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Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCullough, in Calais.

Mrs. Herbert H. Johnson, of St. George, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert S. Wall.

Miss Queenie Neill returned last week from New York city, where she enjoyed a delightfully gay visit with friends.

Mrs. Charles B. Lowell has returned from Boston, where she spent several weeks.

Mr. Henry Graham, who accompanied Mrs. Walter E. Graham as far as Toronto, where she left on her journey to California, has arrived home.

Mr. Arthur Shaughnessy has gone to Sydney (C. B.) to take a position in the branch of the Bank of Montreal in that town.

Mr. Wilmot Berryman, who so unfortunately broke his arm early in January, has recovered and is able to take his position again in the C. P. R.

Mr. Godfrey P. Newnham, of Woodstock, accompanied by his friend, Mr. Alexander, spent Sunday in town and were guests at Christ church rectory.

Mr. John Clarke, who has been very ill and a patient at the Chipman Memorial Hospital, is reported today to be much better and there are now great hopes of his recovery.

Mrs. Frank Todd and her niece, Miss Frances Todd, are in Boston this week, and will also visit New York city before they return to St. Stephen.

Mrs. J. Edwin Ganong is visiting friends in Boston and vicinity and will probably be absent this month.

Mrs. Thompson McNeill and Mrs. John Wall gave a very charming German whist party at the beautiful home of Mrs. McNeill on Monday evening. The prizes were won by Mrs. John Nason, Mrs. Charles Murchie and Miss Nellie Berryman. Dainty refreshments were served late in the evening at the close of the game.

ST. ANDREWS.

St. Andrews, March 14—A number of the young people of the Methodist church are practicing for an entertainment to be held on Easter Monday evening. Previous entertainments given by them have proved both interesting and enjoyable, and this will hardly be an exception.

Mrs. F. Howard Grimmer was in St. John last week. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. C. M. Gove, who is spending the winter in St. Stephen, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Hazen Grimmer.

Miss Margaret Johnson returned last week from a trip to Boston, where she spent several weeks very pleasantly visiting her friends.

Mr. J. W. Richardson, of St. Stephen, paid a brief visit to St. Andrews recently.

The time for the meeting of the ladies' euchre club has been changed from Thursday afternoon to Thursday evening. Mrs. G. H. Lamb was the most agreeable hostess of last week.

Mr. C. S. Everett spent a few days in Fredericton lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Rigby also entertained a number of their friends at a pleasant party lately.

Miss Jesse Dustan, of St. Stephen, is the guest of her sister, Miss Algar.

Dr. Du Vernet Jack, of Grand Manan, spent a few days in town last week.

ST. STEPHEN.

St. Stephen, N. B., March 17—(Special)—A unique gathering was held in Red Men's hall at Calais last evening, the occasion being a complimentary banquet tendered John Ryder, former chief engineer of the St. Stephen fire department, by Henry B. Eaton, a wealthy and public-spirited citizen of Calais. The departments of the three towns, with the mayors and members of the fire committees of the councils, a few others and newspaper men were also guests of Mr. Eaton.

At the opening Mr. Eaton called Mr. Ryder to the front and in a brief but feeling address reviewed the services rendered both Calais and St. Stephen by Mr. Ryder during his long connection with the fire department of St. Stephen from 1850 to 1904, and in appreciation of that service and of his worth as a citizen presented him with a solid gold watch, chain and locket, both watch and locket being beautifully engraved. Around the banquet board many speeches were made expressing regard for Mr. Ryder and appreciation of Mr. Eaton's generosity and thoughtfulness in paying this tribute to one of our best citizens while he was yet with us.

FREDERICTON

Fredericton, March 14—Mrs. Lee Babbitt gave a tea on Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Nagle, who is here with Capt. Nagle, en route to Halifax from New York, where Capt and Mrs. Nagle have been enjoying a few weeks' holidays.

Mrs. H. G. C. Ketchum and niece, Miss Stopford, returned home last week from their very enjoyable trip to the West Indies.

Miss Maude Golding, of St. John, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. W. Edgecombe.

Mrs. George Furguson and Miss Bona Johnston entertained at cards on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Luke Stewart and Miss Cunningham are visiting Mrs. Thomas Rankine, in St. John.

Mrs. Joseph Walker entertained the choir of St. Paul's church at her home on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Edgecombe are being congratulated upon the arrival of a young son at their home.

Mrs. George Younge Dibblee entertained at dinner on Sunday evening, when covers were laid for eight.

Miss Fannie Palmer has returned from a pleasant trip to New York.

Mrs. Fred Fisher, who was here to attend the funeral of Miss Brannen, returned to her home in St. John the first of the week.

Mrs. Sherman entertained at bridge last evening.

Miss Dorothy Edgecombe returned to her home in St. John on Monday after a pleasant visit with friends here.

Mrs. J. Douglas Hazen, of St. John, arrived on Tuesday and has joined Mr. Hazen and will remain for the week.

Mrs. Barbour was the hostess of a delightful thimble party on Wednesday, the guests, about forty in number, all remaining for high tea.

Mrs. W. H. Steeves is spending this week in St. John.

Mrs. J. B. Forester, of Halifax, is among the visitors in the city.

Miss Foley, of St. John, is spending a short time here with friends.

Fredericton, March 16—(Special)—The sewerage committee of the city council met this afternoon and examined the plans and specifications of the proposed sewerage system.

Chairman Scott stated that the committee was unanimously opposed to the proposal to utilize the St. John river as an outlet for the system.

It was decided to telegraph Engineer Barbour to come to Fredericton without delay and confer with the committee. The next step of the committee will be awaited with interest.

Col. Marsh today dismissed the Scott Act case against the road house proprietress on grounds of insufficient evidence. Col. Marsh said that he did not believe the evidence of the spotters, Crandlemire and Peno, and they were worthless characters so far as he could learn. He did not believe they were in the house, and if they were that they drank seven drinks of whiskey and three of ale and walked home, as they would be too drunk. Of nine cases instituted two were dismissed, six withdrawn; one conviction was made. In the cases withdrawn and dismissed the county must pay the costs.

Ten inches of snow fell in the heaviest storm of the season last night, and today it is drifting badly.

Fredericton, N. B., March 18—(Special)—Engineer Barbour arrived from Boston by noon train yesterday, and in the afternoon held a lengthy conference with the sewerage committee in the city council chamber.

Chairman Scott stated at the outset that the members of the committee were opposed to using the St. John river as an outflow for the proposed sewerage system, and sent for Engineer Barbour for the purpose of talking matters over and obtaining information in regard to the disposing of the sewerage by means of septic tanks.

Mr. Barbour addressed the committee at some length, and was not long in convincing the members that they were laboring under a serious misapprehension on several important points. He claimed that the system of sewerage he had planned for Fredericton was both practical and economical.

The consumption of water was eighty gallons per day per head of population, and this would be carried off by the sewerage system. This meant that to 1,000 pounds of water there would be two pounds of sewage.

At the point where it is proposed to discharge the sewage the river has a flowage of 2,800 cubic feet per second, and he estimated from this there would only be one part of sewage to 1,000,000 parts of water.

He would stake his reputation that there would be no smell, no nuisance, and no lodging of sediment at the point of discharge. Instead it would be impossible for a man in a boat to locate the outlet.

He went on to say that the sewage could be purified by means of septic tanks but it would cost money to do it. He had installed more septic tanks than any engineer in the United States, and claimed to know something about it.

The cost of installing and operating septic tanks here would, if capitalized, represent about $80,000, or would about double the cost of the system. He knew of only towns, that used sewerage purification works, emptied their sewage into small streams. He claimed that sewerage system which he proposed to adopt here was absolutely modern in every respect.

Ald. Scott and several others expressed themselves as being satisfied with the engineer's statement. Mr. Scott went so far as to tell Mayor McNally that if the information given by Engineer Barbour had been in possession of the ratepayers before the recent election the members of the old board would not have been defeated.

The committee asked Mr. Barbour to recommend an engineer to take charge of the construction work, and he proposed W. J. Lee, who was employed on the St. John water works extension last season. Mr. Lee is now in Montreal, and is expected here tomorrow. He will immediately locate the outflow so that the contractor can lay the pipe in the river before the ice breaks up. It is scarcely likely that the committee will give any further attention to the septic tank proposition.

Edward Speedy, son of Daniel Speedy, was run over by a train at McAdam last night, and had both his legs badly crushed. He was brought to this city by the late train and admitted to the Victoria Hospital where death soon relieved his sufferings. The body will be taken to McAdam tomorrow for burial.

Rev. A. A. Rideout administered the rite of baptism to eight candidates at George street Baptist church this evening.

A very successful mass meeting under the auspices of the college Y. M. C. A. was held in St. Paul's church this afternoon. The speakers were Dr. Scott and H. E. Alexander and Mr. Malcolm, who gave their impressions of the recent convention at Nashville (Tenn.), which they attended as delegates from the university.

HOPEWELL HILL.

Hopewell Hill, March 15—A number of the ladies of the Methodist church met in the vestry yesterday afternoon from 3 o'clock till 5 and held a reunion in the form of a thanksgiving service following the rededication of the church, which took place last Sunday. Addresses were made by a number of those present, and work in connection with the church was discussed. Some appropriate hymns were sung, Mrs. W. J. Almon presiding at the organ. At the close, coffee was served, with a bountiful supply of refreshments.

It is more than five years since the women in connection with the church began the raising of funds for the object which is now completed by the thorough renovation of the church building.

Nathaniel Peck, an old and highly respected resident of Riverside, is quite ill at his home there.

Rufus Wright, of Mountville, who is employed in the I. C. R. shops, Moncton, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Hewston Stewart, at the Hill.

Miss Celia Peck returned yesterday from a visit to Dorchester and Moncton.

GAGETOWN.

Gagetown, March 16—Fred. Cooper's mare was kicked in the leg by a horse in the stable, and the leg was so badly broken nothing could be done with it, consequently the animal was shot yesterday.

Miss Ida Cooper has returned from a visit to friends in Boston.

Jas. Payne and Miss Violet Patterson were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Mr. Kirby officiating. An exceptionally demonstrative charivari was indulged in by the youths to show their appreciation of the happy event. A goodly number of useful presents were received by the young couple from many friends.

Fred. Corey has sold his horse to Mr. Ritchie, of Chipman.

PARRSBORO.

Parrsboro, March 14—Mrs. Seaman entertained a number of her young lady friends on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Clarence Spencer, who has been at Maccan for a few weeks, returned home on Tuesday.

Mr. Frizzle, one of our most popular young men in the banking business, has been transferred to Truro, where he takes the position of accountant in the Union Bank of Halifax. He left on Wednesday followed by the best wishes of a host of friends.

Mr. A. E. Sulis and Mrs. Sulis took a trip to St. John on Wednesday, where he spent a few days combining business with pleasure. They returned on Saturday.

Mr. B. L. Tucker spent last week in St. John.

Mr. Cecil Lockhart has gone to Boston, where he has taken a position.

Mrs. Knowlton, of Advocate, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Daniel Lockhart.

Dr. Corbet accompanied his sister, Miss Maud, to Brockton (Mass.), leaving on Wednesday.

Mr. Boyce left on Wednesday for Sydney, where he has taken an important position.

Mrs. C. Cook was "at home" to her friends on Tuesday evening, and many took advantage of the privilege of enjoying the evening at her home. Tea was served from 5 to 7, after which a very excellent programme was given, Miss Mabel McLeod, Mr. Shannen, Miss Pettis, Miss Young, Misses Thompson, Mrs. Seaman, Miss McCully and Miss Cook taking part.

Miss Mary Boyce is visiting among friends in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brown, of Amherst, are spending a few days in town with friends.

Mr. J. S. Henderson has been to Halifax for a few days, taking a few days off while the larrigan factory is closed down, a new engine being put in position.

Miss McDowell has returned to her home in Springhill after enjoying an extended visit in town.

About 130 formed a party making up an excursion to Springhill on Thursday for the purpose of seeing The Christian put on at the Opera House.

Mrs. Harvie has been visiting friends in Pictou.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster spent a few days, including Sunday, at Kentville, the home of Mr. Webster's parents.

Mrs. F. A. Rand went to Bear River on Monday, being called there because of the death of her mother. She will be absent about a week.

Mrs. Chambers has been on a visit to Dorchester and has returned.

Capt. Dexter has been enjoying a short rest among friends and returned on Tuesday to St. John to rejoin his vessel.

The friends of Mr. Wm. Pippy are pleased to see him around again after a critical operation and severe illness. He was able to take a run to Springhill on Monday, returning on Tuesday.

TRURO.

Truro, March 13—Mr. J. M. Fulmer spent Sabbath with his family in town, returning on Monday to Bridgetown. His wife and family intend shortly taking up their residence in Bridgetown and will be greatly missed by their friends here.

Mr. J. H. Croscup is quite ill with pneumonia.

Rev. H. F. Waring, a former Truro pastor, was in town on Sabbath and preached both morning and evening to his old congregation in Immanuel Baptist church.

Mrs. J. D. Gladwin, of Halifax, and Mrs. Benson Gladwin, of Windsor Junction, are visiting Mrs. Rupert Archibald.

Mrs. H. Bigelow was at home to her friends last week.

Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. McHenry and her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Barteaux, in the terrible trouble through which they are passing, word having been received by telegraph to the effect that Capt. McHenry had been found dead in Tennessee (U. S. A.) No particulars have as yet been received.

Mrs. D. O'Day, of New York, has been visiting with Mrs. Page for a short time. Mrs. O'Day and her husband intend taking an extended trip in the Mediterranean Sea and elsewhere for the benefit of the latter's health.

Mr. D. A. Vaughan and son, of St. Stephen (N. B.), arrived in Truro last week.

On Wednesday a large number of interested spectators gathered in the Baptist church at Londonderry to witness the nuptials of Mr. William D. Cockell and Miss Jennie B. Walsh. The church was prettily decorated and the bridal couple stood beneath an arch upon which was a silver horseshoe. A reception was given at the bride's father's residence after the ceremony, at which there were about sixty guests.

Miss Maud Rettie has returned from a pleasant visit at her brother's in Moncton.

AMHERST.

Amherst, March 17—At a meeting of the congregation of the Methodist church last evening it was decided to proceed at once to the erection of a new church.

The building, which will cost in the vicinity of $35,000, will be of brick and stone facings, the main auditorium will seat about 1,200, the school room, which will open off the main building and can be thrown open, will seat about 600.

The present building and parsonage will be removed and the new building will occupy the present site.

Already about $25,000 has been subscribed, five adherents of the church having subscribed $2,000.

Rev. J. T. Dimock, who has been assistant pastor of the First Baptist church for the past two years, has received a call to the group of churches at Northport and Amherst Shore and has handed his resignation to the church here, the same to take effect June 1st.

The many friends in this section will regret Mr. Dimock's leaving as both he and Mrs. Dimock have made many friends during their two years residence in Amherst, and his labors have been greatly blessed.

McADAM BOY, TRYING TO JUMP ON TRAIN, TERRIBLY INJURED

Ten-year-old Charles Speedy Had One Leg Severed and the Other Badly Mangled.

McAdam, N. B., March 17—(Special)—Charles Speedy, the ten-year-old son of Daniel Speedy, was the victim of a bad accident tonight. The boy, with two companions, was at the lower crossing on the St. John track, when the freight from St. John, in charge of Conductor Napier, came along.

In trying to board the moving train, young Speedy fell under the wheels. One of the trainmen heard his cry, got a piece of rope and jumped off. Aided by Robert Elliot, who was passing, he made the rope into a tourniquet for the injured limbs. They carried the boy to the house of Charles Moffat, near at hand. One leg was severed at the knee, the other was split open. The Boston express was stopped opposite here, and the boy placed on board for transportation to the hospital at Fredericton. Dr. Butler and Mr. Speedy accompanied him. The accident happened at 7.30 p. m.

BOY AND GIRL HURLED TO DEATH

St. George, Ont., March 16—(Special)—While crossing the G. T. bridge here at noon four immigrants, one a girl, were met by a through freight. Two of them succeeded in reaching the end of the bridge but the girl and the other, a boy, were caught on the bridge and, being unable to keep their footing, fell seventy feet to the ground.

The boy was killed instantly, falling on his head, while the girl landed on her back and sustained fatal injuries.

Governor Jones' Funeral.

Halifax, N. S., March 17—The funeral of the late Lieut.-Governor Jones took place this afternoon, and was one of the largest seen here for years. The streets through which the procession passed were lined with permanent troops and militia. The services at St. Paul's were conducted by Rev. Dr. Armitage, the interior of the edifice being draped in black and purple. The weather is fine and spring-like.

Allan liner Siberian, from Glasgow, arrived at one o'clock.

Prince Arthur Sails for Canada

Yokohama, March 16—Prince Arthur of Connaught, who came to Japan at the head of the special embassy from King Edward to the Emperor of Japan to convey to the latter the insignia of the Order of the Garter, sailed today on board the steamer Empress of Japan for Canada.

Citizen—"What possible excuse did you fellows have for acquitting that murderer?"

Juryman—"Insanity."

Citizens—"Gee! The whole twelve of you?"—Cleveland Leader.

HORRIBLE DEATH OF MONCTON MAN

Harley Cole Electrocuted in Railway Yard Yesterday Afternoon.

KILLED ON TOP OF POLE

Victim Had Climbed Thirty-Five Feet and Seizing Live Wires with Wet Mittens Met His Fate Quickly--Body Terribly Burned Before Release--Death of Mrs. H. H. Pickett's Mother

Moncton, N. B., March 16—(Special)—Harley Cole, son of Edward Cole, of Dorchester, an employe in the electrical department of the I. C. R. here, met a tragic death this afternoon while at work in the I. C. R. yard fixing electric light poles. He climbed a pole to fasten the guy rope and came in contact with wires charged with 2,000 voltage, being electrocuted before the eyes of his horror stricken fellow workmen.

The tragedy occurred about quarter to five. A crew of seven or eight men, Cole among the number, had been engaged during the day straightening light poles in the yard and were putting in shape the pole in front of the check office. It was found necessary to have the rope fastened about the pole to pull it into line.

None of the men happened to have spikes, so young Cole, who was known to be an expert climber, was asked by Foreman A. Arsenault to climb the pole, fifteen feet, and fasten the guy. The pole was thirty-five feet high. Cole readily responded, but instead of stopping when he was up fifteen feet he kept on to the top. He ascended to the second cross arm which he straddled and called out "all right." Meaning for those below to throw him a rope. These were the last words he uttered, for when some of his companions took the next glance up they were horrified to see Cole with hands grasping wires on each side with head erect and stiffened in death.

Lodge Huntley, one of the crew, was the first to apprehend what had happened. "My God," he shouted, "Harley is dead." His shocked companions gazed speechless at the rigid form as it sat upright on top of the pole with fire and smoke issuing from the burning hands where they clasped the deadly wires.

Quickly as possible the electric station was communicated with and the current shut off, but the deadly fluid had long since done its work. His comrades, below, watched the awful contortions of the body as it finally swayed and the head dropped down on the wire, one cheek being burned by the heavily charged wire. Even after the current was shut off the dead man was held in position at the top of the pole by his death grip on the wires. When a ladder was erected and the body was lowered to the ground, it was with difficulty that the fingers could be unclasped from the wires. Cole wore leather mittens but the electricity burned through the leather like paper and the flesh was crisped to the bone.

Cole, who was 22 years old, had been employed with the I. C. R. only since the 17th of February last. He was a smart, bright young man and had been warned by Electrician Scott to be careful about electrical works and follow instructions of superiors. What prompted him to climb to the top of the pole when he was instructed to ascend only fifteen feet is mere conjecture. Workmen with him think as he was an expert climber, he went on to the top to show that he did not need spikes to do the trick.

The wires were examined after the tragedy and found to be insulated, but on account of them being damp and Cole wearing wet mittens a connection was formed the moment he touched the wires.

An inquest was held tonight by Coroner Purdy, and the jury returned a verdict that Harley Cole came to his death by coming in contact with heavily charged electric wires, no blame being attached to any person.

The death occurred at Bonnel's Corner this morning of Charles Somers, one of the oldest and best known residents of Moncton parish. Deceased was 77 years old. He is survived by his wife and two sons at home. His daughters are Mrs. W. E. Wilson, of Moncton; Mrs. S. J. Trites, of Campbellton.

Word was received here today of the death at Rexton of Mrs. John Orr, an aged and well known lady of Kent county. One of the daughters is Mrs. H. H. Pickett, of St. John; another is Mrs. H. H. Warman, Moncton. Two daughters, Mrs. Gordon and Annie live at home, one son, Richard Orr, at Jardineville, Kent county.

A. M. Hannah, accountant in the Dominion Cotton Mill here, has been transferred to Montreal.

WELL KNOWN CARLETON COUNTY PEOPLE DEAD

Woodstock, N. B., March 16—(Special)—Mrs. Arthur McBride, one of the most highly respected residents of Richmond, died this morning, aged 79 years, at her home at Woodstock Road Station, after a long illness. Six children survive, four daughters, one a former matron of the Woodstock Hospital, and two sons, Thos. and James McBride. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock Sunday morning and the interment made in the cemetery of of Christ church, Woodstock, Ven. Archdeacon Neales conducting the burial service.

Philip Smith, a farmer of Watson Settlement, died yesterday, aged 60 years. A family survives. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning and the burial made in St. Gertrude's cemetery, this town.

Indian Island Notes.

Indian Island, March 19—Miss Gertie McCormack, of St. Stephen (N.B.), is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gilman L. Chaffey.

Halbert C. Dixon spent a few days last week with relatives at Chocolate Cove, Deer Island.

Guy C. Chaffey, of Eastport (Me.), visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilman L. Chaffey, lately.

The Rev. H. S. Strothard, of Deer Island (N.B.), preached here Monday evening, the 12th inst.

Edward P. Kay, of Eastport (Me.), visited relatives here Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Susan Kay, who has been quite ill, is slowly improving.

James Hurley, of Leonardville, Deer Island, visited his mother, Mrs. Josiah Hurley, Sunday the 18th.

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THE ALBERTITE COAL MINES

(By J. S. Knowles.)

In your issue of the 14th inst., I observed an article about the reopening of the Albert mines; and, as I remember very distinctly when the first specimens were brought down to St. John, as well as a few interesting facts about this wonderful deposit, I thought it might be of interest to your readers to mention them.

As far as my memory serves me, it was in 1854, the year of the cholera, that the first specimens were brought down here by Mr. Duffy in Capt. John Woods' schooner from Hillsboro.

They brought these specimens into my father's store on the South wharf, and I can well remember its bright, glossy appearance resembling jet, and as I held a piece of it over the gas light it burned as easily as sealing wax.

The following year, the directors of the Gas Light Company deputized three of their board, John M. Walker, druggist on Market square; Robert Jardine, of Jardine & Company, and John Duncan, of Owens & Duncan, shipbuilders, in Portland, to go up to Hillsboro and investigate the nature of the recently-discovered product; and, if desirable to use in the production of gas, to negotiate for the purchase of the said mines. At that time the Messrs. Duffy, owners of the mine, did not fully realize the great value of their find and it was said that the gas company could have purchased the mines, at that time, for about $20,000 cash; but after a little junketing outing the three directors returned and reported that it was asphaltum and no good for gas-making purposes, and so let something more valuable than a gold mine slip through their fingers. Of course they realized this fact when it was too late.

Some New York capitalists, hearing of the rich deposit, came down to investigate and captured the prize that the gas company refused. I do not know the price paid, but it is a well known fact that they took several million dollars worth of Albertite from the mines during the quarter of a century they worked them.

A long law suit was carried on to test the nature of the deposit, whether coal or asphaltum? which was decided in favor of coal.

Allison & Spurr (Edward Allison and James de Wolf Spurr, who is still agile on the golf links), erected a building over at Union Point and for some years manufactured oil, which they called "Albertine," for illuminating purposes.

John Moore, uncle, if I remember correctly, of John E. Moore, our esteemed fellow citizen, was the manager of the oil works, and they had a selling depot in Prince William street. As it made a brilliant light, it met with a ready sale.

At this time the gas company resold some of the Albertite, mixed with English Newcastle coal for making gas. It produced about 20,000 cubic feet to the ton, which was more than 5,000 more than the "Bog-head" Cannel coal, said to have been the richest coal for gas-making then known.

The New York owners, represented here by Gilbert & Company, of which firm our respected citizen, Thomas Gilbert, was a member, found after a while that they could dispose of it for oil-making purposes to more profitable advantage in the United States, and cut off the supply here, until the discovery of the oil wells in Pennsylvania, against which they could not successfully compete; after which the gas company were able to purchase some at $20 a ton and continued to use it until the mines were worked out.

The late Robert Britain, manager and secretary of the Gas Light Company, was an enthusiastic geologist and had among his collection several splendid specimens of Albertite shale on which were plainly visible fossil fish, ferns, etc. There may be some specimens of this kind in the Natural History Society's museum now; if so, they are worth the inspection of our young scientists.

Kings County Probate Court.

Hampton, Kings county, March 16—The Kings county Probate Court held its second March sitting at Rothesay yesterday afternoon, when Judge Gilbert granted letters of administration to Mrs. Alice M. Ganong, on the estate of her late husband, George W. Ganong, of Studholm, deceased. The estate was sworn under $1,350, of which $750 is realty and $600 personalty. George Gregg and Geo. Brown, Sr., both of Studholm, were appointed appraisers, and James H. Ganong, of Studholm, the Rev. Joshua B. Ganong, of Sussex, and the petitioner, were accepted as bondsmen. H. H. Parlee, proctor.

Letters of administration were also granted to Mrs. Mary McHugh on the estate of her son, the late Dominic McHugh, who formerly resided at Hammond, but died at Devil's Lake, in North Dakota, in September last, leaving $105.24 in the Savings Bank. George Myers and James M. McIntyre, of Sussex, with the petitioner, were accepted as bondsmen. J. M. McIntyre, proctor.

A citation issued January 26th last for the passing of accounts in the estate of the late Esther E. Price, of the parish of Greenwich, deceased, was returnable, [illegible]

The building committee of the Germain street Baptist church have decided to have the building wired for electric light.

EIGHT CHURCHES BOARDED UP FOR WANT OF MONEY

Canon Montgomery Tells St. James' Church People There is Field for Contributions in This Province---Between Fredericton and Woodstock Eight Churches Closed—1200 Anglican People in New Brunswick Without Ministration.

The great need of more money contributions for the support of Anglican churches in the country districts of this province was strongly emphasized Sunday evening in St. James' church by Rev. Canon Montgomery, of Kingsclear, York county. The congregation was very large, and what was said evidently created a deep impression.

The speaker deplored lack of interest in religious matters shown by too many professing churchmen, and said it was essential that if one believed himself earnest and sincere he should, in the spirit of Christ, commence his work in his own town and among his own kinsfolk.

He regretted that the church was not progressing as it should, for he could mention many instances where, through lack of interest and money, churches in the country had been closed, thus depriving hundreds of devout members from the privileges of attending service.

"I desire to congratulate this church," he said, "upon the zeal you have shown in missionary work for the Canadian Northwest. That part of the country needs your efforts, but will you send your contributions there at the expense of those nearer home? The Northwest is certainly in need of all that we can do, but I don't want to see God's work here neglected and not helped as it should be.

"Suppose a letter reached you from your late pastor stating that there were 700 or 800 people of the Church of England faith in one of the new western districts and that, because of difficulties in obtaining funds, there were no means of worship, would you not be impressed and would you not respond?

"Do you know that up on the banks of the St. John river, between Fredericton and Woodstock, there are eight churches locked and with the windows boarded up? There are 1,200 people of our church in this province who have not the ministrations of the church. In the parishes of Douglas and Wright in Keswick there are 800 church people who are without clergymen."

Canon Montgomery also said the churches in St. Martins and Upham are without permanent rectors. "There is no money," he said, "to pay ministers to go to all of these neglected places and work."

He alluded to a certain family he once visited and was surprised to have the mother assure him that he was the first Episcopal clergyman she had seen for nine years. There were five children, none of whom had been baptized.

"I baptized them," he said, "and I recall another time when, during a single service, I baptized twenty-seven. We hope you will see to it that at least a fair portion of the money now being sent to the Northwest missions will be diverted into channels nearer home. It is not the fault of the country people that the churches are empty and the families without ministers. They are not able themselves to procure clergymen, and must appeal to you. The settlers in the west are assisted by friends in England, but from that country we ourselves cannot expect any financial aid. We received it once, but at that time those provinces were younger than they are now. The people in England consider that we in eastern Canada are now sufficiently old to depend upon ourselves, and that we need no further help."

Canon Montgomery read a report for 1904, showing that the people of St. James' church had donated for mission work in the Northwest $226.80, and for the same work in the Fredericton diocese $79.80.

"We want to reverse this," he concluded; "you are asked to give in 1906 the sum of $196 to missionary affairs in this province, and $107 to the Northwest, and I don't believe that you will consider this unfair."

FAIRVILLE TO HAVE STREET CARS; AGREEMENT REACHED

At a conference between representatives of the municipality and the directors and stockholders of the St. John Railway Company held on Saturday in the office of G. R. Vincent, the county secretary, an agreement was arrived at with respect to the extension through Fairville, the removal of the snow and other questions which have remained outstanding during the past year. Briefly there will be a Fairville street car service, and an all-year-round service to the city line, west.

At 12 o'clock the three members of the Lancaster highway board, James Lowell, M. P. P.; J. W. Long, and T. Hooley, held a meeting to settle the line of action to be followed, and Mr. Lowell, as the representative in the legislature and the chairman of the board, was delegated to appear for the board at the conference.

The joint meeting took place at 3 o'clock and lasted until 7 p. m. Messrs. Lowell and Vincent represented the municipality, and among those who were present as directors or stockholders of the street railway were James Manchester, J. M. Robinson, sr.; Dr. James Christie, Dr. Thomas Walker, F. E. Sayre, A. P. Barnhill, K. C.; Harold B. Robinson, Col. H. H. McLean, John E. Moore, George H. Cushing and H. M. Hopper.

The Terms.

The agreement which was finally arrived at provides that the street railway shall build and operate a line through Fairville as far as Barnhill's corner, and run one car to give a continual and separate service on this route. Transfers will be given at the "Asylum corner" and the bridge, available for any part of the city, and the fare to carry a passenger over the whole of the company's system will not exceed five cents.

It was also agreed that the company should give an adequate service from the Suspension bridge to the city boundary on the west side, and operate the line all the year round. On the other extension, through Beaconsfield, it was decided that a clause should be inserted in the bill in which the features of the agreement will be embodied, to permit of a street being widened without further legislation.

In this connection there will also be a clause giving full power to the highway board and the company to make other agreements providing for additional extensions. The company also consented to pay $850 annually to the highway board in lieu of clearing the snow and repairing the streets. This arrangement will cover the extension to Barnhill's corner and the route from the bridge to the city line, but does not include the line to Seaside Park.

In consequence of the new understanding between the interests, it was also agreed that the highway board should not oppose the repeal of the act of last session by the legislature. The line through Fairville will be commenced as soon as possible, and it is understood will be in operation next July.

Mr. Lowell, when asked last evening for his opinion of the outcome of the conference, expressed his satisfaction with the result and said he thought the understanding arrived at would prevent any further trouble. He added that the highway board had held a further meeting at 8 o'clock Saturday evening and had signified their approval of the agreement.

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