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## ST. JOHN SENDS ASSISTANCE TO FIRE-STRIKEN PEOPLE IN TOWN OF CAMPBELLTON

### Council Votes \$2,000, and Arrangements Are Made for Subscriptions—Carload of Provisions Sent Forward Last Night and More is to Follow—Generous Response to Appeals—Corrected Statement of the Insurance—The Water System.

Wednesday, July 13, At a special meeting of the city council yesterday morning, it was unanimously decided to send \$2,000 to the aid of the fire sufferers in Campbellton. One-half of this amount was invested in provisions, tents, cooking stoves, etc., which were sent forward on the Maritime express last night to the stricken town. The other \$1,000 will be forwarded, either in cash or provisions, as Mayor Murray, of Campbellton, may ask.

Mayor Frink was at his desk in city hall at 7:30 yesterday morning. The special meeting of the council was held at 10:30. Those present were Ald. Jones, Vanwart, White, Elkin, Lively, Willet, McGoldrick and Scully. His worship, who presided, referred briefly to the great calamity which had befallen Campbellton and the pressing need there was of sending relief at once, if it was to be effective. All the members present were unanimous in their feeling that something ought to be done and a resolution placing \$2,000 for the fire sufferers, in the mayor's hands to be used at his discretion, was carried without a dissenting voice.

Another resolution calling upon the mayor to open a public subscription was also passed. During the day, as a result of this action, the amount of \$250 was handed to Mayor Frink to be sent to Campbellton. J. Hunter White interviewed the wholesale grocers and provision dealers, and met with a hearty and generous response to his appeals. Among those who sent donations were J. A. Tilton, Hall & Fairweather, H. C. Cole, Ltd., George E. Barbour, Jones & Schofield, Gandy & Allison, Andrew Malcolm, Wilfred M. Barlow, George S. DeForest & Sons, Ltd., and Frank Hatheway Co., Ltd. Mr. White said last night that practically the whole of the business firms of the North and South wharves had responded to his appeal to send goods.

The council of the board of trade held a meeting yesterday morning and decided to send a carload of provisions to Campbellton. Following a consultation between T. H. Estabrook, president of the board of trade, and Mayor Frink, however, the decision was reached to send one carload. W. E. Anderson, secretary of the board of trade, went to the stricken town last evening and it was thought best to await his report as to the needs of the people before sending more supplies. Another consideration which influenced the decision reached was that there was no place in Campbellton in which to store provisions, and they would have to be taken care of in the cars. So generous was the response to the appeal for aid, however, that not only was the first car completely loaded but a second was partly filled, which may be sent on today.

At a late hour Monday night, Captain McKenney, of the active militia campbellton, wired Col. Humphrey, D. O. C., giving him news of the awful conflagration and asking if the tents and blankets stored at Sussex could not be sent forward for the use of the fire-stricken people. Col. Humphrey immediately wired to headquarters for the necessary authority, but up to a late hour last night had received no answer to his message.

**Anxious Inquiries.** All day long anxious inquiries for news continued to come in to the newspaper and telegraph offices from people who had relatives or friends in Campbellton. At a late hour last night, however, no direct telegraphic communication had been established with Campbellton, the only news obtainable being via Dalhousie and Newcastle, or over the long distance and wireless. There is little doubt that many thousands of dollars in provisions and cash will be sent to Campbellton. Assistance is being sent from many points in the maritime provinces so that as far as possible the present needs of those who have lost their all, may be supplied.

The Canadian Express Company has undertaken to transmit packages for the fire sufferers at Campbellton, if addressed to the relief committee, free of charge. A special meeting of the Women's Council has been called for this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the King's Daughters Guild rooms, to consider the best means of assisting the sufferers.

**St. John Branches There.** The firm of Baird & Peters was probably the first in this city to receive a telephone message from Campbellton after the fire. The message was sent by H. G. Milligan, who was in charge of their wholesale branch there. It was the effect that there were only five or six houses left standing on the outskirts of the town. It concluded: "Outside of these there is not a stick or stone standing in Campbellton, nor a pound of beans in the place." Baird & Peters sent a donation of provisions on the relief train that left here last evening. The firm established their branch in Campbellton three years ago. They found the town a convenient distributing point for the North Shore and were doing there a large and growing business. They occupied for offices the two lower floors in the Masonic Temple and had a warehouse adjoining. They were fully covered by insurance. No satisfactory figures could be obtained as to the amount of

## SAID THE TOWN WILL BE REBUILT

Eyewitness of Disaster Describes Conditions at Campbellton

### WHAT BLOW MEANS

Majority of Victims Practically Destitute—Some Pathetic Instances—A Mother's Search for Missing Child—T. H. Cochrane Says Scene Cannot Be Described.

Thursday, July 14. T. H. Cochrane, agent in Campbellton for the wholesale grocery firm of Jones & Schofield, who was one of the few left homeless as the result of Monday's conflagration in that town, arrived here last evening and registered at the Royal Hotel. When approached by a reporter for The Telegraph, Mr. Cochrane talked at some length about the distressing scenes during and after the big fire. "The fire itself," said Mr. Cochrane, "was almost beyond description. Imagine a town the size of Campbellton, about a mile and a half long and a half a mile wide, one solid mass of flames and then you will have the picture which words alone could not describe. The amazing feature of it all, too," he said, "was the rapidity with which the flames spread, the whole town being enveloped in less than two hours after the fire started. This was due to the terrific gale which was blowing and which picked up the glowing embers and scattered them all over the town. The residents found it useless to fight the flames, and in fact it was more than a little hard to get after the safety of ourselves and our friends and relatives."

"The scenes in many instances were heart-rending, especially in the cases where families had been separated and mothers and fathers were looking for their children, not being able to find their children."

Although nothing definite is known as to whether or not more than one life was lost, Mr. Cochrane says he knows of one case in which a mother is bemoaning the loss of a little babe whose death has so far gone unrecorded. "I was playing my wife and children on board the steamer Senlac when I met a poor French woman who was almost hysterical. She told him that she could not get to her little child whom she felt sure had been burned to death. When I left Campbellton Tuesday evening this woman had heard nothing of her child, and it is probable that she never will."

What is most deplorable in the case of Campbellton," said Mr. Cochrane, "is the fact that most of her residents were simple laboring people who possessed nothing beyond their homes. Now they are totally deprived of both and are in destitute circumstances, unable to arrange at their command to make another home for themselves. "Outside cannot realize the extent of the suffering of these unfortunate, homeless people."

A total of three instances where mothers had given birth to children and the open fields while the flames raged nearby. "There can be no doubt," he said, "but that this industrial town will be rebuilt. It is not only the feeling but the desire of the leading merchants who suffered terrible losses, that the town be rebuilt at its old location and its rich lumber territories, has yet excellent possibilities. In fact, an immediate stir will be noticed there, as temporary lumber mills will be erected in the town, and the lumber trade will be resumed at once."

## ACTRESS WIFE IS MURDERED

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polish descent. When she was two years old her widowed mother married M. F. Marsinger, and the little girl, growing up in a comfortable home, became a stepdaughter, dropped her christened name and became known as Cora Marsinger. Her stepfather, Mrs. Mills, the stepmother to whom the "Louise and Robert" letter was addressed, and other relatives were fond of her, and she was very popular. Her mother is dead. Marsinger, the stepfather, is a farmer and huckster. He said today: "We noticed that, although Dr. Crippen's letter told of a dying relative who was to leave him money, the letter did not give the relative's name, his place of residence, his business, nor did it tell where Cora was taken ill, where she died, who attended her, or why, if she was ill in this country, she did not communicate with her family as would have been natural."

"At the time of her death, Cora must have been thirty-eight years old. While she was still a young girl she showed a fondness for the stage. We did not approve at first, but she was headstrong, and she went through the west with Dr. Crippen. I don't know just where, and they were married about fourteen years ago, as nearly as I can recollect. We did not see much of Cora after that. She was a handsome girl, and very clever."

Dr. Crippen is said to have practiced medicine with success both in Brooklyn and Manhattan. He always appeared to have plenty of money and his wife wore handsome jewelry. One of the step-sisters visited the Crippens in London within a year and found them living comfortably there, still with plenty of money.

The police here are awaiting the Luetania, which is expected to dock tomorrow morning. He is thought to be on board.

**Canadian Associated Press**  
London, July 14.—It is stated that Crippen once managed Mumson's business in Toronto.

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## HOW IS YOUR THROAT? PROMPT ACTION IS NECESSARY

Lieut.-Governor Tweedie Discusses the Conditions at Campbellton

### CLOTHING AND MONEY PEOPLE'S GREAT NEED NOW

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ities are still being circulated, but there is no truth in them. An instance of how they spread is known in the home coming of Austin Murray, son of the mayor, on Tuesday from a spot 36 miles distant, where he had been told that his home was burned and his father killed. He immediately came home, but was relieved at finding his father alive and a very busy man. Last night an I. C. R. driver, John Hamilton, sustained painful injuries in a fall not far from the station, while walking along a couple of planks. Dr. Price attended him but his injuries are not thought to be serious.

Gradually the people who lost their homes and property in the merciless flames are returning to the scenes of their former happiness and prosperity from the widely scattered points to which they fled for safety.

**Visit Home Scene.**  
Many of them today visited the desolate, barren waste of ash heaps which is the only sight to be seen in the residential section, which only a few days ago they were proud to call home. That word has been hanging to them now. Their hearts are breaking at the sight of the home in the green woods, with here and there a shack or shelter of some sort to protect them from the weather.

The women and children are bearing up bravely in the struggle for existence, along with their husbands and fathers, and even though they possess nothing more than the few clothes they are wearing, they do not complain, but shoulder the burden with a degree of humility, courage and persevering bravery that are remarkable under the circumstances.

**St. Andrews Ladies Do Well.**  
St. Andrews, N. B., July 14.—(Special)—A meeting of the ladies of St. Andrews was held this afternoon to arrange for sending relief to the Campbellton fire sufferers. Mayor Armstrong presided. All the congregations were represented. Lady Tilley was present as representing the Women's Council of St. John, and Mrs. Price was appointed from each congregation to solicit clothing, money and supplies. The mayor was requested to receive subscriptions on behalf of the fire sufferers.

The ladies will, in addition to soliciting second-hand clothing, books, etc., meet in Memorial Hall on Monday afternoon to make up garments. They have taken hold of the work with a will, feeling that the need of immediate relief is pressing.

**Daniel O'Keefe Dead.**  
Dalhousie, N. B., July 14.—(Special)—Daniel O'Keefe, ex-Mayor Montgomery, last night, after several months' illness, conducted a hotel business for many years, and died at his home here at 10 o'clock today. He was removed from the town during Monday's fire and it is believed the shock hurried his death. Mr. O'Keefe was noted for his fair dealing with everybody and was very popular in Campbellton. He was survived by three daughters, three sons and a large circle of friends. The funeral service will be held in the Dalhousie R. C. church at 2 o'clock tomorrow and at 2 p. m. the body will be taken to Campbellton by special train and buried in the Catholic cemetery.

The governor drew attention to the fact that as the town of Campbellton had been wiped out of existence, it was of the utmost importance that the federal authorities, the I. C. R., the banks and other such interests should lose no time in locating and beginning the erection of the new post office, custom house, the new I. C. R. station, bank buildings and other buildings. He said that the strikers people might have before their eyes such a proof of the rebuilding of the town on the old site, and thus be provided, too, with a nucleus around which to rally in settling about the reconstruction of the stores, houses, churches and other buildings. He drew attention also to the importance of Campbellton as a junction point of the I. C. R. and the International, because so soon as the new bridge over the Restigouche shall have been completed, Campbellton will naturally draw a large trade from the Gaspe coast. His honor, who is of course very intimately acquainted with North Shore conditions, and who has given the Campbellton situation careful study from the moment the full extent of the catastrophe became apparent, spoke very strongly of the advisability of quick co-operation in matters of this kind in order that the people of the stricken community may receive every assistance and encouragement in rebuilding their town. He spoke also of the need of prudence as well as of promptness in distributing supplies or making use of relief funds, and expressed the hope that decisive measures might be taken to restrain any persons, if any such there were, who might be disposed to attempt to coin money out of the necessities of the homeless by, for instance, demanding exorbitant prices for any necessary articles. He said a word also of the need for assistance such as could best be given by the Army Medical corps, pointing out that already the despatches indicated that effective medical aid would be necessary and might be still more urgently needed within the next few days.

## BELIEVES WHEAT CROP IN THE WEST WILL BE LARGE

Grain Expert Looks for More Than 100,000,000 Bushels; St. John Firm Received Advice Wednesday.

Thursday, July 14. A St. John firm representing interests in western Canada received a letter yesterday regarding crop conditions, from which the following is an extract. The letter was dated July 8:

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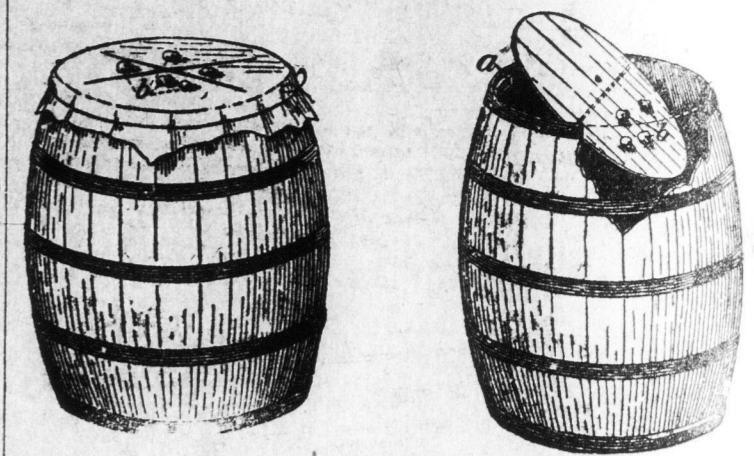
**Local News**  
Fredericton, July 13.—(Special)—John Leck, of H. Horton & Sons, St. John, and Miss Eva Agnes Smith, of Summerfield, Carleton county, were quietly married at the Barker House last evening by Rev. Neil McLaughlin. They will leave this evening on an extended trip to the Pacific coast. The bride is a hospital graduate, and has a large circle of friends. The going-away dress is of chiffon broadcloth.

It is understood that the marriage of E. Parker Baker, of this city, to a popular and prominent young lady of St. John will take place early in September. Mr. Baker has many friends who will extend hearty congratulations. Mr. Baker will close his piano and music store here this month, and remove to St. John—Fredericton Gleaser.

One of the largest donations sent to the Campbellton relief fund was that forwarded yesterday by the directors of the Bank of Nova Scotia. This bank, which had a successful branch in Campbellton, contributed the cheques, sum of \$8,000. The Royal Bank and the Bank of New Brunswick also carried on a successful branch business in Campbellton. All had their offices destroyed by the fire.

## SIMPLE AND PRACTICAL TRAPS TO CATCH RATS

Need for Their Destruction on the Farm and a Few Methods which Can Be Employed—By David E. Lantz.



Barrel Traps. No. 1—With stiff paper cover. No. 2—With hinged barrel cover. A—Stop. B—Baits.

The rat is the worst mammalian pest known to man. Its depredations throughout the world result in losses amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. But these losses, great as they are, are of less importance than the fact that rats carry from house to house and from seaport to seaport diseases of all sorts.

Few attempts have been made to collect statistics of damage done by rats in America, but it is known to be very great. Farmers suffer enormous losses, both before and after their crops are harvested, from these pests. Among methods for driving away rats that have proved useful under some circumstances are the following:

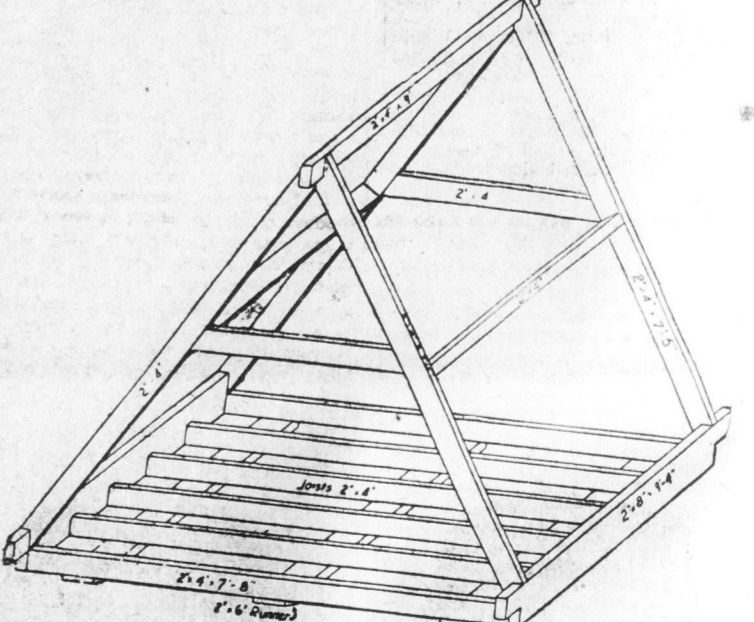
1. Freshly slaked lime placed dry in runs and burrow entrances.
2. Freshly made thin whitewash poured into the rat burrows.
3. A strong solution of copperas (ferrous sulphate) sprinkled in runs and burrow entrances.
4. Chlorid of lime, loose or in rags, placed in burrows and runs.
5. Gas tar daubed about the burrow entrances.
6. Powdered red pepper scattered in rat runs and burrows.
7. Gas tar daubed about the burrow entrances.
8. Caustic potash placed in the burrow and runs.

The best bait to use in trapping is usually food of a kind that the rats do not get in the vicinity. As far as possible, food other than the bait should be inaccessible while trapping is in progress. The bait should be kept fresh and attractive, and the kind changed when necessary. Baits and traps should be handled as little as possible. Ordinarily, traps should be frequently cleaned or smoked.

About 60 years ago a writer in the Cornhill Magazine gave details of a trap which it was claimed that 3,000 rats were caught in a warehouse in a single night. The plan involved tolling the rats to the place and feeding them for several nights on the tops of barrels covered with coarse brown paper. Afterward a cross was cut in the paper, so that the rats fell into the barrel. Many variations of the plan, but few improvements upon it, have been suggested by agricultural writers since that time. Reports are frequently made of large catches of rats by means of a barrel fitted with a light cover of wood, hinged on a rod so as to turn with the weight of a rat, as shown in illustration No. 2.

The Burmese use an ingenious and simple method of trapping rats. A large jar with a weighted cover is sunk into the ground. A hole is punched in the side of the jar on level with the surface of the ground

## A-SHAPED HOG HOUSE FRAME



In the illustration is shown the framework for the A-shaped hog house. Little explanation is needed since the dimensions are shown on the various parts. In constructing the house it is important to have the rafters cut to the right length so that boards 1 1/2" x 10" cut in the middle will exactly fit over the rafters.

The following lumber is necessary to construct the portable house just described: Nine pieces 1x12 inches 16 feet long and 11 O. B. battens 16 feet long for roof, five pieces 1x12 inches 14 feet long for ends, one piece 2x8 inches ten feet long for ridge, two pieces 2x8 ten feet long for plate, seven pieces 2x4 inches 16 feet long for rafters and braces in frame, three pieces 2x6 inches eight feet long for runners, and four pieces 1x12 inches 16 feet long, rough, for flooring.

the people. Although without sleep for many hours he is going about from town to town bringing help and cheer. F. M. Murray & Co., coal dealers, and all their stock destroyed by Mr. Blair's venture, has his coal piled in several different places and saved everything. John Reid, town clerk of Campbellton, says not more than a couple of dozen buildings remain standing the most of them being on the windward side of the town. Others are as follows: District Sgt. Doyle's residence and the Kelly House, immediately behind it; Mr. A. M. Mowat's, Mr. B. C. Fifth's, Mrs. Muirhead's, and Mr. E. S. Blair's residences on the hill.

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