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#### Appointments of New Teachers for Bridgetown School

A meeting of the school board was held in the town clerk's office, May 21st, 1908, with all commissioners present.

Applications from various teachers were read and considered and the following appointments were made, viz.: Miss Florence Cochrane, for grade one, Miss Bessie Hoyt, for grade two, upon the understanding that if required Miss Cochrane and Miss Hoyt will assist in the upper grades between the hour of closing their rooms and the regular hours of closing the advanced departments. Miss Bessie Crowe, lately of the Consolidated School, Middleton, for grades three and four, and Miss Elna Graves for one and Miss Mollie Johnson for the other of the two remaining vacancies.

Miss Cochrane's appointment was conditional upon her attendance at the Normal School for training during the remainder of the present term.

The Chairman, Dr. Jost, and Commissioner Freeman were authorized to have the school building cleaned, and some gravel put on the grounds. It was resolved that the Board call for tenders for the installation of a wood furnace in the school basement, tenders to be in by the 1st of July next.

The vacant room in the school building is to be fitted up before the beginning of another term to relieve the over-pressure on the capacity of the primary department.

#### WESTERN NOVA SCOTIA LUMBERMEN TO MEET

The Lumbermen's Association of Western Nova Scotia, on the invitation of the Liverpool Board of Trade and members of the Association, will hold a meeting at Liverpool, N. S., on June 30th and July 1st. These annual meetings are held for the purpose of interesting the public in forestry, the preservation of the water supply, and the protection of Nova Scotia wood lands from fire.

Special excursion tickets or standard fares will be issued by the railway, and all are invited to visit Liverpool and attend the meeting.

A special feature will be a trip over the Milton and Liverpool Railway for the celebration. The invited speakers will be:

Lieut. Governor Fraser, Attorney General Piper, Dr. B. E. Fenwick, Dean of the Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto; Mr. Justice Longley, Prof. Haycock, Acadia College; Dr. DeWitt, Pres. N. S. Forestry Association; Leslie R. Palmer, Secretary N. S. Forestry Association; J. R. McLeod, McLeod Pulp Co., Ltd.; E. K. Spinney, Yarmouth.

#### PROMISING GRAIN CROP.

Winnipeg, May 28.—The C. P. R. crop report of the central division was handed out today. It is extremely comprehensive and exact. The report takes in the growth in the various sections to date. The average height of the wheat at present throughout this vast area, which stretches from Stonewall to Lingas, in Saskatchewan, and includes many branch lines of the division into both the south and north, is about four and a half inches. Clearwater, in southern Manitoba, reports a growth of ten inches, and Dominion City comes next with seven inches. The Yorkton line reports slow growth at several points, owing to cold weather, but the general tidings are that the country has abundance of rain, and that the grain is growing rapidly. Out seeding is being rapidly completed, and barley seeding is well under way. Some points report all seedling, including barley, as completed. In fact conditions throughout the vast area covered by the reports seem to be of a uniformly uniform character, and prospects everywhere are considered at.

Character in a man creates an impression. It is both an advertisement and a testimonial.

#### Sweet Girl Graduates

The graduating class of Acadia Seminary held their class day exercises on Monday. The meeting was opened by Miss Hazel Chute of Middleton who extended a welcome. Miss Goldie Sweet, of Bridgetown, was one of the graduates and an exchange reports her part in the exercises as follows:—The class history and will by Miss Goldie Frances Sweet, of Bridgetown, was one of the most amusing and entertaining features of the programme. The three years of class history, showing under what conditions the class had started, what it had done during the course, together with many humorous anecdotes and laughable escapades, was listened to with the closest attention. Miss Sweet writes in a happy vein, and her effort of this afternoon was regarded as one of the best in recent years.

Another member of the class who will be remembered as participating in the Church of England Recital last winter was Miss Evelyn Starr, of whom the same writer says:—A violin solo by Miss Evelyn Starr, of Wolfville, evoked loud applause. Miss Starr is the only graduate in violin this year, and is regarded as a very promising player of rare ability, having a remarkable insight into the feeling of her selections. The delightful rendering of her number this afternoon made her a prime favorite with the audience.

#### PALMISTRY CONDEMNED AS A FAD.

"Palmistry is an absolute absurdity. The whole thing is beneath contempt," declared Professor Stirling, dean of the medical faculty and professor of physiology at Victoria University, Manchester, in the course of a lecture at the Royal Institution. "Look at your palms and you will find certain classical lines. These lines, the so-called lines of life, heart and head, the girdle of Venus, and the bracelets of life round your wrists—what do you suppose they really are? They are nothing more nor less than creases or folds produced by the action of the muscles. The line of heart, for instance, is the flexure of the four finger, and the line of life is the result of the action of the thumb."

"All these lines that have been given astronomical names by the palmist are characteristic flexures. You will find the same lines on the palm of an orange-outang. Humanity is daily gulled through its extraordinary ignorance of the elementary facts of physiology."

Professor Stirling placed fingerprints in a very different category. The print of a thumb alone, he said, is sufficient to identify a person for all time.

#### EMMERSON WILL ACCEPT NOMINATION.

Moncton, May 29.—Hon. H. R. Emerson, M. P., will be Westmorland's choice as Liberal candidate to like period in the previous year. The general elections, at a convention of County Liberals to be held in Moncton Monday afternoon, this was definitely settled last evening, when Hon. Mr. Emerson notified the committee that he would accept the nomination.

#### SCOTT ACT REPEALED IN INVERNESS.

Ottawa, May 29.—An order-in-Council has been passed repealing the Scott Act in the County of Inverness, C. B., in conformity with the vote recently taken. The Act is declared to be no longer in force after the publication of the order in to-morrow's Canadian Gazette.

#### AN AUTOMOBILE QUERY.

Will the automobile ever become a conveyor of freight and passengers, replacing horses and wagons on rural mail routes? Why not? Strange things have happened. Many believe the "auto" is only in its infancy as a useful preambulating utility. May the time not come when the government of the country will subsidize "autos" as public carriers just as steamboats? Why not?

#### The Valley Exhibition and N. S. Horticultural Show

Kentville Making Preparations for the Greatest Fruit Show Ever Held in Canada. Special Prize List Now Over \$1140.

Mr. F. C. Rand the Secretary of the Exhibition to be held in Kentville next October, informs the Orchardist that it is positively certain that it will be the greatest fruit show ever held in Canada, nothing but the very worst kind of a season for ripening fruit can prevent the above prediction from coming true.

Never before was offered such large prizes in the fruit line. Taking up the special prizes for fruit, the response has shown how greatly interested the public have become in our fruit show. Every one appeared anxious to give a special prize, and had time be given, the special prize committee a larger amount could easily have been obtained. The special prize list now amounts to over \$1140. It is made up as follows:

English Apples.....	\$18.64
Kings County.....	20.00
Halifax.....	12.00
Annapolis.....	60.00
Hants.....	60.00
Colchester.....	15.00
Higby.....	12.00
Ottawa.....	50.00
Boston.....	25.00

\$1140.64

These prizes are given for fruit exhibited in barrels and boxes. If one exhibitor desired to compete for all the prizes for barrels of different varieties for which prizes are offered he would have to send to the exhibition considerably over 100 barrels. It is expected that there will be on exhibition from 750 to 1000 barrels of apples competing for the heavy prizes in barrel lots. Just think of that, fruit growers of the land of Evangeline. The prizes range from \$5 up to \$10 for a single barrel. Equally as handsome prizes are offered for fruit in boxes.

#### Scores Made in First Match Shooting in Over-Seas Competition.

The following is the best 8 scores made by the members of the 69th Regiment, in the International rifle match shot at Bridgetown, May 23, in the contest for the Over-Seas International Empire Rifle Competition. E. C. Schaffer 96 G. A. LeCain 94 B. W. Saunders 94 H. V. Gates 94 G. H. Vroom 94 G. H. Dixon 93 B. M. Williams 93 J. E. Morse 93

Average 94.1 per man.

Following are the best eight shots made by the New Caledonia Rifle Association at Granville on Monday, the 25th:

Lt. Rev. J. Mackenzie	94
F. F. Smith, M. D.	92
Ernest Bohaker	90
Edgar Hunt	88
Ira E. Gilliatt	82
James Morrison	76
Walter H. Troop	68
Harry L. Mills	62

The Association will again shoot on Saturday, June 6th, shooting to begin at 1 o'clock p. m. A full attendance of the members is requested.

The internal revenue receipts from the liquor traffic in Canada since October last show a decrease of over ten per cent., and in April alone of twenty per cent. compared with the contest this County in the Dominion decreased consumption may be partly due to dull times, but also in part to dry times.

New York is experiencing hot weather already. On Wednesday last four deaths occurred and there were a number of prostrations. It was the hottest May 27th in 28 years.

#### Story of the Collision Told by Passengers of the Boston.

(Yarmouth Times.)

A survey on the steamer Boston was held Wednesday afternoon by Port Warden Scott and Captain O. L. Murphy. The ship was found to be unharmed and with the exception of four life preservers, twenty-five belts and a boat, none of the ship's equipment was lost.

The Times was told a story yesterday which is illustrative of the indifference of fishermen to the danger from collision with steamers. It was told by a man who formerly commanded steamships. He stated that upon one occasion when he came near running a schooner down one of the men heard the steamer coming while he was dressing fish. He grabbed the fog horn, gave it a blast, and laying it aside proceeded to work on another fish just as the steamer shot by a few feet away.

The passengers on board the Boston tell various stories. One man who was interviewed in Halifax makes the following statement: "The unfortunate victim could be plainly seen and some of them might have been pulled on board had a long boat hook been available." This is the most ridiculous statement which we have heard.

It is understood that on the afternoon of the accident the Boston came quite near striking another fishing schooner. Several of the crew were discussing the matter at the moment the Fame was struck.

One passenger told this paper that he was sitting in the smoking room when the collision occurred. He said that he felt a shock about the same as would be caused by the vessel running into a big sea. He went out on deck but could not see anything. The fog was so dense. He heard the shouts of the men on board distinctly. "They are in my ears yet," he added.

Some of the members of the crew of the Boston received slight injuries mainly to their hands, while the work of lowering away the boats was in progress.

One lady passenger, who thought the steamer in danger, coolly dressed her three children comfortably at her bedside and made all preparations for taking to the boats.

There has long been no doubt that many of the fishing vessels which sail for the Grand Banks and are not afterwards heard from are sunk in collision. They lie directly in the track of the trans-Atlantic liners. The fogs are very dense and it is a common thing for the fishermen to set their lights and all go below. The big liners can cut down a fishing schooner and go through her without the slightest shock being felt. If the officers know of the accident they say nothing and the loss of the schooner is written down among the mysterious tragedies of the ocean.

#### Victoria Day at Cambridge

The sports at Central Driving Park, May 25th, were witnessed by about 2000 people. The day was fine and the track was good, but very dusty.

The races resulted as follows:—Green Race—half mile. 1 1 1 Glenwood D. Charles Annis, Nictaux 2 2 3 Jack Kerwin Isaac Feindel, Bridgewater. 3 3 2 Jerry J. D. Moore, Kentville. Time 1:15, 1:12.

Horses Without Records.

Lady Laurier, Feindel, 1:11 Paul Kruger, Foster, 2-2 Joe Nutwood, Bligh, 2-3 "Little Egypt" gave an exhibition half mile trot and did it handsomely in 1:12.

The 100 yards dash was won in good form by Stiles in 10 1/2 seconds with John McLeod second.

The half mile run was won by Ralph Eaton, Kentville, in 2:44. Mr. Cliff Hiltz gave an exhibition mile run on his bicycle as the bicycle race did not fill.

The pole vault was won by John McLeod, of Kentville, height, 5 feet 7 inches.

The judges were Norman Nelly, J. S. Banks, J. W. Margeson, Timmer, Dr. Annis; starter—F. J. Porter.

#### Woman Suffrage Gains Victory.

(Ottawa Journal.)

Mr. Asquith's pledge to the Radical deputation on woman's suffrage is a decided victory for the suffragettes. Although the British Premier declined to commit himself definitely to the inclusion of woman suffrage in the Electoral Reform Bill to be introduced during the present session of Imperial Parliament, he said if an amendment were moved to the bill in principle favoring the extension of the suffrage on democratic lines to women, the government would not oppose it. This is a great concession, than the suffragettes expected at the present time, and its effect is to bring the question of woman suffrage within the sphere of practical politics in Great Britain.

Although the parliamentary franchise has been so long withheld from women in the United Kingdom, women have for years been conceded the right to vote in British municipal elections. The testimony is almost universal that the influence of women in municipal elections has been a distinct gain.

An article on the subject of woman suffrage in general, by Miss Bertha Damaris Knoke, reminds those interested that it is only fifteen years since New Zealand took the lead in this reform, and bestow of the full suffrage upon women, and already three countries have followed suit—Australia, Finland, and Norway, and in the American States of Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, and Idaho, women are fully enfranchised.

The Danish Parliament is now considering the extension of the municipal franchise to women. In Kansas they vote in municipal elections and in twenty-four other states of the American Union they have either the tax-paying or school suffrage. In France they vote for members of commercial tribunals and other minor offices. Thirteen nations send delegates to the International Woman's Suffrage Alliance, which meets at New York in May, 1909. The list includes Great Britain, Canada, Australia, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Norway, Russia, Sweden, Holland, and the United States, with Switzerland, Belgium, and France as promising possibilities. The movement for woman's suffrage is clearly enough growing and must be reckoned with.

#### LARGEST CATCHES IN FIFTEEN YEARS.

Lunenburg, May 27.—Four big catches have arrived here from western and middle fishing banks so far this season and consequently the fishermen of this town are well pleased with the outcome of the spring work.

The Hiawatha, Captain Cook, 1100 qts.; Muriel M. Young, Captain Himmelman, 1400 qts.; Lilla B. Hirtle, Captain Hirtle, 1600 qts., and the Coronation, Captain Millar, with 1200 qts., are here. The three last named vessels came in today; several other of the best vessels of the fleet are expected to-morrow.

The above named vessels are among the crack schooners of the fleet. Fishermen report this spring catch the largest in fifteen years. The inshore fleet are doing well and find cod abundant. Smith and Rhinland launched a splendid fishing schooner this evening. She registers 90 tons, and will be known as the Vivian B. Walters. Her owner, Captain John Walters, will go on the Grand Banks next week with his new vessel, which promises to be a great credit to the fleet.

#### POLITICAL PROBLEM.

(From the Washington Star.)

"It's no use," said the young man with heavy rimmed eyeglasses, "I can't get this political economy straight."

"What's the trouble?" asked the professor.

"I can't discover whether a lot of people go broke because we have hard times, or whether we have hard times because a lot of people go broke."

No small store ever got to be a big one without, at some time, having advertised "more than it could afford."

#### What the Middleton Board of Trade is Doing.

(The Outlook.)

There was a good attendance at the quarterly meeting of the Middleton Board of Trade on Tuesday evening.

After the reading of the minutes of the annual and special meetings, Mr. A. L. Davidson gave a report of the work done by the committee appointed at the annual meeting for the amalgamation of the I. O. O. F. and D. A. R. lines, showing the readiness with which the people all along the line had taken up and endorsed the scheme. The committee was requested to continue the work.

Mr. Davidson also reported that agreements for keeping nearly 450 cows for the proposed milk condensing factory had been secured by the committee of the board. The committee was asked to continue its efforts to secure this important industry for the town.

Fred E. Cox reported for committee re advertising Middleton in the literature of the railways. The railway companies have been supplied with photos obtained by the board and with information as to the sporting and other advantages of the town and vicinity.

Mr. G. M. Moore gave a report to the committee re horse show at the time of the visit of Dr. Standsch. A bill of \$2.50 for expenses in connection with the horse show was ordered to be paid.

Messrs. G. W. Andrews, F. E. Bentley and W. H. Wilson were appointed a committee to make arrangements for Middleton's eighth annual Merchants' Day.

Mr. T. R. Jones submitted a letter from Mr. F. W. Whitman, of Annapolis, in reference to special prizes for the Valley exhibition to be held in Kentville in October next. The board decided to offer a special prize of \$100 to Messrs. T. R. Jones and G. B. McGill were appointed a committee to arrange the conditions under which the prize should be given.

The president reported for the committee appointed at the January meeting in reference to the Valley exhibition for 1909. The question was fully discussed, the unanimous opinion being that Middleton should hold an exhibition in the autumn of 1909. A committee was appointed in connection with the matter, composed of the following:—Messrs. T. R. Jones, G. H. Vroom, G. B. McGill, Fred E. Cox, G. M. Moore, J. H. Charlton and Dr. A. P. Reid.

Fred E. Cox submitted correspondence from parties who propose establishing a foundry somewhere in the Maritime provinces.

The question of train and mail accommodations was brought up. The suggestion came from Mr. W. C. Parker that petitions be circulated from Kentville to Annapolis, asking the government to provide a double daily mail west of Kentville, the same as is enjoyed east of Kentville. A committee consisting of Messrs. C. E. Julien, A. J. Morrison, W. C. Parker, G. W. Andrews, and F. E. Bentley was appointed to take the matter up with the towns and villages from Kentville to Annapolis.

#### LIGHTNING SHATTERED THE WINDOW.

A Sackville woman, Mrs. John L. Wry, had a very narrow escape from death on Friday evening last when a shaft of lightning struck the sash of a window at which she was sewing. Fortunately, she was not injured though naturally the shock sustained was great and necessitated the calling of a physician. Mrs. Wry was sitting near a window in the front of her home in Bowser avenue, working at a sewing machine, when the lightning struck the woodwork at the side. The sash was broken, several shingles were torn from their places on the wall, and the curtains about the interior of the window were set on fire. The narrowness of Mrs. Wry's escape from being struck may be judged from the fact that the blouse which she had been sewing on the machine was also set on fire and almost entirely burned before it was put out.

So far as is known this is the only case of damage done by the lightning of Friday in this vicinity.—Tri-bune.