

CORRESPONDENTS' CORNER

NORTON

Norton, Oct. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harmer, of Calgary, Alta., are visiting at Mr. Harmer's former home here.

Miss Hattie Duncan, Salisbury, is visiting Mrs. R. V. Allaby.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Innes and family, Petrolia, spent the holiday with Mrs. M. A. Innes.

Miss Lottie J. Allison, St. John, was the weekend guest of Miss Nellie McFarlane.

Miss Jean Adams spent the holiday with relatives in Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. Rainsford E. Black, of Toronto, Ont., are guests of Mrs. Allan Price.

Mr. Brian Heine, of Moncton, spent Sunday with relatives in Norton.

Miss Della Robinson spent the weekend at her home in Sussex.

Mr. John Allison, St. John, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. O. R. Patriquin and Miss M. W. Sommerville, are in Sussex attending the convention of the Ladies' Missionary Aid Society.

Miss Vera Smith spent the holiday at her home in St. Martins.

MT. PLEASANT

Mt. Pleasant, Oct. 13.—Mrs. L. P. Clark left on Friday for Lowell, where she will visit relatives for a while.

Mrs. Harry Foster has come to Houlton, where she will visit her two sisters for a week.

George Clark, who is attending Normal School at Fredericton, spent Thanksgiving with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burlock have returned from Blaine where they spent a few weeks.

Mrs. Rice Watson returned from Woodstock Hospital where she was operated on.

PEEL

Peel, N. B., Oct. 13.—Miss Lela Clark, who is attending Normal School, spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Shed Atwater and daughter, Grace, left on Thursday for Boston.

Miss MacNeill has been spending a few days at her home in Durham Bridge.

Mrs. Thomas Abbott, of Arsebrook Junction, is spending a week with her father, Amasa Shaw, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Rideout, of Florenceville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rideout for Thanksgiving.

Mr. Herb Tompkins, of Caribou, visited relatives here recently.

New York, Oct. 14.—How California had increased fruit shipments from 2,000 carloads in 1913 to 50,000 carloads now was described by G. Harold Powell, General Manager of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange in an address before Quoin Club at Del Monte's a few days ago.

The value of the orange and lemon crop shipped through the California Fruit Growers' Exchange every year exceeds the value of all the mineral products of the state," declared Mr. Powell. "In fact, the total value of this fruit is \$27,000,000."

There is \$200,000,000 invested in California's citrus industry."

Thirteen to fifteen thousand families are living on land worth \$1,000 an acre, and 150,000 persons are directly and indirectly supported by the industry.

"The problem of the California fruit grower was one of distribution," he continued. "With our big market, New York, 2,500 miles away we had to do some very careful planning to get our oranges into the far away markets quickly and in good condition. The individual grower found that he could not meet the situation effectively and the California Fruit Growers' Exchange finally was formed for the purpose of economical handling. The exchange is entirely a non-profit organization performing its work of marketing California oranges and lemons at such a rate that all money received in excess of this cost goes back to the grower himself."

According to the speaker, 65 per cent. of the growers of oranges, lemons and grape fruit in California are members of the exchange. About 30 per cent. of the product is sold at auction in the big markets of the East.

"Where does your money go when you buy \$1 worth of oranges?" Mr. Powell asked his hearers. Answering the question himself he said, "about one-third of the dollar goes to cover the cost of getting the fruit to the consumer. The wholesaler's cost is 82 per cent., the exchange cost 1.5 per cent., and 20 per cent. goes for transportation charges."

National advertising in newspapers and magazines has kept consumer demand in step with the great increase in the fruit crop, the speaker asserted.

COCAINE

Mrs. Flanagan and the Miss Allison have returned to their home in Boston.

Miss Alma Biledeau spent Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. Ellison Dyart, of Buctouche, spent Thanksgiving at his home.

Miss Mae Grattan, of Buctouche, is visiting friends in town.

Mr. Angus Dalgle, of Richibucto, Village spent Sunday in town.

NORTHUMBERLAND CO.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE QUARTERLY MEETING

Newcastle, Oct. 14.—The 40th quarterly meeting of Kent-Northumberland District Division, Sons of Temperance, was held in Richibucto Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 12th, with a public meeting in the evening, inaugurating a week's temperance campaign for the parish election next Tuesday, brought on by the license forces to endeavor to win back license.

Following delegates were present: Harcourt—Rev. R. H. Stavert, D. W.P.

Grangeville—H. W. B. Smith, D. Treas., and Mrs. Smith.

Rexton—Geo. N. Clark, Geo. J. R. Jones, Everett Irvine, Mrs. Geo. J. R. Jones and Mrs. H. M. Pedgus.

Richibucto—R. W. Beers, Alex. Haines, D.J.S., and Misses Jennie Lawton, Nellie Ross and Ethel S. White.

The District Scribe, H. H. Stuart of Newcastle, reported that the experience of Newcastle had proved that in the hands of honest and capable officials, the Scott Act could be made of great use to the cause of temperance. He needed amendments, however, and the temperance people should not cease working for provincial and national prohibition. Premier Clarke had informed him on Sept. 27th, that Geo. N. Clark had been dismissed from the office of liquor license inspector for Kent Co. on the recommendation of the Kent Co. M.L.A.'s, and could not be granted an investigation other than what might be obtained from a conference with those members.

There were 12 active divisions in Northumberland Co., with 520 adult members and 3 bands of Hope with 250 members—total 770. In Kent Co. there were 5 divisions with 188 members—total for district 958.

At the public meeting in the evening Rev. R. H. Stavert presided.

Richibucto parish votes for or against license next Tuesday and temperance meetings are being held every night till then.

ROD STOMACH OF GASES SOURNESS AND INDIGESTION

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JAPAN'S WHALING FLEET.

There are now eight whaling companies in Japan with a total fleet of 31 vessels, of which 20 belong to the Toyo Kisen Kaisha (the Oriental Whaling Co.) Of Kishu whales have become scarce, and the centre of whaling operations has recently shifted northward from the waters about Kinkazan. As a matter of fact, the Oriental Whaling Co. has obtained a license for the establishment of fishing stations on Horomushiro, the northern extremity of the Kuriles, and in Taka Bay, Saghalien. Successful operations have thus become conditional upon distant expeditions, which require a large capital, and it is now reported that the eight whaling companies are considering amalgamation as a means to greater efficiency.

THROUGH WITH HOCKEY.

"Stoke" Dornan, the well known hockey player, passed through the city Monday afternoon en route to New Glasgow. He recently arrived at Chatham from South America on a steamer on which he is an engineer, and after visiting friends at New Glasgow will rejoin the steamer at Sydney. "Stoke" was looking fine, and wanted to be remembered to all his Moncton friends. He stated that he has been through with hockey—Moncton Times.

SEAMEN'S WAGES.

In future seamen employed on board the Anchor, Alan and Donaldson liners will receive £6 10s. per month as wages and £1 war bonus. In the past they have received £5 10s. wages and £2 war bonus.

APPOHAQUI

APPOHAQUI, OCT. 14.—JOHN BURGESS

returned last evening from St. John where he had been summoned by the illness and subsequent death of his sister, Mrs. William R. Boyce.

Mrs. Boyce was a native of this place and had many friends and relatives who mourn the loss of one who was beloved and highly esteemed by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

The students and teachers have returned to their respective studies and duties, among them being Miss Muriel Jones, to Mt. Allison; Miss Annie Armstrong to Sackville; Miss Ryder to Collins; C. H. Jones to the U. N. B.; Frederick; Miss Helen Corbett to St. John.

Mrs. Wm. Johnson, St. John, is visiting friends in the village and today is the guest of Mrs. Douglas Fenwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley S. Jones, Miss Marjorie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Burgess motored to Hampton on Wednesday and visited the Kings County Agricultural Fair at Hampton Village.

Miss Blanche Sharp, who has been spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Sharpe, left Tuesday for Colorado where she will resume her work as professional nurse.

Geo. H. Erb and party of Belleisle Station are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Erb.

Mrs. M. H. Parlee, Hampton, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harley S. Jones on Tuesday.

A NEW VALUABLE STOCK FEED.

The Government Elevators at Port Arthur, Moose Jaw, Saskatoon and Calgary are equipped with up-to-date cleaning machinery and facilities for grinding and bagging by-products of grain elevators. The grain, chaff and bran is cleaned to remove the weed seeds, chaff and dust and then ground to destroy the vitality of all seeds. The results of feeding experiments conducted at the public meeting in the evening Rev. R. H. Stavert presided.

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BEFORE JUDGE BARRY.

Mr. Justice Barry, yesterday morning, sentenced Sydney Hart, who pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy, to serve one year in goal, commencing from the 15th of August last, and in the case of King vs. Charles W. Stackhouse, who pleaded guilty to the theft of several small amounts in the London Life Insurance Company, the prisoner was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

The court adjourned until Wednesday, the 27th instant, at ten o'clock, when the case of Clements vs. the Bank of Nova Scotia will be tried. The special jury in this case will be required to be present at that time.

U. N. B.'S NEXT RHODES SCHOLAR.

The organization committee for the election of the 1916 Rhodes scholar at the University of New Brunswick was elected Tuesday, and is to be composed of the following: Dr. C. C. Jones, chancellor, Dr. W. C. Kierstead, Dr. Philip Cox, Prof. W. T. Raymond and Prof. Adam Cameron. The applications will be received until December 1st and the election made during the month of December. Dr. Jones is in receipt of a letter from Dr. George R. Parkin, in which he states that should the student selected desire to take a military course he may do so and enter Oxford after the war. Dr. Parkin expressed the hope that he is greatly pleased over the showing made by the Rhodes scholars from his own university.

WILL CHART LABRADOR.

Preparations are now being made by the Canadian Government to chart the whole Labrador coast in the interior of the Hudson Bay route. The stretch of coast to be charted is about three hundred miles long. The greater part of the work has been deferred till next year, and will, when completed, be of great service to ships entering those regions in future.

HAVE ASSIGNED.

W. Alexander Brewer, laborer, of the Parish of Bright, York County, has assigned to Sheriff W. T. Howe for the benefit of his creditors. Wm. B. Daly, beer manufacturer, of St. John, has assigned to John A. Sinclair.



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Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies' children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

NO FURTHER ATTEMPTS.

The Postmaster-General of Canada has informed an English correspondent that, so far as his Department is concerned, it would not seem that there is any likelihood of further attempts being made to recover the balance of the mails lost in the wreck of the Empress of Ireland.

IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

Flush your kidneys occasionally if you eat meat regularly.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending kidney disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effectual lithia-water drink which takes now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.



NOTICE TO MARINERS

Notice is hereby given that the light on the Black Point gas and whistling buoy is not burning. It will be relighted soon as possible.

J. C. CHESLEY, Agent, Dept. Marine and Fisheries, St. John, N. B., Oct. 13th, 1915.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS

The sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Application must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 30 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the district.

In certain districts a homesteader in agriculture may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

—Duties.—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homesteaded patent also 30 acres, extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homesteaded patent, on certain conditions.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth \$500.

The area of cultivation is subject to reversion in case of non-compliance with the law. Life stock may be substituted for cultivation on certain conditions.

W. W. COBY, C. M. G., Deputy of the Minister of Interior.

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THE PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL, NEW BRUNSWICK.

Sealed tenders for the supply of hard and soft coal, butcher's meat, bread, groceries, dry goods, drugs, footwear, etc., to the Provincial Hospital, Lunenburg, St. John County, N. B., for one year from the first day of November next, will be received up to noon of Monday, 18th October, 1915, at the Provincial Government Offices, 102 Prince William Street, St. John, where specifications may be obtained. Tenders will be considered item by item. Contracts may be awarded for one or more items. The lowest or any tender may be subject to the approval or rejection of the Hospital Commissioners or their agent, and delivered at the Hospital in such quantities or at such times as required. Payment to be made quarterly. Two sufficient sureties will be required for the due fulfillment of each contract.

St. John, N. B., 8th October, 1915.

GEORGE J. CLARKE, Chairman of Commissioners.

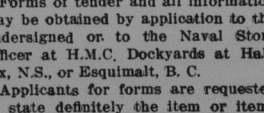
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVAL SERVICE

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to noon on Tuesday, November 2nd, for the transportation of stores for delivery to H. M. C. Dockyards at Halifax, N. S., and Esquimaux, B. C.—Steel and Iron Bolts, Nuts and Rivets, Electric Cable and Wire, Mineral grease, Turbine Soap, Turpentine, Chemicals, Cleansing Powder, Bunting.

Forms of tender and all information may be obtained by application to the undersigned or to the Naval Store Officer at H.M.C. Dockyards at Halifax, N.S., or Esquimaux, B. C.

Applications must be made by request to state definitely the item or items on which they desire to tender.

G. J. DESBARATS, Deputy Minister of the Naval Service, -86445, Ottawa, October 4th, 1915.



CUSTOMS SALE

of unclaimed or abandoned goods, also express and other sundry articles, in the Appraiser's warehouse, Customs House, on Friday morning, October 15th, at 11 o'clock. I will sell all the unclaimed or abandoned goods, consisting of a general assortment.

T. T. LANTALUM, Auctioneer.



SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS

COAL—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years, renewable at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,500 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton. In unsurveyed territory the tract must be staked out by the applicant in person, and personal application to the Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands for the district must in all cases be made, and the rental for the first year must be paid to the Agent within thirty days after filing application.

QUARTZ—A person eighteen years of age and over, having made a discovery of quartz, may locate a claim 100 feet wide, 600 feet long and from 1,000 to 2,000 feet deep. Entry fee \$5. Not less than \$100 must be expended in development work each year. DREDGING—Two leases of five acres each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, \$10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 1 1/2 per cent, after the output exceeds \$10,000.

W. W. COBY, Deputy of the Minister of Interior.

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GORIZIA, NEAR PORT ARTHUR

Great Austrian stronghold, which is the key to Trieste and Istrian Peninsula, being hammered by Italian guns and is doomed.

The first great objective of the Italian campaign in the east of Adriatic, according to advice received here today from the Italian front. The powerful stronghold at Gorizia is being bombarded from the north, west and south and its fall is considered imminent.

The fortress has been called the Port Arthur of Europe and the Italian artillery and infantry have rivalled the energy and spirit of sacrifice of the Japanese troops of bringing the mighty fortress into subjection.

The magnitude of the task was realized from the beginning of the war by Count Cadorna, the Italian generalissimo, and the statement was attributed to him that it would require five months to reduce the fortress. The Italian campaign was opened on last May 25.

Gorizia is the key to Trieste and the Istrian peninsula, the eastern terminus of the so-called "unredeemed" Italian provinces. That region comprises one of the most precious elements of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, its principal exports, arsenals and commercial outlets.

Nature and artifice have made of Gorizia a stronghold of extraordinary strength. Beyond the Isonzo River, which flows some ten miles distant from the Italian boundary, is a precipitous mountain wall, at the south of which lies Gorizia, located in the hollow of an amphitheatre of hills, fortified by the Austrians with all the art of modern engineering.

It has been considered a practically impregnable position. Its chief defences to the south are on the great Carso plateau, while to the north the mountain wall runs nearly twenty miles to the strongly fortified fortress of Tolmino.

With Gorizia intact Trieste and Istria were safe from the Italian forces. The capture of the fortress will lay the road open to the immediate occupation of Trieste, twenty-two miles to the southeast.

According to a telegram received today from Brescia, the Italians have brought up a large number of heavy guns and are shelling the town from five different points. At the same time other Italian forces are attacking the inner defences of Tolmino, while on the Carso the Austrians are said to have been forced to abandon several miles of trenches.

A despatch from Geneva states that heavy snows in the Carnio Alps have tried the Austrian gun positions in deep drifts.

CONSERVATION ANNUAL REPORT

What this commission has been doing for Canada during last year.

Even casual reference to the annual report of the Commission of Conservation indicates the wide range of interests with which the Commission is concerned. In this respect the Commission's Sixth Annual Report, which has just been issued, is no exception. Well-informed discussion are given concerning Canada's resources in forests, fides, mines and treasures and important papers are included on technical education, agricultural instruction, providing sanctuaries for birds and last, but by no means least, an important place is given to housing and town planning.

The address of the chairman, Sir Clifford Sifton, is an excellent summary of the Commission's activities for the last fiscal year, and is, therefore, of value to the busy reader.

Although the war has hampered some aspects of the work of the Commission, steady progress has been made in the matter of town planning. The National City Planning Conference held in Toronto in 1914, and for which the Commission acted as host, gave a marked impetus in Canada to the important economic and social question. Shortly after the holding of the conference, the Commission secured the services of Mr. Thos. Adams of London, England, an expert of international repute. Although in Canada less than a year, Mr. Adams has been in requisition constantly in every province of the Dominion. His address at the annual meeting of the Commission outlined the present status of housing and town planning with both cities and country.

In the conservation of forests steady progress has also been made. Inventories of Canadian forests are being compiled by the Commission for the first time, and much has been done during the past year to lessen the number of forest fires along railway lines. With but few exceptions, the