. Col. T. G. Loggie; vice-president, Alex. Gibson, M. P., and Col. Wadmore; secretary, Capt. J. J. F. Winslow; treasurer, J. H. Hawthorne; committee of management, Capt. James Pringle, Capt. Robinson, Lieut. McLean, quartermaster, Sergt. Walker and Sergt. Shaw. It was decided to hold another series of shooting matches, the first of which will be shot next Saturday.

The Fredericton Tennis Club reorganized for the season last night, with the following officers: Patron, E. B. Winslow; president, T. C. Allen; vice-president, Dr. J. A. Bridges; secretary-treasurer, T. E. Winslow; managing committee, H.R. Babbitt, H. G. Chestnut, S. W. Babbitt, C. M. Manning, C. F. Randolph and C. H. Allan.

Fredericton, May 11—(Special)—This week's Royal Gazette contains the following appointments:

J. Frederick Sullivan to be notary public.

Restigouche—Matherni Frenette to be member of board of liquor license commissioners, vice John Giroux resigned. John B. Delaney and Benjamin Windsor to be justices of the peace.

The following resignations have been accepted: Hon. Frederick E. Barker, as member of governing board of the Boys' Industrial Home, St. John; John Giroux, as member of board of liquor license commissioners for the county of Restigouche.

The Imperial Oil Company, of Sarnia, Ont., has been granted license to do business in New Brunswick for one year from November 1, 1903.

An eight-years' fishing lease of Moose river and branches will be sold at public auction at the crown land office on Wednesday, June 1. Upset price is $30 per annum.

Letters patent have been issued incorporating James E. Miller, W. W. Borden, David R. McRae, Jacob W. Kierstead and Helen Keirstead, all of Campbellton, as The Borden Clothes Reel Company, Ltd. The capital stock is $5,000.

Supplementary letters patent have been issued increasing the capital stock of the Central Telephone Company, Ltd., from $10,000 to $209,000, and the powers of the company are extended to the whole province.

The foreshore or sea wall between Dark Harbor, Grand Manan, and Bay of Fundy will be sold at auction at the Crown Land office on Wednesday, May 25. The lease is for one year and the upset price is $50.

It has been raining steady here since Monday night, but so far the water in the river has only risen a few inches.

Andrew Chetley is lying at the residence of Harvey Cook, St. Mary's, in a very precarious condition.

Andrew Chetley is 61 years old and for several days up to last evening he had been drinking quite heavily. The old man formerly worked at the soap factory over at St. Mary's, but he has recently been working for the Meductic Pork Packing Company at Woodstock. A short time ago he came down to St. Mary's to spend a vacation, and as stated above, he started drinking quite heavily.

About 6 o'clock last evening he was walking along the road near Thomas Tomlison's hotel when he met John Hallet and Ford Ryder.

It appears that the name of Ryder's brother appeared quite prominently in connection with the trouble caused by the death of the man who fell off or was thrown off the highway bridge some time ago.

It is also said that a remark made by Chetley about that time brought the enmity of Ford Ryder upon him and that since then they had never been friendly.

After Ryder and Hallet came out of the hotel Chetley came on the sidewalk and shook hands with Hallet. Hallet started to get away from the old man and as he did the old fellow uttered an obscure word.

Ryder seemed to think that it was meant for him. He rushed at the man and hit him a blow with his fist under the left eye. As a result Chetley fell off the sidewalk and landed on the back of his head on the hard road, where he lay insensible.

Dr. G. J. McNally was sent for. He found the man was suffering from concussion of the brain and today it is said that his skull is fractured.

The old man is delirious today and very little hope is held out this afternoon for his recovery.

ST. GEORGE.

St. George, N. B., May 9—The fishing season has opened, with the disappearance of the ice in the lakes. Several fine strings of "speckled beauties" have been brought into town, among the lucky ones being Miss Annie Bradley and Miss Etta Marshall, who each landed a three-pounder, giving a fine set-off to their string of smaller fish.

An enterprising merchant fond of facts and figures made the remark the other day that it was astonishing the number of couples living together in our village. He went on to enumerate and strange to say at least every third house in the village is occupied by a pair, sometimes brother and sister, often mother and son, again husband and wife. He afterwards remarked that we have more widows than any town in the province—over an eighth of our inhabitants wear the widow's weeds.

Two basket ball teams from Red Beach and Robbinston (Me.) gave an exhibition game in the hall Friday evening last under the auspices of the band. Though new to our people good plays were soon recognized and the frequent applause of the audience spurred the players to their best. The organization of several teams here is already spoken of and next fall we will be ready for all comers. Dancing was indulged in after the basket ball. The young ladies enjoyed the trip very much and all departed highly pleased with their first visit and anxious to come again. S. L. Lynott was manager. Mrs. Bridges and Mrs. Lynott acted as chaperons.

Miss Alice Lynch, aged twenty-four years, was buried from St. George's church on Saturday morning last. The youngest daughter of Stephen Lynch, her early death is much deplored by her relatives and friends. She died of consumption.

Edward McGrattan, of H. McGrattan & Sons, has returned from a short trip to St. Stephen, Woodstock, Fredericton and St. John. While away he inspected several horses with a record and will soon bring a speedy one to town.

An old time picnic under the auspices of the Catholic congregation is among the possibilities the coming summer.

Carrie Nation in a letter to Wm. Holland announces her intention of visiting our town in June. Should she strike here on a dance night the old time hatchet that made her famous in Kansas will certainly be in order.

MONCTON.

Moncton, May 10—(Special)—Information was laid before Police Magistrate Kay today by Wm. Wortman, of Sackville, against a young man named Walter Dryden, of Sussex, charging him with stealing $10. Wortman alleges he and Dryden slept together at Sackville and in the morning his money was missing. As a result of a telegram from the police authorities Dryden was today arrested at Sussex and will be brought here for trial.

Quite a batch of Scott act cases have been brought by Chief Tingley the last day or two. Information has been laid in some seven or eight cases.

There is likely to be considerable opposition among I. C. R. employes and citizens generally against the movement to have I. C. R. employes paid by cheque. Already much has been heard in opposition to the proposal in consequence of it being inconvenient to all concerned.

Moncton, May 11—George H. McEwen, local freight agent, I. C. R., who has been transferred to Truro and leaves in a day or two for that place, was today presented with a handsome rocking chair, accompanied by an address by the office staff.

Mr. McEwen's place here is to be taken by Hugh McLeod, of the freight office at Truro.

D. W. Wilbur has been notified of a favorable decision by the National Trotting Association in regard to a protest against his pacer Harry at Halifax last fall. As a result of the decision Mr. Wilbur will now be entitled to the stake money withheld from him by the Halifax track pending the decision of the National Trotting Association.

J. H. Rogers, C. P. R. ticket agent, accompanied by Mrs. Rogers, left today, on the Canadian Ticket Agents' Association excursion to St. Louis.

Dr. Frank A. Oulton lies critically ill at his home here as the result of an attack of myelitis a few days ago. His condition is so serious that slight hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Owen Bigelow, a former I. C. R. fireman, now driver on a road running out of Chicago, is home with his wife and family to spend some time. Mr. Bigelow was seriously injured a short time ago and has come east to recuperate.

The complaint laid by Wm. Wortman before Police Magistrate Kay yesterday charging young Dryden, of Sussex, with stealing $10 from him, has been dropped as the result of the accused confessing that he only borrowed the money from his companion while he slept in order to get home, and the refunding of the money by friends.

Hall's Creek bridge, which is to be replaced with a steel bridge by the local government, had a narrow escape from being destroyed by fire last night. A resident of Legere's Corner in passing over it found the structure on fire and from all appearances the fire had been set purposely. The bridge is in a very dilapidated condition, but is being used until the new bridge is started.

KINGSTON.

Kingston, Kings Co., N. B., May 6—D. W. Hamilton is now in Kingston supervising the plowing, etc., of the MacDonald school grounds. The work is being done by Robert Sheldrick and John Paddock.

Miss Agnes Duffy, of Nauwigewauk, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. D. Northrup, of this place.

Miss H. W. Northrup, of Newport, has returned to Kingston to spend the summer.

GAGETOWN.

Gagetown, May 10—Mr. and Mrs. G. DeVeber returned home on the Majestic yesterday after a delightful cruise of a month among the West Indian Islands.

Mrs. Wm. Hamilton and her daughters—Misses Annie and Hazel—left for Boston this morning.

Harry Allingham, of the Custom House, St. John, and daughter Sadie, were the guests of Thomas Allingham on Sunday. Mr. Allingham most acceptably assisted the choir of the Methodist church at both morning and evening services.

Rev. James Crisp, Gibson, accompanied Rev. J. E. Harris to Gibson last evening after having attended a quarterly meeting in connection with the Fredericton Methodist circuit held at Pine Grove church, Burton. There was a full attendance of the board.

Mrs. F. S. Whittaker and son Gordon and Mrs. S. G. Blizard, of St. John, are at Mrs. Simpson's.

C. O. Thompson, of the Hewson Woolen Mills, Amherst, was in the village a few days last week.

BLOOMFIELD STATION

Bloomfield Station, May 10—The trustees of School District No. 5, parish of Norton, are advertising for tenders for the repair of the school. It is their present intention to reopen the building, after the summer vacation. The school, which is located in a well settled district, between Bloomfield and the parish of Upham, has not been open for upwards of twelve years. As a result of this neglect a large percentage of the younger part of the community can neither read or write.

At the last meeting of Happy Home Lodge, I. O. G. T., the new officers were installed, and R. A. Brown, Frank A. Gerow and Miss L. Marvin were elected delegates to the grand lodge, which will meet at Hopewell Cape, Albert county, next July. This lodge has decided to give H. Cusack, the Scott act inspector, $25 at the end of his first year in office, provided he does his work satisfactorily. If he keeps on at the pace with which he has started he will certainly get the money.

H. Myers is shipping the lumber which he cut last winter to St. John on scows. Heretofore all the lumber cut in this vicinity has been sent to St. John by rail.

BRISTOL.

Bristol, Carleton county, May 9—Mrs. E. H. Freeze has gone on a visit to her old home at Shediac.

Erlon Brooker's house was burned one day last week. The family were all away from home at the time, and the house and contents were a total loss. No insurance.

Rev. Mr. Gibson was ordained pastor of the Presbyterian church at Glassville on Friday.

Harold Hunter, aged about seven years, son of Wilmot Hunter, died on Saturday night at the home of his uncle, Fred. S. Hunter, East Florenceville, of appendicitis. His father was in Queens county at the time, and never knew of his son's illness until after his death.

HOPEWELL HILL.

Hopewell Hill, May 10—The death occurred yesterday, at Caledonia, of Mrs. Ervel, wife of Fred Ervel, of that place. The deceased, who was a highly respected lady, has been in poor health for several years. Her husband and four children survive. Mrs. Ervel was a daughter of the late John Bennett, and was about 35 years of age. Dr. Bennett, of Lubec (Me.), is a brother of the deceased.

The building committee, appointed at the last session of the Albert county council, to attend to the building of the new court house, met at the Cape yesterday, and accepted the tender of H. Copp & Co., of Sackville, the contract price being $4,495. The building will be 59x37 feet, with pitch roof surmounted by a tower, and will be built from plans prepared by W. E. Reid, architect, of Riverside. The plans are very highly spoken of, and the building will be modern and up to date in every way. On the first floor will be the court room, sheriff's, lawyers', judge's and jury rooms; and on the second floor—gallery, balcony, grand jury room, toilet room, etc. The extension of the front gable of the building some six feet, this being supported by pillars, forms a porch over the front entrance, all across the building. The firm that have the contract are said to be well equipped for the work and it is probable the construction will be begun at once.

Miss Ada Russell has gone to Hillsboro to take a position in the store of Archibald Steeves.

Hopewell Hill, May 11.—Mrs. Geldart, of Point de Bute, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Judson N. Peck, here.

E. C. Freeze, steward of the three-master Elwood Burton, visited friends here this week.

Archie Stuart and bride left on Saturday for Boston, where they will reside.

W. J. McGowan and Miss Janie McGowan visited Moncton this week.

The steamer Beaver came in the river with freight from St. John on Monday and sailed today.

CHATHAM.

Chatham, May 9—The members of the I. O. O. F. of Chatham besides members from the Loggieville and Douglastown lodges, attended service in St. Luke's church Sunday forenoon. A very earnest and appropriate sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. James Strothard, and the music was exceptionally good. The procession to and from the church was headed by the Citizens' Band.

Yesterday was very warm for the time of year. The thermometer registered 85 in the shade.

Work has begun on the walls of the new cathedral.

James, son of Henry MacDougall, died on Wednesday after an illness of many weeks. He was about 20 years old. The funeral was held Saturday, the interment being in St. Michael's cemetery.

A. Burnett MacKinnon, who has been all winter in Boiestown, returned home Saturday night.

A special meeting of the Presbytery of Miramichi will be held in Newcastle Thursday to deal with the resignations of Rev. A. W. Lewis, of Loggieville, and Rev. J. D. Murray, of Red Bank.

APOHAQUI.

Apohaqui, Kings Co., May 11—S. F. McCready is about selling out his pleasant situation to T. McKnight.

Mr. McLeod has moved on his new farm lately purchased from B. Buyers.

Arbor Day will be celebrated in the schools here on Friday by tree planting, speeches, recitations, etc., and finish up with a ten cent lunch or tea to raise funds for the school library.

INDIAN ISLAND.

Indian Island, Charlotte Co., May 9—The Misses Cora, Lottie, Mabel and Helen Dixon and Charles W. Hurley attended the union meeting held by the Rev. Mr. Bonnel (Baptist), and the Rev. Mr. Lawson (Methodist), at the Free Baptist church, Chocolate Cove, Deer Island, Sunday evening.

Martin G. Leonard, of Lowell (Mass.) is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dixon.

John Moses, of North Head, Grand Manan, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with his sister, Mrs. John B. Chaffey.

Cecil P. Chaffey, of Lubec (Me.), spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Chaffey.

The Rev. William Lawson preached here Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

Lloyd Calder spent Sunday with friends at Wilson's Beach, Campobello.

Sardines have been quite plentiful in Quoddy waters the last week, and the fishermen have received as high as $24.75 a hogshead for their catches, but now reported to be selling at $5 to $8.

TRURO.

Truro, N. S., May 10—(Special)—Two prisoners for Dorchester, in charge of Officer McDonald, of Port Hood, while changing trains here last night, made a bold dash for liberty. Handcuffed together, they bolted across the railway esplanade and were not captured till after a desperate fight.

The first case of smallpox in Truro's history was discovered today. D. McKenzie, a son of Angus McKenzie, of Brookside, about two miles out of town, came from Sydney last week and had been sick at the American hotel some days, till he was removed to his home. Doctor Bent, the oldest Truro doctor, who has attended smallpox cases elsewhere, pronounced the disease smallpox.

The board of health held a meeting and ordered every effort to be made to prevent the spread of the disease.

The hotel and McKenzie's house are under strictest quarantine.

It is reported McKenzie came from a quarantined house at Sydney that had the flag out when he left.

The arbitrators' award was filed today on the purchase of a strip of land fifteen feet wide on Church street, from St. John's Episcopal church, for widening the street. The church asked $1,750, and the arbitrators allowed $850.

HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. S., May 10.—(Special)—Boy Jas. Rouse, arrested a few days ago on a charge of theft from C. H. Cahan's residence here, was today committed to the supreme court for trial.

The schooner Maggie Alice, Capt. Sangster, bound to Bridgewater with a cargo of coal, struck on Holystone at the entrance of this harbor at 10 o'clock last night, near where the Allan liner Grecian was lost, and will likely be a total wreck. The captain and crew left her and rowed up to the city in a boat. A heavy sea was running all day and the chances saving the vessel are small.

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Fine Line of Men's Striped suits at - $3 50, Latest Cuts.
" Tweed suits at - 5 00, Nobby.
" Serge suits at - 6 00, Fine Goods.
" Tweed suits at 6 50, Many Patterns.
" Clay Worsted suits at - 9 00, Very Neat.
" West of England suits at 12 00, Latest Designs.

Men's Working Pants at 75c, $1 00, 1.25, all good strong ones.
Men's Hairline Pants at $1 75, lovely goods for wear.
Men's Fine Worsted Pants at $2.50, 2.75, to 3.00.
Buy a Pair of these and be happy.

Youths' Department.

Youths' Suits in Stripes at $3 50, Good Wear.
" Tweeds 5 00, Large Assortment.
Youths' Suits in Serges at $5 50, Good Colors.
" Tweeds 7 50, Latest Designs.
Youths' Long and Short Pants in all sizes can be had at the same low prices in accordance with others.

Boys' Department.

Boys' 3 Piece Suits in Tweeds at $2 50, Best Value
" 3 " Serges " 3 00 Can't be Beat
" 3 " Stripes " 3 75, Durable
" 3 " Tweeds " 4 00, Swell
Boys' 3 Piece Suits in Stripes at $4 50, Latest Cuts
" 2 " Tweeds " 1 25, Best Value
" 2 " Tweeds " 1 90, Nobby
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