GREAT FUTURE FOR ST. JOHN, SAYS BROKER

The following is taken from the Montreal Witness of Dec. 3:

Mr. Grant Johnston, of the firm of McCuaig Brothers & Company, stock brokers, returned to Montreal from St. John, N. B., this morning.

Mr. Johnston found the maritime city almost transformed, with modern buildings, industrial plants, and public works.

"The growth which has taken place within the past two years is amazing," he said in an interview with the "Witness."

"Not only is the Government and the Canadian Pacific Railway spending much money on terminal facilities, but the industrial expansion is very evident in all parts of the city. Among the latest new factories to begin construction are a large brush factory, an automobile plant, and a wood-working factory, while it is expected that the new Atlantic Sugar Refinery will commence construction early next year. New banking premises are becoming numerous, the Bank of British North America and the Union Bank are now erecting buildings to take care of their growing business in that district. The Government, too, is building a new post office, which will be about four times as large as the one now in use."

"During the next three years," continued Mr. Johnston, "fully $30,000,000 will be spent in St. John towards new businesses, so that it looks as if this city, which has lain dormant for about fifty years, is shortly to rise to an importance more commensurate with its geographical and natural advantages."

"With such prospects, it must be said that real estate values there are ridiculously low for a city of 60,000 population. This fact is being realized by a few capitalists in Montreal and other more western cities, and it would not be surprising if St. John soon became the object of a similar boom to that still going forward in Montreal."

BAD ROADS IN NEW BRUNSWICK DRAWBACK TO MAIL DELIVERY

Rural System Not Taken Advantage Of as it Should Be, Says Ottawa Man—Other Provinces Find it a Great Convenience.

Thursday, Dec. 5.

That the rural delivery is not taken advantage of to anything like the extent it might be by the farmers of New Brunswick, was the information given to The Telegraph yesterday by A. Bolduc, of the rural delivery department of the post office department in Ottawa, who is at the Royal.

"The conditions under which rural delivery is granted are by no means onerous," said Mr. Bolduc, "and are these—that 50 per cent. of the farmers or people along the route demand it, and that they purchase from the post office department a delivery box, and that they put it up themselves, the $3 buying the box permanently. The benefits to the farmers and the people of those districts are evident and are countless.

"The department of course prefers the circular route around which the post office courier can go and return to his starting point, but this is not essential to the delivery being granted.

"The courier, who by reason of his work is really a travelling post office, sells postal notes, money orders, takes and delivers registered letters, as well as selling postage stamps and taking and delivering the ordinary letters.

"The present rural delivery system has been largely adopted in several of the provinces, especially in Ontario, which has the biggest rural delivery service of any province in Canada. Little Prince Edward Island comes next in order. Ontario possessing many rich farmers, accounts for their taking advantage to a great extent of the system, together with the fact that the roads in that province are in pretty good condition, one of the essentials of a good service being good roads throughout the province concerned.

"In New Brunswick the condition of the roads is a big drawback to a good service, and doubtless were the rural delivery more generally adopted one of the many results would be that the roads would be improved in course of time.

"The service consists of not less than three deliveries a week and where the population of the district justifies it, there is a daily delivery."

WEDDINGS

Smith-Edsforth.

Tuesday, Dec. 3.

In the Church of the Good Shepherd in Fairville yesterday morning at 10.30 o'clock Mrs. Ellen Edsforth of Acrington End and Herbert H. Smith, one of Sunbury's most prosperous farmers were united in marriage by Rev. W. P. Dunham. The bride was attired in a handsome grey silk dress trimmed with lace and with hat to match. She was unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left by C. P. R. for a wedding trip in Nova Scotia.

Hedenburg-Nobles.

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening Nov. 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Speyer, 13 Ellis avenue, Medford, Mass., when Miss Grace Nobles, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nobles of Hatfields Point, Kings county, N. B., was united in marriage to William E. Hedenburg of Worcester, Mass. They were attended by the bride's sister, Miss Maude Nobles, and the groom's brother, Roy Hedenburg. The bride was attired in a brown broad cloth suit and a black picture hat decorated with plumes and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. The bridesmaid were a bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley. Rev. G. F. Bolster of the South Medford Baptist church officiated. After a light luncheon was served by the bride's sister they left for New York and other states. On their return they will reside at No. 4 Douglas avenue, Winter Hill, Mass.

Stockton-Jones.

A very quiet event took place in Montreal on Wednesday, Nov. 27, when Lee Blair Stockton, of Petitcodiac (N. B.), was united in marriage to Miss Willamina Jones, of the same place, but who had been visiting for the past few months in Vancouver (B. C.) The ceremony was performed by the pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Rev. G. Colbourne Heine, cousin of the groom. After a dainty supper at the pastor's home, Mr. and Mrs. Stockton left for their home in Petitcodiac (N. B.), via New York and Boston. The bride was attired in a travelling suit of navy blue cloth with hat to match.

Wood-Hutchinson.

Harcourt, Dec. 2—An interesting event, in which two young people of the place were the principals, took place at the Presbyterian church at 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, when Miss Mary Hutchinson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchinson, became the wife of Nathan Ward, Rev. Alex. Rettie, of Millerton, performing the ceremony in the absence of the pastor, Rev. R. H. Stavert.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was gowned in a neat traveling suit of navy blue broadcloth and wearing a large black beaver hat with white ospreys. She was attended by the groom's sister, Miss Georgie Ward, who also wore navy blue cloth and black beaver hat. The groom was supported by Mr. Charles Hutchinson and Hazen Wiley and Bonar Mundle acted as ushers. Miss Maude Atkinson presided at the organ, and played several selections, and the choir sang The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden.

The happy couple left on the Ocean Limited for Newcastle and other points on the North Shore, where they will spend a couple of weeks with friends before leaving for their future home in Red Deer, Minnesota. The bride was the recipient of many pretty and useful gifts, among which was a handsome set of furs from the groom.

Among the out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hutchinson, of Millerton; Miss Maude Atkinson, of Derby; Misses Margaret and Edna McPherson, of Moncton; Miss Bertha Barron and David Barron, of Millerton.

Finlay-Dunlop.

Thursday, Dec. 5.

A very pretty event took place last evening at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Dunlop, 22 White street, when their daughter, Miss Ethel Mae Dunlop, was united in marriage to Hedley C. Finlay, son of Captain and Mrs. George E. Finlay, of Carmarthen street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, pastor of Main street Baptist church, in the presence of only close relatives of the principals.

The bride was attired in a pretty costume of Alice blue silk. After the wedding, luncheon was served. Both the bride and groom, who is employed as accountant with the St. John Railway Company, are very popular in the city, and many friends remembered them nicely with some useful and valuable gifts. They will reside at 174 Carmarthen street.

Baird-Weddleton.

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 4(Special)—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weddleton, Main street, was the scene of a quiet but pretty wedding this afternoon, when their eldest daughter, Ethel, was married to Rev. Ira M. Baird, pastor of the Baptist church here. The ceremony was perfomed by Rev. Ivan M. Rose, of Pubnico, in the presence of the immediate relatives. Following the ceremony a reception for the newly married couple was given at the home of the bride's grandpartnts, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Weddleton, Main street, at which were present the close friends of the bride and groom, besides the relatives.

The happy couple took passage to Boston by steamer this evening and will visit there before proceeding to New London, where they will reside. Mr. and Mrs. Baird have a large circle of warm friends in Yarmouth and vicinity who will wish them success.

Rev. Mr. Baird is a native of Clementsport, Annapolis county, where his father resides.

Thomson-Harris.

Moncton, Dec. 4—(Special)—A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crandall, Union street, at 7 o'clock this evening when their niece, Miss Grace B. Harris, was united in marriage to Dr. Henry S. Thomson, the well known dentist. The house was beautifully and artistically decorated for the happy event and the nuptial knot was tied by Rev. G. A. Lawson, pastor of the First Baptist church, in the presence of about seventy relatives and intimate friends of the constracting parties.

The ceremony took place in the drawing room beneath an arch of green, trimmed with white floral bells. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, W. H. Crandall, was handsomely gowned in duchess satin with seed-pearl-embroidered overdress with Dutch veil of silk Brussels net and orange blossoms, carrying a beautiful shower bonquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. Little Margaret Crandall, cousin of the bride, and little Mary Crandall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crandall, of New York, made bewitching flower girls.

The bride entered the room to the strains of Mendelsshon's wedding march played by W. A. McKee, a quartette also rendered The Voice That Breathes O'er Eden. After the ceremony the guests were entertained at luncheon, served by girl friends of the bride.

Among outside guests were Miss Nan Estabrooks, St. John; W. B. Dickson, M. P. P., and wife, Hillsboro; Mr. and Mrs. A. Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Bain, Miss Hattie Dickson, Hillsboro; Mrs. H. C. Barnes, Salisbury; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hutton, Joggins (N. S.); Mrs. Bert Crandall, New York; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dayton, Cochrane (Ont.)

The bride was the recipient of a great array of presents, consisting of gold, silver, cut glass, inculding gifts from clubs and the Presbyterian choir, of which the groom is a member. The couple are among the best known and popular of Moncton's young people. The groom is well known, especially among the dental fraternity of the province, being president of the N. B. Dental Society. Dr. Thomson and bride left on the Mamitime Express on a three weeks' wedding trip to New York and will reside on Alma street on their return.

OBITUARY

Joseph Quinn.

Tuesday, Dec. 3.

The many friends of Joseph Quinn, cartman, will be sorry to learn of his sudden death. Mr. Quinn was taken ill on Saturday evening about 6.30 o'clock while on his way home from work, and he passed away yesterday. The deceased was in his forty-seventh year and had made a large circle of friends by his genial disposition. He is survived by one son, William, of the Dominion Express Company, and by two sisters, Mrs. John Fitzpatrick and Miss Agnes Quinn, of this city.

Mrs. Harold S. Crowell.

Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 2—(Special)—The community was shocked this afternoon by the news of the death at the Yarmouth Public Hospital of Mrs. Laura Crowell, wife of Harold S. Crowell, manager of the New Burrell-Johnson Iron Company.

Mrs. Crowell went to the hospital last week for a minor operation but complications set in and on Saturday hopes of her recovery were despaired of. Early this morning a special train on the Dominion Atlantic Railway brought Dr. E. McKay, of Halifax, and the parents of Mrs. Crowell. After Dr. McKay's arrival an operation was performed but without avail, for she passed away about 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mrs. Crowell was a daughter of John Henry, of River John, Pictou county, and was in the thirty-eighth year of her age. She is survived by her husband and two young children, also by her parents. The sympathy of the entire community goes to the bereaved husband and children who lose a devoted wife and mother.

Mrs. Fred Fowlie.

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 2 — At Little Branch at noon yesterday, Mrs. Fred Fowlie died, aged forty-six years, leaving her husband and one son to mourn a kind and loving wife and mother. Mrs. Fowlie, who was Miss Minnie Robertson, of Wisconsin, was the last of her family. She came here twelve years ago with Mr. Fowlie from Wisconsin. She will be greatly missed in the community. She had been in poor health for some time, and last spring underwent an operation. Two months ago her illness became still more serious, and the end was known to be not far off. Her son Frederick, who is a student at Harkin's Academy, came home two weeks ago. The funeral will be held at Little Branch on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

Bishop James C. MacDonald.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 2—Bishop MacDonald of the Catholic Diocese of Charlottetown, died at an early hour this morning, after an illness extending over two years, all of which time he was confined to bed.

Bishop MacDonald was born and spent his entire life on Prince Edward Island. He was a fellow student of Archbishop McCarthy of Halifax, at the Grand Seminary, Montreal.

The Right Reverend James Charles MacDonald was a son of John and Ellen MacDonald, and was born in St. Andrews, P. E. Island, on June 14, 1840. He was educated in St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown, and also in the Grand Seminary in Montreal. He was ordained a priest in 1873, and then became a professor in St. Dunstan's College, being appointed rector of the college in 1884. He held this position for six years, and in 1890 was appointed coadjutor to the late Mgr. McIntyre with the title of Bishop of Irina. Since May 1, 1891, he had been Bishop of Charlottetown.

In 1899 His Lordship was appointed a member of the Council of Public Instruction in the Province of Quebec, and he attended the Plenary Council in Quebec in 1909 and also the Eucharistic Congress in Montreal in 1910. He was also a governor of the Catholic Church Extension Society.

The funeral of Bishop MacDonald will take place on Thursday. During his illness the diocese has been administered first by Rev. Dr. Morrison, now Bishop of Antigonish and latterly by Rev. James Phelan.

Bishop MacDonald had visited St. John several times for important Catholic church ceremonies.

Miss Eliza Moffat.

Salisbury, N. B., Dec. 2—Miss Eliza Moffat, one of the oldest residents of this village, passed away on Saturday evening, Nov. 30, at the home of her sister. She was over eighty years of age, and had been in failing health for some time. Miss Moffat was for many years a resident of St. John, making her home with her brother, the late Robert A. Moffat.

The funeral took place this afternoon, the services at the house and grave being conducted by Rev. J. B. Champion, pastor of the Salisbury Methodist church. Burial took place in the old cemetery across the Petitcodiac river from this village. Among the mourners was Rev. A. E. Chapman, of Petitcodiac, whose stepmother, Mrs. George Chapman, is a sister of the late Miss Moffat.

Mrs. Mary Nelson.

Wednesday, Dec. 4.

The death of Mrs. Mary Nelson, wife of James Nelson, occurred yesterday morning after an illness of several weeks. She is survived by her husband, two sons and a daughter, Miss Annie, at home. The sons are, John, of this city, and William, of West Ontario. The funeral is to be on Thursday at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence, 227 Westmorland road.

Mrs. Mary McGill.

Wednesday, Dec. 4.

The many friends of Mrs. Mary McGill will regret to hear of her death, which occurred yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Cooper, 75 Elm street, after a short illness. Mrs. McGill was the widow of John McGill, and was a life-long resident of this city. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Frank Cooper, of this city, with whom she had resided for some time, and one stepdaughter, Mrs. George Green, of Boston. The funeral will be tomorrow morning at 8.30 o'clock from 75 Elm street.

Thomas Wilson.

The death of Thomas Wilson, of Lorneville, occurred at his home on Monday afternoon after a lengthy illness. He was sixty-nine years of age and is survived by three sons and one daughter. The sons are Thomas and Samuel, of Fairville, and Charles, of Lorneville; and the daughter is Miss May, of Lorneville. The funeral will be on Wednesday at 2.30 o'clock.

Mayor Henry McDonald.

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 3—(Special)—Henry McDonald, mayor of Glace Bay, died this afternoon of kidney trouble. He was taken ill yesterday and removed to St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. McDonald was fifty-three years of age. He was a member of the municipal council before the incorporation of the town, and afterwards nine or ten years a member of the town council, and was mayor the first two years. He was regarded as one of the best authorities in the province on municipal affairs.

Mrs. Margaret Lawson.

Wednesday, Dec. 4.

The death of Margaret, widow of Rev. J. R. Lawson, took place yesterday at her home in Barnesville. She is survived by seven daughters and one son. Arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

John Fenwick Bain.

Wednesday, Dec. 4.

The death of John Fenwick Bain took place early this morning after an illness extending over five weeks. Mr. Bain was well known as a horseman and for many years conducted a livery stable in the city. He is survived by his wife, six daughters—Mrs. F. J. Blair, of South Bay; Mrs. A. R. Globe, of Timmins (Ont.); Mrs. E. J. Bishop, of Truro; Miss Louis Bain, in Reid's Studio; Miss Mary Bain, with the Earle Publishing Co.; and Miss George, at home; and one son, H. M. Bain, of Hamilton (Ont.)

J. F. Bowes.

Thursday, Dec. 5.

Word was received from Winnipeg yesterday by Albert M. Bowes telling him of the death of his brother, Joseph F. Bowes in that city, where he had been located for about four years. He is a former resident of St. John, where he had many friends who will regret his death. Before going west he was employed with the late M. A. Finn and with W. L. Williams. Since going to Winnipeg he had been with the Empire Hotel. Mr. Bowes, who had been in failing health for some time, is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter. Miss Loretta Bowes is the daughter, while Harry and Joseph are the sons. Mrs. John Sliney and Miss Sarah, at home, are sisters, and Thomas J. and Albert M. Bowes, of this city are brothers. The body will be brought to St. John for burial, accompanied by his son, Harry.

Mrs. John D. Fairweather.

The death of Mrs. John D. Fairweather, formerly of Colina, Kings county, occurred Tuesday in Portland (Me.), where she has been residing. The body is to be buried here. Mrs. Fairweather, who was 33 years of age, is survived by her husband, her mother, Mrs. Long, of Colina, two small children, six sisters and two brothers. The latter are, Theodore Long, of Apohaqui; and Walter, of Colina, while the sisters are, Mrs. Herbert Coy, Mrs. Allan Worden, and Mrs. J. D. Thorne, of Colina, and Misses Amy, Lizzie and Estella, at home.

MAINE BOY KILLS HIS FATHER IN MISTAKE FOR DEER

Milo, Me., Dec. 4—Leverett Dyer, aged 41 years, was shot and killed by his 14 years' old son, Frank, while hunting on Sunday morning. They started out in the vicinity of Highland Quarry, a distance of two miles from Lake View, and after being in the woods a short time, he father told the boy to go in one direction and he would take another, but the father took a different course from the one he mentioned, and the boy unexpectedly seeing what he took to be a deer, fired the fatal shot. The bullet from his gun hit the father in the hip, passing through his body and coming out of the abdomen.

Telling the boy he was badly hurt and that he had better get help, as they were then about one and one-half miles from settlement, the boy hastened to the home of Daniel Hughes and got assistance. They hurried to the scene and found Mr. Dyer in a very bad condition. He was taken to the home of Mr. Latham, and Dr. McFadyen of Milo was summoned, and later Dr. Ford, but there was no help, he living only about six hours. He leaves his wife, two daughters and a son, besides parents and other relatives.

CONDENSED NEWS; LOCAL AND GENERAL

The October returns at the Dominion Savings Bank show receipts of $77,602.81 and withdrawals of $78,050.10.

The last will and testament and codicils thereto of the late Henry A. Calhoun, of Rothesay, have been proved. The estate is sworn at $150,000 personalty, and $5,000 realty. The sum of $25,000 was left to Mrs. Calhoun, John A. Calhoun, of Philadelphia, and E. G. Kaye, of this city, are appointed executors. J. Roy Campbell, proctor.

The acidental discharge of a revolver in the hands of his younger brother, caused painful injuries to Andrew Kirk, aged 13 years, at his home in Millidgeville avenue Monday evening. The two lads were playing with the weapon, of which they had come in possession without the knowledge of the others in the house. Before either knew what had happened the trigger was pullel and little Andrew received the contents in the face. He was taken to the hospital where his injuries were attended to.

Vegetables and fruits should be strictly fresh, therefore it is better not to buy of hucksters if you can help it, but buy from the growers direct.

THREE DREADNAUGHTS IS BORDEN'S PROPSAL

(Continued from page 1.)

to take their part in maintaining its integrity.

"The prime minister of the dominion, having inquired in what form any immediate aid that Canada might give would be most effective, we have no hesitation in answering, after a prolonged consideration of all the circumstances, that it is desirable that such aid should include the provision of a certain number of the largest and strongest ships of war which science can build or money supply."

The premier spoke warmly for continued peace, and then dwelt upon the necessity of preparing for war.

"A crushing defeat upon the high seas would render the British islands, or any of the dominions, subject to invasion by any great military power. The loss of such a decisive battle by Great Britain would practically destroy the United Kingdom, shatter the British Empire to its foundation, and change profoundly the destiny of its component parts. The advantages which Great Britain could gain from defeating the naval forces of any other power would be non-existent except in so far as the result would insure the safety of the empire."

Guarding Heart of the Empire.

He pointed to the withdrawal of British ships from distant stations and the outposts of the empire made necessary to insure safety at home in the face of growing German naval strength in the North Sea.

"The withdrawal of the British flag and the British navy from so many parts of the world for the purpose of concentration in home waters has been necessary but unfortunate. Our navy was once dominant everywhere, and the white ensign was the token of naval supremacy in all the seas. Is it not time that the former conditions should in some measure be restored? Upon our own coasts, both Atlantic and Pacific, powerful squadrons were maintained twelve years ago. Today the flag is not shown on either seaboard.

"I am assured that the aid which we propose will enable such special arrangements to be consummated that without courting disaster at home an effective fleet of battleships and cruisers can be established in the Pacific, and a powerful squadron can periodically visit our Atlantic seaboard and assert once more the naval strength of the empire along these coasts.

"I do not forget, however, that it is the general naval supremacy of the empire which primarily safeguards the overseas dominions. New Zealand's battleship is ranged in line with the other British battleships in the North Sea, because there New Zealand's interests may best be guarded, by protecting the very heart of the empire.

"In presenting such proposals it will be borne in mind that we are not undertaking or beginning a system of regular and periodical contributions. I agree with the resolution of this house in 1909 that the payment of such contributions would not be the most satisfactory solution of the question of defense.

Cost $35,000,000.

"Upon inquiry as to the cost of such a battleship we are informed by the admiralty that it is approximately £2,350,000 includings armament, and the first outfit of ordnance stores and ammunition. The total cost of three such battleships, which, when launched, will be the most powerful in the world would be approximately $35,000,000 and we ask the people of Canada through their parliament to grant that sum to the king in order to increase the effective naval forces of the empire to safeguard our shores and our sea-borne commerce and to make sure the common heritage of all who owe allegiance to the king.

"These ships will be at the disposal of His Majesty the King for the common defence of the empire. They will be maintained and controlled as part of the royal navy and we have the assurance that if at any time in the future it should be the will of the Canadian people to establish a Canadian unit of the British navy these vessels can be recalled by the Canadian government to form part of that navy in which case, of course, they would be maintained by Canada and not by Great Britain.

"In that event there would necessarily be reasonable notice and indeed Canada would not desire or suggest the sudden withdrawal of so powerful a contingent from any important theatre in which the naval forces of the empire might be exposed to severe and sudden attack. In the meantime I am assured that special arrangements will be made to give Canadians the opportunity of serving as officers on these ships."

IN THE COURTS

Probate.

In the probate court yesterday the will of Nathaniel W. Brenan, funeral director, was probated. He gives to his two sons Louis N. and Willian E. the business carried on by him and the equipment in connection therewith, and to pay out of the profits of the business to his two daughters Charlotte Wynona and Reta V., 20 per cent.; the son Louis N. to retain 45 per cent. and the son William E. to retain 35 per cent. The rest of his property he gives to his executors in trust to pay the income to his two daughters and on the marriage or death of both the daughters all his estate to be divided equally among his sons and daughters or their representatives. He nominates his two sons and daughters executors and they were sworn in as such. Real estate is $3,500; personal estate $17,500 and some life insurance payable to the daughters. J. King Kelley, K. C., is proctor.

The matter of the estate of W. Rupert Willet, fruit merchant, was taken up. He died intestate leaving his wife Ada G., and one son, John G. Willet. The widow renounces in favor of the son who was accordingly sworn in as administrator. There is no real estate; personal estate $3,000. J. King Kelley, K. C., is proctor

The will of Mrs. Rosanna Browne, widow of James Browne, rigger, also was proved. She gives her property to her daughter Elizabeth, wife of Michael Haggarty of Montreal, sexton; her grandson Walter Browne, gas company employe, and her two grand-children Edna Dwinell and Nina Robertson Browne, daughters of her son James A. Browne, share and share alike, and she nominates her son James A. Browne executor. He was sworn in as such. There is no real estate; personal estate $600. Beverly R. Armstrong is proctor.

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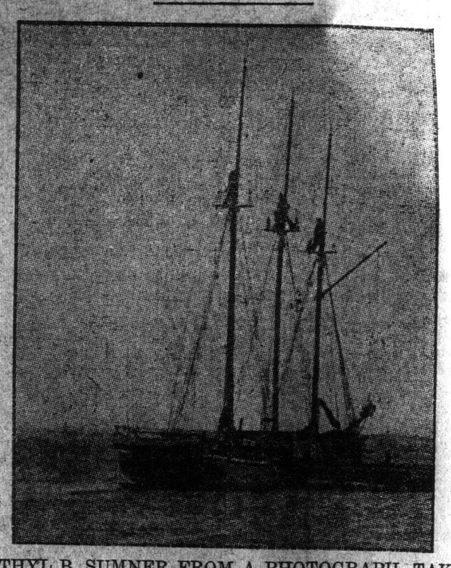
VESSEL WRECKED; FOUR DROWNED

Schooner Ethyl B. Sumner Pounded to Pieces By Tremendous Waves

Strikes on Rocks Near Breakwater at Waterside, Albert Co., and Is Total Loss—Three of the Crew Rescued, But Captain Patterson, His Two Mates and a Seaman Lose Their Lives—Schooner Was Bound From Shulee, N. S., to Boston With Lumber.



THE ETHYL B. SUMNER FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT HER WHARF.

Wednesday, Dec. 4.

During a sixty mile an hour gale which swept the Bay of Fundy Monday night the three-masted schooner Ethyl B. Sumner, lumber laden, and bound from Shulee (N. S.), for Boston, ran on a reef a few rods below the breakwater at the little port of Waterside, Albert County, and her captain and three of the crew were drowned.

The Sumner, according to long distance telephone messages to The Telegraph, was smashed to pieces by the huge waves which roll in on that rocky shore with tremendous force during a southwest gale. The vessel struck an hour before low water.

The dead are:

Captain Wesley Patterson, Shulee (N.S.)

Horace Cates, Shulee, first mate.

Fred Stirling, West Sackville, second mate.

Joseph Hopkins, West Sackville, seaman.

The men saved are:

Charles Goodwin, Sackville.

Otto Johnson, Germany.

Edward Brauer, Finland.

Another report gave the name of the first mate as Fred Stirling and the second mate as Horace State.

The Sumner left the Five Fathom Hole above Grindstone Island Sunday afternoon and passed down by Cape Enrage lighthouse. She met headwinds until at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon when the vessel was off the cape just above St. John, the gale increased and Captain Patterson decided that he would have to run for shelter. He brought the vessel about and, presumably, headed for the Five Fathom Hole or, possibly, the anchorage grounds off New Horton. In turning, it is said, the vessel's compass was damaged and when darkness accompanied by a terrific rain storm came on, it was very difficult for the skipper to keep his vessel on anything like a proper course.

Soon after midnight the Sumner struck the reef just below the Waterside breakwater and rapidly pounded to pieces. Capt. Paterson should have been off shore at least a mile or two in order to clear the rocks at Cape Enrage. Shipping men here have expressed the opinion that he may have mistaken the Cape Enrage fog alarm for that at Apple River (N. S.), and thought he was keeping off shore when in reality he was heading straight for the barren coast above Alma. Of course this is only an opinion.

After the vessel struck the seas washed over her and the captain and three companions were drowned. One of the survivors clung to a plank and floated ashore The others, it is said, scarcely know how they reached land. The bodies of the captain, the first mate and seaman Hopkins have been recovered. That of the second mate is still missing.

Captain Patterson leaves a wife and two sons. Dr. Murray, coroner of Albert, visited the scene of the wreck yesterday and decided that no inquest was necessary.

A small steamer was expected from Shulee last night to take the bodies home.

The Ethyl B. Sumner was a strong schooner of 353 tons and had on board 410,000 feet of lumber which had been shipped by the Robinson-Wright Co., of Shulee. She was built at Harvey Bank eleven years ago for F. W. Sumner, of Moncton, who some time ago sold her to Hon. C. W. Robinson, Mayor Robinson, of Moncton, his brother; R. C. Elkin, of St. John, and Captain Paterson.

Captain Paterson is well known at this port and the expression of sympathy for his family and the relatives of the other victims was very general among the shipping people last night.

Heber Vroom, of Vroom & Arnold, is leaving for the scene of the wreck this morning. Hon. Mr. Robinson is already there. The Sumner was partly insured, but the amount carried is not known here.

"SEED PODS OF SUCCESS—NOT FAILURE"

This is the title of the latest illustrated booklet issued by Dr. Barnardo's Homes. It shows how the Homes gather their children—"little lumps of plastic clay"—from the poorest districts all over the country. One by one they come, several every working day, "out of the deeps," up to and through the E-er-Open Door. "We claim," say the Homes, "the first few years. We pat and press, smooth and mould the material beneath our fingers. Into the little feeble hands we place the tools of life; into the little eager hearts the will and power to use them. Gradually the hands grow strong, the hearts firm and steady and true. We have used the years that are ours; to the nation we give the rest. We have snatched from destruction the childhood, and to their country we give the youth and age of profiting and profitable citizens."

The Homes claim the sympathy of the public for the essential sanity and wisdom of their work. Not with the "failures," the "throw-outs," do they deal. They gather the seed-pods of success; they treasure and ripen them in their barns; they scatter them on the fields of opportunity, and the nation reaps the harvest.

One thousand six hundred and thirty boys and girls were admitted to the permanent benefits of these Homes last year, and they are doing their best to train them ot become self-supporting and not burdensome citizens. If these 1,630 children, and others who are constantly knocking at the doors of the Barnardo Homes, were allowed to drift into the lower scales, what a calamity it would be to the little ones themselves, to the nation, and to the future welfare of the empire!

In all 77,000 children have passed through the Barnardo Open Doors, and nearly 9,000 are always in residence. Thousands more now, and in the unopened years, are clamoring for admission. "Our charter is before our eyes," runs the booklet—"No Destitute Child Ever Refused; but, as we hear the ceaseless patter of their approaching feet, and see the long vista of their little appealing faces, we realize that their answer lies with you."

The Homes have this year been passing through very deep waters, and the council have had to consider most carefully whether it would be possible to maintain the charter. They make an earnest appeal for help to assist them to keep the doors from closing on the tiniest child that knocks.

Gifts of all kinds—money, clothing, blankets, tays, etc—will be specially welcomed at this Christmas season by the honorary director, Mr. William Baker, M. A., LL.B., at headquarters, 18 to 26 Stepney Causeway, London, E.

Titanic Widow a Mother.

Cincinnati, Dec. 3—Mrs. Eloise Smith, daughter of Congressman J. A. Hughes, of Huntington, W. Va., whose husband, L. P. Smith, was a victim of the disaster to the Titanic, on which they were returning after a European bridal trip, has just become the mother of a son. Mr. Smith refused a position beside his wife in a lifeboat, making room for one more woman or child.

A Record Wheat Yield.

Moosejaw, Sask., Dec. 3—From eleven acres of his farm near here H. J. Clark has threshed 836 bushels of Marquis wheat or an average of seventy-six bushels to the acre. This is believed to be a world's record for wheat grown for commercial purposes.

BIG CATCHES OF SMELT AT CHATHAM

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 2—The thermometer dropped to two above zero last night, and the river froze over, but this morning the ferryboat and the steamer to Newcastle are both running and the ice is not expected to hold. An ore steamer passed up river yesterday and will take out its load of ore today. This will further break up the ice.

Smelt fishing began last night, and some catches went up to two tons. Owing to the ice not forming only those who have gear for open water fishing can share in the harvest as yet.