

HEAVY RAINS
PUT A STOP TO
RECENT FIRES

Blaze at Curry Brook, Gloucester Co., Guttled—Situation Has Been Tense—Fishing Parties Warned.

Heavy rains which swept the province last night blanketed the forest fire hazard which had been growing in intensity for the past week. Hot sultry weather had rendered the underbrush as dry as tinder. Yesterday a blaze located at Curry Brook, Gloucester County, was sighted from the Redbank Lookout, but was snuffed out by the storm before forest rangers could reach it.

Although G. L. Miller, Chief Forester of the Province, stated that no major outbreaks have occurred in the province this summer, due to intermittent rain, the condition caused by the hot spell last week, put rangers everywhere on the qui vive for a period of hazard.

Yesterday's storm furnished temporary relief only and great caution will be necessary for the remainder of the summer, the chief forester stated.

The greatest fires ever experienced in the western United States occurred several weeks ago, following conditions exactly analogous to those in this province at the present time. Care is being taken in providing all fishing parties obtaining licenses at the department with copies of the Fire Law.

CITY AFFAIRS

Return Home
Arthur and Walter Smith, sons of Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Brunswick street returned home recently from St. John where they spent several weeks with relatives.

Held Shower Bridge
Mrs. Minnie Black, daughter of R. L. Black, of this city, entertained last night at a shower bridge in honor of Miss Muriel Crowe, whose engagement to Hedley Wilson, was recently announced. It was a three table affair with Florence Branscombe, winning first prize, and Miss Dorothy Turner, the consolidation, and Miss Crowe, the guest prize.

Local Men in Doubles
Brian Black, of Fredericton, teaming with White of Newcastle, won in straight sets over G. Baird and Cogswell, 6-2 6-4 in the first round of Boy's Doubles yesterday at Andover. H. B. Kirkpatrick with M. Kelley, Andover, was defeated in the mixed doubles 6-3, 6-1, by Drummie and Miss Jardine, seeded favorites. "Doc" Irving of the local Riverside Club, was eliminated in the second round men's singles 6-1, 6-2 by S. F. Cook, Aroostook Club ace. Other Fredericton men did not play yesterday.

Left For Ottawa
Right Hon. F. A. Anglin, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada and Mrs. Anglin who were motor visitors to the city yesterday left in the afternoon on their return to Ottawa. The Mail in referring to the visit of the Chief Justice yesterday mentioned that fact that he was a son of the late Hon. T. W. Anglin, speaker of the House of Commons during the Mackenzie government, but a typographical error made it read "Mackenzie King Government."

Conditions Unfavorable
Conditions for salmon angling on most of the New Brunswick Rivers at present are unfavorable and will likely remain so until cooler weather prevails. Nearly all of the guides have non-resident parties booked, but have advised them to remain at home pending a more favorable report. Angling at the Hart's Island pool has always been good in August, and no change is expected this season. A test yesterday of the water at the pool showed a temperature of 75 degrees. It is claimed that salmon will not rise to a fly when the temperature is above 65 degrees.

SCHOOL WILL
OPEN AGAIN
ON AUGUST 26

Agitation to Set it Over a Week Squelched—Dr. VanWart Re-appointed Chairman—Janitor Resigns—New Teacher.

Rumors that the city schools would not open until after Labor Day as in St. John and other large centres were set at rest last night at the monthly meeting of the board of school trustees when it was decided to re-open on the legal date, August 26. The argument for this decision seems of the "early bird gets the worm" variety to the effect that schools here would be squared away for the years work while other less fortunate children in other centres would still be wasting their time.

On several occasions petitions from the Rotary and Gyro clubs have sought to move the adamant hearts of the school trustees but to no purpose and Fredericton children must again endure their full quota of "readin' and writin' and 'rithmetic",—not to mention the hickory stick. But then, is it not "the best time of their lives?" etc., etc.

The trustees also received notice from the Board of Education that Dr. G. Clowes VanWart had been re-appointed chairman of the Fredericton Board of School Trustees to succeed himself his term of office having expired.

The resignation of J. D. Estey, janitor, of the Smythe Street School was received and accepted and W. E. Upton was appointed in his place. Mr. Estey has been in failing health for the past few years and his resignation was not unexpected though deeply regretted.

It was also announced that High School would have an extra class this year and an extra teacher will be added to the staff.

Several reports were read on school repairs. Those present were: Mrs. Clark, Dr. Crockett, Mr. Campbell, Mr. VanDine, and Mr. Quinn.

Mr. Harry S. Hammond of Quebec is on a visit to the city today.

OLD MAN LOST
FROM MUNICIPAL
HOME, DOUGLAS

Wm. Collecette, Inmate of Douglas Home Wandered into Woods and is Lost—Search Continued Today.

The trustees of the Municipal Home at Douglas are today engaged in assiduous search for one of the inmates, who wandered away yesterday at about two o'clock and has been unlocated since. He is William Collecette, said to be in the vicinity of 80 years of age.

Mr. Collecette, a feeble minded inmate has been used to wandering about in the vicinity of the Municipal Home, it was vouchsafed by Mrs. Charles Harris, matron of the home this morning in conversation with the Mail, and it is thought that he may have wandered away and forgotten his way home.

According to Mrs. Harris, the old gentleman originally came from Campbell Settlement. He has been located at the Douglas Home for the past number of years. So far as can be learned, Mr. Collecette has no surviving relatives.

Despite an intensive search last night and all day today, his whereabouts were unknown at press time today. He was last seen yesterday afternoon, wandering towards the railroad track through Morgan's Field, it was stated this morning. The theory is held by trustees of the Home that he may have been picked up and given a drive by a passing motorist, and was then unable to tell where he wanted to go. It is the first time that the old gentleman has wandered away from the Home. A sharp lookout is being kept.

Collecette was attired in faded blue ducking trousers, and wore a faded gray hat. He had long white whiskers and walked slowly and limpingly. Provincial Police are aiding in the search.

New Sidewalk
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