

SATURATED WITH CRIME.

UNPARALLELED ATROCITIES HAVE BEEN COMMITTED IN

Guyaboro County, Nova Scotia—Vessels Burned or Sunk; Buildings, Public and Private, Given to the Flames—Lighthouses Threatened.

The eastern end of Nova Scotia seems to be inhabited by a very undesirable element who escapees would furnish material for a Clark Russell or a Capt. Murrat for a lifetime. Last week Otto N. Felmate, Perry Munro and Arthur Munro were sentenced to the penitentiary for scuttling the schooner Juniver and this opened a chapter of the most startling and horrible crimes, of arson, conspiracy and attempt to murder by people who occupy prominent places in the county of Guyaboro.

The information appears to have been obtained from Mrs. Melinda Munro, who is the mother of the two Munros sentenced for the scuttling. What premises the authorities have brought to bear upon her to induce these confessions is not told, but it certainly must have been Friday, as on Friday last she charged her brother, Enos J. Munro, collector of customs at Whitehead, with setting fire to the government buildings at Whitehead. On this information he was arrested and warrants sworn out for Cranwick and Howard Munro for the same offense.

The Halifax Chronicle yesterday morning contained the following further particulars of the case: "Otto N. F. mate, Perry Munro and Arthur Munro are to leave tomorrow for Dorchester prison, under the supervision of Maguire and a posse of police. When notified this evening to be ready they were much crestfallen, as they had some expectation of a revision of the verdict and a trial on account of points raised in court by their counsel, that is so far as Felmate and Perry Munro are concerned.

"The sheriff has learned of a plot by which the prisoners had decided upon an attempt to break jail. Two means were offered \$100 each to cut away the door in the rear part of the jail, when the prisoners were to make the dash for liberty. The man who was offered the bribe informed the sheriff and every precaution was taken to prevent escape.

"Tonight Sheriff Maguire armed two special patrol men. An examination by the sheriff of the jail revealed that the prisoners had cut away part of the interior of the wall. The men were informed that the scheme was arranged by the prisoners' own mother.

"Constables have been sent after Cranwick and Howard Munro, who, with Enos Munro, will be examined tomorrow.

"Mr. Mackinnon, crown counsel, has given the sheriff instructions for the exercise of special vigilance.

"Tonight there is no occasion as regards the interest being taken in the case, due to the continued unfolding of many crimes, making the whole one of the most interesting that has ever occurred in this county."

The Halifax Herald sent a man to Whitehead and he collected the following list of horrible instances of lawlessness: Whitehead is rather a pretty place. The houses are well kept. The stories laid here of fire and shipwreck are unprecedented in almost any other quarter of the globe. There are many respectable people in Whitehead, but through the actions of a lawless element it has been designated by other residents of Guyaboro county as Pirates' Cove, whether deservedly or not can be judged from the long list of events which would give much larger places than Whitehead an unenviable reputation. The trial of the recent scuttling case has brought to light many new offenses of a very serious nature. Schooners have been wilfully set to the bottom by bandits. The torch has been applied, and in many instances persons were obliged to beat a speedy retreat from the locality, fearing bodily harm. Frequently a keeper of the light has been compelled to leave his post, and loaded rifles beside him in bed, ready to resist an attack from masked men. Many a time the lighthouse man has passed sleepless nights, momentarily expecting a leaden ball to crash through the light.

The fire brand has been kept busy and the sea has claimed many vessels sent to the bottom by the scuttler's hands. The record is an alarming one and it is less than a year since a schooner called the Bonnie Doon. Her gallant captain was Abner Munro, one of the informers in the scuttling case tried last week, and one who admitted having taken an active part in the scuttling affair. The Bonnie Doon was lost off Whitehead and was well insured in a Halifax office. It was reported that she had sprang a leak and foundered. A peculiar thing about the case was that the vessel was brought home. The schooner Welsh also came to grief off Whitehead.

The plundering and wrecking of the schooner Union Star was another case which the residents of Whitehead will long remember. On one occasion a fine new sail boat belonging to the keeper of the light house at Whitehead was stolen and taken up the bay, and wilfully sunk in eleven fathoms of water. At another time a large schooner was wrecked on the ledge of Whitehead. She was owned by a resident of the village. The vessel was reported as lost by the peril of the sea, and a claim filed for a large sum of insurance which was paid. Melinda Munro testified Saturday evening that the vessel was wilfully cast away to get the insurance.

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barn owned by George Munro, cremating the contents, including a horse, many boxes hay and vehicles. The name of the man who committed the deed will be given to the public soon, the matter being at present under consideration. The next to fall prey to the incendiary's hands was the barn belonging to W. S. Harris, postmaster. Fire burst out at present under consideration. It was proven that a fire bug was at work, yet the culprit escaped apprehension. The barn of the Otto Felmate, who was convicted of scuttling, was also burned down and claims forwarded to the insurance company at Halifax for \$1500. The money was handed over to Felmate. It was stated at the time that it was a case where those awful rats had again got hold of the market.

The destruction by fire of John Handebee's house, was another wilful act. Arthur Munro gave the name of the man who fired the structure. He saved him to the spot and waited until the fire bug's return. Oil and matches did the work. Munro has made a written statement under oath giving full particulars, including the name of the man who applied the torch.

The incendiary also razed to the ground the store house of John George. The name of the man who it is alleged did the business was furnished to the crown. There was no insurance. The barn of Daniel George shared a similar fate. A large quantity of lobsters were stolen before the flames showed themselves. The destruction of the barn was clearly the work of an incendiary.

The barn of Levi Munro, including its contents was burned up last fall, the perpetrator of the crime selecting the midnight hour as the time for his deed. There was no insurance, being another case where a neighbor's hatred got the better hand of him.

The burning of the Dominion buildings at Whitehead has already been referred to. Those charged with this offense will be examined tomorrow. The informant is Mr. Hugh Munro. She alleges she has been interfered with. She has been approached by several persons asking her not to press the charges against the accused, intimating that if she refused, she would be the next.

The constable entrusted with the execution of the warrants against Cranwick, Howard and Enos Munro, did not go after the accused, nor has he made any return to His Majesty's Davison. This matter will be brought before the court, as it is contended that great stress is being brought to bear from some unknown yet influential source to prevent the case from coming to trial.

Arthur Munro has furnished a most sensational story regarding the attempt made to murder the keeper of the Whitehead light. He overheard the conspiracy to kill the keeper. His wife can also give important testimony and also several other persons.

The burning of the buildings would, it was expected, attract the keeper from his light, and the place might be left a desolation. The man, who it was intended to murder, did not leave his isolated home. Had he, he would have been killed with bullets, armed with a saw and a dynamite. The man who it was intended to murder, did not leave his isolated home. Had he, he would have been killed with bullets, armed with a saw and a dynamite.

A few months ago a clergyman had to leave town. He made some remarks concerning scuttling that had happened within the limits of Whitehead. For this it was made so uncomfortable for him that he was obliged to leave. He stopped with Postmaster Harris the night his barn was destroyed with fire and head of cattle. The clergyman had been threatened before this, and he considered it prudent to remove after the blaze to another clime.

On one occasion a horse belonging to William Munro was found near the owner's stable with an axe embedded in its stomach. Wrecks of vessels belonging to residents of Whitehead have been frequent and in all cases the ships were well insured. The list of casualties caused by the fire is a long one. The price at which the vessel was sold under the hammer was \$1500.

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NEWS FROM HALIFAX.

DOMINION ATLANTIC RAILWAYS SAFE BLOWN OPEN

And a Hundred Dollars Stolen—Two Weddings—The Halifax City Not Coming Here This Trip—Halifax Men Who Are With Regiments in the Transvaal.

HALIFAX, Oct. 10.—The Liverpool regiment is at the Transvaal and among the men are three Halifaxians, including Thomas Adams, son of John Adams, of the Queen Hotel. The trio of Halifax men on this station five years ago. Mr. Adams yesterday received a letter from his son, who stated that the Liverpool regiment had been at Cape Town, but previous to date of letter, August 27, had been ordered to Ladysmith camp, where there were then 9000 troops, all equipped. Young Adams, who joined when he was 16 or 17, as a drummer, thought there would be war, and that Liverpool regiment would be one of the first to go to the front.

At noon today at the Pines, on the Northwest Arm, Marie Louise Trennam, daughter of Dr. Thomas Trennam, city medical officer, and Dr. Hugh L. Dickey, of Charlottetown, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Nicholson, of New Glasgow. The bride was attended by Miss Jean of Gloucester Bay, while Edwina Dickey, brother of the groom, was best man.

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A MILLIONAIRE INVENTOR. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., Has Perfected an Important Attachment for Locomotives.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., who has just perfected an invention that facilitates the removal of the firebox from an engine and thereby reduces materially the cleaning of this important part of a locomotive, as well as expediting the work considerably, has always shown a great aptitude for mechanical work.

Despite his wealth, he has gone into the shops and, clad in jumpers, has worked at the machinery like an ordinary laborer. He asked for no special privileges, and has quietly accepted office discipline and been regular in his work.

Undaunted, however, he went ahead. When he left school he came to New York and went into the office of the superintendent of motive power and rolling stock as a draftsman, and continued to hammer away at his plans. He did his work faithfully, and asked no special privileges and received none.

When he felt that he had his plan in shape he asked that an engine be built along the lines he suggested. The engine was built in Albany, and he was in and is now in use daily on the Mohawk division. It runs well, steams well, hauls well, and is a great success.

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MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

Woman Enticed Into a Wood and Wilfully Killed.

LOWELL, Mass., Oct. 10.—In a little strip of woodland on the banks of the Merrimack river, in one of the most unfrequented districts of the city, one of the most cruel and coldblooded murders was committed early this morning. The victim is Mrs. Fannie Boyd and her assailant is still at large. The crime had been executed but little more than an hour when the police throughout the city were at work on clues furnished by Mr. Joseph Bridgford, who lives a short distance from the scene of the tragedy.

Mr. Bridgford says he was awakened about 11:45 o'clock by loud talking in front of his house and looking out saw a woman and man engaged in conversation. He heard the man say: "Come on," and the woman reply, "Not that way."

The couple then walked up the road, when Mr. Bridgford discovered a man riding behind a tree jump out and prepare to follow the couple. Mr. Bridgford called to the man to halt, and pointing a revolver at him, demanded to know what was his purpose in listening.

"I am an officer," the murderer replied, and with that he took away. He was joined by two other men further up the road. All then disappeared from view, and a few moments later Mr. Bridgford started up screams of "My God you've done it!" The sentence was uttered by a person who was evidently being strangled. In a short time Mr. Bridgford called at the woman's side and found her dead. Mr. Bridgford, who was walking in the direction of the city. As they reached a lamp post nearly opposite her house, one held out his hand and said: "It's five minutes to one; it is an open face." She could not obtain a good view of their faces.

TO RELIEVE THE MONEY MARKET.

The United States Will Anticipate Interest Payments.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Assistant Secretary Vandenberg has decided to anticipate the interest for the entire fiscal year, the period ending with July 1, 1900. The interest due November 1st will be paid in full without discount, but if the holders of bonds want to take advantage of the offer to anticipate interest due at subsequent dates, a discount at the rate of two-tenths of one per cent. per month will be exacted. The amount of interest due from now until the end of the fiscal year is about \$30,000,000. The prepayment of this amount will, it is believed, be a relief of much importance to the present financial money situation; while, on the other hand, the discount will be a saving of a large amount to the government.

The treasury is in a position to advance these interest payments without the least embarrassment. The interest due Nov. 1 is made up of the three per cent. loan of 1898, the 5's of 1904 and the 4's of 1925. There is \$1,600,000 coupon interest, which will be payable on the 1st of November. Oct. 13, 1904 and 1925 do not come until the 15th. The checks for the interest on the 1904 and 1925 bonds will be mailed Oct. 25, and the checks for the interest on the registered 3's will be mailed Oct. 23. The total prepayment of November interest is \$4,363,344.

Wants a Rehearing.

New York, Oct. 10.—The application of Captain Frederick Watkins, formerly of the American liner Paris, for a rehearing of the investigation of the burning of the wreck of the vessel at the Cornish coast of England, which cost him his life, might have been obtained from the U. S. board of inspectors of steam vessels, said today has not as yet been acted upon. In case the application is granted, Mr. Starbuck said, the hearing of Captain Watkins' statement will be held next week. Capt. Watkins claims that his license was revoked on meagre testimony which he can explain away.

Possibilities of Telephotography.

Not only does this apply to mountain subjects but to many others alike. What remarkable pictures of the naval battle of Santiago, the chase of the Christel Colon, or the gallant rescue of the despairing Spaniards from the burning of the battle-ship New York, with a lens of this description even at long range, believe it will be an inestimable value for the purpose of securing views of the batteries and fortifications of an enemy's harbor, which might be done at a distance from the gunnery. [From "Telephotography," by Dwight L. Edmunds, in the October Scribner's.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Some Interesting Contests Yesterday in Westmorland—Conservative in Dorchester Parish Turned Down.

MONCTON, Oct. 10.—Considerable interest was manifested in the municipal elections in this county today. In Moncton parish Richard, Lutz and Thos. Hennessey were elected, the figures being: Hennessey, 410; Lutz, 399; B. A. Dutz, 204; David Garland, 158.

In Salisbury parish the old councillors, Kay and Alward, were defeated by Carter and Fowler, the vote being Fowler, 283; Carter, 271; Alward, 249; Kay, 233. In Shediac the vote stood 791; Bellevue, 702, and A. T. Leblanc, 235. In Dorchester it was: LeBlanc, 464; Hickman, 378; Palmer, 228. In Sackville the vote was Campbell,

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