

# The Hantsport Acadian

DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF HANTSPORT AND VICINITY

### HANTSPORT HAPPENINGS

Mrs. (Dr.) Jeffers, of Parrsboro, is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. Bigney.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Currie returned on Saturday from an enjoyable motor trip to Bridgewater.

Miss Hilda Stoddard, of the Hantsport School staff, spent the week end in Halifax.

Miss Irma Fash was a recent guest of her cousin, Miss Lillian Bishop, of Greenwich, who entertained a number of friends at the tea hour in her honor.

Mr. Cecil Conrad arrived in Hantsport from Detroit, Mich., on Thursday, summoned by the serious illness of his father, the late W. L. Conrad.

Mrs. E. A. McCaughin left on Friday for Detroit, Mich., where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. McGovern.

Miss Mary Macumber and Miss Laura Newcombe were in attendance at the C. G. I. T. conference, which convened in Windsor last week.

Miss Mary Clarke returned last week from an enjoyable motor trip through Cumberland county.

Mrs. Frank Little left recently for Staten Island, N.Y., having closed her house for the winter, making the tenth house closed for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Marsters had for their recent guests, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Isnor, of Dartmouth.

Miss Grace Baker, returned missionary, who has spent several weeks at the home of her aunt, Mrs. L. V. Masters, left last week for Dartmouth, where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Mr. Sarty, principal of the Hantsport school, spent Saturday in Halifax.

On Monday of last week LeRoy Fleming, young son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Fleming, suffered a severe wound on the head while playing with some companions on the school ground, rendering him unconscious. He was conveyed to the home of his aunt, Mrs. I. Pulsifer, and medical aid summoned.

It was found necessary to take several stitches. We are pleased to see him around again.

Messrs. Geo. Reid and Manning Gertrude left last week for Boston, where they will enter the employ of the United Fruit Co.

Mrs. F. Hart entertained the W. M. S. at her home on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. (Rev.) H. T. Gornall, who was guest of honor, gave a very interesting talk on missions. Mrs. (Capt.) B. Young also gave a paper on "The Gospels".

The meeting was followed by a social hour, during which dainty refreshments were dispensed by the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. F. Gordon.

Mr. Ralph Riley, of Montreal, spent several days with his family here recently.

An engagement of much interest which has been announced in the American papers, is that of Mr. George Newcombe, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Newcombe, Hantsport, to Miss Anna Waitte, R.N., of Holyoke, Mass.

News has been received by Mrs. Irene Cochrane of her son, Captain C. Max Cochrane, of the S. S. "President Taft" of the Robert Dollar line, that he has been transferred to the Pacific Coast, running from San Francisco to Hong Kong, China. Recently he returned to Boston by rail and commanded the "President Harrison" to the Pacific Port, resuming the command of the "Taft" on his return.

Captain Cochrane has the honor of being the youngest Hantsport Master Mariner to have secured his Captain's certificate. Charles Gertrude, of this place, is also on the "Taft."

### SKIPPER PARSON OF A FLOATING PARISH



Rev. W. C. Brown of St. John's, Tilbury Dock, is vicar of 13,000 souls ashore and countless thousands afloat on the River Thames. His parish extends over thirty miles of river and he travels by motor boat to visit the crews of the ships.

by the Rev. Mr. Gibb, rector of the Anglican church, of which the deceased was a consistent member. The choir of St. Andrew's church furnished the music. On Monday the remains were conveyed to Hubbards where they were interred in the family lot. The flowers were many and beautiful. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved.

### WILLIAM DIXON PARKER

News received here this week of the death, supposedly by drowning, of William Dixon (Dick) Parker, 61 Hancock street, Dorchester, Mass., youngest son of the late Capt. W. A. Parker, of Walton, N. S., and Kathleen Davison Parker, of this town, came as a great shock to their many friends and relatives, both in Hantsport and other parts of the province. Young Parker, in company with a friend, John W. Manning, of the same place, left home by motor at daybreak on Nov. 2nd to hunt at Cape Cod, and have not been heard of since, and their families are now convinced that the young men lost their lives in attempting to battle the turbulent sea off the shore of Falmouth in a frail canoe, which was found floating, bottom up, with a dead duck in it. The State Police at once organized a patrol who covered every inch of the surrounding woods, while two coast guard cutters patrolled the waters in search of their bodies, but because of the heavy seas of the last week, were unable to find them. A hat bearing the initials of Mr. Parker was found near a whirlpool.

### WOLFVILLE WINS OVER HANTSPORT

On Long End of 24 to 19 Score in Fast Basketball Game

The Hantsport Eagles were defeated by the Junior Scout team of Saint John's Anglican church, Wolfville, in a basketball game here on Saturday, the final count being 24 to 19. The visitors outweighed the locals and had the better of the play, although the Eagles put up a stubborn battle all the way. Many of the Wolfville team's scores were made as a result of long shots at the basket.

Charles Hyson proved a most satisfactory referee.

The line-up:

Hantsport—Forwards, C. Shaw, D. Beazley; centre, G. Wild; guards, R. Lester, F. Lake; subs, L. Phillips, A. Stevens, V. Kewley.

Wolfville—Forwards, M. Sanford, C. Pineo; centre, V. Cook; guards, L. Ryan, E. Lynch; subs, N. Sanford, D. Cole, R. Creighton.

### MECHANICAL APPLE PICKER IS INVENTED

(From "The Packer, Chicago.") Martinsburg, W. Va., Oct. 23.—What appears to be a practical mechanical apple picker, tested in his own orchard and found satisfactory, has been devised by Cecil W. Wood, a young orchardist with extensive holdings near Hedgeville, this county, who is now seeking a patent on it. It involves use of streams of condensed air operating over a vacuum which tend to twist the apple from the tree and drop it into the vacuum pocket, which in turn leads to a canvas spring-butressed channel that carries the apple to a waiting barrel on a truck or wagon, and the handling from there on is by hand or mechanical sorter and grader.

Mr. Wood figures that the machine will reduce the cost per barrel of picking apples from the present range around 15c. to 2 or 3 cents. An imperfect machine used last season for a short time picked 150 barrels per day; an improved model this season has reached almost 300 barrels per day. The machine requires only two or three men to operate it.

The equipment is carried preferably

on a truck, which can generate the air currents and also set up the vacuum.

The suction end is attached to arms controlled by levers and can be easily lifted or lowered or moved in trees. If desired, it can be put into trees under loaded branches in a collapsed state and then extended.

The twisting of the apples by throwing the air currents at a tangent against them makes use of the common knowledge that apples can be twisted off much more easily than they can be pulled. The vacuum beneath the air currents, together with the operation of the natural law of gravitation, drops the apples into the pocket.

The machinery is very light in weight and easily handled. Some leaves are sucked into the fall, but these are cleared out at the packing tables and their presence is not regarded as a disadvantage, because they help to break the fall of the fruit and help to pack it in the first barrels.

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