

WEST SIDE MARCHING OVERBOARD DROWNS FEW FEET FROM STEAMER

Powell S. Ogler Failed to Grasp Life Buoy Thrown from Prince Rupert While Lying at Digby Wharf and Perished in Bay—Passengers Have Criticism.

Thursday, June 19. Within a few yards of the docks and with many people looking on, Powell S. Ogler, aged 21 years, pantryman aboard the steamer Prince Rupert, son of Mrs. Helen Ogler, of 29 Laddow street, West St. John, was drowned about 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the port guard of the steamer as she was moored at the wharf in Digby. The body was recovered from the water by a life buoy thrown from the steamer for more than half an hour but all attempts at resuscitation failed and the coroner took it in charge, deciding to hold an inquest in Digby this morning.

Passengers who were aboard the boat seemed inclined to think that the man was forced into the water by some rough horse alack on board and that the attempt to save him was not prompt or efficient. Members of the crew deny this and say everyone on board will be vindicated at the inquest. Several of them interviewed last evening tell a straightforward story of the shocking occurrence.

James Muise, second cook on the steamer, said that he was an eye-witness of the affair and was within a few yards of Ogler when he went overboard to his death. "On the lower deck or cargo deck," he said, "there were the chief cook, Russell Canty, the boat's electrician, a fireman named Gullian and myself, besides Ogler. The door at the outside of the boat was open and we had a fish there having some fun with it. We had fastened a string to its tail and were going to pull it over the side. Ogler was sitting about fifteen feet from us and about ten feet from the edge of the boat. As soon as the fish was dropped overboard he rushed to the side to see it squirm in the water. I did not notice Ogler at this time nor do I think that any of us did. We were stooping over the edge when Ogler cried out. I turned around just in time to see him toppling over the edge. It appeared to me as if he was underneath the water for several minutes and when it

TROUBLE LOOMS AHEAD IF OPTION IS TO BE TAKEN UP

Reported That County Secretary Was Tendered One Dollar By Eastern Trust Company and Option Asked For—Mr. Fenton Promises Action.

Wednesday, June 19. Acting on behalf of the Eastern Trust Co., Clarence H. Ferguson has tendered to J. King Kelley, secretary of St. John county, a request for the option on the Municipal Home, which a majority of the members of the municipal council desire upon at their last regular meeting. The option is to stipulate that \$75,000 is to be the price paid and the Eastern Trust Co. has until Nov. 14 to decide whether it will take it up or not. Mr. Ferguson tendered the dollar for the option.

J. King Kelley and C. H. Ferguson said last evening that the request had been filed with the county secretary, but neither would discuss the matter. W. I. Fenton, who took an active part in opposing the granting of an option several weeks ago had not heard of the recent demand for the option, but he said that some action would be taken immediately to prevent the papers being signed.

Several legal men told The Telegraph yesterday that unless the option papers were signed and delivered the county would not be bound to grant it as matters stood at present, nor could any damages be secured. It is said the Eastern Trust Co. is reticent and the warden from signing the papers. Warden Carson recently stated that he would not sign the option until compelled to do so by the courts.

OBITUARY

Henry T. Close. The death of Henry Thomas Close occurred Sunday morning at his home 203 Guilford street, W. E. Mr. Close was a native of Fredericton, had been a resident of St. John for the greater part of his life. He was injured by a fall while working in a mill in Sydney four years ago and since then had not enjoyed good health. He leaves three sons and three daughters.

George W. T. Holmes. The funeral of George W. T. Holmes was held Sunday at his home in Colina. He died at the home of his uncle, A. E. Keirstead, 265 Chesley street. Mr. Holmes, who was only 20 years of age, had been to St. John only a short time. He was attacked by measles and pneumonia and passed away on last Friday. He is survived by his mother and father, one sister and one brother.

Thomas Murphy. Rexton, N. B., June 16.—The death occurred at his home at South Branch after a lingering illness of Thomas Murphy at the age of 81 years and two months. Mr. Murphy was born in County Wexford in Ireland, and came out to St. John in 1847 and later moved to South Branch where he has since lived. He married Miss Mary Ryan, of South Branch, who survives him. Mrs. Murphy was also born in Ireland, coming out here when six months old. Mr. Murphy leaves besides his wife, two sons, Brother Liguori of Lowell (Mass.) and John Murphy at home. There are five daughters: Mrs. James Collins, of South Branch; Mrs. John Grady, of North Damer; Mrs. Patrick Harnett, of Main River; Miss Lizzie, at home; and Sister Veronica, of Prince Albert (Sask.). The funeral will be held Monday morning at South Branch. Brother Liguori has been home some days on account of his father's illness.

Dr. George F. Johnson. Sussex, N. B., June 18.—Dr. George Foster Johnson, one of the oldest and most respected residents of Sussex passed to his rest this morning at nine o'clock at the residence of his niece, Mrs. Wm. W. Stockton.

Doctor Johnson was a devoted member of the Methodist church. He leaves two children, Dr. Fred Johnson of Ashland, Oregon, and Mrs. Edridge Pidd-

NEWS COMES OF CAUSED \$75,000 FIRE IN TRYING WHIFF'S DEATH ON EVE OF REUNION TO SPANK CHILD

Years of Separation End in Disaster for George Lawrence—Motherless Child Will Never See Happy Home

Wednesday, June 18. Waiting at the railway depot in a fever of anxiety for the Montreal train to pull out and carry him to his dying wife who had been taken ill at Montreal on her way to rejoin him after separation for three years; George Lawrence, engineer on the steamer D. J. Purdy, was handed a telegram which told him his proposed trip was in vain and that his wife had died her last earthly journey at Montreal.

Frederick S. Crocker. Word has been received here that Frederick S. Crocker, formerly of St. John, died at East Orange (N. J.), yesterday morning. He has many friends in this city who were a constant to him. The body will be brought to St. John for interment.

Mrs. Havelock Wilcox. At Norton (N. B.), June 12, Mrs. Havelock Wilcox passed away after a lingering illness of several weeks. She was 65 years of age. She leaves her husband, four sons and two daughters to mourn the loss of a loving wife and mother.

Sister Alice Chapman. Miss M. P. Dole has received word of the death of her cousin, Sister Alice, of the Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn (N. Y.). Sister Alice was formerly Mrs. Chapman, of St. John, and had several relatives here, being a granddaughter of Thomas Leavitt. She will be remembered by St. John friends, particularly by older members of Trinity congregation.

Mrs. Eleanor Morrell. Wednesday, June 19. Mrs. Mary Gibbs of Exmouth street, yesterday received the sad news of the death of her sister, Eleanor, wife of Frank Morrell of Norwood, Mass., which occurred yesterday. Although Mrs. Morrell has been in failing health for more than two years, the news of her death came as a great shock to her friends. Besides her husband she is survived by two sons and two daughters.

Harry Toie. A telegram to Port of Entry, Fredericton yesterday brought the sad news of the death of his grandson, Harry Toie, aged eight years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Toie, of St. John, and had several relatives here, being a granddaughter of Thomas Leavitt. She will be remembered by St. John friends, particularly by older members of Trinity congregation.

Miss Mary B. Macfarland. Thursday, June 19. Much regret will be expressed for the death of Miss Mary B. Macfarland, who died last night at her father's home, 108 Laddow street, West End, after an illness of several months. She was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Macfarland, and she leaves, besides her parents, two brothers, John, of Haley Bros., and Charles, of the C. P. R., and one sister, Laura W., the wife of Ernest R. Willis, of the department of railways and canals, Ottawa.

Levi D. Graham. Enfield, N. B., June 16.—The funeral of Levi D. Graham, who died at his mother's home, Jubilee, of meningitis, June 15, was held yesterday under the auspices of the I. O. G. T. Star of Hope, No. 483, of which he was a member. Though he had been ill for about three months following an attack of pleurisy, his recovery was expected until about ten days before his death, when meningitis set in.

Jared Hepburn. Jared Hepburn, a former resident of this city, died on Monday at Digby, Ohio, in the one hundredth year of his age. Despite his great age, Mr. Hepburn had enjoyed the full use of all his faculties and was in excellent health until recently. He was born in St. John on December 14, 1814, and resided here for many years. While the wooden ship building industry was flourishing he conducted a block-making business in this city, and after this business dwindled he removed to Wisconsin. Several years ago he moved to Cleveland, Ohio, to reside with his daughter, Mrs. James Thayer, at whose home his death occurred.

Charles of East Canada. Jared, Doctor William and Doctor Alexander, of Chicago; three daughters, Mrs. Thayer, of Cleveland; Mrs. Frank Horstman, of Chicago; and Mrs. Angus Cameron, of St. John, and a large number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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WHOLESALE PRICES IN ST. JOHN MARKETS

The sharp advance in flour overshadowed all other changes in wholesale prices this week, the different grades advancing from 15 cents to 25 cents a barrel. The pinch on the Chicago cattle market did not affect beef prices here while pork and mutton were a little easier. The prices follow:

Table with columns for commodity names and prices. Includes items like Beef, Pork, Bacon, Butter, Eggs, etc.

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Government Similar Structure the Pacific

Failure to Pass Leaves This Port a 900 Foot Basin Attendance at Ottawa

(Special to The Telegraph) Ottawa, June 23—Plans prepared for dry docks, which government will build on the Pacific coast.

The St. John dry dock length of only 900 feet, a fact that legislation was no ward by the government.

It is understood that the next session for the of the Halifax dry dock.

This is a matter of some Canada, for the International Congress is due here in and the dominion authorities to fear that it will not strength.

An International Geology is a good thing for a country among its membership geologists of the world.

They are in close touch with in tests and are regularly travel, and especially in some Canada, collect information graphs which they make.

tures to their classes at a in preparing articles for a odicals. These are largely by writers for newspapers magazines. In this way a large amount of valuable Canada with its coal.

tr, nickel, asbestos, mica mineral deposits, offers an attractive field to men of they were expected to have numbers, but owing to the government and the up Europe are not sending Canada this summer in a bers as they would if tin good, and ready money throughout the world.

The congress will be a number of geologists from mean countries, such as Australia, New South Wales, and they will be allowed to lecture in the present juncture.

However, there will be a come. They will be taken from Nova Scotia to Brit and much good is expected from their visit.

CAMPBELL WILL WED MARRIED BACK

Miss Bessie Batsen F. Crocker, of to Be Married in

(Special to The Telegraph) Boston, June 28—A romantic union in the announcement of Mrs. Francis Crocker's marriage to Miss Bessie Batsen.

Mr. Crocker, who is a provision business, and real estate, is recovering from appendicitis. He and Mrs. Crocker, who is acquainted about a year ago, were married in North Cambridge and Miss Bessie Batsen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Artin Batsen, of Westport Arms Inn, Boston. Mrs. Crocker is 35 years of age and Miss Batsen is 25 years of age. They were married in St. Ann's church in September.