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## OLD NOTORIOUS CASE IS RECALLED

After Twenty-Eight Years Imprisonment Effort Is Made to Get Parole.

Ottawa, May 26.—After twenty-eight years of imprisonment in Kingston penitentiary, an effort is being made to secure the release of Valentin Shortis, who killed two people at Valleyfield, Que., wounded another and gave rise to a most sensational trial with many after-developments. The case nearly wrecked a Government, made the vice-regal representative the subject of angry controversy, altered the political complexion of a constituency and is said to have been the cause of a present day Cabinet Minister changing his politics and becoming Liberal, because of resentment at the Conservative Government of the day.

Shortis was an Englishman, coming from a good family, who was employed at the Valleyfield Cotton Mills and, starting out on a hold-up game, was obstructed and killed two men, and another escaping in a vault.

There was a sensational trial and Shortis was found guilty of murder. In the ordinary course, the case came before the Government at Ottawa in 1895 and the decision of the Cabinet was that there should be no interference and that the man should hang. When this recommendation went to Lord Aberdeen he refused to concur in it, this being about the only case where anything of the kind happened. There were charges of social influence and Lady Aberdeen was brought into the case. The Government of the day became much perturbed and the exchanges with Rideau Hall were numerous.

In any event Aberdeen would not sign the death warrant and the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. The case cut a big figure in the politics of Bonaventure and the seat was won from the Conservatives by a Liberal who was father of one of the murdered men. The application for release on parole is now before the State Department and is promoted by the Prisoners' Welfare branch of the Salvation Army. It is very doubtful if it succeeds.

## Douglstown, Que.

The marriage was solemnized on Thursday morning April 28th in the Roman Catholic Church, Douglstown, New Hampshire U. S. A. of Miss Ines Maloney youngest daughter of the late Michael Maloney and Mrs. Elias Maloney of this village to Mr. Benedict Maloney youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Maloney, of Douglstown, Quebec. The young couple were unattended by the bride wearing a navy blue tricot suit with hat of candy-cloth to match. They will reside in Grosvenor, N. H. where the groom has a position with the Claremont Pulp and Paper Co. The best wishes of their numerous friends are extended to them for their happiness in many years to come. Miss Jennie M. McAuley will arrive here from Montreal at the beginning of June to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAuley.

Spring cleaning is now the order of the day and all are pleased to see double doors and windows etc., being removed once more. Mr. Horace Jones from St. Adelaide de Pabos Que., spent a day here sometime ago with Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Gaul and left soon after for Southern California, U. S. A.

The "S. S. Gasparian" of the Clarke Steamship Lines from Montreal and Quebec docked at the wharf in Gaspé Basin yesterday on her second voyage of this season with a large cargo of freight and a good list of passengers and left soon after on her trip up the St. Lawrence.

Owing to the late Spring nearly all the farmers are buying hay. We are very pleased to learn that Mr. Michael C. Kennedy one of our promising young men and a much respected and highly esteemed resident of this village has opened a grocery store in the Dimock Block Water St. Campbellton, N. B. It is needless to say that Mr. Kennedy's many friends wish him the best of good luck and many years of continued prosperity in his chosen work.

Mrs. Isadore Lerne went to Gaspé Basin on Saturday last week. Dr. McNally from Barabach came here on Friday to attend Mrs. Hugh Deane who we regret to hear was sick at the time.

With rain of the past few weeks Kennedy who left a few days ago to

## GREAT OIL FIRE LOSS HEAVY

Half Million Gallons Ablaze At Rochester—Probable Loss \$350,000.

Rochester, N. Y., May 28.—Five hundred thousand gallons of oil stored at the plant of P. B. Roe Oil Company were ablaze last night. Starting with two explosions which shook the city a little after seven o'clock the fire quickly spread and enveloped every one of the twenty-five oil tanks in which the thousands of gallons of oil, kerosene, gasoline, lubricating oil and other oils were stored. The oil is valued at \$250,000 but it is believed the property damage will bring the total loss to about \$350,000.

A few minutes after the first two tanks exploded, scattering flame oil in all directions, four others blew up. A heavy pall of smoke settled over the city, making necessary the use of lights in the downtown office buildings. Firemen were helpless to combat the flames and turned their efforts to prevent the spreading of the fire.

Twenty-three streams of water were used. Fire Chief Jaynes said the fire would probably burn for a couple of days but no serious consequences are feared unless it reaches the 330,000 gallons of turpentine.

grass has begun to look green, and it looks as if one might emerge from winter to summer without any spring as the snow is entirely gone. Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Cuning and baby of Haldimand have taken up their residence in Douglas West with relatives for the summer. A large steamer is taking on a cargo of pulpwood at the wharf of the St. Maurice Pulp Company for Aberdeen Scotland.

Miss Muriel Gaul arrived here recently from Chandler and will be one of the attendants at the wedding of her sister the Ral-Gaul wedding which is taking place shortly. Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hobbler, manager of the "House of Hobbler" Toronto, Ont., will arrive here shortly and will occupy the Lavelle residence in Seal Cove for the summer season.

The weather during the month of May was cloudy cold and unseasonable which resulted in a period of waiting and hoping for "better things to come." From Ogdensburg New York U. S. A. comes the news of the recent death there of Mr. Fred Bond, formerly of Douglstown. The late Mr. Bond was very well and favorably known in this district having spent the earlier part of his life here, and in his passing away his relatives and friends will keenly feel his loss. He leaves to mourn his death besides his wife and family one brother Mr. Windom Bond in Vermont, U. S. A. and one sister Mrs. Michael Brand of Seal Cove.

Mr. Thomas Rooney of this place has erected a wire fence on the front of his farm. Mr. Smith E. Briand of the Shepard and Morse Lumber Company L'Anse aux-Cousins was a visitor to his home here on Saturday.

Master Eric Kennedy the young son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kennedy is very sick at his home of his parents here. Let us hope that Master Kennedy will very soon recover.

Mrs. Elbert Doolittle and baby who has been spending the past winter with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mulrooney left some time ago to return to her home in Montreal. Mr. Arthur Grant who has been filling the position as forest ranger to the entire satisfaction of all concerned, has been again appointed for the coming year in this district. Miss Carberry after spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Xavier Kennedy here left for her home in Grand River last week.

The roads in this vicinity are drying up rapidly under the combined influence of sun and wind. There seems to have been an exceptional amount of frost the past winter, with the result that many roads have rather large spongy spots that are the source of considerable worry to motorists. Mrs. Herbert Maloney is slowly convalescing from her recent illness which we are pleased to hear.

Mr. William Mulrooney left on Monday morning the 21st for Montreal to enter the holiday season. All wish him a complete recovery. The many friends of Mr. Andrew Kennedy who left a few days ago to

## DR. ROBERTS PLEADS FOR MARITIMES

N. B. Minister of Public Health Advocates All-Canadian Conference.

London, Ont., May 26.—Hon. W. F. Roberts, minister of public health of the province of New Brunswick, who delivered the principal address at the convocation exercises of the University of Western Ontario, declared that the Maritime Provinces are being strangled by adverse freight rates to Upper and Western Canada markets and that in view of these conditions he suggested the holding of an all-Canadian conference to discuss the situation.

"Secession of the Maritimes and the formation of the Maritime Dominion," he stated, "is an imminent possibility unless a truly Canadian national policy is outlined and adhered to. Citizens of the Maritime Provinces could, if made a separate dominion, build up a trade wall against outside development of its own resources, establish its own factories and carry on trade with their natural markets to the south."

"We do not want to do this," he said, "but our representation is decreasing and something must be done at an early date to bring our problems to the attention of the provincial family of Canada."

enter the Sanatorium at St. Agathe de Monts, Que., to take special treatment will learn with much regret that his condition remains somewhat the same. We hope that the Laurentian air may prove beneficial to his health and that he may soon return in our midst completely recovered.

Miss Jessie Baird from L'Anse aux-Cousins, Que., is visiting her relatives at her old home here.

Mr. Albert Kennedy who has been carrying the mail here for several years, has recently resigned, and Mr. Daniel Cuning a resident of Haldimand for many years who is well and favorably known has taken the contract and entered upon his duties last week.

## Flat Lands

Misses J. I. MacBeath and K. M. MacBeath spent Saturday evening in Campbellton.

Mrs. H. P. Ward spent Monday at Seal River, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson.

Mrs. O. A. Ferguson and children of Campbellton spent Thursday here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Geo. Bulmer.

Mr. John Gracey spent Monday in Campbellton the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Lutes.

Mr. C. E. Harris spent the week-end in Campbellton. Tuesday evening were Messrs. W. G. Cooling and N. B. MacDavid.

Misses K. M. Ford and V. MacDavid were in Tide Head Monday evening.

Mrs. John MacDavid, Campbellton, spent Thursday here the guest of friends.

Mrs. Ed. Blaikie, Kemp Road, spent the week-end here the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Bulmer.

Mr. D. L. Fox, Matapedia, spent Sunday evening here.

Miss Isobel Cooling, Point La Garde, spent the week-end at her home here. Mr. Aubrey MacDavid, Campbellton, spent Thursday here.

Misses Rhoda and Beattie MacDonald, entertained the Junior Ladies' Aid at their home on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Adams, Campbellton, spent the week-end here the guests of Mr. Wm. Mowat.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fraser and children of Campbellton, spent Sunday here.

Mr. Earl Lutes, accompanied by his little daughter Orme and the Misses Garland Lutes and Ella Ramsay, spent Sunday here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Gracey.

The ladies of the Baptist Church held a supper here on Thursday. The sum of seventy-nine dollars was realized.

Mrs. and Mrs. N. B. MacDavid accompanied by Mrs. Angus MacDonnell, notched to Campbellton on Tuesday. Dr. C. Gillis, Campbellton, spent

## NEW SANCTUARY FOR GAME ANIMALS

Three Hundred and Twenty Square Miles of Crown Land in New Refuge.

Preparations are being made by Chief Game Warden L. A. Gagnon of the Department of Lands and Mines for the installation of Wardens at the new game refuge created in Restigouche county by an order-in-council passed at the last meeting of the Provincial Government.

This refuge is considered as ideal in its location, being established entirely on Crown Lands and occupying 320 square miles enclosed within natural boundaries formed by the Kedgwick and Restigouche Rivers. The territory abounds with game and fur bearing animals.

The other existing game sanctuary is located on the Canaan river in Westmorland county and contains 61-2 square miles. Efforts were made to establish a refuge last year in Northumberland county, but were not successful. Chief Game Warden Gagnon returned recently from a trip to the counties of Madawaska, Restigouche and Gloucester.

Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gillis.

Expire day was observed in the advanced department of our school on Wednesday afternoon. Several guests were present. The following programme was carried out very successfully by the pupils:

Chorus—O Canada. School Reading—Verona MacDavid.

Essay—History of Flat Lands—Kathleen Gracey.

Making of our Flag—Grade five and six.

Rec.—Johnny's History Lesson—Eph LeTourneau.

Pageant—By High School Girls.

Chorus—Rule Britannia.

God Save the King.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Ward spent Saturday evening in Campbellton.

Mrs. Herbert Adams spent Thursday here the guest of Mrs. Geo. Bulmer.

Mr. Geo. Bulmer, Millstream, spent Sunday here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. Mann spent Monday at Amqui.

Mr. T. D. Purdy was the guest of friends here last week.

Miss Ferguson and Mrs. McAllister are the guests of their sister, Mrs. W. J. Gillis.

## MINISTER ASKS FOR CO-OPERATION

Join Up As a Forest Guard in Appeal of Hon. C. W. Robinson.

As the dry season is again approaching, I would like to emphasize the importance of our forests in this Province, and the desirability of carefulness on the part of our citizens who are likely to be in the woods camping or fishing, or who may be interested in clearing land for settlement purposes.

Statistics show that about one half of the fires in New Brunswick are caused by the carelessness of campers and fishermen. If our forests are all destroyed, New Brunswick will be a pretty poor place to live in. Our population will be greatly reduced; many towns will cease to exist; railway traffic would be so reduced that lines would have to be abandoned. Already we have suffered tremendous losses. Nature has done her best for us, but the carelessness of a few people can counteract all the efforts of nature.

We hope that the 1923 season will prove that our citizens are fully alive to their own interests and that the fire destruction will be reduced to a minimum.

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Janet McKenzie Kerr.

The death of Mrs. Janet McKenzie Kerr occurred at her home in Nash Creek, on May 12th 1923. Deceased who was in her eighty-fourth year was predeceased by her husband forty-six years ago. The late Mrs. Kerr has been a resident of this place for fifty-three years. She had been an invalid for the past five years suffering from a broken hip, but bore her sufferings with christian fortitude and resignation to the Divine Will. She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter Catherine. One son John died five years ago.

The funeral took place on the fourteenth instant, and was very largely attended by friends and neighbors who gathered to show the respect and esteem in which the deceased lady was held by the whole community.

The services at the house and grave which were very impressive, were conducted by the Rev. C. F. McLennan.

The mortal remains were laid to rest in the New Mills cemetery.

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