

# Homeless People Suffer Through Delay of Militia Department in Forwarding Tents and Blankets

## Heavy Rain Poured Down Upon Unsheltered Thousands Amid the Ashes of Campbellton—Only Shelter is That Provided by Relief Parties—Intoxicated Men Make Trouble.

## First Complete Story of Fire Written by Town Clerk, Who Passed Through Terrible Experience—Steamers and Shipping Saved Many Lives—Reports of Fatalities Without Foundation.

(Written for The Standard by John Reid, Town Clerk of Campbellton, himself a heavy loser.)  
Campbellton, N. B., July 13.—Practically the whole town now lies a smouldering mass of ruins as a result of the disastrous fire which started here Monday afternoon. Commencing at Richard's upper mill, the fire spread out in several sections of the town almost simultaneously, and continuing with relentless fury until the whole town was consumed. A tremendous gale was blowing at the time and all efforts of the fire department were useless. Nothing could check the advance of the flames. Just as soon as the firemen had succeeded in playing their hose and getting their streams to their position, until finally even the hose was caught in the vortex of flame and it became a matter of saving lives only. Not more than a couple of dozen buildings remain standing, the most of these being on the windward side of the fire. The others are as follows:—

**Those That Remain.**  
District Supt. Price's residence and the Kelly House, immediately behind it; A. M. Mowats, D. C. Firth's, Mrs. Muthhead's, and F. S. Blair's residences on the hill. The new mill of the Richards Company at Richardsville was about destroyed together with a large quantity of lumber. This mill was nearly two miles away from the town and the timber pile was kindled by a spark. So far as can be ascertained no lives were lost, despite numerous reports to the contrary.



MAYOR MURRAY Who Heads Relief Committee.

The people fled to the open fields at the back of the town and to the wharves taking with them as much of their belongings as they could carry. The steamers Senlac and Canada loaded to capacity and put in the stream during the night. All the tugs were busily engaged in carrying people to the other side of the river. A large crowd on the ferry wharf were rescued in the nick of time just before the coal shed of F. M. Murray took fire. Words fail to express any idea of the awful night of terror. Families got separated and anxious parents were looking for children and some of the men who were walked in by the flames from their homes at the upper end of the town spent a nerve-racking period, until the fire had spent itself sufficiently to allow them to go through.

**Present Situation.**  
Campbellton, July 13.—With the close of the second day's experiences of the effects of the fire, the people are just beginning to realize the awfulness of the situation. The devastation seemed for a time too terrible to grasp. When it is considered that not one store or business place of any kind remains of a bustling town of over five thousand inhabitants, little more need be said. The total loss has been variously estimated at from one and a half to three million dollars. The insurance will probably total a million and a half as near as can be ascertained but there are many cases where the savings of a lifetime have been swept away, not being covered by insurance.  
The work of relief is being carried on as well as possible under the circumstances. Efficient committees have the matter in hand, headed by Mayor Murray and Geo. G. McKenzie. Provisions are being rushed on from all parts of the country as well as contributions of money. The first assistance came from Bathurst, a car-

# MAJOR SENT TO JAIL FOR THREE YEARS

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF LAWRENCE STILL HOLDS OFFICE BEHIND PRISON BARS—CONVICTED ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE.

Salem, Mass., July 13.—With the conviction and sentencing of Mayor William P. Whittem, of Lawrence, and several other residents of that city on conspiracy charges in the superior court here today, the political scandals which have stirred the city of Lawrence for some time past, reached a sensational climax. The confirmation of the conspiracy charges by the board of aldermen of Mayor Whittem's appointment of James A. Hamilton as chief of the Lawrence fire department and of conspiring to secure Hamilton's removal from that position, the mayor was sentenced to serve three years in the Essex county house of correction and to pay a fine of \$1000.  
Samuel Kress was sentenced to two and a half years' imprisonment, Matthew Burns to two years and George D. Smart to a year and a half.  
E. Ernest Dube also convicted was not sentenced, his case being placed on file because he had given evidence for the prosecution.  
The case had been on trial for about two weeks. The jury returned its verdict after being out for a little more than four hours. Thomas Keenan, also indicted in the same case, was found not guilty.  
Mayor White made an impassioned address to the court, declaring that he had been innocent of any wrong intention. Burns spoke in a similar manner while the other convicted men made no statements. Attorney M. L. Sullivan, representing Mayor White, argued for a new trial, but the motion was denied by Judge Schofield on a brief argument.  
Kress, one of the convicted, has previously been convicted of attempted bribery in connection with the same case, but has not yet been sentenced.

**Was "Reform" Mayor.**  
Mayor White, who was elected on a "reform" ticket about two years ago, by the largest majority in the history of the city, and re-elected last year, sent the appointment of Hamilton to the board of aldermen today through the embassy at Rome. The appointment was quickly confirmed. Some time afterwards, charges were made against Hamilton and he is now under indictment for alleged bribery in securing confirmation of his appointment. Charges of bribery began to come thick and fast in Lawrence and at length it was alleged that Mayor White had turned against his appointee and was conspiring with him to secure his removal. The trial of Kress on the attempted bribery charges followed, and then the trial ending today, in which the mayor and his co-defendants were charged with conspiracy to bribe and conspire to oust Hamilton. It is expected that Hamilton will be placed on trial in September. He still holds his position as fire chief.  
Whether Mayor White can continue to hold his office while serving his sentence has not yet been definitely determined. The city authorities have found some fine points of law involved upon which they are seeking the advice of counsel.

**YOUTH DROWNED WHILE BATHING NEAR SHEDIAC**  
Demien Boudreau Got Beyond His Depth And Could Not Reach Shore—Dentists Visit Oil Wells.  
Moncton, July 13.—Damien Boudreau, aged 17, employed at Smith's mill, near Shediac, was drowned while bathing last evening. He could not swim and got beyond his depth. He made an outcry and his companions when they noticed his predicament were unable to render any assistance.  
An oil well was shot at McLatcheys today for the benefit of the visiting dentists. Forty or fifty barrels of oil were thrown 100 feet in the air and the visitors were delighted with what they saw. There was also a good show of gas.

**ARRESTS AT NEWARK IN LYNCHING CASE**  
Newark, Ohio, July 13.—After the arrival today of Assistant Attorney General W. H. Miller, the police made a number of arrests secretly of persons supposed to have been identified with the Etherington lynching. The officers refuse to give out any information concerning arrests. One man known to be in custody is Edward Oakes, bar tender in the saloon of William C. Howard, who was killed by Etherington.

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# BAPTISTS AID CAMPBELLTON

## Practical Sympathy Manifest at Annual Meeting of Association Opened at Sussex.

## Collection Taken for Stricken Church—Large Attendance on First Day of Conference.

Special to The Standard.  
Sussex, July 13.—At the United Baptist convention today reference was made to the great loss sustained by the church at Campbellton. It was moved by the Hon. Geo. E. Foster that a committee of five be appointed to consider the whole situation and report to association at once.  
The following were appointed: Hon. Geo. E. Foster, C. D. Clarke, J. W. Keirstead, Rev. W. R. Robinson and Dr. W. E. McIntyre.  
At the afternoon session practical sympathy was evinced in a resolution submitted on behalf of the committee by the Hon. George E. Foster. It read as follows:—  
"That this association express its most cordial sympathy with the United Baptist church and pastor at Campbellton in their sudden and serious affliction by fire."  
That a special individual money contribution be sent forthwith to the pastor, Rev. S. W. Schurman, to assist him personally in the present distressing circumstances.  
That this association pledge its co-operation financially with the members and adherents of the Campbellton church with a view to retaining the services of their pastor during the present crisis and replacing the lost church edifice.  
That to this end a committee be appointed by the association to ascertain the measure of co-operation and assistance which is required and to take steps to ensure the same.  
That this association recommend that each church within its jurisdiction be asked to exercise its Christian charity and generous instincts by at once collecting as each deems best a substantial offering for the purpose above mentioned.  
That these collections will be forwarded to the treasurer of the committee whose name will be made known at once to all the churches. That this committee consist of D. C. Clark, J. W. Keirstead, W. C. Cross, Charles E. Vall, A. A. Wilson, H. Colby Smith, R. C. Elkin, C. P. Baker and Rev. W. R. Robinson, with power to add to their number. This report was unanimously adopted.

**MAKE DEMAND FOR CHARLTON**  
Italian Government Sends Special Messenger To Mail Official Letter Asking Extradition.  
Washington, July 13.—Formal request for the extradition of Porter Charlton, charged with killing his wife at Lake Como, Italy, has been forwarded by special messenger from Rome to London, whence it will be sent on to Washington by the first fast mail. Word to this effect reached the State Department today through the embassy at Rome. State Department officials believed that Monday would be the earliest date on which the receipt of the request might be expected and that the document might not reach here for seven or eight days yet. A preliminary investigation of the law in the case has been made by the State Department authorities.  
"Can an insane person be extradited?" was a question the department considered today. It was decided that a person in an insane asylum at the time the request for extradition comes cannot be surrendered. No definite steps looking to the confinement of Charlton in an asylum, aside from the employment of alienists, and the talk resulting therefrom, have been taken, so that the situation in his case opens up some interesting considerations.

**VICE-PRESIDENT OF PRUDENTIAL CO. DEAD**  
Dr. L. D. Ward, of Newark, N. J., Passes Away in London—Was One of Original Incorporators.  
London, July 13.—Dr. Leslie Dodd Ward of Newark, N. J., vice-president of the Prudential Insurance Company, died here this evening.  
Dr. Leslie Dodd Ward was one of the incorporators of the Prudential Insurance Co. in 1874, and he became vice-president of the company ten years later. He was born in 1845 and was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York, in 1868.  
Washington, July 13.—Ottawa and Chippewa Indians who long ago crossed the border to Canada are not regarded by the interior department as United States red men, entitled to the rights of their tribes. This position was asserted by the department some time ago, and affirmed by Acting Secretary Pierce today after hearing the arguments of representatives of the Canadian Indians.

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**DEATH OF VETERAN.**  
Cheyenne, Wyo., July 13.—John Talbot, U.S.A., retired, a famous civil war veteran, Indian fighter and pioneer, died at his home here today aged 78.  
The County Court disposed of two minor cases, C. L. Smith vs. David Bryden and Wm. Shaw vs. Addie McLaughlin this a. m., and adjourned sine die.

# REPORT ON AFFAIRS OF J. T. WHITLOCK

## Total Assets Will Exceed Liabilities By Nearly \$50,000—Indebtedness To Defunct Bank Large Proportion.

## NAME APPEARED ON MANY NOTES

Special to The Standard.  
St. Stephen, N. B., July 13.—The inspectors appointed by the creditors of J. T. Whitlock, late cashier of the St. Stephen's Bank, have prepared the following statement of his affairs with the bank.  
**Liabilities.**  
Notes made by him for his own benefit \$60,590.56.  
Other notes made by him as collateral \$19,699.50.  
Joint notes in which his name is one of many for money largely used by others, \$65,357.50.  
Notes on which he is one of many endorsers, \$200,766.77.  
Total liability direct and indirect, \$344,444.73.  
The above notes are held by various persons and banks and are secured by collaterals, which at the time were marketable. A large amount of the discounts with the St. Stephen's Bank will be paid by other endorsers or from collateral security. The total assets consisting of stocks, bonds and real estate, have a par value of \$391,146.20. Owing to the nature of these it will take time to realize on many of them.  
Mr. Whitlock has taken some exception to a previously published statement which placed his liability to the bank at \$172,000.  
The statement above makes a division of a total liability to the bank much in excess of that figure.

# CONNOLLY SENT UP FOR TRIAL

## Preliminary Trial On Charge Of Murder Ends With Commitment—Counsel Seeks To Secure Bail.

Special to The Standard.  
Albert, July 13.—The preliminary examination of Thomas Connolly was finished today before Police Magistrate Peck of Hopewell. The prisoner was committed for trial on the charge of murder.  
Mr. Fowler, counsel for the defence, asked the magistrate to call a witness for the crown, Colby Mills. Mr. Hanington objected and the magistrate sustained the objection.  
The prisoner was sent up for trial to the superior court which opens on the first Tuesday of September, with Judge Landry presiding.  
Mr. Fowler asked the magistrate to furnish him with a copy of the evidence, in order that he might make application to the supreme court for bail for the prisoner. The magistrate said he would comply with this request.  
Mr. Fowler will seek bail for the prisoner, who in the meantime has been committed to jail.

# CAPE BRETON MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

## Michael Shea Drinks Carbolic Acid At Glace Bay With Fatal Result—Recently Released From Insane Asylum.

Sydney, N. S., July 13.—In a temporary fit of insanity, Michael Shea, aged 38, drank a bottle of carbolic acid this evening, and died about 6.30 o'clock near his home in Glace Bay. Shea was at Mount Hope suffering from insanity for some time, but was allowed to come home about two weeks ago, being practically recovered to all appearances. Today he left home to look for work, but was not seen until noticed near his home in Number Four, leaning against a tree. Upon going to him, Dr. McMillan found he had been drinking acid. He immediately hastened to his office to procure a stomach pump and was gone but a few minutes. When he returned Shea was lying on the ground dead. He leaves a wife and four children.

# CANADIAN INDIANS NO RIGHT TO FUNDS

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# BASEBALL AND LAW.

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