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W. A. Ferris,
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Semi-Weekly Telegraph

ST. JOHN, N.B., JANUARY 16, 1901.

THE MARITIME AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

One of the subjects which it is understood have been prominently discussed between the respective governments of the Maritime Provinces is the matter of the establishment of the Agricultural College, a project which was foreshadowed last year by the announcement of the Hon. H. R. Emmerson, then premier of New Brunswick. Such a project rather appeals to the imagination and sentimentality and there is doubtless much to be said in its favor. At present no proper opportunity is afforded to the farmers of the lower provinces to obtain at home such a technical education as is highly desirable if the best results are to be obtained from the most important industry of our country. In order to get a training in scientific farming in all its branches with the attendant education in practical chemistry, the treatment of soils, etc., it is necessary for our boys to go to the agricultural college at Guelph, Ont., or to one or other of the similar institutions in the United States or foreign lands. Our own government has made such provision as its funds permitted for a more or less complete training in butter and cheese making by the dairy school at Sussex. The lectures which have been given throughout the province during the past few years have also helped to fill the want for a proper agricultural school. But while these have been good and have partially filled a long felt want for more technical training of the farmers of New Brunswick, much can be said in favor of the establishment of a properly equipped agricultural college to be supported out of the revenues of the three Maritime Provinces, and located at a point centrally situated for the use of the farmers of each province.

We are rather inclined to the opinion, however, that the scheme is rather ambitious and that there are many good practical reasons why the government of this province should weigh the question very carefully before committing New Brunswick to a project which may not produce the results which the necessarily large expenditure can alone justify.

The initial cost of a Maritime Province Agricultural College with its large acreage of fertile land, its extensive buildings and modern equipment must of necessity involve a large outlay of money. Nova Scotia would in all probability demand that the college be located within the confines of that province, probably in Cumberland or Kings counties, nor could the other two provinces fairly deny her claim to have the institution located in that province for Nova Scotia, as the most populous province would be expected to contribute most heavily of the cost.

At the same time the expenditure of New Brunswick funds outside of our own province is neither popular nor profitable and would, we fear, be a source of constant and

annually recurring irritation. For it must be remembered that the cost of the establishment of such an institution is the smallest part of the expense. Every year each province would be called upon to contribute some thousands of dollars to its revenue for the maintenance of the college. What that annual expense would be cannot be estimated with any degree of accuracy. The agricultural college at Guelph, which is conducted economically, costs the province of Ontario each year between fifty and sixty thousand dollars. If the proposed Maritime Agricultural College were to call for any such annual outlay it would be a serious drain on each of the provinces. New Brunswick's revenues are fixed and any additional expenditure should be carefully scanned before the province is pledged to it.

Would it not be better for the province of New Brunswick if the same amount of money were expended in extending the work of the University of New Brunswick so as to permit that institution to afford a practical training in modern agricultural methods? The present chair of science could be utilized for such purposes and by the addition of a chair or two to cover the practical training required in the teaching of modern methods of farming this institution might offer an additional ground required. It must be borne in mind that the province is already committed to the support of this university and if it is possible to make it of more practical value to our people it is more advisable to do so than to embark on new and heavy expenditures elsewhere in the same direction. In addition, if necessary, the province might assist any students who preferred to go further abroad for the technical training in agriculture.

THE NEWCASTLE COAL FIELDS.

The difficulty in getting the supply of bituminous coal from the Nova Scotia mines to the ever growing demand, and the importation this year of large quantities of soft coal from Scotland, Wales and Virginia, has awakened a fresh interest in the prospect of developing the coal fields of our own province. The principal deposits of bituminous coal in New Brunswick are in the Grand Lake region of Queens county, and of these the Newcastle area is the most commonly known and the most thoroughly developed. It is over a hundred years since coal was discovered in that region and for upwards of half a century coal has been mined in a desultory manner and shipped to the markets in St. John and Fredericton.

The Newcastle coal fields cover an area of over a hundred square miles, with a seam varying from a few inches to two feet in thickness. The coal is usually found near the surface and is commonly mined by uncovering the few feet of earth which lies over the seam. Where the seam is over seven or eight feet below the surface of the ground, however, tunnelling is resorted to. The very simplicity of the methods of mining needed to secure the coal has been one of the greatest hindrances in the way of the proper development of these coal fields. Every farmer who had coal on his place has been in the habit of being his own miner; no care has been taken in the protection of the mine where open cutting was resorted to, or in the proper screening of the coal. The natural result has been a great variation in the quality of different consignments, some cargoes being coal and some a mixture of coal and earth. Another difficulty has been in the careless handling of the coal, which has resulted in breaking the lumps and in some cases reducing the coal almost to dust.

These difficulties could easily be avoided if proper mining methods were adopted, and the same care be used in the screening and shipping of the product, as is used in the custom elsewhere. This criticism, of course, does not apply to all the operators alike, but is in general the cause of the Newcastle coal not being in more general demand or the supply greater than it now is. As a steam coal, the Newcastle coal, we believe, the equal of the product of the Springfield or any other of the Nova Scotia mines. In fact the tests that have been made of this coal on the I. C. R. demonstrated its marked superiority for steaming purposes, both in its free burning properties and low percentage of ash and freedom from clinkers.

The suggestion has been made that one of the most natural developments of the I. C. R. would be the purchase of the Newcastle coal area at Newcastle to enable the government to get out the coal necessary for its own supply. There would then be no difficulty in ensuring a continuous supply of steam coal and the government need not go into the coal mining business either. These areas could easily be leased to a mining company on favorable terms or the I. C. R. could simply buy the coal without owning the areas. Having transportation from the mines there would be no difficulty in ensuring a supply at all times of year, and a great development of an almost smothering industry would be the result. There are many other phases to the question which will naturally occur to the ordinary mind, but we have simply taken occasion to briefly touch on one of them.

COLD STORAGE.

It will be remembered that legislation was passed at the last session of the House of Assembly by which the province of New Brunswick guarantees interest at four per cent. per annum for forty years on the issue of sixty thousand dollars of five percent bonds of The C. & D. Storage Company. At the same time the interests of the farmers and dairymen of the province were duly protected by a provision

that the provincial executive should have power to regulate the tolls to be charged by the company on produce consigned to it.

With the generous financial assistance provided by the local government, the Cold Storage Company, which is mainly composed of our own citizens, has completed arrangements for the erection of a large central warehouse in this city, which is to be equipped with a modern cold storage plant. This warehouse is to have a capacity of three hundred thousand cubic feet of storage space, and the method to be adopted is the Linde-London system of refrigeration. By this system indirect refrigeration is obtained, fresh air being cooled, carried in pipes and distributed to the different chambers. A suitable site of ample proportions has been secured at the head of Long Wharf, and a renewable lease of the property secured from the Dominion government. A siding is now being built into the property by the Intercolonial Railway. The old buildings which encumbered the site have been torn down and construction of the warehouse will be commenced as soon as the season is sufficiently advanced to permit of building operations.

The rumors of changes on the Intercolonial Railway seem to have been founded on fact. The announcement is made of Mr. E. Tiffin, of the C. P. R., as general traffic manager of the government railway. The new general manager is a well known and favorably known in this city, as he was stationed here some few years ago as general freight agent of the eastern division of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Tiffin has been always considered a thoroughly competent railway man, and his many friends throughout the province will readily join The Telegraph in its congratulations to the I. C. R. and the new general traffic manager.

The convention at Hampton on Saturday was harmonious and enthusiastic. It is true that there were two or three dissatisfied persons present, but every opportunity was afforded them of expressing their views. These gentlemen were soon convinced of the utility of their action and their few supporters were found in the close of the convention to be in hearty accord with the opinion of the majority. There has rarely been a more enthusiastic convention held in Kings county, and the present indications the government candidate will be elected by a large majority.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Beautiful snow.

Get out your snow shovels.

What was that we heard about the old time winters.

Beat the record of last season, says the weather director.

The government candidate in Kings looks like a winner.

Perhaps you spent the day of rest digging yourselves out.

Our contemporaries have been badly worried over that Kings county sensation.

Everybody wants to know who the heavy villain is in the Kings county sensation.

The convention of local government supporters meets at Hampton this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The development of the New Brunswick coal fields would seem to be a profitable undertaking.

The weather man's conscience must be troubled. His programme yesterday included rain.

Those \$2 counterfeit bills are again floating around St. John. They look nice, even if they are bad.

The Kings county sensation published exclusively in our columns yesterday was the talk of the town.

Canada cannot stand still in her development. It must either progress or fall behind in the race.

The constables around city hall say there is nothing new so far in the way of twentieth century excuses for non-payment of taxes.

South Africa may not be the best country in the world, but it seems to have developed our boys into fine, stalwart men in a twelvemonth.

The Canadian boys who have fought so nobly the battles of their Queen and country will make all the better citizens for their patriotic experience.

The meat packers have declared war on the salt trout. The latter should have the best staying qualities.

The wickedest city in the provinces, Halifax, has declared a crusade against vice. There is still hope for Moncton.

Surely sleepy old Halifax is not going to beat St. John out for the steel ship building industry. Does it not look like it?

New York was boasting of a foot and Vancouver of fifteen inches of the fleecy covering, but we lost our measuring rod before we got to the bottom.

Moncton is said to have a shortage in its water accounts. Perhaps somebody will float the amount that is shy, or water the stock to make up the difference.

General debility and a "run down" state calls for a general tonic to the system. Such is The D. & L. Emulsion. Builds you up, increases your weight, gives health. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

NEW RAILWAYS.

Applications for Incorporation Are Made

BY TWO COMPANIES.

One for a Road in Nova Scotia--
"The San Jose Scale Act"--St. John a Port of Entry Under This Act--Season Will Open March 15
--Disagreement in Carisse Case.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.--(Special)--Application will be made to parliament next session for an act to incorporate a company to be called the Nova Scotia Central Railway Company with all necessary powers to construct a line of railway or tramway of either standard or narrow gauge, and utilizing steam, electricity or other motive power, from a point in or near New Glasgow, in the county of Pictou, in the province of Nova Scotia, to a point on the southern shore of the province of Nova Scotia, at or near the entrance to Country Harbor, running through the counties of Pictou and Guysborough, with power to construct a branch line from about the head of Country Harbor to some point at Chedabucto Bay, at or near the town of Guysboro or any further and other branch lines, and with power to construct, own, operate and maintain wharves, docks, piers, landing places, warehouses and elevators in connection therewith, etc.

Application will be made next session for an act to incorporate a company to be called The Gaspe and Western Railway Company with all necessary power to construct a line of railway and tramway of either standard or narrow gauge, and utilizing steam, electricity or other motive power from a point near the station of the Intercolonial railway at Fraserville, in the county of Tenciscouta, Que., to a point at Gaspe basin, in the county of Gaspe, in said province, and passing through the county of Tenciscouta, Benoit, and Gaspe, and for other powers. Martin Dickie, of Truro, Colchester, bank manager; Alfred Dickie, of Steacie, Colchester, manufacturer; Cecilia Dickie, Truro, spinster; Hugh MacKenzie, Truro, solicitor, and Hector McInnes, of Halifax, solicitor, are applying for incorporation as the "Colchester Steamship Company." The amount of capital stock is placed at \$80,000.

Premier Dunsinville and Attorney General Elliott, of British Columbia, arrived tonight and interviewed the dominion government with a view of getting some assistance to develop the mineral resources of the province.

Exemption by order-in-council is authorized of any trees, shrubs, plants, vine, grafts, cuttings or buds, commonly known as "the San Jose scale act" applies and all importation thereof shall be permitted to be entered at St. John, N. B., St. John's, Que., Niagara Falls and Windsor, Ont., and Winnipeg, Man., between the following dates in each year: Fifteenth of March to 15th May in spring, and from October 1st to 7th December in autumn, and at Vancouver, B. C., during the winter months only from 15th October to 15th March, at which time the cargo must be thoroughly fumigated with hydrocyanic acid by a competent government official in accordance with most approved methods.

All shipments made in accordance with the above will be entitled at the risk of shippers or consignees, the government assuming no risk whatever. Packages must be addressed so as to enter Canada at one of the above named ports of entry and the route by which they will be shipped must be clearly stated upon the package.

British Yukon railway will apply next session for an act to construct a railway from a point near Fort Selkirk to near Dawson City and branch lines not exceeding fifty miles.

The jury in the case of Emery Carisse, charged with manslaughter, disagreed. There were six for conviction and six against. Emery Carisse was charged with the murder of Joseph Laurenceau, of the old Rideau rifle range, and the charge was reduced to manslaughter.

Common Over a Will.

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 11.--A special to the Telegram from Ashland says the town is in a commotion because James A. Bartlett, of Exeter, N. H., is to contest the will of Miss Zola F. Wiggin, who died December 12 and who was supposed to be a spinster. Mr. Bartlett claims to be her son. Miss Wiggin was accustomed to receive visits from a man she introduced as Mr. Bartlett and it is recalled that 25 years ago there was a principal of the Ashland High School named Bartlett who was an intimate friend of Miss Wiggin. It now appears that the claim is that the elder Bartlett, who is said to be practicing law in Lawrence, the father of the man who is contesting Miss Wiggin's will on the ground that he is her son. The will made no provision for the alleged son.

Steamer Movements.

The mail boat Lake Superior reached Halifax yesterday afternoon.
West India liner Oruro sailed Sunday morning for Bermuda via Halifax.
Steamer Manchester City sailed yesterday from Halifax for St. John. She is due here this morning.

Steamer J. E. Johnson, loaded with coal for the I. C. R., left Philadelphia at 9 o'clock a. m. on Saturday for St. John.
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Killed in Boston.

Boston, Jan. 12.--Evan Lind, an employer of the Boston Electric Light Company was instantly killed today by falling from an electric light pole. The accident occurred on Hoy's street while Lind was trimming a light. It is supposed he received a shock from a live wire. Lind was 23 years old and lived in Hyde Park.

To cure headache in ten minutes use Kumfort Headache Powders. 10cts.

St. John, N. B., January 16, 1901.

You Can't Go Wrong

In buying your clothing for men, youths or boys here at any time, but now when we are cutting prices the saving is positively like finding money. We did a big business at the new prices all last week, but the selling this week will probably break the record. Don't let anything keep you away.

Of course you understand that our regular prices are always 25 per cent. under prices elsewhere, so that it does not require an expert to figure out at these new prices we are offering clothing at about half what it is sold elsewhere.

Men's Overcoats at Reduced Prices.

Regular price, \$5.00.	Sale price, \$4.00.
6.00.	4.30.
7.00.	5.60.
8.50.	6.30.
10.00.	7.00.
12.00.	9.60.
13.50.	9.60.
15.00.	12.00.
18.00.	14.40.

Men's Fine Ulsters Reduced.

Regular price, \$5.00.	Sale price, \$3.65.
6.00.	4.30.
8.00.	6.40.
10.00.	8.00.
12.00.	9.60.
14.00.	9.60.

Boys' Three-Piece Suits, single and double-breasted.

Lot 1--Former prices, \$3.50, 3.75, 4.00.	Sale price, \$2.97.
Lot 2--Former prices, \$4.50, 5.00, 5.50.	Sale price, \$3.97.
Lot 3--Former prices, \$6.00, 6.50, 7.00.	Sale price, \$4.97.

Two-Piece Pleated and Norfolk Jacket Suits.

Lot 1--Former prices, \$2.25, 2.50, 2.75.	Sale price, \$1.89.
Lot 2--Former prices, \$3.25, 3.50, 3.75.	Sale price, \$2.89.
Lot 3--Former prices, \$4.25, 4.50, 4.75.	Sale price, \$3.89.

MADE-TO-MEASURE SUITS WORTH UP TO \$23.00. NOW \$15.00.

Special--A fine assortment of medium and heavy weight suitings, comprising many best fabrics and patterns, made-to-measure during this sale at \$15. Prices were \$20, \$21, \$22, \$23.

GREATER OAK HALL, King Street, Cor. Germain.

SCOVIL BROS. & CO.

DEATH OF HON. G. A. BOARDMAN

At Calais on Friday--President of the Frontier Steamboat Company.

Calais, Me., Jan. 11.--(Special)--Hon. G. A. Boardman died at his home in Calais on Friday morning, at the advanced age of 81. Mr. Boardman is the last one of the prominent lumber merchants who did business on the St. Croix some 50 years ago. With the others was noted for his sterling honesty and upright character. The deceased was born in Newburyport, Mass., and removed to Milltown with his parents at the age of 15. A few years later he became connected with the late Hon. William Todd in the lumber business, continuing until some 30 years ago when he sold his interest in the firm to the late C. F. Todd, since then he has lived a retired life excepting to look after his private investments. At the time of his death he was president of the Frontier Steamboat Company. Mr. Boardman was widely known as a proficient ornithologist and had without doubt the finest sectional collection in the world. It has recently been purchased by the New Brunswick government. The deceased married Miss Mary J. Hill, who died a few years ago. His family who survive him are: Charles A., American consul at Rimouski; Mrs. J. C. Taylor, of Calais; Fred, now an attorney of Minneapolis, Albert, prominent in electric street railways at Philadelphia, and William, of Minneapolis. All excepting Fred are at home to pay their last respects to their honored parent and are receiving sincere sympathy in their sad bereavement.

THE COLLEGE TOWN.

News from Wolfville--Presentation to a Returned Soldier.

Wolfville, N. S., Jan. 14--Acadia University resumed work the 9th inst. The students number about the same as last term.

Horton Academy has procured an annex, as the Academy House is full to overflowing. The annex now accommodates about a dozen students. Tuition is well for the academy. There have been twelve new enrolments in the Seminary in addition to those of last term.

Dr. Judson Perry, of the senior class of the university left for New Brunswick a few days ago to assume the principalship of Bathurst Grammar school. Saturday evening a reception was given at the university for Mr. Perry. When enlisting he was a student of Acadia. The town and student view with each other in making the evening a success. He was welcomed by the mayor and to the university by W. M. Steele, one of his former classmates.

The chairman, Rev. Dr. Keistler, with an eloquent address, presented him with a ring suitably engraved, given by town and students.

Dr. Trotter left Saturday for a month's trip among the principal universities of the Eastern States.

When in doubt buy Bentley's, the best Lament and the MOST for the money. Largest bottle 25c.

A VANDERBILT WEDS.

One of the Richest of the Family Will Be Married to Miss Elsie French.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 12.--While the marriage of Albert Gwynne Vanderbilt, one of the richest of the Vanderbilt family, to Miss Elsie French does not occur until Monday, the greater portion of the guests arrived this afternoon and evening and the feast of brilliant equipages at the New York pier and throughout the city has thoroughly aroused Newport to a realization that another elaborate society event is pending. The arrival of the guests created quite a stir, but the feature of the day was the elaborate dinner in the evening which the bridegroom treated to the members of the party, including the bridesmaids, the ushers and intimate friends.

The dinner was given at the home of the bride at Hatter View, the residence of Mrs. French, in the southern portion of the city overlooking the harbor and over 30 were in attendance. The table was decorated with pink orchids, American beauty roses and lilies of the valley. At the conclusion of the dinner a number of prominent guests by Mrs. Harry Paine Whitney. Tomorrow, at high noon, the wedding will occur and although it takes place at one of the highest of Episcopal churches in the city, the programme of the ceremony, at the request of Miss French, has been simplified as much as possible.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 13.--With the exceptions of the church and the church and at the house, the preparations for the wedding are completed. The last of the guests came in this morning and afternoon, the principal arrivals being Mr. William K. Vanderbilt and Senator Chauncey M. Depew. The chief event tonight was the elaborate dinner which was given to a number of prominent guests by Mrs. Harry Paine Whitney. Tomorrow, at high noon, the wedding will occur and although it takes place at one of the highest of Episcopal churches in the city, the programme of the ceremony, at the request of Miss French, has been simplified as much as possible.

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FAMILY FEUD

May Result in the Death of William Reide.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Jan. 11.--As the result of a family feud between the families of William Reide and Judson Crowder, both of Prescott, Ont., Reide was assaulted most brutally and left for dead in a strip of woods near that town. The quarrel had been going on for two years and vengeance had been sworn against Reide. Reide had occasion yesterday to go to the woods for a load of firewood and there ran foul of Crowder, Nelson King and some others. Reide's face was pounded to a jelly. Crowder crossed the river to Ogdensburg and is still at large. Canadian officers are here and a search of this city is being made. King is under arrest. It is believed Reide's injuries are fatal.

HOW TO CURE A CORN.

It is one of the earliest things in the world to cure a corn. Do not use acids or other caustic preparations and don't cut a hole in your foot. It is simply to apply Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor and in three days the corn can be removed without pain. Sure, safe, painless. Take only Putnam's Corn Extractor.

St. John Physical School.

In the large room of the Sutherland Building, Union street, Mr. Jack Caley, the well-known physical and boxing instructor, has fitted up a first class gymnasium. Besides teaching boxing and giving his pupils a thorough physical training Mr. Caley will give the massage treatment. As an instructor Mr. Caley is one of the best; has a large experience and is known all over America as a trainer of great ability. A number of young men have already connected themselves with his class and all may expect careful instruction from such a faithful teacher.

Scarfing in the blood shows itself sooner or later in swellings, sores, eruptions, but Hood's Sarsaparilla completely cures it.

Advance in Wages.

Bedford, Pa., Jan. 12.--Announcement was made today by President Johnson, of the Lohg Valley Fraction Company, that the wages of the motemen and conductors of that system, 200 in number, has been advanced on an equal basis \$1.85 per week. The advance was made without solicitation on the part of the crew.

Former Comptroller of Treasury.

New York, Jan. 11.--William L. Trenholm, who was comptroller of the treasury during Cleveland's first administration, died at his home in this city today of pneumonia. He was 65 years of age.

The D. & L. Menholl Plaster is the most largely sold in Canada. For backache and all muscular pains there's nothing equal to it. Each plaster in an eight-oz. tin. 25c. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., makers.