

# REACHED 101 YEARS

**Birthday Celebration of Mrs. Lois Caswell, Formerly of St. John.**

It is not often given to mortals to spend 101 years on this earth, and when Mrs. Lois Caswell of Granville Ferry, N. S., reached that age it was decided to hold a birthday party in her honor. This event was celebrated by about forty persons, on Thursday evening, Jan. 20th. During the evening letters of congratulations, from former pastors and others, were read. Brief remarks were made by Mrs. C. S. McLearn, H. Witherspoon and the pastor Rev. A. Gibson. The good wishes took practical form in the presentation of a purse as a token of the affection in which she was held.

Mrs. Caswell was born in New Brunswick nine days before George III, King of England, reached the end of his long reign. She has therefore lived under six sovereigns. After her marriage she moved to Boston. Later she resided with her son, in Halifax, but after his death moved to Granville Ferry, to the home of her other son.

There are living four grand-children and six great grand-children. "Grandma" Caswell enjoys good health with full possession of all her faculties, and when the birthday party sang a closing hymn she joined in heartily. Throughout the year she has been able to visit her friends and to attend service in the Baptist Church.

Mrs. Caswell resided in St. John and berishp with the Germain street Baptist

# SAYS BRINES HAD THREATENED HE WOULD GET EVEN

Philadelphia, Jan. 27.—Animosity of William P. Brines toward Emer C. Drewes, a Dartmouth senior whom he accused of murdering, was indicated yesterday in the most sensational testimony thus far in Brines' trial. "I'll get him if it's the last thing I ever do," retorted S. Malloy of Curwensville, Pa., testified that Brines told him in speaking of Drewes.

He declared that Brines had asserted to him that Drewes had "beaten him out of \$75 or \$100," while they were delivering maps together and that the defendant had said with anger that he would post \$500 forfeit, put on boxing gloves and meet Drewes in a prize ring. Malloy helped Brines to sell maps last summer.

# ALBERTA CUTS THE TAX ON FURS

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 27.—A heavy reduction in the tax on raw furs has been made by the provincial government taking effect at once. The cut amounts to about 75 per cent on the five or six most important varieties, but runs in some cases as far as 700 per cent.

# LORD VANE-TEMPEST AMONG 15 KILLED

Abermule, Wales, Jan. 26.—Lord Herbert Vane-Tempest, brother of the Marquess of Londonderry, who was one of those injured, died shortly after a railroad collision in Wales today, bringing the death list to fifteen.

# MAKE APPEAL FOR RETRENCHMENT

A strong appeal for retrenchment was made by the representatives of the Commercial Club, the Retail Merchants' Association and of the wholesale merchants to the city council at a special committee meeting held yesterday afternoon. The appeal was made in the presence of the council and the committee presented a list of suggestions regarding the civic budget for 1921. The committee presented consisted of the following:

Commercial Club—H. R. McLellan, secretary; L. B. Wilson, A. E. Everett. Retail Merchants—A. O. Skinner, A. N. McLean, R. A. Macaulay, G. M. Ross.

Wholesale merchants—William Vassie, J. F. Fleetwood, J. G. Harrison, A. P. Paterson and G. E. Barbour.

Other citizens present included Mrs. F. R. Holman, Miss Estey and Barker Hamm. The mayor and all the commissioners were in attendance.

# FARMERS OPPOSE NEW MANITOBA MINISTER

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 27.—Hon. C. D. MacPherson, newly appointed minister of public works for Manitoba, will be opposed by the Independent Farmers' party in the by-election in Lakeside constituency on February 7. The Farmers have nominated E. H. Muir, defeated candidate at the last general election. The Conservatives have not yet decided on their course.

# OBJECTS TO LUXURY IN HOME FOR NURSES

Hamilton, Jan. 19.—Proposed luxurious appointments for the new Nurses' Home, estimated to cost \$300,000 for 104 rooms, were objected to by Mayor Copley at a meeting of the Board of Control. His worship said he had no desire to be niggardly at all in effecting economy, but he believed a building estimated to cost \$300,000 a room was over and above what was necessary.

# NAMES OF MARRIED WOMEN IN DIRECTORY

An innovation in the 1921 directory of Bangor and Brewer will be the addition of the names of all women over eighteen years of age. In former years the single women and widows of that age have been included, but the married women have been omitted, except in the case of their being associated in business.

# SAYS PROHIBITION HAS SAVED U. S. A. BILLION

In a statement in which he asserted that the people of the United States had saved \$1,000,000,000 in their drink bill since prohibition went into effect, Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League, highly commended Attorney-General Brandegee of Illinois and Judge Landis for their effective enforcement of the Volstead Act.

# POLICE TO USE WIRELESS

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 24.—A wireless telephone system to be used for communicating with police patrol wagons throughout Dallas is being installed. A wireless station that will enable the police to flash the news of law violations to stations throughout Texas and part of Oklahoma is also about ready for use.

# BACHELORS BREAK VOWS

Nottingham, Eng., Jan. 27.—The Nottingham Bachelors Leap Year Club, founded as a protection against the wiles and witchery of womankind, has met with an amusing fate. Taking stock of the situation the members found that only one had remained faithful. All the others are courting and the club has been disbanded. The founder was the first culprit.

# MORE POWER FOR RURAL ONTARIO

Some Hydro Criticism in Speech in the Legislature.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 27.—A demand for higher hydro-electric power for rural Ontario was the chief feature of a speech by William J. Johnston, South Lanark, in the legislature, yesterday. He said that in view of the fact that one million horse power was developed in Ontario something was radically wrong when rural Ontario received less than one per cent. of that power. He advocated bringing the hydro-electric power commission under more direct government control. He charged that the hydro estimates for the present year had fallen \$19,000,000 short of the amount actually required.

# DIVORCED WIFE OF REG. C. VANDERBILT WEDS CLUB MAN

New York, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Catherine Neilson Vanderbilt, divorced wife of Reginald C. Vanderbilt, and Sydney Jones Clifford, Jr., New York and Newport club and society man, were married yesterday in the presence of a few friends in the bride's home here. The ceremony was performed by Supreme Court Justice P. D. Hotchkiss.

# MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

The Toronto and district war veterans have sent to C. Grant MacNell, Dominion secretary-treasurer of the G. W. V. A. a request that he take up with the government the matter of the appointment of a returned soldier to the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada.

In the St. Stephen civic elections yesterday Mayor Johnson was re-elected and the following aldermen will comprise the board: George Nelson, W. J. Cummins, S. O. McLean, R. W. Dinmore, James Brown, J. R. Polley.

Plans were outlined yesterday in Quebec for the handling of the liquor business in that province. The head office will be in Montreal and liquor will be sold retail at government depots. In Montreal there will be one depot for every 50,000 inhabitants and in Quebec one for every 40,000. The measure will be in force on May 1. Hon. E. R. Deary will be chairman.

Joseph Duncan of the Campbellton Board of Trade left yesterday for Quebec to interview the minister of public works of the Quebec government in connection with the Restigouche bridge. Other delegates will go to Fredericton on a like mission.

Fire yesterday morning in Upper Gagetown destroyed a house owned by Avarid McCain and also a house owned by Bayard McIntyre, a colored man who observed the flames from McCain's house and went to summon him from the woods. He left a hot fire in his own house which got to the house while he was out.

A storm of protest has arisen at Niagara Falls over the excessive vigilance and zeal of a woman customs officer, Mrs. Ogilvie. She has held up several cars and caused a disruption of time schedules by her persistence in searching the women passengers. A protest has been made to Hon. R. W. Wignmore but the work goes on.

# DOUGLAS STEWART DEAD.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Douglas Stewart, former inspector of penitentiaries for Canada, died yesterday afternoon, aged seventy. He was born in Williamsdale, N. S.

# 4 Days Gone--Now There Are 2

## Come Quickly Now for the Savings Offered You at St. John's Greatest Mercantile Event



Bear in mind that everything throughout our entire store is marked at the greatest reductions in our history. Prices are now much lower than you will see again for several months to come. Now is the logical time to buy. Come tomorrow and make sure of getting your share. Of course there are hundreds of real bargains that are not advertised. Come and see them.

### Dresses

Frocks of Silk, Taffeta, Georgette, Satin; trimmings of embroidery, beadings, ruffles of self-material are all represented. Although the reductions are phenomenal, one must really see these beautiful frocks to fully appreciate such a bargain.

Regular \$52.05 to \$72

\$39.50

Serge and Tricotine Frocks in black and navy. Many of these represent a special purchase at a big saving. Others were formerly priced \$64. Two Special Prices.

\$22.50 \$37.50

### Coats

Here will be found new modes in cloth coats, some of them beautifully embellished with fur. The materials are of the highest quality. Regular \$48 to \$76.

\$29.50

Also one special lot of excellent quality Winter Coats.

Regular \$20 to \$24

\$9.95

### PLUSH COATS—HALF PRICE

### Separate Skirts

Skirts in Serge and Gaberdine. Excellent qualities in serviceable styles. Regular \$12 to \$15

\$5.98

Regular \$15 to \$20

\$8.85

Regular \$15 to \$22

\$10.98

### Blouses

Georgettes, Crepe-de-Chines, Habutai, Messaline. A wonderful opportunity. Regular \$10 to \$12

\$4.98

Regular \$14 to \$16

\$7.98

Regular \$17 to \$20

\$10.98

### Men's and Boys Clothing

The lowest prices on clothing that will be seen for many months are now in force here. You know Oak Hall clothes; you know they are the best values obtainable for the money. At these reductions then you should not hesitate to stock up.

### Men's Suits

Entire Stock of \$35, \$38, \$40 Suits

\$24.85

Entire Stock of \$45, \$50, \$55 Suits

\$34.65

Men's Overcoats, Mackinaws, Odd Trousers, Overalls. All at radical reductions.

### Boys' Suits

Entire Stock of \$15 to \$19 Suits

\$10.95

Entire Stocks of \$20 to \$24 Suits

\$14.59

Entire Stock of \$25 to \$31 Suits

\$17.95

### Women's Gloves

Gray Mocha Gloves, warmly lined. Regular \$2.50 to \$3.25. Now \$1.98. Heavy Silk Gloves. Regular \$2.50, \$1.50. Regular \$1.75. Now \$1.29. Washable Chamoulette Gloves. Special 98c.

### Hosiery

SILK BOOT HOSIERY, in grey, navy, white. Very specially priced 59c. Cotton Hosiery; brown only. 39c. Entire stock of Women's Hosiery at Big Reductions.

### Men's Underwear

\$1.98

Formerly \$3.50 a garment.

Pennant's All-wool Unshrinkable Ribbed Shirts and Drawers. A wonderful bargain.

Tru Knit Silk and Wool; also Natural Wool Combinations. Regular \$3.50. Now \$6.79. Stanfield's Red Label. Special. \$2.48 a garment. Stanfield's Blue Label. Special. \$2.98 a garment. Watson's Fine Ribbed Shirts and Drawers. Regular \$4.75. Now \$3.49 a garment. Tiger Brand Heavy Ribbed. Regular \$3.00. Now \$1.49 a garment. And many other lines, too.

### Men's Nightshirts and Pyjamas

Excellent quality Flannellette Nightshirts, originally priced at \$3.00. Now \$1.98.

Pyjamas of Shaker Flannel that formerly sold for \$4 and \$4.50. Now \$2.48. Our entire stock of nightshirts and pyjamas at big reductions.

### Men's Hosiery

All-wool Black Worsted Socks. Regular \$1.00. Now 59c.

All-wool Black Cashmere Socks. Regular \$1.25. Now 74c.

Heavy Wool Work Socks. Regular 60c. Now 39c.

### Men's Sweaters

Cost Sweater, military or shawl collar, in grey, maroon and navy. Regular \$5, \$6. Sale \$2.49.

Heavy Wool Coat Sweater, with shawl collar. Maroon, navy, grey, brown. Regular \$9.50 to \$12. Sale \$6.98.

Heavy Shaker Knit Wool Sweater, shawl collar. Maroon, Oxford, brown. Regular \$14. Sale \$9.98.

Extra Heavy Shaker Knit. Regular \$19.50. Sale \$13.94.

And many other lines, too.

### Men's Shirts

Shirts from the best Canadian and English makers at big savings.

Regular \$3.50 and \$4. Sale \$2.48.

Regular \$4.50 and \$5. Sale \$3.39.

Regular \$5.50 and \$6. Sale \$3.98.

Grey Flannel Work Shirts, collar attached.

Regular \$2.75. Sale price 2.19.

Regular \$3.50. Sale price \$2.79.

# OAK HALL - - SCOVIL BROS., LIMITED

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MUTT AND JEFF—DOC HAD A PERFECT RIGHT TO HAND JEFF THE BUM'S RUSH

-By "BUD" FISHER

