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STORM RECALLS OLD TIME TRAGEDY HERE

Veteran Tells of the Loss of the John Mullin and Crew.

The severe storm yesterday and the news that a schooner was wrecked on Nan Rock down the bay recalls that today is the 54th anniversary of the loss of the new pilot boat John Mullin which sailed out into the Bay in search of the Spring fleet of schooners and was never heard tell of or seen since.

"The story of the mysterious disappearance of the pilot boat was recalled by Thomas Traynor, veteran and popular pilot at this port. His story as narrated to The Times was as follows:—

"On the morning of April 8, 1870, I went aboard the John Mullin and assisted in hoisting her topmast. The pilot boat was making ready to go to sea and when everything was set, sails were hoisted and she started out into the Bay. I was an apprentice at the time, but was on another boat. Little did anyone realize that the new boat so spic and span, was going on her first and last cruise.

"In the spring of the year we used to look after the Spring fleet of schooners and on that day knew by the way the wind was blowing that there would be vessels in the Bay. The John Mullin was built by a man named McLeod at a ship yard then known as the Old Fort. It was owned by Pilots Langan and Walsh and had made one trial trip. The weather was favorable until about 1 o'clock in the morning when a severe gale sprang up with snow. It developed into one of the worst storms of the season.

Those on Board.

"When the John Mullin set sail those on board were: Pilot Thomas Walsh, his brother, Edward who was an apprentice; Pilot David Langan and apprentice Thomas Langan a boat keeper; William Sloan and a passenger named William Cavanaugh. When the storm broke the pilot boat was seen by the crew on a schooner bound for Grand Manan but was never sighted again. It was supposed that she was heading for Bellefleur Island and was taken for granted that while running for shelter out of the storm she struck on the north west ledge which is three or four miles off shore. Some fishermen later told of having their lines caught while fishing inside the ledge and it was thought that their hooks got caught in the rigging of the ill-fated vessel.

"The tragic ending of the career of the new pilot boat and the loss of life cast a gloom over the port and speculation was rife for some years as to her fate. It was the severe storm yesterday that recalled to Pilot Traynor the eventful day fifty odd years ago.

At that time Pilot Traynor was an apprentice and for fifty years served as a most competent guide to thousands going and coming to this port. He retired from active service last year with a record which he has every reason to be proud of. During his long tenure as a pilot he never had a vessel or steamer meet with a mishap.

LOCAL NEWS

BANK CLEARINGS.
St. John bank clearings this week were \$2,325,884; last year \$2,662,788; in 1922 \$2,620,112. Monoton clearings this week were \$776,492.

PAYS \$200.
Freland Devence paid a fine of \$200 in the police court this morning after pleading guilty to a charge of selling liquor in his beer shop in Mill street.

THREE THIS MORNING.
Three men were present in the police court this morning to pay for their folly of the night before. They had imbibed too freely and were gathered in by the police. All three were told to pay \$8 or to go to jail for two months.

GOES TO OTTAWA FIRST.
Word was received here this morning from Hon. Wm. Pugsley, who with Mrs. Pugsley is now in New York, conveying the information that he would leave for Ottawa about the end of the week to transact some business. It is not expected that he will be in St. John until some time next week.

FREIGHT RATES INQUIRY.
Word was received this morning by the Board of Trade that Sir Hanford Mackinder, of the Imperial Shipping Committee, would sail from London on April 5 for Canada, to enquire into the matter of alleged discrimination of ocean freight rates from Canadian Atlantic ports.

IT WILL BE DONE.
Commissioner Frink said this morning that he had received a request from the foundation of the drinking fountain in Carleton rebuilt and this would be one of the first works which would be undertaken by the department.

BOND ISSUE AUTHORIZED.
The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission authorization for the issue of bonds for the civic distribution system. The amount to be issued is \$362,000 in 30 year bonds for the distribution system and \$84,000 in 10 year bonds for current expenses. These all bear interest at 5 1/2 per cent.

OFFICERS ELECTED.
At the annual meeting of the Syrian Protective Association in their hall, Prince Edward street, there was a good attendance. Reported as follows: President, Louis Stephen; vice president, Charles Ritchie; secretary, (English); Edward Simon; treasurer, Raymond Tobson; and John Joseph, trustees; Thomas Stephen, organizer.

GRAND FALLS DEVELOPMENT.
The Commissioner Wigmore said this morning at the office of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission that permission had been received from Hon. Honor Merder, Minister of Lands and Forests for Quebec, for the engineers of the Commission to go on lands of Quebec adjoining to the St. John river, to make surveys in connection with the Grand Falls development. It was also stated that at the end of March 1923, there was a total of 8,309 customers, nearly one half of the number in the province using electricity.

BURIED TODAY.
The funeral of Miss Jessie M. McDonald was held this afternoon from her residence, 9 Ann street, at Cedar Hill. Service was conducted by Rev. J. V. Young.

The funeral of Thomas Latham was held this afternoon from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Benjamin Hatfield, 60 King square. Service was conducted by Rev. J. V. Young. Interment was in Greenwood.

The funeral of Miss Norma von Richter was held this afternoon from the residence of her mother, 120 Duke street, West Side. Service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Sampson and interment was in Cedar Hill.

ENJOYED CARDS.
A successful card party was held last evening by the members of Loyalist Temple No. 13, Pythian Sisters in Temple Building, North End. There were 140 tables. The games played were auction forty-fives and auction bridge. The winners at bridge were, 1st prize, men, George Gray; Ladies, Mrs. Hornbrook; forty-fives, 1st prize, men, W. Clark; Ladies, Mrs. Soodgrass. Miss Foster won the consolation prize at bridge. The arrangements for the party were made by Mrs. A. G. Brown, who was assisted by Mrs. Harry Black, Mrs. Charles Green, Mrs. Ralph White, Mrs. Fred Brennan, Mrs. Harry Welsford, Mrs. William Wetmore and Mrs. A. L. Dykeman.

DIED THIS MORNING.
Jeremiah O'Leary died this morning at the residence of his son, John O'Leary, 138 Lenster street. He was in his 97th year and is survived by two sons, John, a conductor with the C. P. R., and Thomas O'Leary of Winnipeg, and one daughter, Miss Alice O'Leary of Manchester, N. H. Mr. O'Leary was a native of Ireland, but for a great many years resided at Debec, N. B., later moving to Brownville, N. B., where he made his home with his son, John. About four years ago the family moved to St. John. The body will be taken to Debec on Saturday morning's train, after the arrival of which high mass of requiem will be sung by Rev. Father McLaughlin.

HYDRO RECOMMENDATIONS.
A meeting of the Civic Power Commission was held this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Among the matters to be dealt with were the report of the engineer on the application of Lennox for current and the report of the committee on a building for the commission.

The engineer reported that there was a minimum of 800 light and power users and 170 street lights in the district, recommended that the light and power users be given the same rates as the city, and that \$21.62 each per year be charged for the 220 watt street lights. He also recommended that if any agreement was entered into the parish undertake no further sales be made by the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission in that area.

OVERHEAD BRIDGE PLAN OFF FOR YEAR

Chief Railway Commissioner Writes—Time Extension will be Asked.

A decision to ask for an extension of the time for the completion of the overhead bridge at the Falls until April 1, 1925, was arrived at by the city council this morning. In a letter Hon. E. B. Carvell stated that if the case were reopened it was not likely the proportion of the cost to be paid by the city would be any less than it was now, and it might be more. During the discussion the opinion of a railway company, under provincial government should pay the cost of the straightening out the Chesley street entrance to the bridge.

The letter from Hon. Mr. Carvell, which was submitted by Commissioner Frink, set out that the first order of the railway board was made on February 22, 1922, and provided that the work be begun within three months and completed within nine. On May 23 another order extends the starting date to Oct. 1, 1922, and completion by July 1, 1923. Further extension would be given on application.

"As you will see," he concludes, "in the first place, twenty-five per cent, not exceeding \$15,000, will be paid out of the Railway Grade Crossing Fund, and of the balance, twenty-five per cent is to be paid by the city of St. John, twenty-five per cent by the New Brunswick Power Company, and fifty per cent by the C. P. R., which I think I am safe in saying is a larger percentage than has ever been assessed against a railway company, under like conditions, since I have been a member of the board; and I am afraid that should this order be allowed to lapse entirely, and conditions change so that a new application and order might be necessary, possibly the city would not now exist. Therefore, if you wish to go on, simply write a letter stating the time to which you wish the order extended, both for commencement and completion of the work, and it will be carried out without any formality or notice to any of the parties concerned."

It was moved by Commissioner Frink that an application be made to have the date for the completion of the work extended to, and including, April 1, 1925, the application to be made through the Mayor and Common Council.

Commissioner Bullock said he understood there was likely to be an appeal to the Privy Council on the bridge matter. He asked if the Provincial Government had not undertaken to straighten out the approach of Chesley street when the present highway bridge was under construction. He did not think, as the necessity for this work had arisen because of the construction of the bridge that the city should be called on to pay for it.

Commissioner Wigmore said he thought the Government should be asked to make the necessary changes to give Chesley street entrance to the bridge.

"A plan of the proposed change in Chesley street was submitted by Commissioner Frink, and Commissioner Wigmore said he thought the grade would be as bad as at present.

Commissioner Thornton said he thought the Commissioner of Public Works was proceeding along the proper line.

Mayor Fisher said he questioned if it would not be better to abandon the western end of Chesley street and use Merdit street. This might be a little more costly, but would give a better approach.

The motion to ask for an extension of time for the completion of overhead bridge carried.

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There are six more passenger liners due here before the close of the season and it is expected that they will augment these figures by some thousands. The Montrose and the Marloch are due over the week-end and will bring approximately 2,000 more passengers.

ARGUMENT TOMORROW.

Argument in the hearing of the damage suit being brought by the Halifax owners of the schooner Maid of Scotland against the Peruvian steamer Prene, which figured in a collision off Partridge Island this winter, will be heard by Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen in the Admiralty Court tomorrow morning. Mr. Hunter of New York is expected to present the case for the steamer owners. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, who is associated with him, is not expected to be in court, as he is in Ottawa at the session of Parliament. Dr. F. R. Taylor, K. C., will argue for the owners of the lost schooner.

MR. WEBBER IS HERE.

William Webber, general agent for the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd. at Atlantic ports, returned to the city this morning from Montreal. He recently returned after two cruises made by the Empress of Britain to the West Indies and South America on which he officiated as cruise manager. He said they had been very successful and the large liner had carried almost capacity lists. The Empress went to Liverpool and will resume her service between there and Quebec as soon as the St. Lawrence is open.

WILL ATTEND FUNERAL.

J. M. Woodman, general superintendent of the C. P. R. New Brunswick district; G. Bruce Burpee, district passenger agent, and Allister C. Fraser, superintendent of the C. P. R. Telegraph, will go to Moncton tomorrow to attend the funeral of J. S. Brown, Eastern manager of the C. N. R., who dropped dead in Montreal yesterday.

MOTHER WILL KEEP CHILD FOR PRESENT
Will Keep Her Until Father Has Set Up Housekeeping for Self.

Temporary custody of her child, May, aged 8 years, was given to Mrs. Dunham, wife of Walter W. Dunham, in a judgment handed down by Chief Justice H. A. McKeown sitting in chambers this morning, in habeas corpus proceedings brought by Mrs. Dunham against her husband.

The chief justice ruled that the mother would have temporary custody of the child until such time as the father should have set up housekeeping for himself, separate and apart from his own relations, when he should be granted the custody of the little one. No order was made as to costs.

Francis Kerr appeared for Mrs. Dunham and J. MacMillan Trueman for her husband.

As Hiram Sees It

"Look-a-her!" said Mr. Hiram Hornbent to The Times reporter. "In all this here talk o' your'n about runnin' for mayor you hint said a word about the other fellers an' their platform."

"Ah!" said the reporter. "My opponents—I have not a word to say against them. This is a free country. If any four top-eared, slab-sided, lantern-jawed, web-footed, half-baked fatheads desire to appeal for the suffrages of the people that is their privilege. I respect them all. They are all my friends. They are no good. I hope all of my opponents will be elected. A city cannot have too many mayors."

"Say," said Hiram—"do you think you kin git away with that kind o' talk?"

"In politics," said the reporter, "you can get away with anything."

"Good Lord!" said Hiram.

"Amen!" said the reporter.

