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AUSTRALIAN MAILS MAY COME THROUGH ST. JOHN

New General Passenger Agent of C. P. R. in St. John on Inspection, and Sees New Development Ahead--Pictures of Reversing Falls Floored the Australians When Shown by C. P. R. Lecturers.

Only recently from the antipodes, and visiting St. John for the first time, the new C. P. R. general passenger agent, Wm. Stitt, arrived here Friday afternoon. Mr. Stitt has succeeded Mr. Usher as general passenger agent and has entered upon his duties with headquarters in Montreal. Pleasant and affable and with a mode of address which gives one promises of an enjoyable conversation, Mr. Stitt gave an interview to a Telegraph reporter in the Royal Hotel last evening.

Asked as to the purport of his visit to St. John, he replied that it was a business jaunt which will also include a call at Halifax.

Mr. Stitt is a Scotchman. He has had considerable experience in his line of work. He was located for many years at Winnipeg and labored there in the interests of the C. P. R. For the past five years he has been agent for the company in Australia with Headquarters at Sydney (N. S. W.)

Speaking of the fact that the overseas mails now pass through St. John and Montreal, Mr. Stitt expressed the opinion that it would not be long before the Australian mails will follow the same route. The average Australian, he explained, is thoroughly British and therefore desirous of using whatever all British route may offer. At present the Australian mails go via the Suez canal. In time of war in Europe this route would not be absolutely safe and therefore a mail route via the Pacific and Canada is much preferable and, as regards the time required for the trip, could be covered as quickly.

Speaking of his work in Australia, Mr. Stitt said that lectures and talks are constantly being given under the auspices of the company extolling the Canadian route to the old country. These lectures are illustrated and the trip from Australia to England via the dominion is described, while some hundreds of views thrown on the canvas make it very striking.

Mr. Stitt added that several views of St. John were included among the number. With a merry twinkle he related how it was a very hard matter to make the Australian believe that our reversing falls are a reality. The very fact of a river running both ways floored them and great incredulity existed on the matter. The views are shown in various parts of the country. Mr. Stitt told of one lecturer who related of having shown these views but confessed that he himself entertained considerable doubt as to the reversing falls. This disbelief, however, Mr. Stitt added, was soon dispelled when the logical explanation of the phenomenon was forthcoming. Among other views shown was the Martello Tower, while the history of Fort La Tour and the Loyalists was told. The latter especially appealed to the Australians with their strong British tendencies.

Mr. Stitt added that Friday he himself looked upon the reversing falls for the first time, while from the distance he saw the Martello tower and the site of Fort La Tour. His previous acquaintance with these had been gained through photographs and literature on the subject. As a result of this campaign Mr. Stitt says that a great many Australians now use the Canadian route to the old country.

Mr. Stitt was at Sand Point Friday and visited the company's steamer the Empress of Britain. He is very enthusiastic over the steamer, declaring it as among the best he ever saw. The present passenger list is the largest sailing from any Canadian or United States port at this time of year.

FAST LINE FROM IRELAND WILL NOT MATERIALIZE

A Piers, Manager of C. P. R. Steamer Lines, Does Not Believe Proposed Scheme Will Ever Come to Anything---Off to England on Steamer Empress of Britain---A Talk on Transportation Matters

A passenger on the Empress and one who has been reported to be going on important business was Arthur Piers, manager of the C. P. R. steamship lines, who reached the city yesterday morning, accompanied by his son.

A number of reported propositions in connection with the C. P. R. steamship service—chief among which is the proposal of a five-day route between London and Montreal, by means of a ferry between Eng and Ireland, fast railways across the Emerald Isle and a twenty-five-knot steamship service between Blacksod Bay (Ire.), and Halifax—were said to have to do with Mr. Piers' visit to England.

Mr. Piers said, however, that this was his usual winter trip across the Atlantic. He said he believed that the service outlined would never be established. Passengers would not travel by rail across Ireland. The inconvenience of an ocean voyage would be considerably enlarged. The many transfers would take up time, and it would be found that the quickest route would be direct from Liverpool with fast steamers, such as the Empresses.

Such a scheme had often been advocated, he said, but would never materialize. The mentioning of Lord Strathcona's name in connection with the project did not ensure its being carried out.

When asked concerning a persistent rumor to the effect that an object of his going to England was to superintend the building of four new steamships for the C. P. R. to be placed on the Atlantic trade, Mr. Piers said he had as yet had no such orders.

Mr. Piers denied the statement that the C. P. R. was negotiating for the purchase of the Donaldson line.

During the conversation, Mr. Piers emphasized very strongly the great need of doing everything possible to take advantage of the opportunities to make St. John the great winter port of Canada. "You are the people," said he, "that the development of your port will benefit the most, so not only the papers but everyone in St. John should talk winter port; not only once, but all the time, keep everlastingly at it. Not only talk but work, and as you don't want to pay taxes, make the government bear the expense."

Mr. Piers' son, who is connected with the operating department of the C. P. R., did not sail on the Empress, but returned to Montreal last evening.

Montreal, Jan. 11—(Special)—A London cable says: "The corporation of Holyhead has determined to urge on the British postal authorities the advantages of Holyhead as a port for landing Canadian and American mails. A prominent Irish M. P., speaking to the Canadian Associated Press, expressed great doubt of the Blacksod Bay scheme ever being carried out."

NEW SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Wm. R. Shanklin for Newman Street—New Man in Leinster Street School.

The position of principal of the Newman street school, made vacant by the departure of Ernest M. Reid for Massachusetts, and temporarily filled by Miss Gregory, has been now filled by the appointment of Wm. R. Shanklin. Since the first of this term Mr. Shanklin has been acting as principal and tomorrow evening at the meeting of the school board his appointment will likely be ratified.

Although a young man, Mr. Shanklin has had wide experience in teaching and possesses commanding ability. In June, 1903, he received a second class license, and for a year and a half had experience in teaching in a country school. He then re-entered the normal school for a term and obtained a license of the superior class.

In the fall of 1905 he was one of the eight teachers receiving nature study scholarships, for a course in the MacDonald institute, a department of the Ontario Agricultural College, at Guelph (Ont.) Since completing his course there he has been a member of the staff of the school for the deaf, Lancaster, and his work there was of a high order.

As assistant agricultural superintendent at the exhibition last fall he showed his ability in keeping things in order. He is a member of the Methodist church. He played last season on the Carleton football team.

Another valuable addition to the school staff is in the appointment of John G. Mackinnon to a position in the Leinster street school. He has charge of Grade VI.

The Firemen.

That the services of the firemen are appreciated is shown by a subscription of $100 for the relief fund received from the Dominion Coal Company in recognition of the successful fight made to save their coal pocket on the morning of January 1. A check of $25 was received from Messrs. McLean, Holt & Co. Friday afternoon in recognition of the firemen's work in the City road fire Friday.

A. G. Edgecombe, in whose factory in City road Friday's fire occurred, wishes to warmly thank the firemen and salvage corps for the good work they did.

POLICE ON GUARD AT LIVE WIRE IN STREET

Find Electric Light Wire Hanging in Union Street, and Have Matter Attended To.

Containing a current of power sufficient to send fourteen men into eternity, an electric light wire fell in Union street, near Sydney, about 6 o'clock Friday morning and the early hour was probably all that prevented a loss of life as this section of Union street is a very busy one through the day.

Acting Police Sergeant W. H. Finley and Policeman C. H. Rankin, on their way home from the North End, found the wire hanging across a trolley wire in a blaze of light and blue sparks making no mean display of fireworks.

Acting Sergeant Finley remained at the danger point to warn any who might come near while Policeman Rankin went for help. This appeared in the person of H. H. MacFarlane, a street railway lineman, who soon set matters right.

Sackville News.

Sackville Jan. 14—The death of Robert A. Lowerison, a respected resident of Sackville, occurred on Friday evening at the home of Bradford Carter, after a few days illness of apoplexy. Deceased was a son of the late Nathan Lowerison, and was fifty-six years old. He was a man of exceptional business ability and of sterling integrity. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon. Rev. B. N. Nobles conducted the service.

James Costin, a respected resident of Dale Verte, has been stricken with paralysis and is in a very critical condition.

Mrs. Wm. M. Spence and Miss Mayme Spence, of Port Elgin, left today for a visit at New York.

Hon F. J. Sweeney was in town today, en route from a visit to Melrose.

James Scott, an esteemed resident of Dale Verte, recently met with a painful accident, being thrown from a sleigh and receiving a fracture of the hip. As Mr. Scott is well advanced in years, his recovery is doubtful.

Mayor and Mrs. F. B. Black, Middle Sackville, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son.

Dr. George R. Parkin and wife were in town on Saturday. Dr. Parkin gave a very excellent address to the university students in the afternoon, after which Dr. and Mrs. Allison gave a reception in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Parkin.

Mrs. Geo. A. Keith and son will leave tomorrow for Vancouver (B. C.), to join Mr. Keith, who preceded them some weeks ago.

Mrs. A. T. McColgan, of West Somerville (Mass.), who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, 47 Hazen street, will be at home to her friends on Thursday afternoon and evening, Jan. 17.

BLACK WATCH MAN IN TOWN

Lt.-Surgeon Wallace, Member of the Famous British Regiment--Meets Brother Soldier Here.

No regiment in the British army has a prouder record for service than the Black Watch. What patriotic Briton but feels his heart thrill at the mere mention of the name? What visions does it not conjure up of the fields of Waterloo, the Crimea, the Sepoy rebellion, Afghanistan, Zululand and the Egyptian campaigns?

Lieutenant-Surgeon George S. Wallace, an old officer of this regiment, is at the Victoria Hotel. He has been coming here every year for some time. Last year he said he happened to go into William Hawker's drug store. Last night he told a reporter what took place.

"I was standing at the counter when the proprietor said to me, 'Why, I know your name.' I was thunderstruck. I did not know him but he went on 'You are Lieutenant-Surgeon Wallace, of the Black Watch, and I am an old Black Watch man too.'

"Then we got talking. You see every man in the army knows at least every other man's name and I found out that Mr. Hawker had once been a hospital sergeant under me."

Lieutenant-Surgeon Wallace is tanned till he is almost the color of a mullato. His hair is bushy and grey and his large moustache is quite grizzly. He belongs to the town of Dumfries, which has been the home of the Wallaces for 600 or 700 years. He explained last night that when he was twenty-two years old he bought a commission in the famous regiment of which he was an officer for twenty years, retiring with a pension.

This was in the latter part of 1882 and scarcely six months later he was ordered to join his regiment and proceed to India. Here the Black Watch took a prominent part in putting down the second Sepoy mutiny, an affair which, while not so grave as the first one, cost England many men and much money. From India the regiment was ordered home but was scarcely rested when it was again sent on foreign service, this time to South Africa, where the memorable Zulu campaign was being carried on. They stayed in South Africa eighteen months, when the call was again sent out and the regiment was again shipped to India, sending home their sick and wounded from Malta and receiving recruits at the same point.

The objective of the troops, however, was Afghanistan, where the future Lord Roberts of Kandahar was making a name for himself.

The Black Watch bore much of the brunt of the fighting here but they had scarcely had time to recover from their fatigue when they were ordered to Egypt, where Lord Kitchener was doing so much to uphold England's fame in arms. Here the Black Watch covered themselves with glory and incidentally struck a decisive blow at the power of Arabi Pasha by rushing the Egyptian trenches at the battle of Tel-el-Kebir.

"Things are different in the British army from the American custom," said Mr. Wallace. "With them the officers are in the rear but the English officer is always in the front. Many people imagine that because a surgeon is a non-combatant he does not go near the firing line. I have been through five engagements and always did my best to help a man wherever I saw him fall. I have been wounded several times, though never seriously. I was cut on the chin with a sabre and here," pointing to the back of his hand, "and here," indicating his wrist, "and I once got a bullet in my leg and have been in the hospital several times but never for long."

Lieutenant-Surgeon Wallace was with the colors twenty years when he retired six years ago with a pension. From what he has seen of Canadians he remarked they are much to be liked and generous to a fault.

CAN FURNISH 50,000 MEN

London Emigration Board Agent Wires Sir Wilfrid Laurier from Here.

Edmund Storie, secretary of the Central Emigration Board of London, left here on the steamer Empress of Britain last night.

Mr. Storie Friday wired Sir Wilfrid Laurier that if as is reported, 50,000 men are needed as navvies on new Canadian railways, they can be provided by the Central Emigration Board if a £5 rate is made from Liverpool to the point where work is going on. This would give selected British navvies, and avoid the importation of Italians, Galicians, Hindoos, etc.

He said he had received very cordial support and assistance from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the dominion government and the provincial governments of Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, besides the various boards of trade and the Grand Trunk Railway.

Mr. Storie expects shortly to visit Australia to appoint a staff there.

A Sunbury Golden Wedding.

Mill Settlement, Sunbury county, Jan 2.—Tuesday, Jan 1st, was the fiftieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wooden, of Mill Settlement, Sunbury county. They were married by the Rev. E. Webb, Jan. 1st, 1857. Both of them are still hale and hearty and their many friends united in congratulating them on the auspicious event, and wishing for them many more years of happy life.

They were presented with $68 in gold, besides other valuable presents. There are six children—Mrs Emerson Hoyt, of Duluth (Minn.); J. N. Wooden, of Boston; Mrs. Fred Whelpley, of Boston; Mrs. J. S Vanwart, of Hampstead; Robert Wooden, of this place, and Mrs Winslow Scott, of Fredericton Junction.

There are twenty grandchildren.

Natural History Society.

A. Gordon Leavitt, treasurer of the Natural History Society, acknowledges the receipt of the following contributions to the "building fund":

Previously acknowledged	$591.00
Prof. W. F. Ganong	100.00
John Moser	1.00
Comeau & Sheehan	25.00
R. Keltie Jones	10.00
Rev. Prof. J. Fowler	5.00
W. Cushing, Pittsburg (Pa.)	10.00
G. W. Ganong, M. P.	100.00
	$842.00

Miss Ada Dunn, Mrs. J. H. Frink, Mrs. E. L. Philps, Mrs. Jane Estey, Mrs. C. H. Easson and Mrs. H. B. Sadlier have been elected associate members of the society.

FOR NEW U. N. B. SCHOLARSHIPS

Alumni Plan to Help Students Who Cannot Command Much Money--Meeting Here.

The annual meeting of the alumni of the University of New Brunswick was held Friday night in the equity court rooms, Pugsley building. The attendance was large. President B. C. Foster, of Fredericton, occupied the chair.

The following were recommended as eligible for membership on the university senate: Dr. Thos. Walker, Dr. Atherton, J. D. Phinney, Senator Ellis, School Inspector Meagher, Ven. Archdeacon Neales, B. C. Foster, A. B. Maggs, Dr. H. S. Bridges, and J. T. Jennings. These names are to be voted on and it is expected that the representatives of the senate on that body will be increased from two, as at present, to four.

Dr. Wm. Crockett, L. L. D.; Rev. Wm. McDonald and A. S. McFarlane were appointed examiners for the alumni gold medal.

The announcement was made, and with a great deal of satisfaction, that the contribution of $500 by the alumni towards the university gymnasium will have been paid up in three years, instead of five, as originally planned. The final payment will be made next month.

The success of the movement to raise $500 for the purpose and the payment of that amount in a little more than half of the stipulated time, brought forth the suggestion of founding some scholarships to aid students at the university whose means are slim, to get through their course. A committee was accordingly appointed to take this idea into consideration and submit plans for carrying it out.

W. S. Carter and J. D. Phinney, K. C., form the committee. The result of their decision is to be submitted in the form of a report at the next annual meeting of the association.

H. O. Bridges and J. D. Phinney were appointed to draw up a resolution expressive of regret at the death of Chancellor Harrison, a copy of which will be sent to the family and a copy placed on the minutes. Several of those present spoke feelingly of the death of Mr. Harrison.

A standing committee, consisting of W. S. Carter, Dr. T. D. Walker and Dr. Murray MacLaren, was appointed to consider the advisability of having some form of entertainment in St. John in the near future to promote the interests of the association. Just what form this will take is as yet undecided, but a dinner is talked of. W. S. Carter and J. D. Phinney were appointed to draw up plans for the proposed event.

The meeting closed with an interesting discussion as to the respective merits of the three and four years' arts course at the U. N. B. The discussion was indulged in generally, and opinions for and against expressed, but no action was taken.

LOCAL NEWS.

At Chubb's Corner on Saturday the F. B. Dunn pork factory at South Milford was offered for sale and withdrawn at $5,900.

Miss Bessie Kellier, of Springfield, Kings county, who has been visiting friends in St. John, returned home Saturday.

At Plaster Rock, a few days ago, an eight-year-old boy named Foster was struck by a falling tree and had his shoulder broken.

Fifteen marriages during the past week and thirty-five births—eighteen boys and seventeen girls, were reported to Registrar Jones.

Oscar O'Leary, the C. P. R. brakeman who was quite seriously injured in Sand Point yard by falling from a box car Tuesday morning, was reported to be much better Sunday.

James Sherren, counsel for Thos. Collins, charged with the murder of Mary Ann McAuley at New Ireland, was in the city Friday in consultation with Hon. H. A. McKeown, about the defence.

No decision was reached as to the exact site for the new Y. M. C. A. building, when the building committee of the Y. M. C. A. met on the ground Saturday. It is understood, however, that the old Chipman house will have to be torn down.

At the board of health office during the past week twelve deaths were reported. The causes were diphtheria, two; senility, asthenia, bronchitis, consumption, kidney disease, premature birth, whooping cough, dilation of heart, carcinoma of stomach, and disseminated sclerosis, one each.

The death occurred Sunday night of Irvine Andrew, infant son of Andrew I. and Annie R. Megarity, aged one month. Funeral took place Monday afternoon and services were conducted by Rev. W. O. Raymond. Interment was in the Church of England burying ground.

Friday afternoon, in the Phoenix foundry, Pond street, George Durant, of Carleton, had two fingers and the thumb of one hand severely crushed and jammed. It is thought that they will have to be amputated. He was taken to his home, and his injuries attended to by a doctor.

From the special committee that has been considering the proposed new assessment act, the board of trade council heard a report yesterday morning favoring the principle of the act but suggesting some amendments. Thursday evening the board will meet for a discussion of the act, and for a consideration of the report.

Becoming dizzy as he was standing on top of a slowly moving train in the yard at Sand Point a day or two ago, Oscar Leary, who lives at Bay Shore with his widowed mother, fell prostrate on the top of the car, then rolled to the ground, striking with great force and injuring himself quite badly. He was picked up by fellow trainmen and some time later was able to proceed to his home, where he is reported to be in quite a serious condition.

A case of rifles was lost overboard on Friday morning from the C. P. R. steamer Montreal. When it was being landed on one of the trucks the strap gave way and the case fell between the steamer and wharf. Half the case was found floating by one of the steamship men with one rifle in it. The work of grappling for the rifles was started Saturday morning and by night fifteen were recovered from the bottom.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Frances F. Gimber.

At the age of eighty years, Mrs. Frances Fraser Gimber, widow of Capt. Gimber, died Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles T. Pidgeon, Lancaster Heights, after an illness extending over a year. Mrs. Gimber's husband was a native of Woolwich (Eng.), and was formerly in the employ of the Rankins. Mrs. Fraser was the daughter of the late William Fraser, of this city.

Mrs. Ernest F. Bissett.

A sad death was that of Mrs. Ernest E. Bissett, which took place on Saturday. Mrs. Bissett had been sick for about a year, but was a young woman, and her death came as a great shock to her many friends. She was born in Lynn and besides her husband and two small children, leaves no relatives here.

William Rossiter.

Wiliam Rossiter, an employe in Ready's brewery, Fairville, and a life long resident of that suburb, died on Friday from gangrene. So far as is known only one son, who is a railroad engineer in some part of the western States, survives. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon from D. Fitzpatrick's undertaking rooms to the cathedral, where Rev. A. W. Meahan read the service. Interment was in the old Catholic cemetery.

Daniel Mahoney.

At the age of eighty-eight years Daniel Mahoney died in the Mater Misericordiae Home on Saturday.

Ezekiel Taylor.

Moncton, Jan. 12—Ezekiel Taylor, one of Moncton's oldest, most prominent and most respected residents, passed away this morning at the home of his son-in-law, Ald. J. E. Masters, death coming with shocking suddenness. He had retired last night in his usual health, and about daylight this morning was heard to get up, close the bedroom door and return to bed. He had been subject to epilepsy for a number of years, but had been in excellent health considering his advanced age for the past few weeks. He was out yesterday and had been around all the winter except on stormy days. He was eighty-two years of age, and had been a resident of this city since 1853, conducting a business establishment in the days when Moncton was known as the "Bend." He was born in the north of Ireland, his parents emigrating many years ago to St. John, where they later died. He followed to St. John in 1850 and removed to Moncton in 1853.

Two brothers survive in St. John, John M. and James Taylor, both elderly gentlemen and retired from active life. His wife was Miss Rosslyn Beatty, of this city, and predeceased him some four years ago. Three sons and four daughters survive him. The sons are George, consulting engineer, Vancouver; Fred, general manager of the Bank of Montreal at London (Eng.); A. E., manager of the Bank of Montreal at Enderby (B. C.); the daughters are Mrs. J. E. Masters, Mrs. C. W. Burnyeat, Mrs. Geo. Ackman and Miss Margaret Taylor, all of this city. Deceased was a life long Liberal, and a devoted member of the Episcopal church, being active in organizing the Reformed Episcopal church here. He was a great reader and followed current events very keenly. He had lived under the reign of three sovereigns, George IV., Queen Victoria and Edward VII.

Mrs. Milledge Steeves.

Mrs. Milledge Steeves, a respected resident of Bridgedale, Albert county, died Saturday morning, aged seventy-seven years. She had been ill of heart trouble for two months.

Walter S. Currey

A telegram was received yesterday announcing the death of Walter S. Currey, a former resident of this city, at Shriveport (La.) No particulars were received beyond the statement that the deceased received serious injuries in a railway accident two days previous, resulting in his death.

Mr. Currey was prominently identified with the business interests of Shriveport, where he had resided for the past twenty years. He was for many years a partner in the large manufacturing firm of Allen, Currey & Company. Three sisters of the deceased reside here—Mrs. S. McDiarmid, Mrs. Hazen J. Dick, and Mrs. Leland S. Huestis, and one brother, Edward R. Currey. Another sister, Mrs. A. C. Reynolds, lives at Tipton, Iowa. Much sympathy is felt by relatives and friends here for his widow and two little daughters. Mr. Currey, with his wife and eldest daughter, visited this city about five years ago and spent the greater part of the summer here. He was a man of a kind and gentle disposition, and warmly attached to his family and friends.

John Rhea.

John Rhea, a well known merchant in this city, died Monday morning at 3.30 o'clock at his residence, 18 Mill street. Mr. Rhea had been ill only since Friday and his death, which was caused by heart failure, was learned with regret by his many friends.

Mr. Rhea came to this city about seventeen years ago from Pennsylvania and since that time had resided here. He first opened a grocery business in the old Ritchey building in Waterloo street and conducted it about two years when he engaged in the liquor business. Later he bought out the Fitzpatrick store in Union street, where he conducted a liquor business for some years. About five years ago he bought a property in Mill street and built a store and residence thereon. Since building he was engaged in the liquor business in Mill street and for a time also conducted the business in Union street which he finally sold to J. McGuire.

Mr. Rhea married Miss Lawlor, a daughter of William Lawlor, of Brookville, who was engaged in the lime business for years.

Mr. Rhea was born in Yorkshire (Eng.) and intended returning to the old country in the spring.

Besides his wife the deceased is survived by one son, William, and a daughter, Angela.

Benjamin A. Everett

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 13—Benjamin A. Everett, a widely known and respected citizen, died at his boarding house, Windsor Hall, this morning. He had been in failing health since last October. Heart trouble was the cause of his death.

Deceased was born at Kingsclear, seventy-one years ago, and resided there up to 1889 when he removed to this city. He purchased Long's Hotel from the late George Hume, its proprietor for a number of years. In 1903 he removed to Woodstock and remained there up to last year, when he returned to this city. Deceased was a staunch liberal in politics and always took an active interest in public affairs. He represented the parish of Kingsclear in the municipal council for several terms, and was at one time warden of the county. After removing to this city he interested himself in civic politics, and was elected alderman for Carleton ward, holding the seat for three years. In religion he was a Baptist, and has for a number of years been a deacon in the Brunswick street church of this city. All his life he was a firm advocate of temperance, and rendered good service to the cause during his residence in this city. He had a wide acquaintance in the counties of York and Carleton and many old friends will learn of his death with much regret.

A family of two sons and five daughters survive, they are Albert E., proprietor of Windsor Hall; Ernest, in St. Louis; Mrs. Fred Burpee, Jacksonville, Carleton county; Mrs. D. R. Pierce, Providence (R. I.); Mrs. J. H. Leathem, Winthrop (Mass.); Mrs. Ward Burpee, Woodstock, and Miss Carrie Everett, of Norwich (Conn.) He also leaves two brothers, Zebedee R. and Alfred Everett of this city, and one sister, Mrs. Julia Thompson, of Danver (Col.) The funeral will probably take place on Tuesday.

William Hatfield.

Deacon William Hatfield, of Hatfield's Point, Kings county, died at his home Jan. 11th, aged 73 years. There are left to mourn a widow, five daughters, one brother, two sisters and a large circle of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Samuel Rounding.

Maude Louise, the beloved wife of Samuel Rounding, of Balard, (Wash.), died yesterday while on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lister, of Tolmie avenue. The deceased was an only child and a native of St. John (N. B.), aged 31 years, and leaves besides her bereaved husband and parents, an infant son, nine months old.—Victoria Colonist, Jan. 4.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Baird.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Baird, widow of the late William Baird, died at her home in Upperton on Jan. 6, aged 90 years and 4 months, leaving five sons and two daughters, forty-three grandchildren and twenty-six great-grandchildren.

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MARKET PRICE OF HAY DROPS IN BRITAIN

London Better Than Liverpool or Glasgow, But Below Canadian Prices—Fair Demand for Oats and Wheat.

The Montreal Star in its issue of January 11 referring to the drop in the price of hay in Great Britain, calls attention to both the Liverpool and London markets being below Canadian figures. It says:

English advices show that the hay market is weaker in Liverpool and Glasgow, to the extent of 5s. to 7s. 6d., with an intimation that they will be still lower. The London market, however, is higher by 2s., but is still below the parity of prices in Canada.

American advices, especially those from Boston, are on the easy side, and so also are those from New York, but not to such an extent; all American markets are decidedly easier in tone.

Locally the feeling is easy, with more offerings, and prices will go to a lower level if the railways would supply cars more freely; Ontario is offering plenty of hay.

The demand for oats is fair, and the prices, although easy, are not as low as at one time was expected; in fact, Ontario offers for oats have ceased.

Barley is in light demand, but wheat is fairly enquired after. There is a big consumption of corn, and the prices remain steady, with a tendency to a slight rise.

Hay—Spot prices here are: $14 to $14.50 for No. 1 timothy, $13 to $13.50 for No. 2, and $12 to $12.50 for clover mixed. These goods are not "to arrive," but for the goods on spot.

The Fisheries.

In his annual report to the government Fishery Inspector J. Fred Belyea places the total value of the catch in St. John county last year at $144,200, exclusive of cod and herring. This is an advance of $25,200 over the average value.

The shad catch was placed at $10,000, a falling off of $5,000, the price, however, being almost double the average.

The salmon catch was valued at $44,000, just double the average. The lobster catch was worth $11,000, which is $3,000 below the average.

The smelt catch was valued at $1,200 and the sardine at $8,000. The value of the cod, haddock and other fish not included in the inspector's estimate will probably bring the total annual value of the county's fisheries up to $175,000.

SUSSEX CHURCH AFIRE; CONGREGATION FLED

Blaze in Methodist Edifice Sunday Gave People a Bad Scare—Little Damage Done—Clark Teakles' Funeral.

Sussex, N. B., Jan. 13—The funeral of the late Clark Teakles took place this afternoon from his late residence, Lowell street. Interment at the Upper Corner. Rev. Dr. Rogers conducted the services. The funeral was largely attended, which testified to the respect and high esteem in which deceased was held.

The preaching service in the Methodist church was brought to a sudden close this morning, shortly after the service opened. When the minister, Dr. Rogers, was in the midst of prayer it was discovered that the church was on fire. And almost immediately the service was thrown into a scene of excitement and one great rush was made for the exit

The fire which started in the ceiling of the furnace room, made rapid headway and soon the vestry and main building were full of smoke. An alarm was rung in and No. 2 company quickly responded, in the meantime the flames, which had burnt a hole through the floor, had been quenched with water carried in pails, and it was not necessary that a stream be turned on.

Two weeks ago today the church caught fire in the same place. At one time today it was thought that the building would burn and the furnishings were got in readiness to be removed. The damage is covered by insurance.

Gilbert T. Seely, a well known resident of Shepody Road, died at his home last evening, of diphtheria, aged 52 years.

ST. JOHN SCHOONER AGNES MAY LOST

Andrew Malcolm, owner of the schooner Agnes May, received word Friday afternoon from Captain Andrew Wilson at Southwest Harbor (Me.), stating that his vessel ran on Long Ledge, off Southwest Harbor, in Friday's storm. The vessel, the captain stated, pounded over the ledge and turned over and drifted to sea. Nothing was said in the despatch about the crew, but it is presumed that they were all saved. The vessel was on the voyage from Boston to this port in ballast. She was covered by insurance.

The West India steamship Orinoco, Captain Bale, arrived in port Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Bermuda, Windward Islands and Demerara. Captain Bale reports that heavy weather was encountered at the mouth of the Bay of Fundy, where the ship ran into a snow storm which later on turned to rain and sleet and day before Friday he turned the vessel and ran out of the bay. The wind and storm were most severe and the sea ran high.

Friends of Mrs. John Sproul, of Fredericton, will be sorry to learn that she has been very ill at the Kent Hotel, Richibucto. Mr. Sproul has been there on business for the last six weeks.