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## Berwick Defeats Wolfville

**In Opening Game of Valley Series**  
In a fast and exciting game on Wednesday Wolfville went down to defeat at the hands of Berwick on the latter's grounds, by the score of 3-2. Both teams played very good ball for the first game of the season. The Wolfville boys showed need of practice in base running and although they had little difficulty in reaching first appeared unable to get around safely. Up until the sixth inning the score stood 2-2 and with both teams tightening up there seemed little likelihood of further score. In this inning, however, George Cox connected with Brown for a single. In running for the ball Elderkin tripped in the rough outfield and lost sight of the ball which became hidden in the newly cut grass. Before it was discovered Cox made home for the winning run. Wolfville did their best in the remaining innings to tie the score but the fates were against them.

The line up was as follows:

Berwick	Catcher	Wolfville
Hart	Pitcher	Barteaux
Barlow	1st base	Brown
O'Hearn	2nd base	Eagles
Morrow	3rd base	Kennie
Goucher	S. S.	Mason
A. Cox	L. field	West
Cook	R. field	Evans
Parker	C. field	H. Baird
G. Cox	Umpires	Cox and Williams.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEW CHURCH FUND

The following statement of those who contributed to the building of the new church at West Brooklyn, opened for public worship on Sunday, June 13th, has been handed to THE ACADIAN for publication. The collectors were Mrs. Miner and Mrs. Mitchell, of Wallbrook:

Unpaid	Paid
Wallbrook & Melmon	\$10.00 \$106.44
Hantsport	15.00 30.50
Long Island	2.00 26.00
West Brooklyn	12.00 22.00
Grand Pre & Hortonville	3.00 101.00
Avonport	5.00 12.00
Wolfville	5.00 260.00
Middleton (Mrs. Geo. Cox & family)	19.00
Alberta (Ray C. Miner)	10.00

**Free Offerings not Solicited**

Sydney W. A. Society, per Mrs. Fownes	\$62.25
N. Sydney W. A. Society, per Mrs. Taylor	35.00

The following Aid Societies donated the sums mentioned toward providing chairs:

Wolfville	\$10.00
Port Williams	10.00
Canard	10.00
Kentville	13.00
Berwick	10.00
Hantsport	10.00
Falmouth	10.00
Windsor	10.00
New Glasgow (a surprise)	7.00

Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Freeman donated \$5.00 which was used to purchase a pulpit chair.

## THE HIKERS

On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dill, whose participation in the "hike" across the continent has occasioned so much interest, reached Vancouver, walking every step of the way from Halifax in 134 days and breaking all records. They were met a few miles outside the city by a representative of the Kiwanis Club but refused an offer to ride, walking straight to the telegraph office to despatch the news of their arrival to home friends in the East. Mr. Dill is a native of Hants county and his plucky young wife hails from Halifax. They left Halifax in February and walked the railway track most of the way, averaging forty miles daily, starting at 8.30 a.m. and stopping at 8.30 at night. The highest mileage made was 45. They experienced bad weather most of the way. Mrs. Dill who weighs less than a hundred pounds and has a strength that would be the envy of many men. She wore a khaki blouse, trousers and heavy socks; her husband wore a slicker. Their only baggage was a coat and slicker. The remainder they carried from place to place. The couple wore out six pairs of boots. The trip cost \$500, partly repaid by selling postcards.

After remaining a few days in Vancouver Mr. and Mrs. Dill will take the train back to Montreal where the former will enter a race from that city to Halifax.

The thirty-eighth session of the Nova Scotia Conference of the Methodist church is being held at Berwick this week.

## The People's Forum

### FAYRE TO FAYE

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN,  
Dear Mr. Editor.—Our attention has been called to the vehement defence of the School Board and denial of all the charges made against it which appeared in THE ACADIAN on June 10th, over the signature, Faye-C. Stuart.

Apparently our letter regarding this matter has caused some of the citizens, including Mrs. Stuart, to make inquiries. We are pleased.

No doubt Mrs. Stuart's defence has served to keep the subject before the public and has caused further inquiries. Again we are pleased.

But why does Mrs. Stuart rush to man the breaches? Is it because she fears for her friends or has she personal interests at stake? Possibly we are wrong, for it may be that it is but a manifestation of the ancient Stuart nature, that nature which ever made them the champions of the divine right doctrine and the opponents of public liberty. If so, we feel that she is to be congratulated upon the added lustre which now attaches the name of Stuart, for history records no incident where a Stuart ever rushed, unasked, to the aid of another, as she has done.

As to her somewhat slurring insinuation regarding my identity and my "fanciful nom de plume", as she terms it. It is strange how seldom we bear names indicative of our characteristics and personality and "Faye", apparently, is as hard to justify as "Elaine LeFayre."

We shall not discuss our respective ages. Mrs. Stuart asserts, on the authority of the Chairman of the School Board, that Board meetings are always public.

Why then have the public been refused admission on several occasions?

Moreover, why does one member of the Board say that they have been holding meetings in camera, and that he has protested against the custom without avail?

Possibly Mrs. Stuart means that since our exposure of the iniquitous system by which the public have been kept in the dark as to School affairs, possibly she means, that now and in the future Board meetings are and will be public. We note that she did not say that they "always have been open to the public."

Why, also, if the board has been unjustly accused, do they not themselves make some defence? Of course there is no obligation upon them so to do, but the public naturally expect either a denial or an admission.

We feel that under the circumstances these are very pertinent questions and we should be pleased if Mrs. Stuart or her friends of the School Board would deign to furnish us with the desired information.

One question which Mrs. Stuart raised, "Why is a Town Councillor?", we hope to be following to answer in next week's issue.

Yours faithfully,  
Elaine LeFayre.

## WHO IS TOWN CLERK?

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN,  
DEAR SIR:—Will you permit me space in your newsy paper as a channel through which to seek information.

Who is our present Town Clerk? Several weeks ago Mr. H. Y. Bishop, who was appointed to that position some years ago, tendered his resignation and asked to be relieved of the duties of the office. His resignation was accepted by the Council, who desired him to carry on the work of the office until his successor was appointed. Subsequently Mr. R. W. Ford was appointed to the position, which he accepted with the stipulation that he take up the work on Sept. 1st.

In view of these facts the natural inference is that we have no Town Clerk at present. Who, then, is qualified to act in that capacity, sign public documents, and carry on generally as the town's official clerk?

Permit me to suggest that, in my opinion, there is only one person so qualified. A year or two ago the Council requested the then clerk to suggest some person who might be appointed as the Deputy Town Clerk, in order to provide for just such an exigency as now exists. Miss Annie Abbot was suggested and she was regularly appointed. She has since assisted in the work of the office and today is the only person having any legal status in connection with the town office.

If this is correct, and I am inclined to think it cannot be questioned, many recent acts including the public meeting held on Tuesday evening are illegal and liable to cause a great amount of trouble to the town.

If I am incorrect in my conclusion, I shall be very glad to be set right. In the absence of a Town Clerk, who also resigned some months ago, who will give the desired information?

## QUERY.

Canada will celebrate her 54th birthday on July 1.

## Forest Fires

### In Western Kings Caused by Camp Fires

Serious forest fires were in progress in the Western part of the county at the end of last week. Deputy Fire Warden Charles O'Leary, of White Rock, custodian of the timber limits of the Halifax Tram Company visited the section and was successful in extinguishing the fire which raged last week at Lake George. It is stated that two young men from Berwick went over there on a fishing trip and failed to quench their camp fire which, owing to the drought, spread over a large section, destroying thousands of dollars worth before it was finally conquered at the Aylesford Road. The combined force of the fire fighters would have failed then had it not been for welcome showers which came on Saturday night.

Mr. O'Leary informed THE ACADIAN on Monday that he was investigating the facts with a view of bringing these young men to task, evidently the Forestry Association's car did not remain long enough in Kings county to teach some people a lesson.

## THE MAN ON THE STREET

It is with much satisfaction that the "Man on the Street" views improvements that are being made in the appearance of private properties in and around Wolfville. All these represent a direct gain to the community. During and since the war, owing to high cost, for instance, little painting was done with the result of a shabby appearance in many cases of dwellings and outbuildings. This summer a large amount of paint is being used. In many cases a real transformation has been effected and in every case a decided improvement in appearance has been made. This, with the beautifying of grounds and gardens gives an air of prosperity and good taste which is very much in the public interest.

The "Man on the Street" fears that the tendency is to make some changes in community life which are not for the betterment of all concerned. In some sections the Sunday school is suspended during the summer months when ought to be doing its best work. This is not always for the sake of the children's comfort. They enjoy the school during the five summer days give the little ones opportunities that are denied them during the winter. "The Man on the Street" opines that the discontinuance of the school is rather because of a desire on the part of the "grown-ups" to use the time required to conduct the school for other and more selfish purposes. If so, such a condition is very much to be regretted. This is not intended as a sermon—or even as a sermonette—but "The Man on the Street" would like to urge that the instruction of the child along the lines of its higher development is a good and wise work. In the big cities it may be necessary to discontinue the service during the hot summer weeks when most people are in the country—but not so in the country.

## THE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN,  
Dear Sir.—Please allow me space to say a word or two about the proposed new school building and to draw a comparison of the estimated cost and the price being paid for other construction work going on in Wolfville during the present summer.

I have not seen the plans for the proposed edifice but I understand the size of the building is 80 x 90 feet, two stories high. There will be four departments finished with the necessary corridors and cloak-rooms, etc., and the estimated cost is \$42,000.

A contract was given the other day by the Wolfville Fruit Co. for a building 140 x 50 feet, containing two stores and a warehouse with two finished offices on the first floor and nineteen finished rooms with corridor on the second floor, modern plumbing and heated throughout, with frost-proof cellar under the whole building, to cost completed something less than \$26,000. The latter building requires a considerable amount more of excavation than the school building.

Will the ratepayers please note the relative cost of the two buildings—one constructed by a corporation conducted on business principles, the other proposed to be erected by the Wolfville School Board in whom we are asked to repose implicit confidence.

A. P. C.

We wish to correct an error that appeared in last week's issue of THE ACADIAN. In our description of Dr. Elliott's new home we stated that the contractor was C. H. Wright and the work done under the oversight of E. S. Langille. We have since been informed that Mr. Wright did not have the contract but that the work was done by Mr. Langille without any contract.

## From Correspondents

### CANNING NOTES

The Social Service Council held their monthly meeting in the Baptist church on the seventh.

Percy Jost, of Sydney, accompanied by his father, Lewis E. Jost, and sister Florence motored in on Saturday spending Sunday in renewal of old acquaintances. L. E. Jost, who conducted a dry goods business here up to 1890, when he moved to Windsor and from there to Sydney, found a host of friends delighted to see them.

Peter Kuhn, of Woodlawn, Halifax Co., with Mrs. Kuhn, daughters Margaret Jane, and Helen, sons Max and Wilfred, son-in-law Mr. Patterson, and Misses McCarthy and Brown, spent Sunday with Mrs. Alfred W. Ellis, and proceeded on their trip by auto on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Rogers are welcoming another son.

The Canning Dramatic Club played the "Beantown Choir" to a bumper house in the Armouries on Friday evening last, proceeds were one hundred and sixty dollars.

To say which part was played at best advantage would certainly be a task, because the excellent presentation of the play was a feature throughout the whole performance. Mrs. Alfred Ellis as "Widow Wood" was a source of amusement and object of admiration during the whole play, while Miss Isabel Meek as Beth Wood could not be excelled. Hezekiah Little, played to perfection by Mr. Otte Smithell, brought roars of laughter from the audience all during the performance. The "Director of the Beantown Choir", as portrayed by Mrs. Rufus Eaton was a distinct contribution to the whole play, while Sallie Etta Pickle, Belinda Adams and Mandy Hamsinger, played by Mrs. Ada Reynolds, Mrs. Arthur Ward and Miss Bessie Hennigar were certainly well enjoyed.

An excellent feature of the performance was a Spanish song, the verses of which were beautifully rendered by Mrs. Glen Smithell. The musical numbers added much to the program and were heartily enjoyed.

The overtures played by the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Clarence Norwood were excellently rendered and thoroughly appreciated.

The Gaspereau Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Renford Martin and Mrs. S. J. Benjamin motored from Halifax on Saturday last to spend a week with Mr. Martin's parents.

Miss Vera Duncanson has returned home after spending a few weeks in Kentville with her sister, Mrs. Frank Hennigar.

The Gaspereau "Sons of Temperance" intend to hold a picnic at Cape Blomidon on Thursday, June 16th, if the weather permits.

The Misses Mable Westcott and Evelyn Mitchell are attending the Women's Institute Convention at Truro.

We are very sorry to hear of Mr. Edward J. Stevens being on the sick list. He has been receiving treatment at the Victoria General Hospital in Halifax for a few days. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Miss Evelyn R. Bennett, of Tattnagouche, will be the speaker at the Baptist church, Sunday evening, June 19th.

## The Public Meeting

### Wolfville Citizens Vote \$22,000 More for School

There was a fairly good attendance at the citizen's meeting on Tuesday evening in Temperance Hall to consider the advisability of voting an additional \$22,000 toward the construction of the proposed new school building. Probably a hundred persons were present including a generous proportion of ladies.

Mayor Fitch was in the chair and called upon Mr. H. Y. Bishop to read the announcement convening the meeting, after which he stated briefly the purpose of the gathering.

A motion asking for an adjournment of the meeting until Thursday evening was introduced by Mr. B. O. Davidson, who urged that the business men of the town who were unable to leave their places of business on this one evening in the week should be given an opportunity of presenting their views on the important matter under consideration. This was seconded by Mr. J. C. Mitchell but failed to pass.

Mrs. Moore, chairman of the School Board, made a plea for the suggested expenditure and Coun. Sutherland also made some remarks concerning the present situation.

Mr. W. H. Chase observed that while he favored the very best for our public schools, the present was a most inopportune time for floating loans or building operations.

There was very little discussion and practically no arguments required, as those present had apparently made up their minds how to vote before coming to the meeting.

A resolution was finally moved by Dr. G. E. DeWitt, seconded by Rev. R. F. Dixon, that the required authority be given to the Council to apply for the necessary legislation in order to be able to borrow the additional \$22,000. The vote resulted as follows:

For the resolution	57
Against	31

## STUDY YOUR COUNTRY AND BE PREPARED

### To be Proud of Canada Intimate Knowledge of Her Resources is Necessary

A knowledge of one's country is one of the first essentials of an education, even of those who are unable to proceed to the higher courses. With the amount of literature available on Canada and its natural resources, there is little reason for Canadians not being fully conversant with the many advantages Canada possesses.

A review of current literature on such subjects as the water-powers on our rivers, the protection and development of our forests, and our mineral deposits only whets the appetite for more detailed information. To those desirous of knowing more fully what Canada's heritage really represents, the Commission of Conservation can supply a number of reports on water-power, on forests and on mines and minerals. These have been produced in a form to give them permanent value, and are generously illustrated.

The federal income tax is not very popular but it is bringing in much required money into the treasury. It is now in its fourth year. During the first year nine millions were collected; twenty millions were collected in the second year; last year forty-six millions reached the Dominion's strong box; already this year thirty-nine millions have been received. Payment under the instalment plan seems to be bringing results.

## Willow Bank Cemetery

### Great Improvements Made by W. H. Chase

Some weeks ago at a meeting of the lot-holders of Willow Bank Cemetery, the president, Mr. W. H. Chase, suggested the selection of a section of the lots for improvement as an object lesson for future work. Mr. Chase volunteered to assume the entire cost of the work which has just been completed. Visitors to the grounds will be pleased with the change made and will be glad to know that the management is considering the carrying on of the work. A meeting will be held at the Cemetery on Saturday afternoon to take this matter into consideration. Mr. Chase has put the friends of the Cemetery under obligation by his generosity in undertaking this improvement in our "city of the dead" and it is hoped that other citizens will emulate the good example he has set.

## JACK LONDON TALE OF GOLD STAMPEDE IN SCREEN DRAMA.

### "Burning Daylight" to Be Seen with All-Star Cast at the Opera House.

"Burning Daylight," screen version of Jack London's novel, is announced by the Opera House for Friday and Saturday, June 24th and 25th. It will be played by an all-star cast, including Mitchell Lewis, Helen Ferguson, Louis Morrison, William V. Meng, Edward Jobson, Gertrude Astor, Alfred Allen, Arthur Edwin Carew, Newton Hall, Robert Bolter and Aaron Edwards.

Readers of Jack London's story will recall that Elam Harnish, or "Burning Daylight" as the whole Yukon knows him, is a crude, powerful, big-hearted prospector, with a lust for adventure and a devil-may-care spirit that drives him gaily through the hardships and joys of the mining towns.

He strikes it rich—the gold that thousands have died seeking. A stampede is started and the Arctic village of Garaguk is alight with the fire of fierce ambitions aflame for wealth. Burning Daylight is a primitive king among these men, amassing millions and finding no place to spend their gains—except in the wild gambling that goes on in the Tivoli, a dance hall, where a few girls and countless quantities of money are gambled away.

But Burning Daylight comes of the old race of conquerors. His spirit demands another world to lay at his feet. He seeks the world of finance. In San Francisco, then in New York, he fights the battles of the money interests. He fights for the love of fighting, taking a reckless pleasure in swindling into Wall Street's most speculative investments. It's a bitter, fascinating game, and Jack London has depicted it in one of the most dramatic stories in modern American fiction.

The novel shows Burning Daylight winning and losing millions, beating financiers at their own game by his sheer nerve and being defeated through their subtle machinations and control of the Market. His greatest defeat comes through his infatuation for Lucille, the wily daughter of Nathaniel Letton, the unscrupulous mining promoter. She lends herself to a scheme of allurements for which the big miner falls hard. It is only through the steadfast faith of Dora that he manages to get hold of himself gain for his last big triumphant battle.

Word has been received that Mr. Wadsworth Provandie and Miss Lina Tufts will spend some time in Wolfville this summer. Any one desiring to take some vacation from Mrs. Provandie will please communicate with Mr. A. J. Mason.



Mr. Lloyd George visited Birmingham and received the freedom of the city. The Premier delivered an important speech chiefly with regard to the revision of the peace treaties.