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THE WHITE FAMILY IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

Historical Sketch, Written by E. Stone Wiggins, Giving Interesting Particulars of Their Experiences in the Revolutionary War, and Establishment of the Family in This Province.

The following is a historical account of the White family, taken from the history of Queens county, published by E. Stone Wiggins, in the St. John newspapers, subsequent to the fire.

There were several persons of this name who took a leading part in the revolutionary war whose relationship it is difficult to trace, but it is believed they were the descendants of a single family who came from England to the American States about the beginning of the eighteenth century.

Alexander White, immediately before the war, was sheriff of Tyrone, now Montgomery county, New York. In the year 1775, having imprisoned a Whig, a band of fifty outlaws proceeded to his house and demanded his surrender.

Henry White was a minister of the government's council and the president of the college of the famous tea that was smuggled into the water of Boston harbor.

Philip White, a worthy farmer of Essex, Vermont, was a member of the Sons of Liberty, and was slain in the fierce contest of the battle of the Clouds.

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FERRY STEAMER BREAKS DOWN.

Western Extension Went on Monday, and the Condenser Went Off.

Boat Had Just Come Out of Rodney Hospital—Had to Charter a Tugboat—Hundreds of Wrathful Passengers on the Docks Both East and West.

A broken condenser head in the ferry steamer Western Extension Monday afternoon was the cause of additional inconvenience to citizens who have to travel between the east and west sides, and as a result the steamer has been once more docked for repairs.

For a number of months the smaller ferry steamer of the two (the Onanquoy) has been doing service across the harbor, while the Western Extension was being given an extensive overhauling.

A great deal of necessary work was done on the boat, and among other things a new condenser was placed in her. Everything was thought to be in good order, when, at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon, the Onanquoy was taken off the route and placed at the head of Rodney slip, and the Western Extension went on the route between the east and west sides.

The damage to the condenser while it was being repaired was such that it was necessary to stop her short last night; although it caused inconvenience, the result was that the ferry steamer had broken down.

When 6 o'clock arrived hundreds of men, women, girls and boys, who had huddled on their way, anxious to get to their western homes, met the old ferry steamer on the west side of the harbor.

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RECORD WORK DONE ON NEW RAILWAY TO THE BEERSVILLE, N. B., COAL MINES.

Gilmour Brown, C. E., in the City Wednesday, Told of Rapid Construction Work—First Coal Taken Over the Road This Week.

An example without precedent in this province, of swiftness in railway construction, is afforded by the recently completed railroad from Adamsville to Beersville, Kent county.

At the last session of the local legislature, the Beersville Railway Company became incorporated. On Sept. 21, negotiations began with Messrs. Brown, Brown, and Brown, contractors of Richibucto.

The road for its main length runs through a well timbered country, quite arable, and which will no doubt be taken up by settlers, although the prime object of the line has been built as a carrier of the products of the coal mines.

One terminus, Adamsville, is on the I. C. R. and the other, Beersville, is at the mine of the Imperial Coal Company, which concern also controls the new railway system.

The road, which chiefly intended for the conveyance of the product of the mines to the market, will accommodate other freight and also passengers, and will, moreover, serve to open up a valuable section of territory to settlers.

While the coal company's enterprise in providing the line will meet with general commendation, much credit will also be accorded the local government for the practical interest it has shown in the giving of aid; and in other ways aiding materially toward the satisfactory accomplishment of the project.

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TWO CARLOADS OF STOLEN GOODS.

Baird & Peters Were Robbed Right and Left—Wm. Arrested, Says He's Guilty and That He Made His Wife Help Him—Enough to Stock a Grocery Were Found in Mullar's Place.

After six years of steady employment with Baird & Peters, Ward street, William A. Mullar, the assistant shipping clerk, left the establishment Wednesday in custody of Deputy Chief Jenkins and Detective Killean, and as a self-confessed thief, is now in a cell in the central police station, while only a few yards along the corridor in another cell is piled hundreds of dollars worth of groceries which the prisoner, assisted by his wife, stole from his employers who had trusted him.

The stolen articles recovered in Mullar's home made two team loads, and the two police officers had no easy task in taking an inventory of the articles and looking after it.

Mullar is a middle aged man and, with a wife and a couple of small children, resided in a small two-story building on Walker's wharf, where he kept a small shop on the ground floor. From outside appearance no one would suspect that within was enough groceries to stock many of the better looking uptown stores.

Baird & Peters' warehouse and office in Ward street are only about 75 yards from Mullar's home and in the early morning about five o'clock when the policemen who have been doing night duty have left the beat, Mullar has managed within about a year to make enough early visits to the Ward street warehouse to almost fill their home with a large variety of groceries on which they lived and also sold.

Mullar would probably have been free today and perhaps continuing his early morning visits to his employers' place had he not taken a liking to cigars, of which he stole thousands.

The stealing of the cigars first gave the firm an idea that they were being robbed. Mullar's wife has taken the keys and alone has visited the place on instructions of her husband, and at other times, together they would make wholesale raids. They had no arrested Wednesday because she claimed her husband had made her access to the firm's premises, as he was the possessor of the keys, for it was his duty to look after the firm.

About two weeks ago W. E. O. Jones, the firm's accountant, lost his key to the cigar room, and since then that fact the firm were being robbed of cigars that had been noticed and as a result Mullar has been arrested, and the police have found a large quantity of goods, of which Baird & Peters had no idea they had been robbed.

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CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You've Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson.

THE POPE ORDERS STRICT ECONOMY. TO SELL THE ST. CROIX. Said Negotiations to Purchase This Steamer for the Pacific Coast Are On.

Annual Expenditure of Vatican Nearly a Million and a Half. Rome, Dec. 19.—The Associated Press is authorized to announce that the present Pope, immediately after his accession to the throne, received \$8,000,000. The delivery of the money was effected by Cardinal Gotti, Rampolla and Cretoni, Pope Leo's secretaries, who brought the larger part of the bonds from the propaganda where they were kept.

The financial conditions of the Holy See are somewhat unsatisfactory and cause the Pope's preoccupation. When the temporal power fell, Pius IX. maintained the salaries of all the clerics, officers army to the Pope, but he took each under the Italian government.

Recently salaries and pensions were diminished, but even now the annual expenditure of the Vatican amounts to about \$1,000,000. It is further denied that Pope Leo left less money than was found when he assumed the tiara. At the death of Pope Pius IX., the amount at the disposal of the Holy See did not reach \$8,000,000.

Pope Leo might have left much more if several financial enterprises undertaken with the object of permanently placing the pontiff in a position in which he would not be dependent on the charity of the faithful had not failed. In addition, the subscription known as "Peter's Pence" has gradually diminished.

Such a situation rendered it necessary to use the capital of the Holy See, which is a matter of most serious thought on the part of Pope Pius, who has ordered that the strictest economy be observed.

There was found in the apartment of Pope Leo after his death the sum of \$100,000, which is being kept for emergencies. The Tribune today insists on the correctness of its story regarding the finding of the money but says that it may have been mistaken as to the figure. The paper also says that behind the hangings in the late Pope's bedroom was found the ring given Leo by the Sultan of Turkey at the time of Leo's jubilee. The ring, the paper says, cost \$240,000.

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