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SODA FOUNTAIN.

Mair's Soda Fountain is again open with all the Season's delicacies.

RICEVILLE

Rev. C. N. Barton gave a very interesting sermon on April 27th. The text was taken from Phillipines 4. 4. The attendance was good and the people were glad to see their old pastor back again. His next appointment for the church above the creek is for the second Sunday in May at 7.30.

H. C. Marsten, wife and daughter drove to Temple after church; to spend the afternoon and evening with Mrs. Marsten's relatives.

Robert Marsten after attending Sunday School and Church in the morning took dinner, and spent the afternoon with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Marsten.

We are glad to see that J. E. Scott is improving his dwelling-house by a coat of paint.

T. H. Porter has made a great improvement in his place this spring by

cutting bushes and trimming up his orchard.

O'Connors Brothers are doing great work on their section of the St. John Valley Railroad. They added twenty men to their crew Friday that the work may be carried on more rapidly.

Dr. Turner is repairing his house which will greatly improve the looks of Meductic.

The people are all glad to see N. S. Marsten around with his meat-cart again.

Duchess Again in Surgeons' Hands

London, April 29—A the operation was performed this morning on the Duchess of Connaught, wife of the Governor General of Canada. The surgeons in attendance report that the operation was successful. The last attempt to remove the intestinal trouble from which the Duchess has been suffering for some months was made on April 10 at Clarence House, by William Arbuthnot Lane, surgeon to Guys Hospital.

The operation was a severe one, but was borne well by the Duchess, who afterwards made rapid progress toward recovery, but on April 26, suffered a relapse owing to the abdominal obstruction returning. It was then decided by the surgeons to have recourse to another operation, which was performed this morning.

A bulletin was issued later in the day, which said:—

"The operation performed on the Duchess of Connaught was severe in character. It was carried out to relieve intestinal obstruction, due to widespread adhesions of an inflammatory nature. The Duchess is doing as well as can be expected."

Miss Irene Purington, of Richmond Corner, who spent the winter with Mrs. W. C. Hazen, has returned home.

Dr. G. U. H. Y.

St. John had no better citizen than Dr. George U. Hay. His sudden death on Wednesday evening was heard of with expressions of the most sincere sorrow on all sides. There were a few in the community who did not know and respect Dr. Hay. A very considerable number of those who were pupils in the public schools in the thirty-four years prior to 1897 came into personal contact with Dr. Hay and no teacher was ever better loved or more highly respected. His former pupils in St. John who knew of his daily life and keen interest in all that was for the city's welfare, entertained for him the very highest regard. Those who since leaving the schools have gone from the city will be sorry indeed to hear of his taking off, for they, too, remember him as one who always had their interests at heart and whose aim it always was to give them the best that was in his power, and so help them to face the burdens and the obligations of life. Dr. Hay's whole life was given to the cause of education for after he severed his connection with the public school system, he continued through the Educational Review, which he established and conducted with much ability, through the Natural History Society, the summer schools of science and in other ways in close touch with educational work and was a frequent speaker at teachers institutes and similar gatherings throughout the Maritime Provinces, and rendered invaluable service to the cause of education. A man of keen intellect, a diligent student with the happy faculty of imparting his knowledge to those who came under his charge, he was a most capable teacher. The development of New Brunswick, its earlier inhabitants, and their story found expressions in a history of the province that has been generally commended. He was also the author of other books along educational lines. Dr. Hay was known to scientific men the world over as the foremost botanist of New Brunswick and one of the most active workers in the botanical field of Canada. St. John knew him as more the botanist, historian and educationist. It knew him as an honest Christian gentleman, a good citizen in the very best sense of the word, whose place in the community there is no one to fill even in a much humbler way.

Dr. Hay had not been enjoying good health of late, but was able to attend to his many duties and on Tuesday evening presided at a lecture in the Natural History Society. He was about town all day Wednesday and in the evening had a conference with his physician, Dr. White, returning to his home about 8.30 o'clock. Not long after he was seized with a violent heart attack and despite all that could be done for him, he passed away about 9.30 o'clock.

The late Dr. George Upham Hay, Ph. B., M. A., D. Sc., was born at Norton, June 18th, 1843, a son of William and Eliza Hay. He was educated in the public schools of New Brunswick and in Cornell University. On completing his studies he began educational work here and for thirty-four years was a teacher in the public schools, spending the ten years as Principal of the Victoria and Girls' High Schools. He had previously taught in the Albert School, Carleton, and in 1881 was made English master in the Grammar School. He retired from the profession in 1897, and began the publication of the Educational Review, which he had since carried on with such acceptance to the teaching profession. Dr. Hay was also an author of scholarly articles on a wide range of subjects. His historical sketches brought him recognition, while his publications on scientific subjects gave him prominence all over Canada. Among his more important historical efforts are a school history of Canada in use in the public schools of this province, and a small History of Canada, while several shorter works on matters historic have been produced by him. By his death the Natural History Society sustains a severe loss. Associated with the society for thirty-three years, he had, both as a private member and as an officer, worked faithfully. Dr. Hay's connection with the Society goes back to the year 1880. He became a member in March, and a few months later was elected to the council, and until the time of his death

was a member: corresponding secretary in 1884, 1886, 1887, 1888; vice president in 1882, and from 1889 to 1895, and several times since then. He was president in 1896, re-elected in 1897, '98, '99, 1902 and 1903. It was chiefly in the botanical department that he devoted himself, and a number of interesting and valuable lists and articles on the plant life of this province have been contributed to the Bulletins of the society. Besides his writings on the subject he leaves some priceless collections of botanical and arboricultural specimens of New Brunswick, and only a few days ago completed the mounting of specimens for a collection. While Dr. Hay was not the author of any text books on botany he had an important share in a voluminous work which will shortly be issued by the Dominion Government. This is a complete list of all the plants of the various provinces and the most eminent botanist in each was asked to furnish the list. Dr. Hay had put in two years of careful work on his portion of the task and those who know how thorough he was in all that he understood, do not require to be told that the list will be as complete as human power can make it.

Dr. Hay was an active member of the German Street Baptist Church, a keen curler whose death will be especially mourned by his comrades in the Thistle Club, a hearty worker on the Tourist Association Board and also active in the work of the Horticultural Society, the Arboricultural Society and other organizations that aimed to help beautify the city and make happier the lot of those who live here.

The late Dr. Hay married Miss Frances Annetta Hart, who survives him. A brother, Mr. Thomas L. Hay, predeceased him a few days.

St. John Globe.

Dr. Hay was a cousin of Mrs. W. S. Corbett of this town.

A Successful Band Fair

The 67th Regt. Band Fair which closed Wednesday evening after a three nights run at the Armoury was the most successful affair ever held in the town. The total receipts were over \$400 and the expenditures \$100.

The following ladies had charge of the different booths and lotteries:—

Candy table—Lillian Jones, Mary McLean, Mrs. J. Taos, Smith and Hazel King.

Fancy table—Cora Mooers and Alice King.

Fish pond—Clara Faulkner, May Lovely, Mary Mooers.

Coffee and Cake—Zillah Stone, Gladys Stone, Laura McLean.

Clock—Lillian Rimes, Sadie Weeks.

Silver Set—Margaret Hamilton, Lottie Rimes.

Silver Mesh Bag—Winnie McLean, Gertrude McManus.

Clock—Sarah Morrison, Gladys Colpitts.

Pipe—Helen Shea, Julia Mooers.

Fancy Work—Theima Blake, Marion Hamilton.

Pipe—Hazel Hamilton, Sadie Niles.

Pillow—Pearl Howard, Annie Sutton.

The drawing of the prizes took place at ten o'clock Wednesday evening; following are the winners. George Gray, case of silver; Thomas Grant, Sofa pillow; J. Murray, clock; Guy Lister, pipe; Harold McDonald, silver mesh bag; Zemor Clarke, Bronze ornament; "Bill Jones", pipe; Mrs. Wm Sutton, case of silver; Lottie Rimes, hat; W. McLean picture; Arthur Kelley, safety razor; Sam Steeves, pair shoes; George True, pie knife; Miss Stewart, perfume; Alfonso Niles, fountain pen; Dr. Currie, clock.

JACKSONVILLE

April 28th.

The painting of the Methodist Church has been commenced and promises to much improve the appearance of that edifice. It is to be done in white after being light brown for many years.

Mrs. Merithew, of Cardigan, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Vail.

Sylvester Jones, of Zealand station, paid a short visit last week to his aunt Mrs. Benjamin Burt.

Mr. and Mrs. Chipman Tilley spent a pleasant week with their daughter, Mrs.

Charles Crawford, of Debec, returning last Thursday.

Miss Uarda Burt has returned home after spending two years near Winnipeg where she had a large school.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ridley spent the week-end with friends in Bloomfield.

William, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ansley Alterton, returned home on Saturday from Los Angeles California, where he has been in the engraving business with his brother Guy. The latter has sold his business and, with his wife and child will spend part of the summer in Boston and some weeks with his parents in this place.

William Gibson has been appointed road commissioner in place of John Emery. Mr. Gibson is beginning much needed repairs on the roads which have been as bad as they could be, after so much wet weather.

Potatoes are selling at 75 cents a barrel. Hauling is almost entirely suspended, however, until road work is done.

Ernest Harper was in Florenceville last week on a business trip.

Mrs. Andrew Wiley is recovering her health, much to the delight of her friends, and is able to go about after a long siege of heart trouble.

THE DAYTON DISASTER

Mr. Edward B. Winslow, the young colored gentleman who was employed at the News office a year ago was an eye witness to the terrible flood disaster that visited the middle states. Having a sister there he left Keystone, W. Va. where he is employed as a foreman on the "McDowell Times," to go on a visit to Dayton. He gives a graphic description of the terrible ravages the flood caused. In writing the account of the flood for his paper he says in part:

Arriving at the Union Station, I did not see the usual hurrying busy crowd, but instead, in the almost deserted depot a detail of the Third Ohio regiment, a token of the fact that Martial Law and the National Guards were protecting the stricken city. As they had strict orders to deport or arrest all sightseeing visitors, and as my mission was far being a holiday excursion without waiting to be placed on the defensive as to my visit, I boldly walked up to the lieutenant in command and inquired as to the whereabouts of the Military headquarters, that I might obtain permission to remain in the city. With a soldier the Third Ohio as a "guard of honor" was conducted to the largest hotel in the city at that time the headquarters of the 2,500 soldiers who represented law and order in the flooded town.

Taken to the commanding officer, I explained my mission to the city and was told the conditions upon which I only was allowed to remain. He told me that while I could have free access to all parts except the heart of the flooded district, I was not to touch any of the many valuable merchandise that laid like rubbish in the streets, nor to be caught out of doors after six o'clock p. m.; that the penalty for these two offences was death at the hands of the first soldier who caught me in the act. Moreover at all times I must be found working, that if found at any time idle, I was liable to be impressed and drafted by the soldiers to be made one of the 2,000 unwilling workers who under the awnings, in army rifles are performing the burlesque task of riding the city of the 40,000 tons of mud left it by the swollen rivers.

At 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, the unexpected happened and the levee that protected Main street from the raging river, broke, and down that principal street came a veritable wall of water, carrying death, and destruction with it. As the business section is much lower than the banks of the river, the impetus gained by the water on its downward run proved the city's undoing. Every alley was turned into a creek, every street was made a river. Those upon the streets who had not time to reach a building, had barely time to say a farewell prayer before the wall of water swept over them.—Van Buren News