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PROF. SIMON BROWN.

The following correspondence needs no explanation.

Lunenburg, N. S., Dec. 10th, 1891. Hon. Mr. Justice Ritchie, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir—Will you kindly inform me if any memorial respecting the case of Prof. Simon Brown, sentenced by you in October last to 2 months imprisonment and 15 lashes was communicated to you?

I have heard that a memorial of some sort was sent to Ottawa, but the document was never brought under my observation. I am informed to-day that Brown was discharged on 17th January of Justice.

Yours truly, S. A. CHESLEY.

Lunenburg, N. S., Dec. 10th, 1891. ROBERT SEDGWICK, Esq., Q. C., Deputy Minister of Justice, Ottawa, Ont.

My Dear Sir—During the October term of the Supreme Court in Lunenburg, one Simon Brown was indicted upon a charge of indecent assault on a little girl. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Ritchie to two months imprisonment and fifteen lashes.

I am informed to-day that Brown was discharged from gaol on 17th inst. without receiving the whippers. The details of the case were interesting, and that the accused took advantage of his position as teacher of music to the child to carry out his deliberate plans.

Will you kindly inform me as to the character of and authority for the representations which resulted in modification of Brown's sentence. Yours very truly, S. A. CHESLEY.

Halifax, Dec. 29th, 1891. Dear Sir—I know of no such memorial, but I will write the department and let you know the answer I receive.

Yours, etc., J. N. RITCHIE, S. A. CHESLEY, Esq.

Ottawa, 29th Dec, 1891. Dear Sir—In the absence of the Deputy Minister of Justice, I beg to state in answer to your letter of the 10th inst., relating to Simon Brown, that the whipping to which he had been sentenced was rescinded by the Governor-General, and that the child to whom it had been applied is now recovering from the effects of the assault.

The Governor-General, in view of the circumstances, and the impaired state of his health, has deemed it expedient to rescind the sentence, and that the balance going to the owners and to pay expenses. Among the high liners are the Julia Costa, \$25,000 gross stock, her crew of 22 men sharing \$675 each; Rosa Cabral, \$23,000 stock, crew 18 men sharing \$700; Isaac Collis, \$16,228, crew of 22 sharing \$675; I. J. Merritt, Jr., \$23,000, crew of 18 men, sharing \$700; Susan R. Stone \$22,400; Joseph P. Johnston \$22,000.

The above is an extract from the Cape Ann Advertiser of last week. It shows big sharing. How is it that our fishermen take the sharing of our high liners and compare it with that of the Provincetown fleet and then ask themselves this question: "Why such a vast difference? This is a question that every Lunenburg fisherman should investigate for himself. Let it be done. Progress columns are open to a discussion on this point.

IN THE COILS. The Halifax Mail is the evening edition of the Halifax Herald. Not long ago—only a few days since, in referring to an election case, the Mail said:

A more outrageous perversion of justice it would be difficult to imagine than the unseating of Mr. Gillies of Richmond by a court that had no jurisdiction to do so. Why was not the trial adjourned pending the decision of the supreme court on the question of jurisdiction? Why was the case tried at all, pending the decision? Was it due to the fact that Mr. Justice Graham was unduly anxious to earn his \$100 fees? Or is this another illustration of the fact that the law is lacking in stability of character in private and professional life being nothing in moral fibre by being elevated to the bench?

Thus the Mail openly accuses Justices Wetherbe and Graham of selling their honor for \$100 in fees and then insinuates things it dare not define. Knowing that Editor Hawke, of the Moncton Transcript, was sent to Fredericton jail for a lesser offence, and feeling that he had laid himself open to the wrath of the aforesaid judges, the editor of the Mail in the next issue of the Herald apologizes thus:

An editorial paragraph appeared in the last issue of the Mail respecting the Richmond election case, which we take this evening to be very much regretted. The duty which parliament has placed upon our judges of trying election petitions is an extremely delicate and difficult one, and in our judgment it is much more the duty of a patient press to uphold and defend them in the discharge of that duty, than to embarrass them with criticism, too often the offspring of mere petulance.

This apology, though it fully admits the slander and loudly calls for mercy, will not, we understand, arrest the sympathy of the slandered judges, who, it is believed, have decided on prosecuting the editor of the Mail for malicious libel. This will make about the 20th libel suit in which the Herald crew has figured in its sorrow during the past few years.

London, Jan. 10.—Severe snow storms continue throughout the kingdom.

Traffic is badly interfered with. A binding promise prevails at Vienna. A despatch from Valencia, Spain, says a violent storm caused much damage there.

San Antonio, Tex., 8.—The latest reports from the Rio Grande frontier indicate that numerous bands of revolutionists are moving toward Mexico. They are all thought to have a rendezvous at the city where they hope to meet and join forces, and Monterey is said to be the city upon which the first combined assault is to be made.

Portland, Oregon, Jan. 2.—Mary E. Bellanger, of Port Townsend, has brought suit for \$400,000 damages against Charles Cresswell, a wealthy resident of New Brunswick, as well as extensive land interests in the Oregon, Washington, California and British Columbia.

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Mr. Haultain, leader of the executive committee, in the North-West assembly has announced that the dual language question. He said the utmost liberty will be allowed any French, Hebrew or other language proceedings will be published only in the English language.

New York, Jan. 8.—A Chicago special agent, E. S. Attorney-General Miller has begun suit to disorganize the western traffic association, claiming that it is practically a trust for the purpose of man and trust act. If the Sherman law is applied, the suit would force the United States government to take over the company has the same object—the maintenance of rates.

New York, Jan. 8.—A special from Mobile, Ala., says that while Neal Sims and two other men and Laura and Beatrice Sims, daughter of Bob Sims, were on their way to Leake, Miss. Tuesday night, they were stopped by a posse searching for Neal Sims, who resisted arrest and was hanged and afterwards shot; also that the rest of the party attempted to take refuge in a tree on the roadside, the women as well as the men.

Calcutta, Jan. 8.—The government has pardoned the leader and shortened the terms of a band of female convicts at the settlement at Port Blair. The settlement at Port Blair Andaman is a penal colony for the 2nd of No. 11. The women on that day formed a band and fled from the beach out into the sea, and by almost from superhuman efforts escaped from the hands of the British police, which had been wrecked in a cyclone. These six were the only members of the crew saved.

Amapolis, Jan. 8.—The barn of Handy Bishop, constable, near Clements, was burnt down last night with its contents, including two horses and five head of cattle. The barn was insured for \$5,000. The cause of the fire is supposed to be a candle. E. C. Sanford was arrested this morning on board the train after leaving Clements, on suspicion of setting fire to the building. He was taken to Amapolis and lodged in jail.

An investigation will be held into the case of a child, named Burns and outhouses have been torn down and the roofs of many huts removed. The child was found in a starving condition, their parents having gone to look for work. The case is being investigated by the police.

London, Jan. 7.—A correspondent who accompanied the government inspector through the famine districts of India, reports a pitiable state of affairs in that country. In many huts whole families are huddled together in their wretched hovels, and out of doors are being torn down and the roofs of many huts removed. The child was found in a starving condition, their parents having gone to look for work. The case is being investigated by the police.

London, Jan. 8.—Five thousand cases of influenza are reported on the island of Guernsey.

Matchless, Miss., Jan. 8.—Wednesday night a mob entered the jail at Rayville, La., and lynched two negroes who had murdered a Jewish pedlar.

Ottawa, January 10.—Elections will be held on the 28th inst., in Lennox, Prince Edward, Kingston, East Simcoe, York, Middlesex, Lincoln, Peel and Halton.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—A man named McConnell was attacked by a steer, in Templeton township yesterday and gored to death.

Vienna, Jan. 8.—At Abszanka, Poland, robbers broke into the house of a wealthy Jew named Feibel and murdered the family, consisting of eight persons.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—A despatch from Vandalia says 5,000 of the 15,000 inhabitants of that city are suffering from the grip. At Tuscola, Ill., and Wauconda, Iowa, the malarial fever is violently epidemic.

London, Jan. 9.—The influenza epidemic in this city is waning. It is rapidly spreading in the Netherlands, and also in Sweden, but in a mild form. It is reported to be on the wane in Italy.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—The Dominion Temperance alliance has decided to take a prominent part in the forthcoming general elections in this province. Only those candidates known to be favorable to the temperance cause will be supported by the alliance.

Ottawa, O. T., Jan. 10.—Nearly 1,000 Indians are holding a religious dance day and night on a large mound on the Arkansas river, in Cherokee strip, waiting the coming of the Messiah. During the last few days, five or six dances died from exhaustion and exposure.

London, Jan. 8.—A severe snow storm, accompanied by intensely cold weather, is prevailing in many parts of the United Kingdom. The snow-fall has been so heavy that the railway traffic is greatly impeded by the blocking of the rails and the telegraphic communication by the breaking of wires and poles.

London Jan. 8.—Calle and Charles arrested at the Anarchist headquarters at Walsall, where the manufacture of bombs is alleged to have been found, were arraigned to-day and remanded for further hearing. It is expected more arrests will be made. Marie Pithel, who was arrested at the anarchist apartments, was released. She is a confederate. She will be used as a witness against the other prisoners. The police have discovered a second foundry for the manufacture of bombs, the place where the explosives are made.

he left his island home and moved to West Scotch settlement, Kings, N. B., and lived there the remaining 71 years of his life and died at the advanced age of 103 years, five months and 13 days.

Mr. Somerville was always a very healthy man, and was never affected by disease; yet he became somewhat feeble the last few years of his life. This aged gentleman left a large circle of relatives and friends, including 11 children (nine of whom survive), 51 grand-children, 123 great grand-children and four great great grand-children.

Halifax Chronicle of Monday morning says: "The schooner Henry M. Stanley, Maggie and May, Flora Dillaway, Amy Hanson, William E. McDonald and Fiddle Inthrop, arrived at Gloucester from Newfoundland Monday, bringing large fares of herring. The last two named have artificially-frozen herring; the others have cargoes of salt herring. Capt. Isaac Eaton, of the schooner Henry M. Stanley, reports that he has secured 350,000 frozen herring of very fine quality. As yet there has been no competition for a cargo of frozen fish. The schooner was divided between Fortune and Placencia and the cargo was divided between the two. The schooner was divided between Fortune and Placencia and the cargo was divided between the two. The schooner was divided between Fortune and Placencia and the cargo was divided between the two.

Last year the Stanley was the first vessel to arrive at Gloucester with the second. The schooner also has 350,000 artificially-frozen herring of fine quality. The salt herring trips average 1,100 barrels.

It is announced that Sir John Thompson is coming down to Nova Scotia to take a hand in the bye elections. Liverpool Advertiser.

A Halifax physician stated Saturday that he knew of 300 cases of grippe in the city, and he thought the total number of cases might be double that.

A wonderful strike of herring took place at Buds Post, Hantsy, on Monday night. Between 12,000 and 15,000 barrels were secured in one night. Gold Hunter.

A pig picker at Buds Post, Hantsy, found a large lot of bread which was examined by the police. The fragments of an infant's body. The whole mass had a well baked. W. T. Chronicle.

A Quebec despatch to the "Daily Star," Saturday, says: "The police men in the city of Quebec, on Monday, Martin River, and the police men in the Noisic Anticosti; no ice, no snow on ground."

A number of longshoremen who went to Portland, Me., to work on the pier of the Allan and Dominion steamship lines there have been notified by the American government under the Alien Labor Act to go home.—W. T. Chronicle.

Grip has been spreading and increasing since our last issue. Yesterday it was estimated that there were from 500 to 600 cases within the limits of the town. Some of them were quite severe, but as yet none have proved fatal.—Yarmouth Telegram.

A few days ago Manager Wade, of the Midge Gold Mining Co., caught a gold miner sneaking off a quantity of gold from the mine, and at once secured it. We were informed that the gold was from the premises of the Boston Gold Mining Co.—Bidgewater Bulletin.

Mr. George H. Harlow, of Brookfield, informs us that his son plowed half an acre of land on Wednesday, 6th January, which is an occurrence hitherto beyond his recollection in this country. There was no frost in the ground, and the weather was mild.—Gold Hunter.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the citizens of Margaretsville was held on the 31st Dec., to press their claims for a branch Railway to Margaretsville from the N. S. Central terminals. Some of the speakers urged if the N. S. C. did not speedily move in the matter, they would try and induce St. John's to cooperate with them.—Gold Hunter.

The schooner Florence Christie, of Bear River, went ashore at Redbank, near Beaver Harbor last Wednesday and went to pieces two hours after striking.

The schooner Canning Packet was on its way from the bay, but the ice was so bad that she was put into Beaver Harbor. She arrived at Annapolis safe on Thursday.—Western Chronicle.

As a result of the united efforts made by a Roman Catholic priest and a Church of England layman in Woodstock, the liquor dealers of that town, without any legal proceedings, have agreed to strictly observe the provisions of the Crooks act, binding themselves to give \$200, if ever and when ever convicted of a violation of the terms of the act, to an approved charitable institution.—Toronto Mail.

Lake Umbagog's old man, Mr. Lanchin McPhail, who has seen his 105 winters, is at present unwell. Mr. McPhail is certainly one of the oldest men in the province; he is father to a family of 15, a grand-father of 25, which makes a total offspring of 58, which makes a total of 108. If there are any in our island who can beat this we should like to hear from them.—Island Reporter.

The Dartmouth laker are yet open. Mr. Thos. Farrell, who lives near the first lock, would in his boat the other day up to Port Walker, at upper end of the second lake, an incident which never happened before at this time of year in the memory of the "oldest inhabitant." One of the Dartmouth ice-dealers is now using ice stored the year before last, last year's crop being exhausted and this year's crop is still in the hay stacks.

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 29.—Ada Crosby, aged 25 years, 5 feet in height, black hair and eyes has been missing from 7 Hurd St. since Christmas day. The missing woman has a scar on chin. Mrs. Crosby is a native of Yarmouth, N. S., and has been in New England two or three years. She is a good dress-maker. She has been dependent of late because her mother and father have been in Nova Scotia, did not answer her letters. Mrs. Crosby has an aunt in Boston.—Yarmouth Telegram.

Middleton, January 7.—Last evening a young scamp got a rather sudden check to his thieving propensities. Frank Andrews, postmaster of this place, closed his office at the usual time. He was about an hour's time, wishing to see about something, he returned to it, and noticed an intruder. He struck a light and found the cause to be a youth, Wm. Fanning by name, aged about 14 years, who was hidden behind the counter. Mr. Andrews, at once seized the intruder, and he was taken to the constable's hands for the night. He was charged with the same crime on several previous occasions. His mode of ingress was by a cellar window, which was un-locked. He was detained about 45 cents as the result of his last exploit. The young culprit was sent to the county jail for trial, and it is to be hoped the authorities will be judiciously with him, as through it all, he manifested the utmost indifference to the whole proceeding.

Canso, Jan. 8.—A sight never before seen here at this season of the year was witnessed to-day. It was that of forty or fifty boats cod fishing in the bay fronting the town—some of the boats were within gun-shot or two of Bald Rock at the northern entrance of the harbor. The event, though a practical interest to those who measure such scenes by "the bread and butter" there is in them when they saw the boats, that the boats were full of fish. The boats were full of fish. The boats were full of fish. The boats were full of fish.

GENERAL NEWS. The snowdrifts in North Park, Colo., are said to be 12 feet high already.

Between the years 1590 and 1680 no less than 3,400 women were burnt in Scotland for witchcraft.

Grip has taken a very firm hold on Yarmouth. The whole families are down with the disease. During the day stores did a larger prescription business last week than ever before in the memory of the town.

The great American Tower, as it will be called, to be erected on the World's Fair grounds, will be 1,120 feet high. Its base will be 440 feet square. The tower will be capable of entertaining 40,000 persons at one time.

Last Saturday as Mr. John Lockhart of New Ross road, was coming out of the woods with an axe on his shoulder he slipped on the ice, and the axe cut a terrible gash in the back of his head, four or five inches in length. Dr. Webster, of Kentville, was sent for at once. The patient just considerable blood but is now doing fairly well.—Kentville Star.

The Halifax Herald, of 5th inst. says: "A car of brick was loaded yesterday for Pictou, and a car of whisky for Toronto, Ont., from Halifax a few days ago. By mistake the cars were wrongly ticketed, and the Express Company received the whisky, and Toronto received the car of brick. The Eureka people, who are very well-beloved, were well satisfied with the mistake.

A supposed practical joker went into the Staten Island ferry slip on Saturday, and exhibiting a black bag declared it contained dynamite, and that he intended to blow up the building. Everybody made a break for the door except a policeman in citizen's clothes, who knocked the man down and captured the bag, which was found to contain nothing but a practical joke. The practical joker had his jaw broken by the policeman's blow.

The news comes from Berlin that Dr. Engels has discovered in Africa a remedy for blood poisoning caused by the bites of snakes and rabid dogs. This remedy is the "wild-growing black nolia palm." It is stated that 500 negroes bitten by poisonous snakes were treated with the extract of the palm and 487 were cured in five days. Of sixty rabid dogs all but two were saved. The extract is injected under the skin and causes a moderate fever. On the third day the fever and inflammation disappear and on the fifth or seventh day the patient is cured.

A Michigan despatch says: Twelve of the most popular young ladies in Minden society engaged to contribute \$1 each of money earned by themselves to fund for buying Christmas presents for the poor. Tuesday they appeared at the drug store of Edward Gross and asked for the job of sewing and splitting five cords of wood that lay at his door. The druggist consented and they went to work. They collected a crowd in short order, but despite the crowd, tired muscles and blistered hands the girls persevered for two days until the job was finished, and the \$1 each turned in for the poor.

Springfield, Kings, N. B., has oldest resident. Andrew Somerville, Deceased was born in Perthshire, Scotland, on July 13th, 1787, where he lived 29 years. After 1810 he and his family came to America, and settled on Grand Manan Island, where he lived four years. In 1820

GELBERT'S CLOSING OUT SALE

AFTER TWENTY YEARS business connection with the people of Lunenburg county, circumstances force me to now publicly announce that I have already advertised the sale of my business stand, dry goods stock and private residence, in the Halifax daily papers, and am otherwise preparing to leave Lunenburg to open a dry goods business in the town of Windsor, N. S., at the earliest possible moment, and with a view to "LEAVING MY PROFITS IN THIS COUNTY"

I will, from the 10th December, 1891 till 31st December, 1891, offer the greater part of my stock at

ACTUAL COST AND SOME LINES

LESS THAN COST.

No. no. I do not intend taking "any profits into another county" but will leave them right here among the people.

Yours truly, GEO. D. GELBERT.

P. S.—No credit given from this day forth. Lunenburg, December 1st, 1891.

THE TORRID FRANK POWER'S THE TORRID

BEAVER T. F. BOLIVER

OWEN & RUGGLES

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