

## SAINT JOHN HAD MILLS BEFORE LOYALIST DAYS

Interesting Story of Old Time Work Found in Archives

ONE NEAR SITE OF RAILWAY DEPOT

Records Found in the Letter Book of Elder Ward Chipman

An interesting account of tide mills operated in Saint John about 150 years ago, when a bushel of Indian corn could be bought for 30 cents, is taken from records in the local office of the Dominion Archives, Princess street.

"The first aboiteau and dike at the Marsh Bridge," it says, "were constructed in 1788, by James Simonds, who soon after wards built two tide mills there, with perhaps a grist mill in connection. The first grist mill in the vicinity, however, was situated at the outlet of Lily Lake and was built about 1770.

NEAR DEPOT. "There was a saw mill at the outlet of the mill pond, near the Saint John railway depot, as early as the year 1787. It was, of course, a tide mill, and was built by Simonds & White.

Later on, and prior to the arrival of the Loyalists, there was also a primitive grist mill here. The Hazen grist mill was, however, of later date. The story of its erection in the year 1787 is contained in the letter book of the elder Ward Chipman. Writing to Messrs. Ludlow & Gould, of New York, under date June 4, 1787, Mr. Chipman says:

"I have a share in a set of mills erecting here, for the completion of which several materials will be wanted, which I believe can be procured much cheaper and better with you than elsewhere. A list of them is enclosed, together with a letter from Mr. Stephen Bedell, our millwright, to his father, who lives upon Staten Island, who is a good judge of the articles we wanted."

We wish the things to be shipped on board the schooner St. John, Benjamin Andrews, master."

The next reference to the mills in Ward Chipman's letter book is found in a letter to his brother-in-law, Wm. Gray, dated Dec. 12, 1787, in which the following passage occurs:

HALF-DOLLAR BUSHEL. "I am concerned pretty largely in a set of tide mills erected in the city in the summer, which are so far completed that we have one pair of stones grinding very handsomely, and if Indian corn is at a low price with you it will answer very well to import a quantity here. I have, therefore, desired Lovett not to engage any freight after his arrival in Boston, but to wait until we hear from you."

Ward Chipman writes a more detailed account of the mills in June, 1788, to his old friend of revolutionary times, Thomas Aston Coffin, then holding a prominent position at Quebec. The grounds, mill privileges, etc., were to be held for 21 years commencing in January, 1788, at the rent of 25 cents annually.

"The 'City Mills,' as they were called, were successfully operated by William Hazen for many years. Farm-

## SICK ABED EIGHT MONTHS

After Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Could Do All Her Work and Gained in Weight

Melfort, Saskatchewan.—"I had inward troubles, headaches and severe pains in my back and sides. I was so sick generally that I could not get up and I was in bed most of the time for eight months. An aunt came to visit and help me as I was unable to attend to my baby and could not do my work. She told me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after taking two bottles I could get up and dress myself. I also took Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood Medicine. When I first took the medicine I only weighed seventy-eight pounds. Now I weigh twice as much. If I get out of sorts or weary and can't sleep I always take another bottle of the Vegetable Compound. I find it wonderfully good for female troubles, and have recommended it to my neighbors. I will be only too glad to answer any letters I receive asking about it. — Mrs. WILLIAM RITCHIE, Box 436, Melfort, Saskatchewan.

## DOG GUARDS BODY

Man Found Killed by Bullet in Highway Near Paterson, N. J.

PATERSON, N. J., June 12.—The body of Francis Iowto, 33 years old, a mason's helper of 12 Marshall street, was found with a bullet wound in the right side of the chest, lying in the roadway of Stony Road, which leads to Garret Mountain, with Iowto's dog standing over the body.

When the police arrived they had great difficulty in getting the dog away from the body. Dr. William A. Norval, county physician, who performed an autopsy, says the man was dead less than one hour when found. There were no signs of a struggle, and the police were at a loss for a motive for the crime. An automobile was seen in the vicinity. A Lindsey shortly before he found the body.

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## Civic Power Commission Shows Surplus For April

A REPORT of the operation of the Civic Power Commission for the City of Saint John, submitted at the monthly meeting last evening by Roy A. Willet, accountant-secretary, for the month of April, showed that there was a surplus of \$1,302.14, as compared to a deficit last year of \$1,252.67. The report also called attention to the fact that the deficit for the ten months period is \$3,033.94. For the same period last year the deficit was \$23,803.52. The report said that there were about 1,100 more customers and during the ten months sold 10 per cent more current than was sold all the previous year. Those present at the meeting were A. M. Rowan, Commissioner, W. L. Harding, Joseph Lewis, F. S. A. McMillan. Purchases amounting to \$9,412.70 were authorized.

THE POWER COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SAINT JOHN OPERATING STATEMENT FOR MONTH OF APRIL, 1926.

	This month	Year to date	This month	Year to date
K. W. Hrs. Consumed	Meters	K. W. Hrs.	Meters	K. W. Hrs.
Domestic lighting	4,074	222,812	1,875,885	5,135
Commercial lighting	1,032	288,664	2,206,655	918
Total dom and com.	5,106	511,476	4,082,540	6,053
Power	102	88,600	788,833	70
Municipal St. Light	105,000	1,045,714	105,000	1,017,197
Total consumption	7,208	645,076	5,967,087	6,128

REVENUE	This month	Year to date	This month	Year to date
Domestic lighting	8,188.06	80,120.84	6,690.96	6,690.96
Commercial lighting	7,787.49	7,787.49	5,809.26	5,809.26
Total domestic and commercial	15,975.55	15,975.55	12,499.24	12,499.24
Power	2,278.12	2,278.12	2,278.12	2,278.12
Discounts	1,382.71	1,382.71	1,382.71	1,382.71
Miscellaneous income	890.82	890.82	1,838.88	1,838.88
Total revenue	21,771.41	21,771.41	19,428.47	19,428.47

OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION	This month	Year to date	This month	Year to date
Electrical energy purchased	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
OPERATION:				
Transformation	412.29	412.29	810.18	810.18
Distribution	47.68	47.68	584.00	584.00
Line transformers and devices	43.75	43.75	87.69	87.69
Meters and devices	197.92	197.92	271.72	271.72
Consumers' premises	27.17	27.17	687.91	687.91
Street lighting	27.17	27.17	27.17	27.17
Total operation	696.22	696.22	4,687.67	4,687.67

MAINTENANCE AND RENEWALS FUND	2 1/2 per cent per annum	1,361.49	13,306.55	1,282.58
COMMERCIAL ADMINISTRATION:				
Promotion of business	898.42	898.42	6,508.95	6,508.95
Mail and printing	828.57	828.57	2,855.83	2,855.83
Billing and collecting	227.15	227.15	9,290.92	9,290.92
Bad debts allowance	108.40	108.40	1,023.52	1,023.52
Total commercial administration	2,258.14	2,258.14	19,673.32	19,673.32

ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL	This month	Year to date	This month	Year to date
Administration salaries	846.66	846.66	546.66	546.66
General office salaries	820.00	820.00	812.20	812.20
Rent, light and heat	136.18	136.18	1,336.15	1,336.15
Insurance	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Operation of stores department	343.80	343.80	3,608.55	3,608.55
Operation of utility equipment	895.17	895.17	3,063.29	3,063.29
Miscellaneous	815.59	815.59	3,281.98	3,281.98
Total administration and general	2,104.70	2,104.70	20,479.27	20,479.27

INTEREST ON CAPITAL	This month	Year to date	This month	Year to date
1 1/2 per cent per annum	1,192.02	1,192.02	10,128.07	10,128.07
Total operation and admin. cost	20,469.23	20,469.23	19,747.48	19,747.48
Net surplus	1,302.14	1,302.14	3,083.94	3,083.94
Deficit	10.00	10.00	1,252.67	1,252.67

## Only President of Hawaii Dead At 82

HONOLULU, T. H., June 12.—Sanford Ballard Dole, to whom more than any other individual is due the title of the Hawaiian Islands in the United States is dead. The first and only president of the new republic of Hawaii, which passed out of being with the American annexation of the islands, died at his home in Honolulu, Hawaii, at the age of 82 years.

"I am, dear sir, 'Your most obedient servant, "DAVID BLISS."

Belmont, it may be observed, is the property, about eight miles below Fredericton, formerly the residence of the late Lieutenant-Governor Hon. R. D. Wilnot.

## NATIVE OF CANADA IS UNDER CHARGE

Alphonse LeBlanc of R. I. Legislature Said He Voted Twice in Election

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 12.—Alphonse LeBlanc, a Representative of the R. I. Legislature, publicly declared he voted twice for president at the last election, once in Woonsocket where he resides, and once in Holyoke, Mass., where he owns property, has been forwarded to District Attorney C. H. Wright of Western District of Massachusetts with request that he start action.

Representative LeBlanc's statement that he voted twice is said to have been made at a public improvement meeting in Woonsocket, at which the action of Acting Mayor Pelouquin of voting twice upon certain measures before the city council, once as an alderman and once as acting mayor, was under discussion.

"I intend to see my man win," was LeBlanc's excuse. He is a Democrat and a French Canadian by birth.

Rep. LeBlanc denied that he had actually voted twice in a presidential election, although he admitted saying so.

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## SYRIA REQUIRES MORE TROOPS FOR HER PACIFICATION

Military Chiefs Convince High Commissioner's Office of Needs

BEIRUT, Syria, June 11.—Military authorities here have succeeded in convincing the French high commissioner's office that more troops are needed to pacify Syria—that the 30,000 soldiers now here are totally inadequate to cope with Sultan Atash in the Djebel Druze and at the same time keep the lid down on the boiling pot of rebellion in other parts of the country. Reinforcements are expected from Senegal.

Damascus has been a besieged city since May 7, with bandits holding the gardens around Damascus, French forces are said to be too weak to relieve it.

In Baalbeck, the ancient Heliopolis

## BATHURST CADETS PLEASE INSPECTOR

High School Corps Appeal Out First Time in Regulation Uniform

BATHURST, June 11.—Lieut.-Col. A. B. Snow inspected the High School cadets yesterday. This was the first appearance of the local boys in regulation uniform.

Lieut. Bishop, principal of the school, is in command of the company. The West Bathurst High School company was also inspected, under the command of Lieut. McFarlane. The inspector expressed complete satisfaction of both organizations.

Participation of negro Catholics in the congress will not be limited to sectional meetings. Women's choirs from negro churches will join nuns in singing on the third day of the congress.

## NEGRO CATHOLICS TO BE IN CONGRESS

Black Priests Will Assist at Mass on Opening Day at Chicago

CHICAGO, June 12.—Negro Catholics from negro centres in the United States to the Eucharistic Congress here, June 20-24, will have a large part in the affairs of the congress. Rev. J. F. Echeat says there will be pilgrimages of negroes from New York, Cincinnati, Louisville, Detroit, St. Louis and every large city of the South.

Solemn high mass will be celebrated by Father Echeat on the opening day, with the assistance of two negro priests, Rev. N. J. Duckette, of Chicago,

## Lord and Lady Astor Will Visit In Maine

DARK HARBOR, Me., June 12.—Viscount and Lady William Astor and their children, of England, will spend August with Lady Astor's sister, Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, and family, at their summer home on Seven Hundred Acre Island, it was definitely learned today. The Astors passed part of their honeymoon there. Lady Astor, the first woman to obtain a seat in the English Parliament, was a frequent visitor before her marriage.

## ROTHESAY BEATEN

The first baseball game of the season at Rotheray was played last night between the local team and the Saint Johns, of the City Senior League. The game had to be called at the end of the fourth inning because of rain. Good fielding was impossible because of the wetness of the grounds but the players got in some fine work and there was plenty of excitement for the fans, a large number of whom had turned out to watch the season's first game. The score at the end of the fourth inning, when the game had to be called, stood at 8 to 4 in favor of the Saint Johns. Leary pitched for the city team and for the home team Thompson was first twirler, being relieved by Elderkin.

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A famous cypress tree in Mexico is said to be 4,000 to 6,000 years old.

Georgia farmers have spent \$30,000,000 cradling cattle ticks.

### Special Showing of Summer Sport Hats

To meet the demand for Felt Hats we are making a Special Showing of this popular Hat Monday, June 14.

The sensational demand for this style of headwear is because of its general usefulness on so many occasions. Street Wear, Sport Wear, Motoring, Traveling, etc. from our assortment of shapes and sizes and variety of colors. We can fit your head and match your suit or coat.

Colors include tans, browns, wild honey, sand, oakwood, old rose, rosewood, crab-apple, Bois de Rose, almond green, apple green, Italian blue, copen blue, navy, pearl grey, red, geranium, cerise, orchid, gold, coral, black, white, and pastel shades.

(Millinery Salon—Second Floor.)

### Clever Designs for the Summer Frocks

Every school girl wants a new dress for closing day. The Home Journal Fashion Book pictures many smart and becoming styles for the junior Girl and Graduate.

Here are five attractive numbers—5037, 4822, 4607, 5007, 5008—and many others equally good. Many Patterns and Fashions. Book, now on sale at our Pattern Counter.

Help yourself to a Fashion Sheet.

Ladies' Home Journal Pattern No. 5042, pictured here—A new and charming sports frock of the popular circular flare. Printed Silk is the material chosen. White pearl buttons and a white kid belt add to its smartness.

(Pattern Dept.—Ground Floor.)

### Electrical Appliances

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Flat Toaster ..... \$1.75

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Electric irons in several makes.

The Hot Point, Sunbeam, Westinghouse and others, all guaranteed.

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Quality Curling Irons, \$5 and \$6.50

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(Electrical Dept.—Third Floor.)

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