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A PAGE OF NEWS ABOUT THE MARITIME

FARMERS DECIDE TO HAVE TICKET YORK-SUNBURY

Councillor E. M. Stairs Said to be Likely to Receive Nomination on Saturday.

AGREES TO ACCEPT IF HE IS NAMED

Plan to Contest Division Made at a Meeting of the U. F. N. B. Executive.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 15.—A definite announcement is made today by Councillor Douglas H. Clarkson, of Nashwaak village, president of the York County branch of the United Farmers of New Brunswick, that there will be a United Farmers' candidate in the field in the coming federal by-election in York-Sunbury. Councillor Clarkson said that this had been decided at a meeting of the executive and that the convention of the United Farmers of York and Sunbury counties would be held, as originally intended, next Saturday.

Favor E. M. Stairs.

Councillor Clarkson said that ex-Warden Ernest M. Stairs, of South-ampson, was favored by the executive as the farmer candidate and Councillor Stairs later said he would accept the nomination, although he said he would prefer that somebody else was chosen. Coun. Stairs was a member of the United Farmers' ticket who lost their deposits in York county in the provincial general elections last October. Ex-Warden Frank Brooks, of South-ampson, is also mentioned as a probable farmer candidate.

Campobello

Campobello, Feb. 15.—The ladies of the Baptist congregation held their monthly Missionary Aid Society meeting on Wednesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Bruce Finch, one of their members and held a very successful meeting. The society has a membership of about twenty-five and meet regularly on Tuesday evening in a whist party was held in the public library. Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season put a stop to all social gatherings except those in connection with the church benefits.

On Thursday afternoon the W. A. Society met at the home of Mrs. Roberta Galley and spent a very enjoyable afternoon and evening, the event being the 90th birthday of the hostess. A bountiful tea and refreshments at the close brought the anniversary to an end, all wishing the hostess many returns of the day.

The young folk met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Newman and held a very pleasant surprise party.

Edmund McDonald To Be Tried By Jury

One Charge Against Accused Will be Investigated Next Monday.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 15.—Seven witnesses were examined in the police court yesterday afternoon in the preliminary hearing of the cases against Edmund W. McDonald, of Venceboro, Me., who elected to be tried before a jury on the third Tuesday of March. The first charge against him, that of being in possession of 243 bottles of liquor, knowing it to have been stolen from the C. P. R. while in transit from Montreal to St. John, was commenced and finally adjourned until Monday, Feb. 21.

Used An Interpreter. The services of an interpreter were found necessary in the case of one witness from Montreal, whose knowledge of English was very scant; car checkers, seal inspectors and other C. P. R. officials were the witnesses.

The case against Mrs. Annie Clarkson, of McAdam, N. B., at whose home McDonald was arrested and who is charged with the same offence, was stood over for a week on account of her serious illness. They were both remanded to jail for a week. The prohibition charge against McDonald was also stood over for a week.

Veteran Printer Is Dead At Fredericton

George P. Barrett, Who Held Imperial Service Medal, Passes Away at Age of 88.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 15.—George P. Barrett, dean of the printing trade in Fredericton, and one of the oldest printers in New Brunswick, died at an early hour this morning at the home of his niece, Mrs. B. C. Foster, from pneumonia. He was in his 88th year, having been born in June 1833 and had spent his whole life in the printing trade here in connection with the publication of the New Brunswick Royal Gazette. His experience in the office of the Queen's Printer, where the Royal Gazette was then printed, dated back to before 1858, when the first power press was put into operation in the office.

Retired in 1903.

He continued his connection with the printing trade until 1909 when he retired. He entered the Royal Gazette office when the late John Simpson was Queen's Printer and afterwards with the late H. G. Penney, when he was Queen's Printer and when the Herald Printing Co. took over the publication of the Royal Gazette he went along to that office. About fifteen years ago he was presented with an Imperial Service Medal in recognition of his long public services.

Charles E. Neill, general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, is a nephew.



When old man Eversole's horse started running away — 17

Public Works Dept. Spends \$20,455,495

Over Four Million Dollars Was Charged to War Appropriations in Annual Report.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—A total expenditure of \$20,455,495 was incurred by the department of public works on construction, maintenance and operation during the year ending March 31, 1920. Of this amount approximately \$4,300,000 was charged to war appropriation. Some of the expenditures which went to make up the total amount paid out were as follows: Harbor and river works, \$4,320,580; dredging plant, etc., \$1,205,485; slides and booms, \$33,338; roads and bridges, \$22,857; public buildings, \$8,442,124; telegraphs, \$88,736; miscellaneous, \$1,023,135.

Fishing Activities Around Shippegan

New Company Organized to Open up Freezing and Curing Plant.

Special to The Standard. Shippegan, Feb. 15.—Our fish merchants are hard at work taking in their supply of ice. It will take about 5,000 tons to fill our four ice houses. It is reported that a strong fishing company has lately bought the old Dog-fish reduction Stand and plant which has remained closed for a number of years and will transform it into a first class freezer and fish curing establishment. This means progress for Shippegan.

The smelt fishing was fair up to this date and prices paid for them also fairly good.

Low prices for cod fish and high price for labor was the reason that many of the fishing schooners were idle last summer, but now that wages are down our good fishermen will return to their lines again.

Fredericton

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 15.—A resident of Fredericton was arrested here last night by the police on a warrant issued upwards of a year ago in New-castle, charging him with embezzlement from Fraser Company's Ltd. He has since been in the United States. He will be taken to Newcastle on Wednesday morning.

R. B. Hanson, K. C., W. R. Caldwell and J. T. Lockhill will go to Ottawa this week to present the claims of Fredericton in regard to locating a portion of the permanent forces of Canada in this city. The York Commercial Club, the Board of Trade and the City Council are acting in the matter.

The Commercial Club has invited it. F. Armstrong, Woodstock town manager, to address the club next week. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzandolph, Miss Constance Fitzandolph, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gregory and Miss Hilda Gregory will leave Fredericton on Thursday for New York where they will take steamer for France.

The building at the corner of Carleton and Brunswick streets, formerly known as the Church Hall, is now to become a modern cabaret.

The building was purchased, it is said, for \$8,500, by Harry Gibson, O. Guy Hornacastle and Edward C. Armstrong, returned soldiers. Mr. W. W. Fenney bought it about a year ago for about \$5,000.

DIES OF SLEEPING SICKNESS. Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 15.—Geo. T. Lippincott, wealthy banker died here last night of sleeping sickness. He was taken ill while on his yacht in Florida waters about a month ago. He was 57 years of age and was one of the largest real estate holders along Atlantic City's famous boardwalk. His fortune is estimated at \$3,000,000.

Mrs. D. W. Sadler Is Dead At Maplevue

Born in St. John 83 Years Ago But Most of Her Days Spent on the Tobique.

Special to The Standard. Andover, Feb. 15.—Mrs. Nancy Sadler, widow of the late Capt. D. W. Sadler, died at her home, Maplevue, Victoria county, N. B., on Sunday, at the ripe age of 83 years. She has been ailing for about a year. She leaves to mourn their loss four sons, F. D. of Perth; Frederick W. and William, at home; George W. in Vancouver; also two daughters, Mrs. Geo. T. Baird, of Andover, widow of the late Senator Baird, and Mrs. James H. King, of Victoria, B. C., wife of the Minister of Public Works for British Columbia. Mrs. Sadler was one of the most respected and eldest settlers on the Tobique River. Together with her husband they moved from St. John to Maplevue 45 years ago.

Nova Scotia Member Asks About Gov't Ships

William Duff of Lunenburg Inquiring in Commons About Vessels Building on Pacific.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—William Duff, Lunenburg, N. S., has filed resolutions for Wednesday asking exhaustive information on the Government's ship-building activities. Mr. Duff wants to know the number of steel ships being built in Prince Rupert and Vancouver, and the number of wooden ships in Victoria. He is also asking information as to the names of the Canadian Government merchant marine ships entered at the port of Montreal since May, 1918, and whether or not the Government has let a contract for the construction of a drydock at Victoria.

Mr. Duff is asking the names of the contractors and the amounts they have received to date, together with the names of all the tenders and the amounts of their tenders.

Charles Expects to Get Throne Back

Copyright 1921, by Public Ledger. Geneva, Feb. 15.—Ex-Empress Charles of Austria, in an autograph letter dated in January, from his castle at Prangins, on Lake Geneva, and addressed to Johann Esersach, prime minister of Hungary and Archbishop of Cran, expressed his belief that the British and French opposition to the restoration of the Hapsburgs of the Hungarian throne has greatly diminished and announces his intention of returning to Budapest in March.

The letter was revealed during the last meeting of the Hungarian Government party by former prime minister Simonyi, who was dismissed from his post last summer. It caused a sensation and led to a crisis within the Budapest Government and the resignation of Premier Count Tolsky.

SMELT FISHING POOR.

Bay Islands, Feb. 15.—The smelt fishing on the harbors here has slackened considerably these past few days. Quite a number of the fishermen, however, report a good season's catch.

Notwithstanding the depression in the fish markets of the world, the lobster packers of these shores have already commenced their usual repacking for the spring season. The outlook for the end, however, is not so present, not very encouraging.

POLICE FIND WEAPONS.

Berlin, Feb. 15.—Acting upon a clue obtained through a recent seizure of arms in Berlin, the police have discovered two thousand rifles and a quantity of ammunition concealed in a building formerly used for military purposes in Strasse.

SIX BURNED TO DEATH IN FIRE NEAR MONCTON

Mrs. Oliver Steeves and Five Children Perish When House is Destroyed.

HUSBAND AT WORK IN BARN AT TIME

Outbreak May Have Been Due to Saucer of Grease Used as a Lamp.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 15.—In a fire which destroyed their home at Niagara road, 3 1/2 miles from Moncton, this morning, Mrs. Oliver Steeves, five daughters, two daughters and three sons were burned to death. The daughters were Hazel, aged 16, and Beatrice, aged 13; the sons were: Wetmore, aged 7; Emmerson, aged 6 to 7, and Gelsue, aged 2 years.

Everyone Perished.

All those who were occupants of the house when the fire started perished. There are three survivors, members of the family, Curtis and Orley, employed in Hag's mill, Albert County, and Clara, in Moncton.

O. Gelsue Steeves this morning stated that he arose early, lighted a fire and proceeded to the barn to feed his horses. Mr. Steeves stated that he left one of his daughters, Beatrice, engaged in getting the breakfast.

Heard Wife Call.

A short time afterwards he said he heard his wife calling "the house is on fire," and on looking out of the barn he observed the house in flames. He stated that they had no kerosene oil in the house and he was of the opinion that the fire originated from a saucer containing grease, in which was a wick used by his little daughter Beatrice as an improvised lamp. Other than this he could not understand how the blaze started. Neighbors were soon on hand, but the house was a total loss. It was a frame structure covered with tin.

Thomas F. Seely.

The death occurred yesterday of Thomas F. Seely, one of the oldest and best known residents of central Kings, who passed away at his home in Lower Norton. Mr. Seely was eighty-one years of age and came of Loyalist stock. He is survived by a son Walter Leslie Seely of St. John, and two daughters, Mrs. C. A. Hoyt of Lower Norton and Miss Helen, at home. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.



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