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Soda

AND

Selfishness.

The excellent quality of our beverages served at our Soda Fountain is due to a purely selfish ambition of ours.

We want more trade than we now have; in fact we want all the patronage that fair dealing can bring us. We know that trade will drift to the store that deserves it most—to the one that gives best service in all lines.

People will not be Fooled,

and to attempt it is business suicide.

By forfeiting a little profit we are able to serve uncommonly good Soda; the kind that makes friends and brings new customers. Come in and try our Soda.

GARDEN BROS.

DRUGGISTS,

Main Street, Opposite Queen,
Woodstock, N. B.

GOLF NOTES.

The greens are in good condition and now the links could scarcely be improved. Some splendid rounds have been made lately. Dr. Sprague negotiated the nine holes in 41 the other day. That is the record for the new course. About ten St John players are expected for Dominion Day. Rivalry is keen, though very friendly, between the two clubs. So far although there have been many contests neither has been able to win abroad. With good courses and keen players at Fredericton and St Stephen there should be a prospect of many matches this year. There are a great many local contests for the summer. The ladies started the ball rolling this week in their first handicap. The gentlemen will have their opening struggle on Wednesday. The players are all much pleased with the McGregor clubs, but it seems impossible to secure a ball quite so good as last year's Wizard.

Silver Wedding.

Saturday was the 20th anniversary of the marriage of Mr and Mrs Chas R Watson. In honor of the event, a number of their friends planned a surprise party. Mr and Mrs Watson were certainly not expecting such an invasion and were the recipients of a genuine surprise in the form of an address accompanied by a dozen solid silver spoons. Wm Balmann made the presentation address to which feeling replies were made by host and hostess.

This Date Forty Years Ago.

It may be of interest to some of our older readers at any rate, to give a short outline of what the SENTINEL contained just 40 years ago. The editor at that time was Samuel Watts, and the name of James Watts appears as publisher and proprietor. The leading advertisers were G. W. Vanwart, John Thomas, Diblee's Drug Store, John Regan, Robert Stephenson, W. T. Baird and J. McElroy. At the time a lively by-election was in progress, the candidates being Hon. Charles Connell and Mr. David N. Raymond of Simonds. A feature of the issue was an open letter to the latter from the pen of F. P. Sharp. The marriage was recorded of David Currier of Gagetown to Rebecca Carpenter of Richmond. The foundry owned and operated by R. A. Hay was then casting about four tons a week. A new 12 horse power engine had been lately made on the premises. The road to Houlton was reported in bad condition, which we might say yet continues. The water in the river was at the lowest point ever known, and frosts had injured crops. Carleton County Teachers' Institute was called to meet on the 1st of July. The closing exercises of Woodstock College had just taken place. Among visitors from outside were Wm. and Robert Thompson of St John who each had children in attendance. The Rev. Mr. Glass was principal. Pupils who won prizes included Master Robert Kennedy, Master Robert Jones, Master Arthur Raymond and Master John McLaughlin. The prize for the most diligent student was given to John Gray.

ABOUT THE GEES.

The Women Often go About in Men's Clothing.

People are a Disgrace to the Province — They Pay no Attention to Marriage Ceremony.

"Following the river road two miles from the little town of Bath, Carleton Co., one reaches what is locally called Hart's Corner. From there two miles of hard uphill climbing through a country of great rocks and boulders, then four miles of bouncing over an old corduroy road will bring one to a small settlement known as the Canaan settlement.

Here, living at variance with all the laws of God and man, is a tribe of people, who, bearing a common name as well as holding common possession of a great many other things, are called Gees.

Their houses consist of small huts constructed in all sorts of ways of logs and old boards, windows stuffed with rags in lieu of glass, and doors hung on bits of harness leather are to be seen on every side.

As all pretence of the marriage ceremony is done away with in this community, it is impossible to speak of any such thing as family life. The people live together in groups, mixed in all sorts of ways. It is not an uncommon thing to come across a person whose grandfather and father are one and the same. A young man wishing to take unto himself a wife simply arranges the matter with the girl in question, builds a new shack, and the setting up of a little whiskey completes the ceremony. During the summer months all are kept busy with the picking of strawberries, blueberries and raspberries. There they bring in and exchange at a station on the railway line for cloth, clothes, groceries and hardware.

In conversation with a lad about 14 years of age it was learned that he had never had a shoe on his feet, had worn moccasins in winter and gone barefooted from April to November. The dealers at the depots, where the berries are shipped to the American manufacturers, whence they reach the market in the form of syrups and jams, find these people slippery customers to deal with. A man must be all eyes, for if once out of sight he is gone for good.

As far as appearance is concerned, the Gees are not extraordinary. The men are large of build, and it is unusual to find one whose face has ever felt the touch of a razor. The women and girls are of buxom build and have a profusion of dark hair.

The possession of firearms by these people is a noticeable feature. Nearly every man and boy in the place owns a gun or an apology for one. Game laws, if they are aware that such things exist, must be a continual subject of jest, for they are paid no respect whatever. Small pieces of ground around the houses are cultivated and enough meadow hay is cut to keep a few cattle and the few horses the community is proud to own. Beyond this the amount of work done is absolutely nil. As far as personal possessions are concerned, what one owns all use.

It is hard to believe that in the province of New Brunswick such conditions can exist, but one only needs a glimpse of one of the women of this tribe picking berries, in male clothing, to convince him that all this and much more is possible."

The above article is taken from the columns of the St. John Sun of the 9th inst, and does not even appear in the form of a contributed article, and we can hardly understand why the Sun should go so far out of its way to insult not only the residents of a certain portion of the County of Carleton, but in fact the whole county as well.

There is hardly a truthful statement in the whole article. Instead of reaching the settlement named, over an old corduroy road, we have no hesitation in saying that every road leading to and through the settlement named is a better road than King Street in the city of St. John. These people, instead of being the savages described in the above article, are intelligent, upright citizens. The men can go to any store within reach and get all the credit they want. They possess beautiful farms and raise crops so great that they cannot be accommodated in the ordinary barns and have to be stacked out of doors in the autumn. They are all possessed of horses, carriages and everything ordinarily used by up to date people in this county, and we have no hesitation in saying that if the Editor of the Sun will drive through the upper end of the county through the settlement named, to Hartland or

Woodstock, he would never know when he passed through this terrible location unless somebody told him.

The residents are as well and comfortably dressed as in any portion of the county, and the SENTINEL feels that the least the Sun can do is to send some responsible representative to the community and, after making an investigation, publicly apologize to these people for the insults which have been heaped upon them.

It is unfortunately true that one member of the family has committed a crime which justly merits the punishment provided by law, and it is also true that his own people furnished practically all of the evidence in order to convict him and did so without being forced so to do by the officers of the law, but did it voluntarily and without compulsion, and it is a matter of record that, at the coroner's inquest, the unfortunate man's father and mother came forward and asked to be sworn, in order to contribute their quota of evidence against their own boy, and it is also true that some members of the community, perhaps, are not any better morally than they should be, but we would advise our contemporary to turn its attention to Sheffield Street and a few other portions of its beautiful city and do some missionary work at home before attempting to write such articles about other people.

The Dundonald Incident.

The Press once more tries to score, and comes wide of the mark. Lord Dundonald has proved no exception to the general run of commanding officers who have gone before. Indeed the only one who finished his term was Gen. O'Grady Haley, a fine old Irish soldier and gentleman. We all admit that the noble Lord is a splendid man in the field, but we have yet to learn of any person bold enough to sanction his recent course. Even the most rabid partisans opposed to the government will not come out in the open and say they approve of all his doings in the Fisher episode. The Press tries to be humorous in proposing "Cap." Sullivan as a fit successor. Does not the Editor of our contemporary know the fact that the "Cap." is a naval hero instead of a military officer? His title is derived from his profession, that of first officer on lake tugboats. Partisanship is not at all rampant in the militia. If the Press will look over the list of recent appointments to the 67th Regt. it will discover that a man's politics cuts no ice in securing a commission. Also the general staff at camp Sussex proves our contention as well.

RECENT DEATHS.

FREDERICK ESTEY.

The sudden death of Frederick Estey of Jacksonville, one of the best known residents of the county, came to his friends as a severe shock. Mr. Estey had gone to bed on the night of June 10th, feeling well apparently, but the sleep upon which he entered proved to be the long sleep that knows no waking. A family of three sons and three daughters survive. The funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Revs. J. A. Cahill and T. S. Wainwright.

BENJAMIN BURTT.

One of the pioneers of the county, Benjamin Burtt, died at Jackson-town last Wednesday, at the ripe age of 90 years. A family of six survive. He was greatly esteemed throughout the county as an honorable citizen.

ROBERT HAMILTON.

The death took place in Greenfield, May 28th, of Mr. Robert Hamilton, Sr., at the age of 61 years. He has been a great sufferer for over two years from heart trouble. Medical skill had done its best but availed naught to stay the resistless Hand. Mr. Hamilton was held in the highest esteem by all with whom he was acquainted—a man honorable and true. For several years he faithfully discharged the duties of Elder in the Presbyterian church at Greenfield. The funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, with the attendant honours of the Court of Foresters of which he was a member. The procession, the largest seen in the community for some time, was a fitting tribute of the respect in which the deceased was held. He leaves a sorrowing widow, six sons and three daughters besides a large number of relations and friends to mourn their loss. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: ye, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their work do follow them."

Will Harness the Meduxnakik

Work Will be Pushed on the New Dam. — Contracts Made for Delivery of Plant in September.

The Woodstock Electric Railway Light and Power Company have had a crew of men at work for the last two weeks building a road from Connell street to the site of their proposed dam, running along the bank of the Meduxnakik stream, and are also securing lumber for the dam, and we are informed that work will begin upon the dam itself just as soon as the water recedes a couple of feet from its present height which will probably be in ten days.

They have purchased a complete plant of water wheels and dynamos, which will be as modern and efficient as any plant in the Maritime Provinces. They will develop 500 h. p. and the power plant will consist of four wheels set in pairs, consisting of two absolutely independent units from the bulk head to tail water. To each of these pairs of wheels will be connected a 200 K. W. generator of 250 h. p. capacity each. They will be so constructed that in case of an accident to one generator or water wheel that side of the plant can be closed down without interfering with the successful operation of the other.

The water is to be conveyed from the bulkhead to the water wheels in two steel tubes six feet in diameter each by about 100 feet in length, and from the bulkhead all of the works will be of stone and steel.

The power house will be of brick and stone.

The dynamos have been purchased from the Canadian General Electric Company and the power plant has been bought from the Jenckes Machine Company of Sherbrooke, Que. Both of these firms have contracted to have the goods delivered here in the month of September and it is expected that the whole plant will be in successful operation by the first day of October.

The company will be prepared not only to run their own electric light business but also to light the streets and furnish power for any manufacturing establishment in the town. Already all the large manufacturing establishments, except two, in the town, as well as many smaller ones, have made arrangements to take the power the moment it is completed, and it has already had the effect of starting some new industries which could not be successfully operated without this modern power.

Death of Mr. Mallory.

William L. Mallory, son of the late Josiah and Phoebe Mallory, aged 56 years, passed to his eternal home at Perth on the 20th May last.

Brother Mallory left to mourn their loss a sorrowful wife, one daughter, an aged mother, three brothers and four sisters, one of his brothers being the Rev. Murphy Mallory, late of Nova Scotia.

His funeral took place at his late residence on account of the illness of his wife on the 22nd ult. The funeral sermon was preached by the writer from the words found in John 17-19, "Father the hour has come." Elder Geo. A. Giberson took part in the service and Elder Elijah Orser took his seat among the mourners. The large gathering on the occasion was an indication of the respect by which our brother held. The element of the meeting was such that our brother had lived and appreciated. His remains were laid in the cemetery a short distance below the village of Perth there to await until the resurrection morn.

Brother Mallory had a strong faith in God and lived near to the Master. When eight years of age he was baptised by the late George W. Orser and was one of the first to maintain the doctrine now professed by the Primitive Baptists. About 20 years ago he commenced doing business at Perth Centre and being diligent and upright in his dealings he was successful. Though physically infirm for over twenty years he patiently bore his affliction and was resigned to the divine will, and God blessed him and sustained him in all his ways. Brother Mallory was one of the pillars of the church at Perth and will be greatly missed in the community, not only on account of his general motive, but on account of his liberality in contributing to the cause of justice and benevolent objects.

The family have the sympathy of his friends and the prayer of the writer is that God will bless the living widow and daughter and the mother who is old and full of years and who has been called to mourn the loss of her companion and son within a few months.

DAVID E. BROOKS.

JOTTINGS.

John T G Carr of Hartland intends to erect a large two storey brick building this summer.

Mrs Marce Ryan and young son, Simon, left Wednesday for Kingsclear and Fredericton.

Thomas White of Centreville, made a brief visit to his sister, Miss Annie White, this week.

Mrs Fred Jolier and two children of Waterville, Me., are visiting her sister, Mrs T. V. Monahan.

A representative of the New Freeman, St John, was here in the interests of his paper on Monday.

Just received at Carr's, Hartland, a nice lot of Ladies' Dress Skirts, Blouse Waists, Wrappers, etc.

Rev R G Fulton, of Hampton, will occupy the Methodist church pulpit on Sunday next, morning and evening.

Reid Bros., of Plymouth, lost their valuable Clyde stallion, Barrister's Champion, after a few hours sickness on Friday.

For a club of only five subscribers at our regular rates we will give any smart boy a watch warranted to keep good time for a year.

Miss Queenie Currie, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Currie, is sick threatened with appendicitis, but it hoped an operation will be unnecessary. Dr Rankin is in attendance.

A garden basket social will be held on the grounds of W H Phillips on the evening of June 23rd. All are invited to come and ladies are to bring baskets. Proceeds to go towards repairing the church.

Particulars of a valuable offer will be found in this issue. Those who wish to receive a weekly visit from the oldest provincial paper now in existence will do well to carefully consider our proposition.

Miss Sadie J Brown, of the staff of SENTINEL, went to Van Buren, Me., on Tuesday, for a week's vacation. She will attend the closing exercises at St Mary's college, where her brother T Willie Brown is a student.

A chance for smart boys. Any boy sending us a club of five yearly subscribers to this paper at One Dollar per year will receive free by return post a good watch, guaranteed to keep time for one year.

The Wilmot Parish Sunday School convention will be held in the Methodist church, Bloomfield, on Wednesday, July 6th. There will be two sessions at 2 p. m. and 7 p. m.; everybody invited to attend, as an interesting program is being prepared to make the meetings instructive and profitable.

Better Bread made in three minutes with the Universal Bread Maker and Raiser than can be made by hands in thirty minutes. Hands do not touch the dough. Does away with hand kneading and makes better bread. Easy to clean. A child can work it. Price \$2.50 at Diblee's Hardware Stores, Woodstock, Centreville and Hartland. You are not in it if you do not have a "Universal" Bread Maker and Raiser.

Parson Coffin of the A. M. E. church is spending a few days in Fredericton and vicinity. The reverend gentleman is trying to work up a mission field in that vicinity among the colored people. While here he was considered a good citizen, and by his musical ability became well known. As a pastor it is said his flock regarded him highly, but support was poor, consequently greener pastures became desirable.

The Forty Hours Devotion commenced in St Gertrude's church at high mass on Sunday. Rev Fr. McMurray was assisted by Revs. Frs. O'Neill of St John and Murphy of Debec. The sanctuary was profusely adorned with natural and cut flowers and potted plants. Very large congregations attended the services mornings and evenings. Beside the usual devotions on Sunday there were a procession by the younger boys of the Sunday School and a sermon on the "Real Presence of God in the Eucharist," by the pastor. There were services on Monday morning and evening. On Tuesday evening there were offered the rosary, benediction, procession by the young girls of the Sunday School attired in white dress with white veil, an eloquent sermon by Rev Fr O'Neill, and the chanting of the litany of the saints by Fr O'Neill, with responses by the choir.

The place to buy Carpets, English and Canadian, also Oilcloths and Linoleums, in Hartland, is at Carr's.

According to the annual emigration returns for 1903 the number of British emigrants—259,950—was greater than in any year since 1889 Canada and South Africa proved the most popular fields.