

# HON. J. A. MURRAY TELLS PEOPLE OF BRITAIN ABOUT PROSPERITY OF PROVINCE

Minister of Agriculture. Interviewed in London, Discusses the "After the War Plans" of the New Brunswick Government—An Aggressive and Up-to-Date Policy That Cannot Fail to Produce Beneficial Results.



HON. J. A. MURRAY.

It is hoped that this will be extended. Province Stands Well.

Since going to England Hon. James A. Murray has been very active in advancing the interests of the Province of New Brunswick. He has made a splendid impression with the business men of the old country, and in letters to friends here he expresses himself as sanguine that New Brunswick will come in for a big influx of immigrants after the war.

Nothing will be charged to the settler for administration. Employment will also be given returned soldiers in preparing these holdings. Should any of the soldiers desiring to settle in the Province have sufficient capital to make it unnecessary for him to take advantage of the community settlement idea, as outlined, the Government can, through the Farm Settlement Board, supply such a person with a good farm in a good locality—farm that will be capable of greater production and consequently a larger income the first few years. These can be obtained at from 1,500 to 2,000 dollars each. This scheme practically outlines the immigration policy of the future so far as New Brunswick is concerned.

Opportunities for Settlers. There are abundant opportunities in the Province for sheep-raising and dairy farming. Just before Mr. Murray left he engaged Professor J. W. Mitchell, who has been for the last eight years with the Agricultural Department of Manitoba, and who is an outstanding figure in the agricultural world of Canada, to take charge of the live stock and dairying work in the Province. Agricultural schools have been established at Woodstock and Sussex, and a dairy school at Sussex and St. Hilaire, in the French district.

Another branch of agriculture to which the Government are paying particular attention is fruit growing, and Mr. Murray says that the apple exhibition he mentioned at the aptitudes of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association last month was pronounced the finest show ever held in Canada. During the past six years the Government has assisted and encouraged the extension of orchards, and thousands upon thousands of apple trees have been planted, some of which are just beginning to bear.

The Community Plan. "Questioned as to the object of his visit, Mr. Murray said he had come over to inquire into the work of the London office and ascertain how New Brunswick was being placed before the public here, to see what else could be done to make the resources of the province more widely known in this country, and to confer with those interested in regard to the settlement of returned soldiers on the land after the war. New Brunswick was the first province in Canada to pass legislation for dealing with the returned soldiers. Sir Robert Borden having asked the Premier of the province what he proposed to do in regard to this matter, Mr. Murray, as Minister of Agriculture, was requested to supply details, and he addressed a lengthy communication to the Premier setting forth his views. Briefly, the scheme propounded is the establishing of community settlements, each community to accommodate from 100 to 250 families, depending on the size of the area of suitable land that is available in each locality. Each of these communities will radiate from a central farm operated by the Government for the purpose of supplying instruction, employment and the necessary implements and teams for the new settlers—a system which, it is believed, will, in a large measure, do away with the necessity of each settler having to purchase a full equipment of his own for the first few years. In carrying out the scheme to its fulfillment, it is proposed that, eventually, all the produce will or can be marketed on the co-operative plan, much to the advantage of the settler. On the central farm provision will be made for a school, church, butter or cheese factory, blacksmith's shop, post office and other public conveniences. The Farm Settlement Board, which has been actively engaged during the past few years placing settlers upon the vacant lands of the Province, will carry on the work in conjunction with the newly-formed Advisory Settlement Board, and it has been determined to go ahead with active preparations so that by next spring it will be possible to receive the class of immigrants for whom the assistance is intended. The size of the land available for each settler in each community will range from 10 to 100 acres. Part of each lot will be cleared and cultivated, and a cheap but comfortable set of buildings erected sufficient for the needs of the settlers for a number of years.

### Financing the Scheme.

"It is proposed that the Government borrow sufficient money for the purpose of carrying out the work, and in return the holdings will be sold on long easy terms for the actual cost of improvement, which will probably be in the vicinity of from 700 to 1,200 dollars each. Regulations governing the whole matter are now in course of preparation. Until these are completed it is impossible, Mr. Murray says, to give complete details of the scheme, but it is probable that the amount assumed by each settler for his holdings will be the cost price, less an initial payment of 5 per cent in cash, the balance to be paid in possibly, twenty annual instalments at the lowest possible rate of interest.

A Mineral Exhibit. With regard to my suggestion made in this column last week that the London agency should be removed from Southampton street to a more central position, Mr. Murray said the Government had in mind a more central office where the products of the province could be more prominently brought before the British public. They were having prepared an exhibit of minerals, which was to be sent to London. Mentioning some of the natural products, Mr. Murray said, "We have oil and gas and shale; we have gypsum, iron, bark and tungsten; we have silver, lead and zinc ores, antimony and graphite; we have infusorial earth or tripolite; we have red and black granite, and in some parts of the province nickel ore. We have salt springs and mineral springs and bituminous coal. Then, of course, there are our various woods. Our natural resources in all these directions are far too little known and they should prove attractive to capitalists who wish to exploit our country. Our fishing industry is worth about five millions a year at the present time, and is capable of great expansion. Arrangements have been made by which Canada is to send to this country 2,000,000 lbs. of fish per week. We send our salt fish chiefly to Upper Canada, but large quantities of hake and cod are exported to the West Indies, and the young herring is sold to American buyers as a sardine. You would not accept it as such in this country." With regard to the weekly frozen fish exports referred to by Mr. Murray, I may point out that the whole of the Canadian soldiers in this country in camp and in hospital have now one fish dinner a week and two fish breakfasts, and the British army has started the consumption of Canadian frozen fish with a dinner a week at some of the camps, and

Nearly Twenty Men Buried in Ruins Fire Destroys Half of Quaker Oats Plant at Peterboro, Ont., Causing Loss of \$400,000. Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 11.—The Quaker Oats plant, one of the finest of its kind in Canada, is now a mass of ruins. Seven persons are dead, and a dozen or more employes are in the hospital suffering from burns and injuries, two of them seriously injured the result of an explosion and fire at the plant this morning at 10.30, when the boiler room and dry room above were demolished and rapidly consumed by the fire which immediately followed. It is supposed that the explosion occurred in the dry room, and was caused by spontaneous combustion. A north wind fanned the flames so that they ate through the whole length of the building. Following the noise of the explosion and the cry of fire, the 200 girls and women in the packing department made for the exits. Several girls had parts of their clothing burned by the flames, and also their hair. How they all escaped without serious injury is almost a miracle, so great headway had the fire gained. The loss on the factory buildings is estimated at about \$500,000, covered by insurance.

### NEWS SUMMARY.

(McDOUGALL & COWANS.) Western Union Oct. net after taxes inc. \$398,300. Twin City fourth week Nov. inc. \$11,900. Officially denied in Washington that United States has made offers of mediation or suggestion of peace to Europe; also state that Gerard is not returning to Germany with peace proposals from Wilson. Chairman of Imperial munitions board for Canada says when English shell contracts in United States expire they will not be renewed but will buy raw materials. General Elec. Co. to increase wages of employes. Cost of war to France and Great Britain by end of March will be tallied \$32,500,000,000. Control of Honor trade in England to be taken over by new government. D. J. & CO.

## GinPills FOR THE KIDNEYS PAIN IN SMALL OF BACK

From time to time we learn of cases where the free sample of Gin Pills is sufficient to relieve the distressing pains in the back. Here is such a case coming from the British West Indies. Britton Hill, St. Michael's, B.W.I. May 24th, 1915. "I received your sample of Gin Pills and would say that I was suffering with a very intense pain in the small of my back for some days. After I had taken the sample, the pain was gone. Sanford Works." All druggists sell Gin Pills. Sample free if you write to NATIONAL TRUST & CHEMICAL CO. OF CANADA, LIMITED, Toronto, Ont.

## GIRL ADMITS SHE KILLED HER FATHER

Shoe Factory Operative was Scolded for Not Turning in More of Weeks Wages.

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 11.—A confession that she had killed her father, Gen-tano Gangi, has been made by Grace Gangi, according to a statement given out by the police after they had questioned the young woman about the shooting of Gangi at his home. The girl admitted, the police allege, that she obtained her father's pistol and shot him after he had scolded her for not turning more of her week's wages as a shoe worker, into the family purse. She said she warned him that she would kill him if he continued to call her names, according to the alleged confession, and when this warning was disregarded she carried out her threat. When the police were notified of Gangi's death, the family insisted that he had shot himself after a domestic quarrel. Upon a further investigation, Miss Gangi who was found scrubbing the floor where her father had fallen, was detained. After her statement to the police she was locked up on a charge of murder.

### OBITUARY.

Mrs. Minnie Boyd. The death occurred at Cole's Island a few days ago of Mrs. Minnie Boyd, widow of the late Thomas Boyd, in the 25th year of her age. The deceased leaves besides a father and brother, two small children. She was of a kind disposition and beloved by all who knew her. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church. Interment took place Sunday in the Baptist cemetery.

W. J. Stephenson. Westfield, Dec. 11.—The death took place of Mr. W. J. Stephenson this morning at his residence, Hillendale. He was in the 77th year of his age. He leaves besides his wife, six sons, three daughters and one sister to mourn.

James H. Myles. James H. Myles, aged 56 years, died at the Public Hospital on Sunday. He was a native of St. John and was well known throughout the province as a commercial traveler. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Esther Myles, and one son, Frederick.

Peter W. Anderson. The death of Peter W. Anderson took place on Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Anderson, 222 Millidge avenue. The deceased, who was 34 years of age, leaves his wife two small children and four sisters, Mrs. Harry Morrison of Main street, Mrs. Wm. Sullivan of Chesley street, Mrs. John Craney of Millidge avenue, and Miss Maud at home.

Mrs. George Dick. Last Saturday in Brooklyn, N. Y., the death of Mrs. Geo. Dick, widow of Captain Dick, took place, aged 75 years. She is survived by three brothers, Nevin Cameron of St. George and Angus and Wallace Cameron of this city. The body will be brought to the city for burial at the end of the week. While in Brooklyn the deceased made her home with her niece, Mrs. Grace Simmons.

Miss E. C. Reid. The death of Miss Edna Gertrude Reid took place on Sunday at the residence of her brother-in-law, Dr. N. G. Trueman, Salem, Mass. Miss Reid was the daughter of the late David and Mary Reid, a member of Centenary church and of the King's Daughters' Guild. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Trueman.

Mrs. Sina Mortensen. The death took place suddenly on Sunday of Mrs. Sina Mortensen, wife of Capt. M. Mortensen, at 19 Winslow street. She is survived by her husband, three sons, one of whom is in Denmark, and two daughters, one in this city and one resident in Denmark.

Adam Murray. Apoahqui, Dec. 11.—After a protracted illness, caused by an affection of the heart, supplemented by the infirmities of age, Adam Murray of this village passed away on Sunday morning, Dec. 10th.

The late Mr. Murray was born in Pearsonville Kings Co., 83 years ago and had lived practically all his life in the place of his birth. About three years ago he retired from business



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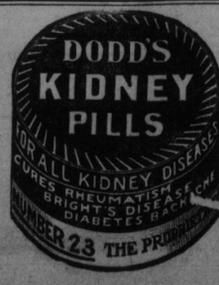
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## Everywhere—Why?

life, being an exceptionally prosperous farmer, and after selling his valuable property at Pearsonville, he built a cozy residence in this village, where he has since resided, he and his amiable wife being warmly welcomed, and have been much esteemed residents. The deceased was twice married, his first wife being Mary Jane Campbell, and his second, formerly Margaret Hamilton, who survives him. Neither union was blessed by children. The only other immediate relatives are two sisters, Mrs. Angus Campbell, Belleville, and Mrs. John Little of this village. Also—his brother, David Murray of Pearsonville. In the presence of this grand old man the Presbyterian church loses a

devout member and office bearer, the wife a kind and devoted husband, and the community and surrounding country suffers an irreparable loss. His disposition was unusually cheerful, and even at his advanced age, his intellect was unimpaired, and through all the years he has ever been a friend to those in need, charitable and unselfish, and many will mourn the end of such a noble life, whose good example will surely live on. The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Rev. T. A. Mitchell will be the officiating clergyman. After a brief service at the home a service will be held in the Methodist church after which the funeral cortege will form and wend its way to Pearsonville where interment

will take place in the family lot. Miss Josephine McFadden. Moncton, Dec. 11.—Miss Josephine McFadden, student nurse at Moncton Hospital, died at the hospital yesterday from the effects of hemorrhage. She was 21 years of age and had been a nurse at the hospital for nine-months. Deceased was a daughter of Conductor John McFadden, of Moncton and Buctouche Railway. The body was taken to her home in Buctouche this afternoon. The Fairville Court. In the Fairville police court yesterday, before Magistrate Allingham, James H. Kingston was fined \$50 and costs for pocket peddling.



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