

FELL HEAD UPON HER MOTHER'S GRAVE.

Tragic Death of Mrs. John Gillespie--Hillsboro Bridge Will Not be Ready This Year

--Lots of Lively News From P. E. I.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., July 13.—After a long period of inactivity work has at last resumed on the Hillsborough bridge. Up to the present the bulk of work has been applied to the filling in of the approaches on both sides. For the latter 150,000 cubic yards of gravel and rock are required. At first it was thought that the mud excavated by the dredge would serve the purpose, but this was found to be too soft, and a hill by the railway near St. Dunstan's College has been secured. A track has already been laid and the clay is being loaded by a steam shovel. There is small prospect of the bridge being ready for traffic this fall.

A consolidated school has been started in Tryon. This is one of the five rural schools to be started in East Prince by Sir William MacDonald. Three districts will be amalgamated and the pupils will be housed in vans. The school is of good land, and well situated, having been secured for school grounds.

Our militia have broken camp after perhaps the most pleasant two weeks' camp ever experienced here. Band music and athletic contests blended with the sterner demands of military discipline. A pleasing event was the presentation of a address and the purchase of a gold to Sergeant Instructor Hessian by No. 6 Company, Fourth Regiment C. A.

Robert Barlow of Wellington made heroic efforts to commit suicide a few days ago. First he jumped into a mill pond, but being rescued there, he attempted to cut his throat with a razor. Barlow is in the insane asylum.

About 1,000 cheese were sold here this week at the cheese board meeting for 7-12 cents.

Recent deaths in P. E. Island include: Margaret McKinnon of Glenora, aged 86; Benj. Perry of Tryon, aged 86; Loretta Campbell of Malbone Road, aged 74; Mrs. H. B. McKay of Clifton; Mrs. Malcolm Beaton of Hunter River; Mrs. John Wyand of Cavendish Road, aged 89; Mrs. P. Doucet of New Glasgow, aged 82; Mrs. Andrew C. Crosby of Bonshaw, aged 78; Mary A. O'Keefe of Avondale, aged 40; Mrs. Daniel Frizell of Cornwall, aged 31; Mrs. Nelson M. Clarke of Cape Traverse, aged 82; and the death of Wm. Campbell of St. View.

Changes in the Charlottetown ministry continue. On Sunday last Rev. Wm. Williams, who was appointed to succeed his resignation. He will locate in New York. Rev. T. H. Hunt of St. Peter's Episcopal church has accepted a lectureship of Hebrew and divinity in New York. Rev. J. H. Hunt of St. Peter's Episcopal church has accepted a lectureship of Hebrew and divinity in New York.

The remains of the late Mrs. John Gillespie of Appleton were interred at Bonshaw this week. Deceased had gone to Boston about a week previous to visit some of her family, and while with her son in the cemetery where his mother was interred, she suddenly dropped dead upon the grave. The remains were brought home last seven days after Mrs. Gillespie had left the island. She leaves a husband and two children.

The provincial department of agriculture had engaged J. C. Ready of Rosetta, Ont., as successor to Prof. E. J. MacMillan on our experimental farm. Mr. Ready, a graduate of Macpherson Agricultural College, and was connected last summer with the Farmers' Advocate of Winnipeg. Mr. MacMillan sailed for England, and from thence he will sail for South Africa. Mr. Miller upon his duties in connection with the agricultural department of the Orange Free States.

The remains of the late Mr. Geo. A. Hardy, whose death took place in Labrador, were interred at his home in Alberton last week. Annie Webster, daughter of Charles Webster, of Charlottetown, has graduated as nurse from St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford, Mass. Hers was a very brilliant course. The first batch of lobster fry consisting of 50,000,000 has been distributed from the new lobster hatchery at Blockhouse Point, near Charlottetown. The capacity of the hatchery is 200,000,000 and if only one-tenth came to maturity it will far exceed the number taken by the factories here in one season.

At the annual meeting of the Souris Tenth Club the following officers were elected: Commodore, Capt. Dominic McDonald; vice, Capt. Jackson; secretary, A. R. McDonald; sec.-treas. Dr. J. C. Hantrouff. It was decided to hold the next meeting on July 27th.

Recent results on July 27th. In this province include Elmer E. Taylor and Fannie Simpson, both of Hamilton; Howard Mountain and Mary E. McGonigan, both of Hamilton; George Riley and Mattie MacLeod, both of Lunenburg; John Gilmore Jardine of Lunenburg; Florence McLean of Alexander; Edward Matthews and Lizzie Hinton, both of Summerside; David J. Lowe and Mary J. Stymont, both of Murray River; Harry Butler and Jessie F. Reynolds, both of Montserrat; W. W. Doch-



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WESTMORLAND S. S. CONVENTION.

Session Was Very Satisfactory--Officers and Committees Chosen.

The Westmorland county Sunday school convention held at Pt. de Bute July 13 and 14 was fairly well attended. The register shows the names of 40 ministers, five county and parish officers, five S. S. officers, seven teachers and five visitors, making a total attendance of twenty-six. Though the delegates were few in number the convention was a very instructive and beneficial one to all. One of the most interesting features was the first appearance at a county convention of the Rev. J. B. Ganong, who succeeds the Rev. A. Lucas as field secretary. Everyone was impressed by his earnestness and energy and felt that under his guidance Sunday school work will grow.

James H. Welch, aged 14, son of Capt. James H. Welch of Summerside, had the ball of one eye badly injured by a piece of kindling a few days ago. It is feared that he will lose the eye.

Mrs. Ernest L. Powers of Worcester, Mass., who has been visiting her brother, Wallace M. Campbell of Montserrat, received a telegram stating that her husband had been killed by a firework at Scarborough, N. S.

In the absence of Miss McDougall, Miss Laura Colpitts very efficiently filled the office of secretary. Rev. G. A. Steele, Sackville, gave an address on Qualifications and Responsibilities of the Superintendent. He should be a Christian and a student of the Bible. He should have some idea of the day school, so as to systematically conduct the Sunday school. Rev. D. Hutchison spoke on the Importance and Mission of the S. S. It is very important that a good foundation be laid when the child is young. S. S. work deals with human life in its most important stage. It is an evangelizing agency, an educational force, and a character builder. A paper on Importance of Temperance was read by Mr. Flockton of Summerside. Among our Sunday school workers in this province, and never was he happier than when living in his cozy bungalow at Bay Fortune. Mr. Flockton was an actor high in his profession. Henry McAleer, Frank Collins and Wm. McGaugh have each been fined \$20 for breaches of the prohibitory law.

Hon. John Aldous died at his home at Bridgetown last Friday, aged 88. Deceased belonged to England and came to this country about fifty years ago, where for a long time he held the position of surveyor general of crown lands. He resided for a time at Kentville, N. S. He travelled extensively, but retired from public life a number of years ago.

A big rush has taken place in this province and Old Home Week has proved a decided success. Among our visitors are Rev. Dr. Bernard McDonald of Little Pond, returning from Rome; Fred Morris of Montreal; Laura Hodgson of Grand Rapids, to visit her parents in Charlottetown; Mabel LePage of Woodstock, to visit friends here; Roy Baird of Sussex; W. H. Demas of North Dakota, to visit his old home at New Glasgow; Capt. Stephen Purdy of Charlottetown, to visit his parents in Charlottetown; and Mrs. Ritchie of Fredericton; Sister St. Alfred and companion of the Congregation of St. Joseph and St. Paul, Minn., on a visit to the former's father, Hon. R. B. Ritchie of Alberton; Rev. Dr. Wm. Whiston to visit their former parishioners in Charlottetown; Leonard and Ethel Reid, to spend their holidays at their home here, the former has just returned from an eight months tour through France, and the Mediterranean; B. L. Deacon, barrister of Winnipeg, to visit his home in Freetown. Those leaving the province include: Rev. B. Murphy, principal of the Malbone school, for North Dakota; Peter McDonald, returning to Seattle; Rev. Richard Ople and family, going to Bathurst; W. H. and Mrs. Aitken to St. Louis; Marion Wathen, principal of the Charlottetown kindergarten, to spend her holidays in Harcourt; Omas McDonald and Edward McDonald, gunner and boatswain of cruiser Kingfisher, to Scotland to join the new government cruiser Canada; Edith Dutcher of St. Paul's kindergarten, to visit friends in Yarmouth, N. S.

The following is a list of the office bearers of the ensuing year for the county of Westmorland S. S. Association: President--Howard Trueman. Vice-president, Chas. E. Knapp. Secretary, Rev. Dr. Wm. Whiston. Supt. home department--Geo. J. Oulton. Supt. temperance department--J. V. Jackson. Supt. primary department--Mrs. P. S. Enman. Supt. I. B. R. A.--Rev. D. Hutchison.

The following are the vice-presidents for the different parishes: Moncton--Jackson Steeves, Salisbury--Mr. Smith, Dorchester--Mr. R. Dobson, Shediac--Mrs. McDougall, Sackville--R. D. Ward, Bay Verte--Nelson Goodwin, Pt. de Bute--Wm. Tingley, Botsford--J. R. Taylor.

Additional executive--Albert Colpitts. A cross-examination of the work of the late field secretary, also cordially welcomed Rev. J. B. Ganong as our new field secretary and trusted rich blessing may rest on him and his labors, also thanks to friends of Sunday school, and to the committee of the late field secretary, also cordially welcomed Rev. J. B. Ganong as our new field secretary and trusted rich blessing may rest on him and his labors, also thanks to friends of Sunday school, and to the committee of the late field secretary.

Lightship Damaged. VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., July 17.—The Old Dominion, Boston for New York, which passed here this afternoon, reported that the Pollock Rip lightship was damaged by collision with some unknown vessel during the thick fog last night and is leaking badly. The captain of the lightship asked that the lighthouse department officials at Woods Hole be notified, and this was done. It is probable that the lightship will be sent out to the lightship tonight.

Madge--What luck did you have at the races? Dolly--None at all. Not one of the horses with a pretty name won.--Town Topics.

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LOTS OF GOOD ENGINEERS.

The G. T. P. People Have No Excuse For Going Outside of Canada.

St. John Men Mentioned Among Those Who Are Fully Qualified For Positions on the New Road.

According to the declarations made before Judge Winchester at the Toronto City Hall a few days ago, in his continued investigation into the employment of United States instead of Canadian engineers on the Grand Trunk Pacific, the capacity and availability of the Canadians was fully proved. It was pointed out by leading authorities that Canadian engineers are more thorough than American; that plenty of men are available, and that even in the room where the argument was going on were competent engineers on the Grand Trunk Pacific. The sentiment of that session of the enquiry was that Canadians should carry out all their own public works.

For the Canadian government, H. M. Mowat, K. C., questioned the witnesses, while W. H. Biggar, retained by the Grand Trunk Pacific, contented himself with very few questions in cross-examination. W. T. Jennings, a prominent engineer, the first witness, told the court that he has had thirty-five years' experience, largely in railways, and that he was a past president of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers. In answer to a question in reference to the qualifications and availability of Canadian engineers for the work of the G. T. P., Mr. Jennings said: "My own opinion in connection with the whole matter is that there is not the slightest necessity to go outside of Canada for any officer of any degree from the highest to the lowest, for work connected with that railway, or, indeed, any other such work in the country, hydraulic, electrical, or mechanical. If we have not men occasionally fully qualified with experience in every detail, we have those who are able to get opinions to assist them further. But every work can be done and ought to be done, by Canadians, as far as our state undertakings are concerned." There was applause in the room when Mr. Jennings ceased speaking.

"Mr. Stevens says he endeavored to get Canadians," observed Mr. Mowat. "I don't know the gentleman," was the reply. Mr. Mowat then asked him to take the usual vehicle for obtaining such assistance. "What would you say is the ordinary vehicle?" "If this was to be a work carried on through the state department at Ottawa, it should come from the chief engineer, Mr. Schreiber, or his assistants. If it was to be carried on by the railway undertaking, it should come from the president or manager or other responsible officer of the company. Mr. Stevens should have been put in touch with the first C. P. B. and the assisting him in the object he desires--to get engineers."

The Canadian Society of Engineers, said Mr. Jennings, was the third engineering organization in the world to be understood," said Mr. Mowat. "that if you wanted to get experienced engineers, you would have applied first to the Canadian Society of Engineers." "Yes," Mr. Mowat asked for their list. And then, in this instance, I should have asked the assistance of C. Schreiber and of Sir Sandford Fleming and some of the older men who carried through the first C. P. B. and the surveys and works connected with that undertaking.

"What is the character and reputation, among engineers, of those first surveys and works?" "I have heard from American engineers that there was never better work done anywhere, from the first surveys to the end of the work." "Some of the men who carried out that work Mr. Jennings believed were available. "Out of the nine chiefs of staff appointed on the G. T. P.," said Mr. Mowat, "eight are from the United States and one is Canadian. The mission. None of those that have had previous experience in the northern part of Canada. What is your opinion of the relative advantages of engineers experienced in the rough north country, and those who have not such experience?" "Allowing equal ability, a man conversant with the Northwest and its conditions would certainly do the work better." "IT'S A LIE!"

Then came a little breeze. Mr. Mowat was reading an extract from "The Cleveland Plain Dealer on the topic of Canada for the Canadians from the American point of view. In the course of the article it said, "Americans taught them all they know about engineering." Mr. Marshall, one of the Canadian engineers present in the room. "There is a gentleman who seems to dissent," observed Mr. Mowat. "A cross-examination of the witness was undertaken by W. H. Biggar for the G. T. P., with the object of establishing that Canadian engineers were not available for the work. It was a fact that the C. P. R. were not in trouble for want of engineers at Winnipeg. Mr. Jennings' answer was: "They can get them right here in this room if they want them."

"Do you find Canadian engineers equal in ability to Americans?" "Certainly," they are trained more thoroughly than we, and the reply, "Taking them all through, my experi-

ence is that they are better, and the evidence for it is that there are hundreds of our men in the States today." "Are the United States men in any way better qualified than Canadians?" pursued the judge. "Some of the superior engineers, by reason of their contact in New York with numerous new undertakings, which naturally know the latest things being done. But that is not the theory of engineering. As a class of scientific engineers, I think ours are as good as any to be found anywhere."

Similar statements were made by Mr. Jennings regarding topographers, district engineers, etc. Asked the direct question, he said that he would have considered the matter, had the offer of chief engineer of the G. T. P. been offered him 18 months ago. Requested to mention the names of Canadian engineers he knew who were qualified for the position of superintendent engineer, Mr. Jennings said he did not like to mention the names, as there were many. He mentioned D. Lumden, McCleod, J. M. Shanley, E. H. Keating.

At the close of Mr. Jennings' examination his honor introduced a side issue, asking his opinion of the desirability of having at the head of a railway undertaking "a man sworn to be under the influence of liquor." "I should say it was very bad," said the witness. "Such a man should not be in charge for a moment?" suggested the judge. "Well, that would be my impression."

William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern, was then called. So far as general arguments went, his evidence, as given by Mr. Mackenzie, was that he had no difficulty in engaging engineers for the Canadian Northern. "Do you employ engineers from the United States?" "Mr. Mackenzie--I don't know that there is a single engineer in our works from the States."

The judge repeated his question about two weeks ago. "I received a reply in somewhat similar terms. Mr. Jennings' examination proved much the longest of the morning. Mr. Mowat, who was called to the stand, had been at one time asked by Mr. Stevens if he was available for one of the five district engineers, but though he left his address with Mr. Stevens, he did not hear until he was informed that the place had been filled. Later on he was offered a division, but at that time he had a more profitable position. The witness mentioned that he had been at one time asked by Mr. Stevens if he was available for one of the five district engineers, but though he left his address with Mr. Stevens, he did not hear until he was informed that the place had been filled. Later on he was offered a division, but at that time he had a more profitable position. 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