

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hartland.

SEPT. 15.—There has been a good raise of water during the past week, which makes ferrying a good deal easier. Nevertheless it does not in any degree dispense with the need of a bridge.

A most enjoyable picnic was held on Matheson's Island on Wednesday, by the Union Sabbath school.

The young people of the Methodist congregation purpose giving a concert in Burt's hall, on next Friday evening, for the purpose of raising money to furnish the new church. A splendid programme is being prepared, and no doubt a profitable and enjoyable evening will be spent. The church is to be dedicated on Sept. 7th.

Mr. Hugh Peters, of Fredericton, formerly principal of Hartland school, has been in this vicinity for several weeks. He leaves shortly to commence his second year at McGill medical college.

Mrs. Young, of Oak Bay, Charlotte Co., is visiting her son, Rev. H. S. Young.

Mr. Percy Chestnut, the "Hawker's Tonic" man, was here this week. He has just returned from Upper Canada where he has been introducing the Hawker remedies.

Mr. Stephen Durkee has returned from Boston after an absence of three years.

Dr. Stevens has gone back to Philadelphia. Sawyer's mill is up, boarded in and shingled, and work is still progressing at a rapid pace.

The water works are getting stale; the people seem tired of it.

The promised Advertiser has not yet put in an appearance.

Our station agent is submitting himself to the congratulations of his friends over the occasion of the advent of the first son in his family.

Bristol.

SEPT. 17.—The building in which the Orange lodge met, is being torn down. The lodge will in future meet in the hall over Mr. G. H. Boyer's new store which is being finished for that purpose.

The temperance lodge which was recently reorganized here is doing well and increasing its membership. The night of meeting is Tuesday.

Court Sterling, I. O. F., of which Mr. Erlon W. Bell is C. R., has a large membership in the village and surrounding country.

Sankey Rogers, who severely cut his foot about six weeks ago, is able to be around again, but he still needs the assistance of his crutches.

A. W. Phillips has a fine residence in the course of construction. It occupies a slightly position and will be a great addition to the village. M. Welsh, who has lately completed a large warehouse, has now a crew of men engaged in putting up a barn in connection with his house now occupied by A. W. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell, of New Orleans, La., who have been spending a few weeks with friends here, returned to the south last week. They expressed themselves well pleased and greatly surprised with the fine appearance of the country, it having been their first visit to New Brunswick.

The woodworking factory is kept busy, and is supplying a large demand for their products through this part of the county. Their work will compare very favorably with that of any other factory in the county.

The new bridge over the Shiktehawk is gradually growing. The piers, 16 in number, are all completed, and the top is now being put on. It will probably be finished and open for travel by the first of November. It looks almost as though a mistake had been made in making it so narrow, for it would appear that two loaded teams would have some difficulty in passing.

Mr. W. Duffy & Bro., who have opened up a tailor shop in the Merritt building, are doing a good business.

Grand Chief Templar Farley organized a lodge of I. O. G. T., known as the Pride of Aberdeen, No. 297, at Knowlesville, last Saturday night, with Mr. Chas. H. Gayton as Chief Templar and Mr. Hobbs as Lodge Deputy. The new lodge will meet every Friday evening, and visitors from other lodges will be made welcome.

Grand Falls.

SEPT. 17.—We have had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. John Costigan, jr. Mr. Costigan resides at Calgary, N. W. T., and has been sent from that place as a delegate of the Catholic Benevolent Association to St. John. He is accompanied by Mr. J. T. Daley. Grand Falls was formerly the home of both gentlemen.

Mr. H. N. Goodhue and W. C. Collins, of Fort Fairfield, spent a few days in town last week. Irvin Hoyt, of St. Leonards, was in town on Sunday.

Our enterprising merchants, Mr. F. Goodreau, is making extensive alterations in his old store, and intends pushing the work forward as quickly as possible. He has a splendid line of fall goods and will open them when the store is completed.

It is rumored that the firm of Martin & Violette of St. Leonards, will open a branch store at Grand Falls. They will occupy the old Hammond store.

Sheriff Tibbitts, of Andover, was in town a few days last week.

Edmundston.

SEPT. 17.—M. Dayton and T. J. Cochrane have gone on their long talked of hunting expedition. Jas. Murchie & Sons sent up a crew on Burck River this morning to clean the brook and get everything ready for lumbering this winter.

J. W. Hall of Green River was in town yesterday. Sam Raymond has been appointed as one of the fish wardens on the Madawaska River.

Jas. Murchie & Sons' safe was blown open Wednesday morning between 4 and 6 o'clock but nothing was taken as the would be robbers could not get into the inner vault which contained \$5,000, it being the day before pay day.

There were some suspicious characters lurking around the bridge last night, but no attempt was made at robbery.

George A. Murchie, mayor of Calais, is in town. Frank S. Murchie is now owner of "Ringbone," 2374, and expects to bring him down to Robert's record of 2. 0 1/2 before snow flies.

A Compromise.

WINNIPEG, MAN., Sept. 17.—There is a growing impression here that while Premier Greenway and his government will refuse the petition of the Roman Catholics for the re-establishment of separate schools, they will offer as a compromise a system of purely national schools without any form of religious exercises whatever. Greenway's answer is expected early this week.

Hotel Arrivals.

At the Wilbur House:—I. N. Schurman, B. H. Buntley, Summerside P. E. I.; Geo. D. Frost, St. John; Chas. Gyde, Montreal; G. M. Atwood, Toronto; R. S. Crewe, Truro; S. D. Stewart, T. Tate, Montreal.

At the Exchange:—E. J. Phillips, R. P. Kempton, F. Good, Chas. Good, Jacksonstown; S. Ingraham, Simonds; Manzer Billing, Caverhill, Mass.

At the Victoria:—Henry Tedlie, Brighton; David T. Jardine, Boston Mass.; R. Sinclair, St. John; Geo. K. Murphy, Douglas; E. A. Ludd, Chazy, N. Y.

At the Queen:—Geo. Adams, Fredericton; W. B. C. Carvell, Lakeville; Melvin McElroy Benton; H. E. Boone, Hartland; Jas. A. McLaggan, Centreville; P. T. Moore, Canterbury Station.

Out Richmond Way.

Half way between the Canadian town of Woodstock, and the American town of Houlton, is Richmond Corner, a place of comparatively small importance now, but at one time of great expectations.

The older citizens in the community will recollect a time when direct railway communication was unknown to both Woodstock and Houlton, and when merchandise to either of these points came by rail to Richmond Corner and was thence carried by horses and wagons, or sleds, to its destination.

That was a good many years ago, and trade was brisk in those times. "Scotch Corner," was the name Richmond was generally known by, because, no doubt, there were a large number of "Macs" among the inhabitants. The many vacant buildings at the corner, now, tell a tale of prosperity and hope in the past. The decline in Richmond came with the building of a branch line of the old New Brunswick and Canada, from Debec Junction into Woodstock, and when, afterwards, a line was built into Houlton, and the original extension from Debec to the corner was taken up, the Richmond people saw that their hopes in one direction at all were disposed of.

But the corner is not all dead by any means, and if the Bangor & Aroostook railway is a success, and the Woodstock & Houlton branch is built, there may yet be a future for the ancient village. It is a fine point for a centre of industry. The farms in the neighborhood are fertile and well cultivated, and the buildings new, neat, and, in many cases, imposing. There is no sign that, even if the village languishes, the farmers are playing a losing game. There is a general store at the corner kept by Mr. Robt. Kirke, who has held the stand for many years, and remembers Richmond well in the days of its boom.

There is a post office supplied with a daily mail. Mr. D. H. Purrington has been running the milling business at this point for a number of years with apparently good success, for he is now enlarging his mill. He is tearing down the old structure and building one of about twice the size. He is about to put in two boilers and two engines, and to carry on more extensively than ever his saw-milling and grist-milling business. Mr. C. L. Tilley is running his cheese factory and reports a capital supply of milk from this quarter.

In THE DISPATCH's wandering around the corner, he met Mr. Kilburn, who has a most beautiful farm on the top of the hill just beyond the corner. He found that gentleman ploughing—not with twelve yoke of oxen, as one in old times is said to have done—but with a pair of able grey horses, and a sulky plough. The plough was one which Mr. Kilburn bought from a manufacturer in Woodstock, who had imported it from Hamilton Ont. and since getting it the owner has ploughed 125 acres with it. The old "bogy" put forward by some farmers that a sulky plough is hard on the horses is quite exploded by Mr. Kilburn's experience. It is in every way a success, and means a reduction of labor for the man and no increased labor for the beast. Mr. Kilburn says there are sulky ploughs now in the market thoroughly adapted to work on Carleton county farms.

The road between Woodstock and the corner is hilly, but if it were not for the hills, one would not get the varied and charming views which every half mile or so break on one's vision. There are some culverts that need attending to along the way. Out Richmond way is no exception to other roads from town. Which ever direction you drive, beautiful farms and fine buildings are met with.

Maine Elections.

The recent elections in Maine have resulted in a triumph for the Republican party. Naturally enough Maine is in favor of McKinleyism. Aroostook county is strongly opposed to any arrangement whereby the products of this county may enter into competition with its own, in the large cities across the border. The Republican papers in the state are just now doing the spread eagle act amid great enthusiasm. Maine is, however, always Republican, and is no indicator to point to a revulsion of the better feeling throughout the United States in favor of free trade. The Aroostook Times hits the nail squarely on the head when it says: "Another high protective tariff law will never be enacted in this country. It has already made too many Trusts of what originally were granted government aid on the ground that they were 'infant industries.'" The Republican county ticket was elected in Aroostook as follows: Senators, Edward Wiggins, Ransom W. Shaw; clerk of courts, Michael M. Shaw; county attorney, Wallace R. Lambert; sheriff, Harry C. Sharp; county commissioner, James W. Ambrose; county treasurer, Leland O. Ludwig; register of deeds, James H. Kidder; Northern Dist., Levite V. Thibadeau.

A total eclipse of the sun will occur September 28, 1894. It will be invisible in America. The path of totality passes across the Indian ocean. The eclipse will be partial in Africa, Persia, Hindostan and Southern Australia.

The Kaiser and France.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—The following are Chancellor von Caprivi's views regarding the policy of Germany towards France:—

"His Majesty the German Emperor desires to be at peace with the whole world, and especially with France. This does not mean that the Kaiser has forgotten that he is the chief of the glorious German Army. If he is obliged to draw the sword he will draw it in full confidence. But he knows also that he is responsible to God and to his people and he will never provoke a war.

"Since his accession to the throne, the Emperor has every day realized more and more his responsibilities. He has known how to avoid that juvenile enthusiasm which is not understood in Europe, and how to keep control over those sudden outbursts, so personal to himself, which surprise those who are nearest to him. It was the Emperor who alone conceived the idea of sending that telegram of condolence to Mme. Carnot. He alone drew up the despatch comparing Carnot to a soldier who had fallen on the field of honour, a comparison worthy of the chief of an army. The pardon of the French officers imprisoned for military espionage in the fortress of Gratz was a measure that had been decided upon for a long time, but the Emperor selected the moment when he was to sign it. Nothing escapes the Emperor. All petitions for pardon which reach the civil and military bureaus of his Majesty are returned with autographic indorsements which deeply impress those whose duty it is to examine them. His Majesty looks after everything and he desires peace."

"But the Alsatian question?" was asked.

"We cannot yield a single square metre of the land of Alsace. It belonged to us formerly. It was watered with our blood. All our old soldiers would arise for its defence if anyone even sought to retake it."

"It is, however, a constantly bleeding wound for every Frenchman."

"This we understand, and the feeling is an honour to you. It shows that France is always a great nation, and your patriotism inspires us with admiration. There is no sacrifice that you do not make to secure the greatness and power of your country. There is not one of your statesmen who will not sacrifice his political opinions when his country's honour is called into question. This is good. But let us not speak of Alsace. There exist so many fields in which we can agree. There is, in the first place, the industrial interests of both countries, which the conservative elements have such a great interest in developing, and which would be the best way to combat the social democrats. Why not think of a commercial treaty? Why should not your Exposition of 1900, in which certain German manufacturers would like to participate, assure a series of years which might bring about an amelioration in which may be called your wound?"

The declarations show very accurately the peculiar situation of the two countries. Both desire peace, but France cannot forget the loss of her provinces in 1870, and Germany does not wish to lose the fruit of her victory. The result therefore, is that war is inevitable at some time or other, but both sides are making every effort to delay the fatal moment.

Sir Narcisse Belleau.

There died full of years and honor in old Quebec city on Saturday, an old French Canadian gentleman whose name is associated with the earlier political history of this country. Sir Narcisse Fortunal Belleau was the son of Gabriel Belleau, farmer, and his wife Marie Kotska Hamel, of Notre Dame de Ste. Foye, near Quebec. His ancestors came from France. He was born October 20, 1808, and received his education at the seminary of Quebec. He entered political life in 1852 and in 1857 he was made Speaker of the Legislative Council, with a seat in the Macdonald-Cartier Cabinet. After the downfall of the Brown-Dorion Ministry of one day, Sir Narcisse became Minister of Agriculture and Colonization, but, however, he retired shortly after from the Cabinet. At the time of the visit of the Prince of Wales in August, 1860, Sir Narcisse was still Speaker of the Legislative Council, and it was upon that occasion that he was knighted by His Royal Highness in person. At the death of the late Sir E. P. Tache in 1865, Sir Narcisse succeeded him as Premier, taking the portfolio of Receiver-General. He remained in office until July 1, 1867, when he became the first Lieut-Governor of Quebec. Sir Narcisse had the honor of opening the first session of the first Parliament of Quebec. He was presented with a large number of congratulatory addresses. For seven years he occupied the office, and though doing the honors of his position in a creditable manner he declined to accept a single dollar to meet the expenses. When he retired he declined a seat in the Senate. In 1871 he was created Commander of the Royal Order of Isabella, the Catholic of Spain, by King Amadee. In 1879 he was created a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George in Montreal, by the Marquis of Lorne in presence of H. R. H. the Princess Louise. For some years Sir Narcisse led a very quiet life, and was generally esteemed by the entire population.

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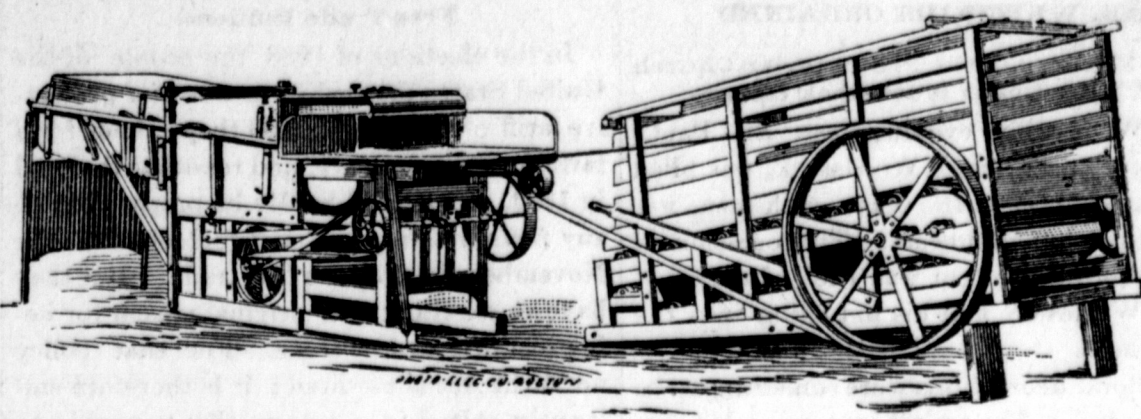
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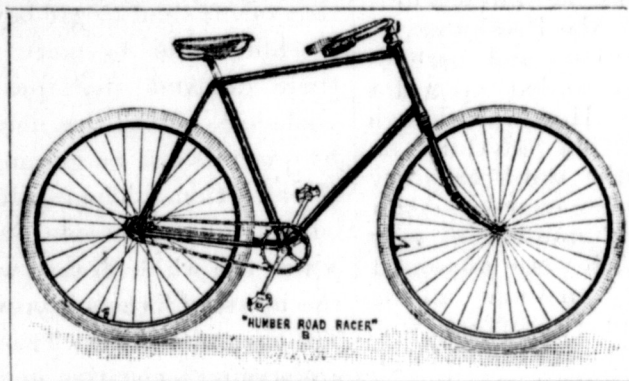
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