

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

HARTLAND

Hartland, N. B., July 14.—With the exception of a shower last Tuesday, there has been no rain more than lay the dust since the first week in June. In consequence of this, all crops are suffering and are, in some cases, being blighted. Hay is being rushed with all speed possible and is a fair crop. Grain is holding its own well, but has a tendency to ripen. Potatoes and other root crops are growing first-rate, and if the prolonged drought is soon broken all may yet be well. Tomorrow the Catholics of Johnville and Booth will hold their annual picnic on Gibson's flat. A large number from Woodstock, Wickham, Westmount, Newburg and other parishes, are expected to attend.

Mrs. W. A. Hayward, wife of the ex-sheriff, is spending a few weeks in Woodstock. Prof. and Mrs. W. F. Watson went to Sackville on Monday, where the professor will lecture before the students of the summer school of science, afterward the two will go to Richibucto to visit their sister, Mrs. L. R. Hetherington. Miss Lilla White, of Lowell (Mass.), is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. White.

Mrs. Hayward, widow of Rev. A. H. Hayward, and Miss Alvretta Estabrook, of Florenceville, are visiting friends at Rockland. Lyndon F. Shaw and family returned yesterday from California, where they have been located for some years. Miss Edna Shaw has returned from a visit with friends in Mar's Hill (Me.). Medley Brundage, of Millstream, is spending his vacation in this vicinity. Elisha T. Shaw, who recently returned to the village after eight years' residence in the vicinity of Boston, has bought the old Dickinson tannery and will convert it into a carriage and blacksmith shop.

Miss Mamie Corey, of Fredericton, is spending her vacation with Mrs. G. C. Watson and children. Mrs. Peter and daughter, of Boston, have been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. E. Allen. Miss Helen Alexander will leave tomorrow for St. George (N. B.), where she will be the guest of her uncle, Dr. C. C. Alexander, for two or three weeks. Miss Inez Bradley, who has been a bookkeeper with the firm of Keith & Plummer, is ill and will not likely be able to attend to her work for some time. There will be some change in the teaching staff of the Hartland Superior school, when the next term begins. Principal Barrett intends to go to Dalhousie University to take an arts course, and Miss Jennie Danks, of Florenceville, will teach the intermediate grades in place of Miss Tompkins, resigned.

Rev. F. Bertram, the new pastor of the Methodist church, preached his first sermon in the church on Sunday evening. This is Mr. Bertram's first charge. Miss Florence Edwards, of North End, St. John, was the guest of her cousin, C. Edwards, on Friday. Scott Shaw, son of B. N. Shaw, of Lower Windsor, who has been in Enderby (B. C.), for two years, returned home today. He reports times dull in the west.

ST. MARTINS July 14.—The Orangemen here kept Monday for the 12th, and on their grounds, under the auspices of dancing and a variety of other amusements were enjoyed throughout the day, in fact the dancing was kept up far into the night. A second base ball game was played on Monday between the Western and Middle-town teams. The score stood, Middle-town 11, with an inning to spare; Western, 9. Mrs. Aubrey Vaughan and daughter Ethel are spending a few days in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Brentnall and Mr. and Mrs. William Dunham, all of St. John, are spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Arthur Prichard. Captain William Chapman and wife, of St. John, are visiting Mr. Chapman's old home here.

Mrs. B. Rogers and daughter, Miss Rogers, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mrs. M. Girvin, of Jersey City, are visiting their old home here. St. Martin's July 13.—Hon. A. S. White, wife and son, Donald, of Sussex, arrived here on Friday and will remain the summer. Mrs. Ryan and child, of Sussex, are here for the summer. Mrs. Robert Capson and child, of Moncton, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peters. Herbert Bradshaw, of St. John, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. William Bradshaw. Dr. Harry Moran, of St. John, spent Sunday with his parents, Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Moran.

George Mack, of Liverpool, N.S., is the guest of his aunt, Miss Minnie Vaughan. Misses Nora and Alice Wishart returned from St. John on Friday. Miss Lilla White, who has been visiting for a few days in St. John, has returned home. Miss Vera Smith returned on Friday from St. John. Albert Goddard, of St. John, spent Sunday in the village. Mrs. F. M. Anderson, of Campbellton, arrived on Saturday and is the guest of Mrs. George Patterson. Mrs. Crawford Love, who has been visiting relatives in British Columbia, arrived home on Saturday. Miss Phoebe Capson, of Moncton, is visiting relatives here for a short time. James Dunlop, of Moncton, spent Sunday in the village. Miss Irene Stewart, of St. John, is spending a few days in the village. Rev. W. B. Leard, of Prince Edward Island, has assumed pastoral charge of the Methodist field here and preached his first sermon on Sunday. Mrs. George Marr and children, of Hampton, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Yeomans. Miss Florrie McIntyre, of St. John, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre, Orange Hill. Miss Della Greer, of St. John, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. James Greer, of East St. Martins. Miss Ida Baxter, of St. John, is visiting relatives here for a few days. William Black, Jr., of Little Beach, who has been in the public hospital, St. John, returned home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. William Greer and child, of St. John, are spending a few days with friends here. Robert Gillmour, of St. John, spent Sunday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Gillmour.

ST. STEPHEN. St. Stephen, July 14.—The agricultural commission will hold sessions at the Rolling-dam, on Thursday 16th, at Naweg.

FRIDAY 17th, and in St. Stephen, Saturday 18th.

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the New Brunswick Medical Society, will be held here in the Masonic hall on 21st and 22nd inst. The officers are: J. Melville Deacon, of Milltown, president; and R. G. Day, secretary. Architect Newman arrived home yesterday from the Pan-Atlantic Conference recently held at London, and is being warmly welcomed. The members of his congregation will tender him a reception in the school room of the church this (Tuesday) evening. Miss Hie, organist of Centenary church, St. John, is spending a few days at the Methodist parsonage, the guest of Rev. George and Mrs. Young. The Curlew, King, superintendent of light-houses on board, was in port for a few hours this morning. Dr. Chas. E. Swan, of Galis, who was stricken with paralysis a few days ago, died this morning. He was the oldest physician on the St. Croix, and was eighty-seven years of age. The forest fires are doing considerable damage in this vicinity. Near Launenburg, a large block of land belonging to the St. Croix Paper Co., is still burning. The fire near the cemetery started up again this morning, but is being looked after by a large number of men who are holding it pretty well in check. About 300 excursionists went by the steamer Henry P. Eaton, to St. George, yesterday, to attend the Orangemen's celebration there. They returned by moonlight, and enjoyed a delightful sail up the St. Croix. G. W. Ganong, M.P., and Mrs. Ganong, have returned from Ottawa, and are now occupying their residence on Union street. Rev. J. W. Winfield, rector of Trinity church, will conduct the service at the Thomas church, near Moore's Mills, on Sunday next.

SALISBURY. Salisbury, N. B., July 13.—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Trites returned home Saturday evening from Bangor, Maine. Miss Gladys Stammers, of St. John, is visiting the Misses Duncan and other friends at Salisbury. Mrs. J. Titus and children, of Bloomfield, N. B., are spending a few days here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Don Crandall. Mrs. J. Chubb, who has been enjoying a short vacation at his home in Salisbury, returned to the state of Maine on Monday. Miss Abner Jones, of Allison, is spending a few days in Salisbury visiting her son, Doctor H. A. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Parker received word last week that their mother, Mrs. Lucy Parker, who resides in Needham (Mass.), had the misfortune to break her ankle at the home of her son, Mr. J. H. Parker. Mrs. George R. Dobson and daughter of East Braintree (Mass.), are visiting the former's old home in Salisbury.

NORTON. Norton, July 13.—Miss Bessie Marr, now of Boston, is spending her vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Marr. Miss Ethel, Maggie and Jennie Campbell returned to Boston last Friday. Mrs. Fred Bonnell, Sussex, spent part of last week here with her mother, Mrs. James Loughey. Miss Fillmore, of Albert, is a guest of Miss Margaret E. T. Harmer, George Robertson and her sister, Mrs. Ryan, St. John, are spending a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Byron. Mr. and Mrs. James Patterson, of Waterford, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loughey last week. Mrs. J. J. T. Harmer, George Robertson and her sister, Mrs. Ryan, St. John, are spending a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Byron. Miss Kate and Miss Annie Kingston came from Halifax last Thursday and are the guests of Miss Mildred and Miss Jean Lawson. Miss Estella Carson and her mother returned from St. John, where they last Saturday of Mrs. John. Rev. William Adams, of Chignaw, was in St. John yesterday as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jones. Miss Etha A. Sherwood, returned home from Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Perry and family, left this morning by early train for their new home at Hoyt Station. Miss Agnes Byrne and Mr. McNair, are guests of Mr. McNair's father, Frank McNair. D. W. Allen, Base River, Kent Co., is spending a few days here with his wife and child. Rev. A. W. Williams, St. John, occupied the Baptist pulpit here last evening.

REXTON. Rexton, N. B., July 13.—A pleasant time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baldwin, Molus River, Thursday evening, being the occasion of a reunion of their family, consisting of seven sons and one daughter. The majority of them have been living in the States for some years. A dancing pavilion was erected on the grounds and good music was furnished by two sons of the family. A large number were present from different parts of the county, who enjoyed themselves immensely. Mrs. Duncan and little daughter, of Bathurst, who have been visiting Mrs. Duncan's mother, Mrs. J. H. Abbott for some time, spent part of last week with friends in Bathurst. The Misses McLean, of New York, are on a visit to their aunt, the Misses McLean of Jardineville. Miss Jessie McLean has returned from a short visit to Bathurst and Newcastle. Thomas Harnett, who has been very ill with pleurisy, is improving. Beatrice, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Richard, who has been very ill with diphtheria, is improving.

RIVERSIDE. Riverside, July 13.—Miss McAfee, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Smithers, returned to her home in Waterford on Tuesday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Smithers and daughter Marg. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martin, who have been in St. Martins for the past two months, returned home on Monday. Miss Gertrude Smith spent the last two weeks with her friend Miss Rosa Somerville at Millstream. Alton Stiles left on Saturday to visit friends at Murray's Corner, Westmorland county. Mrs. Edwin Wilber, Miss Edith and Master Harold Wilber, of Boston, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Moore. About thirty students wrote the Normal school entrance examinations here last week. Messrs. Goodwin and Donah conducted the examination. Mr. James Cummings, of Baltimore; Mr. Robert Simmons of Craipaud, P. E. I., and Martin Peck of Brockton, Mass., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gray during the past week. D. W. Stewart has moved his family into the house lately vacated by Principal Truman. Mrs. Samuel Stewart, of Hopewell Cape, is the guest of Mrs. A. R. McClellan. A large number enjoyed a sail down the river on the steamer "Willard C." on Wednesday evening. Moonlight and music added much to the enjoyment of the excursion.

APPOHAQUI. Apohaqui, July 13.—Rev. A. E. Bell, who has recently taken charge of the Methodist Circuit, preached his first sermon here last evening and his side dis-

course was listened to with rapt attention by a large and appreciative audience.

The beautiful residence of Handford McKnight is nearing completion. Miss Beatrice Smye, of Alma, Albert County, is spending some time the guest of Mrs. J. P. Connelley. Mrs. Burgess and children, of Moncton, are visiting relatives here. Mrs. John Hunter and little son, Heber, of St. John, were the guests of Mrs. G. J. Vasey last week. Miss Della Burke and Miss Josephine Kelly, of Quincy (Mass.), who have spent two weeks with Mrs. Herbert Jones leaving tomorrow for Fredericton, where they will spend some time before returning to their homes. Robert Bayley, of Elgin, Albert Co., is the guest of his brother, Rev. D. B. Bayley. Geo. P. O. Fenwick, principal of Deerpeter school, arrived last evening to spend the vacation with his mother, Mrs. M. Fenwick. Miss Ella Powell, of Salisbury, is the guest of Mrs. Theodore Long. Mrs. Geo. H. Secord is visiting her mother in Sussex. Mrs. Stewart, of Fredericton, accompanied by her daughters, spent last Sunday with her mother, Mrs. M. Fenwick. Vanwart returned home on Monday, leaving the children to spend part of their vacation with their grandmother. The Misses Maria and Lizzie Rae, of Moncton, are the guests of their cousins, Gretna and Connelly. Mrs. Jas. Miles and Mrs. Ben Mercer, of St. John, are visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Gamester, of Bridgeville, N.S., arrived here on Saturday, being called by the serious illness of Mrs. Gamester's mother, Mrs. Stephen Jones. The friends of Mrs. Jones will be very much improved. Mrs. John Manchester and Miss Lillian Manchester spent a few days in St. John last week.

There was a bad fire on Little River, Sunbury County, but rain extinguished it after several square miles of territory had been burned over. There has been no other serious matter in the locality. The fire warden has been instructed to keep on the alert for bush fires and to employ prompt measures to prevent them from making headway. At a special meeting of the University Senate held in the Education Office this morning Dr. W. C. Kierstead, who is the chair of philosophy and economics vacated by the resignation of Dr. Stewart Macdonald. The meeting was presided over by Judge MacLeod, Wm. McLean, Dr. H. S. Bridges, Judge Barry, B. C. Foster, Chancellor, and Messrs. D. P. Penney and Reginald Coy. The only business was the filling of the vacancy caused by Dr. Macdonald's resignation, and Dr. Kierstead received his appointment at a salary of \$1,300 per year. The salaries of Prof. Carson, lecturer in physics, and that of Dr. Philip Cox, lecturer in geology and natural science, were increased to the same figure from \$1,200. The new professor is a native of Kings county, and graduated from the University of New Brunswick with the degree of B. A., taking his M. A. degree two years later. He afterwards took a course in divinity at Chicago University, and received his M. Div. and Doctor of Philosophy from that institution. He is now pastor of the Baptist church at Woodstock. Dr. Kierstead is a ripe scholar and thinker. He is well liked by the people, and is understood that the Acadia authorities were very anxious to procure his services at the highest salary available. It is understood that Dr. Kierstead will accept the appointment and enter upon his duties at the beginning of the next academic year. Policeman Myhrhall, who was appointed to the force a few days ago by the council, was out on a job. Chief Winter reported that the man was incompetent and this morning Chairman Johnston dismissed him. As the council is strongly opposed to having more than four policemen it is scarcely likely that the vacancy will be filled. The council is also having no end of trouble with the city council, and there seems to be little prospect of the two bodies working harmoniously. The probable winner of the election will join a party of friends tomorrow on a fishing trip to the wilds of the South West Miramichi to be absent a fortnight. Heber and Mrs. Helen Blackmen were married this morning at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blackmen. They left by boat for St. John en route to Nova Scotia on their honeymoon. Fredericton, N. B., July 15.—The first shipment of school books and scribbler arrived from Toronto yesterday and will be stored in the basement of the department building. A large number of scribbler and also a carload of school books. Many requisitions have already been received from vendors and supplies are being sent to the various schools. The course of a few days. Provincial Secretary Fleming arrived here this evening and will give the matter his attention tomorrow.

The sudden death occurred at Maga-guadivie of Alice, wife of James Pickard formerly of Victoria Mills, this city, who died at an early hour Monday morning. She was about 37 years of age and left six small children. The body will be brought here tomorrow for burial. The death occurred today of Frank J. Boyd, son of Charles Boyd, aged 29 years, after a lingering illness. He had lately lived at Lynn, Mass., where he was employed for some time in a factory. He died at his home in St. John on Tuesday afternoon at the George street, Fredericton, United Baptist parsonage. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brewster, contractor, of St. Marys, and William H. A. Hamilton, of Woodstock. They were united in marriage here on Monday evening. He was a member of the United Baptist church, and was a member of the Acedia College, Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock. The funeral service will be performed by Rev. A. A. Rideout in the presence of a number of friends of the couple, who left by the C. P. R. for Woodstock to reside. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cole, of Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock. The funeral service will be performed by Rev. A. A. Rideout in the presence of a number of friends of the couple, who left by the C. P. R. for Woodstock to reside. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cole, of Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock.

JEMSEG. Jemseg, July 13.—The camp of the Big Onion has been under canvas at Robinson's Point since Wednesday. Eighty youths, from thirteen to eighteen years of age, comprise the party together with the officers. The place is ideal and the boys appear to be enjoying their outing to the utmost. Rev. E. T. Miller, of Jemseg, will speak here at 7 o'clock on Monday and Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence P. Nichols, of St. John, have been spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Nichols' mother, Mrs. T. B. Titus. Melzar Worden, of Rev. H. V. Worden, former pastor of the Baptist church here, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. William Purdy. Mrs. J. E. Arthur, of St. John, with her son, Harold, are spending a few weeks at the home of Mrs. Arthur. Mrs. E. T. Miller, of this place, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Crosby, at Lake Annapolis, Yarmouth County, N. S. She will return about the 18th instant. Llewellyn Lodge I. O. G. T., a lodge nearly forty years in existence, after having been dormant for some years has been reconstituted and officers elected.

FLORENCEVILLE. Florenceville, July 14.—Dr. D. W. Hamilton returned to his home in Fredericton yesterday. Mr. John York and Rex York, of Waterford, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLean on Sunday. John McLean, inspector of customs, was in the village yesterday.

BROOKVILLE BANK CLERKS Charged With Robbery. Toronto, July 15.—R. D. Dickson, L. Sheridan and R. E. Eyles, the first two clerks in the Cash Bank at Brookville, and all well connected in that town, were arrested today on a charge of robbing Canadian express cars on the Grand Trunk. The robbery was committed by means of a truck which was unguarded, and which was released on the third. Two were released on bail and the third was sent back to jail, but later today Eyles was again arrested on a warrant charging him with robbing a jewelry store. Some charges of house breaking may be laid against each of the three.

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CONGREGATIONAL UNION SOUTH BAY FIRE HAS BURNED SEVEN MILES

Annual Meeting at Brooklyn, N. S. —Church Union—Membership and Finances. Brooklyn, N. S., July 9.—The sixty-first annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, was opened this morning at 9 o'clock, the chairman, Rev. S. W. Anthony, of St. John, presiding. Rev. G. M. Whyte conducted the devotional exercises. The secretary, Rev. J. W. Cox, made his annual report, in which he stated that progress had been made in the work of the denomination in the maritime provinces, and expressed confidence that the future had even greater work for the church. Among those present was Miss Diadem Bell, of Chisamba Mission, Africa. She was voted a corresponding member of the Union. Miss Bell—who is a native of Milton, Queens County (N. S.), has only recently returned from the mission field of the west coast of Africa, where she has been at work since 1902 with Dr. William Currie and other Canadians. Thursday Afternoon. This meeting was more largely attended than those of previous years. The roll call of churches was read by Bridgewater on account of trains not connecting. Rev. G. M. Whyte, Rev. R. Barron and C. G. Flewelling were appointed nominating committee and Rev. S. J. Wilson, minute secretary. The roll call of churches was responded to by delegates from all but one of the churches in the Union. Encouraging reports were given of the work and condition of the churches. The following committees were appointed: Business—Rev. Messrs. Bell, Rose, Armstrong and Messrs. Fred Hayes and Flewelling. Finance—Messrs. C. E. MacMichael, Amos Mitchell, W. Godfrey. Membership—Rev. Messrs. Cox and Barron and C. Durning. Sabbath Services—Rev. Messrs. Collins and Bell and H. A. Mozor. The roll call of churches was responded to by delegates from all but one of the churches in the Union. Encouraging reports were given of the work and condition of the churches. The following committees were appointed: Business—Rev. Messrs. Bell, Rose, Armstrong and Messrs. Fred Hayes and Flewelling. Finance—Messrs. C. E. MacMichael, Amos Mitchell, W. Godfrey. Membership—Rev. Messrs. Cox and Barron and C. Durning. Sabbath Services—Rev. Messrs. Collins and Bell and H. A. Mozor.

Blaze Crossed Back Lands Road But Was Checked—Lock Lomond Suffers—Big Fire in Kings—Flames Within Mile of St. George—Loss of \$75,000 on Intercolonial.

The forest fire at the back of South Bay, which has now been burning for nine days is still making headway and a desperate effort may be necessary today to keep the conflagration from crossing the Back Lands road. Indications point towards a northwest wind, in which event the danger will be considerably lessened. The fire started near Ludgate Lake on Monday, July 6, and has now spread over a section seven miles long and in places two miles wide and estimated at about 3,000 acres. Tuesday was reported by the men from Grand Bay and South Bay who are fighting the fire to have been the worst since it started. On several occasions it sprang up in the undergrowth across the Back Lands road, and was extinguished with difficulty. It is feared should the fire once secure a hold in this district it will sweep the country to Westfield. In the Lock Lomond district a forest fire has been burning since Monday, and up to last evening had destroyed about 150 acres. Part of the property is owned by the city and was bought a few months ago at auction to secure a right to the fore shore of the lake. The fire is reported to have started in the pasture land of John Johnson, between Treaswell's Lake and Loch Lomond. Besides destroying a lot of timber on the city's land, it has damaged the property of Thomas Brown. Last night the fire was smouldering and it is hoped to stamp it out today. A telephone message from the Head of Millstream Tuesday brought word of a forest fire in the parish of Studholm and Havelock which, since Saturday, has spread over 400 or 500 acres. Fred Hayes, the new fire warden, was on the scene yesterday but beyond the efforts of the farmers whose property is threatened no organized attempt to fight the conflagration had been made. As near as can be ascertained the fire started at the Wind Gap on a farm owned by Patrick McGowan. Mr. McGowan died on Saturday morning and his hired man, Riley, who was engaged in burning a stump heap, was sent on one to Sawmill, leaving three women, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. Timothy O'Regan and Mrs. M. Hanley on the premises. The women saw flames arising from the pig pen and from the barn and summoned the neighbors who assisted in putting the fire out. It is thought, however, that the fire must have caused a blaze to start in the surrounding woods where it is still burning. Danger threatening the dwelling house, barns and buildings of John O'Regan and a lumber camp belonging to Adam McPherson is also liable to be attacked. There is no lumber in the path of the fire but the damage to valuable wood land is considerable. St. George, N. B., July 1 (Special).—The forest fire raging along the L'Etang road near here came nearer the town today and some houses about a mile from here were in danger. The fire started on Sunday about two or three miles down the L'Etang road, and has gained considerable headway. Under influence of the southerly wind it reached near to the homes of Mrs. James McLellan and Mrs. John Callahan this afternoon, and for a time it was feared they might be destroyed. Good work fighting the fire was however, done by a good sized body of workers, and tonight the danger had passed, at least for the present. Rain, however, is needed. Bangor, Me., July 14.—Rain tonight and lack of wind today temporarily at least, relieved the forest fire situation in eastern and northern Maine. No reports of consequence were reported. The fire on Hale Stream below Moxie Pond, and on township 1, range 11, in the Moosehead Lake region, looked better during the day, but it was thought the rain would be sufficient to kill them out. Moncton, July 14 (Special).—Mr. O'Neil, who is lumbering back of Kent Jct. along the northern I. C. R., received word last night from one of his foremen that one of his lumber camps together with a quantity of lumber, had been destroyed by forest fires. Mr. O'Neil left last night for the scene of the fire. There are no forest fires of consequence in the immediate vicinity of Moncton. Montreal, July 14.—(Special).—It was stated at the Intercolonial office today that the losses of the government road through the recent big forest fires in this province were much heavier than at first estimated, and that they would probably exceed \$75,000. Eighty freight cars, worth from \$800 to \$700 apiece were burnt up while two hand-cars were completely destroyed, with freight sleds, etc., and considerable damage was done to the telegraph poles and wires for a long distance along the track. Tuesday, July 16. 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stung the fire and last night's would have little effect. The fight against the blaze across the Back Lands road had now assumed large proportions, he said, and for two miles and a half along the road were stationed barrels of water hauled there. W. J. Dean, fire warden, visited the scene of the fire yesterday and remained about an hour. The report from Loch Lomond last evening was encouraging. The rain came down heavily and had a visible effect on the fire. Twenty-five men were fighting the fire, but it was feared, however, the fear was felt that the Ben Lomond house would catch owing to the inflammable material supplied by the clump of fir about the buildings. Conditions Still Bad at Millstream. Millstream, N. B., July 15 (Special).—The forest fire is still burning in this vicinity. There has been no rain here up to 4 o'clock this afternoon. Today has been fine and very warm. It is now generally believed that the fire has destroyed Adam McPherson's camp with its contents. Among other sufferers are John D. O'Regan, who has lost twenty-five acres of woodland, and Dennis O'Regan, who has lost five acres of new buckwheat land burned over. This land had just cleared last spring. The fire reached his place on Saturday evening and was within 500 yards of his house. The flying embers settled at his door and about the windows and all day Sunday a fight was kept up to save the house, fortunately successful. The fire warden has been at work, but there is evidence of a good deal of indifference on the part of some of the farmers. One man said it did not matter much as only brush was burning and another says he has changed its direction in fighting the fire, hitched up his team and drove to Sussex instead. There has been no rain of any significance in a month and everything is drying up. It rain does not come soon the farmers say the crops will not amount to anything. Better in St. George. St. George, N. B., July 15.—(Special).—The forest fire on the L'Etang road is not so bad tonight. There was some rain today but not enough to do much good. The fire appears to have changed its direction and no homes are in danger tonight. The fire is now burning towards the Masereau shore. Hauling for Back Bay. Lumber operations are held up here. The mail driver got in this morning having driven forty miles to get around the flames. PUBLIC OPINION RIPE FOR THE P. E. I. TUNNEL (Montreal Gazette.) Among the guests at the Queen's day, was Rev. Dr. A. E. Burke, a priest of Alberton (P. E. I.), but known on the mainland of the I as the indefatigable champion tunnel project between the Canada proper, the projects pointed being Carleton Head (P. and Money Point, in the province of Brunswick. The doctor, who is still young and studious at St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown, and also at the University of Laval, had institution conferred upon him the degree of D.D., the other day. "No," said Dr. Burke, "the tunnel project is not dead, neither are its champions asleep. We think that the time is ripe now, since so many formidable schemes are being brought before parliament and the people." He referred to the Georgian Bay Canal, the Hudson Bay Canal, and the St. Lawrence seaway, and said that he was not in the bond, he meant that when the different provinces became participants in the project, he would be so when the people of the little island gave in their adherence to the policy of unity. "Just think," he said, "they are now spending so much money every year, to ensure communication between the island and the mainland, and yet they are not doing it. They spend the annual sum of \$300,000, which at 4 per cent, would pay the interest on \$1,000,000. This, according to a certain estimate, would be the whole cost of a tunnel, the completion of which would settle the question of perfect communication for all time to come." Dr. Burke says public opinion is ripe for serious grappling with the question which he hopes will be undertaken in the very near future. Canada, he observed was destined to be a glorious and powerful union, and although he opens the tunnel will be built sooner or later, he wants it built sooner, or in other words, before those who believe in the project are called to their reward. Speaking in an admonitory manner in which the different religious denominations live on the island, he instanced the fact of a practically Protestant province sending a Roman Catholic priest to seat of government, as the champion of the pet scheme of the country. Dr. Burke left for the capital last evening and he will return to Quebec in time to take part in the tercentenary celebration.

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The sudden death occurred at Maga-guadivie of Alice, wife of James Pickard formerly of Victoria Mills, this city, who died at an early hour Monday morning. She was about 37 years of age and left six small children. The body will be brought here tomorrow for burial. The death occurred today of Frank J. Boyd, son of Charles Boyd, aged 29 years, after a lingering illness. He had lately lived at Lynn, Mass., where he was employed for some time in a factory. He died at his home in St. John on Tuesday afternoon at the George street, Fredericton, United Baptist parsonage. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brewster, contractor, of St. Marys, and William H. A. Hamilton, of Woodstock. They were united in marriage here on Monday evening. He was a member of the United Baptist church, and was a member of the Acedia College, Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock. The funeral service will be performed by Rev. A. A. Rideout in the presence of a number of friends of the couple, who left by the C. P. R. for Woodstock to reside. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cole, of Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock. The funeral service will be performed by Rev. A. A. Rideout in the presence of a number of friends of the couple, who left by the C. P. R. for Woodstock to reside. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Cole, of Wolfville, N. S., while the groom is the electrician in charge of the new power plant at Woodstock.

JEMSEG. Jemseg, July 13.—The camp of the Big Onion has been under canvas at Robinson's Point since Wednesday. Eighty youths, from thirteen to eighteen years of age, comprise the party together with the officers. The place is ideal and the boys appear to be enjoying their outing to the utmost. Rev. E. T. Miller, of Jemseg, will speak here at 7 o'clock on Monday and Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence P. Nichols, of St. John, have been spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Nichols' mother, Mrs. T. B. Titus. Melzar Worden, of Rev. H. V. Worden, former pastor of the Baptist church here, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. William Purdy. Mrs. J. E. Arthur, of St. John, with her son, Harold, are spending a few weeks at the home of Mrs. Arthur. Mrs. E. T. Miller, of this place, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Crosby, at Lake Annapolis, Yarmouth County, N. S. She will return about the 18th instant. Llewellyn Lodge I. O. G. T., a lodge nearly forty years in existence, after having been dormant for some years has been reconstituted and officers elected.

FLORENCEVILLE. Florenceville, July 14.—Dr. D. W. Hamilton returned to his home in Fredericton yesterday. Mr. John York and Rex York, of Waterford, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLean on Sunday. John McLean, inspector of customs, was in the village yesterday.

BROOKVILLE BANK CLERKS Charged With Robbery. Toronto, July 15.—R. D. Dickson, L. Sheridan and R. E. Eyles, the first two clerks in the Cash Bank at Brookville, and all well connected in that town, were arrested today on a charge of robbing Canadian express cars on the Grand Trunk. The robbery was committed by means of a truck which was unguarded, and which was released on the third. Two were released on bail and the third was sent back to jail, but later today Eyles was again arrested on a warrant charging him with robbing a jewelry store. Some charges of house breaking may be laid against each of the three.

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