

A GLANCE AT THE LOCAL NEWS OF FREDERICTON 27 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily Herald, June 1st, 1907)

A New Rector

Rev. Mr. Nichols, the new Anglican rector of St. Mary's, will conduct the services at St. Mary's Sunday morning. The pastor, Rev. Gordon Dickie will take the services at St. Paul's in the afternoon he will preach at All Saints Church.

Custom's Returns

The value of goods entered for consumption at the port of Fredericton during the month of May was \$57,803, on which the sum of \$4,237 was paid in duties. For the corresponding period of last year the imports were valued at \$61,119 and \$3,310.10 was collected in duties.

Pleasant Function

The members of the A & B Club entertained a number of their friends very pleasantly at the club house last evening. It was the first function of the kind this season and was attended by about fifty people. President and Mrs. R. W. L. Tibbets, Mrs. A. R. Wetmore and Mrs. T. G. Loggie received the guests.

Kingsclear Vacancy

M. Byron McNally, who lately removed from Queensbury to the Nevers Kitchen farm at Lower Kingsclear is to offer for the vacancy in the York County Council, caused by the death of Councillor John C. Murray. The election is to be held on June 18th. There will be an election in Queensbury on the same day to fill the vacancy caused by Councillor McNally's resignation.

Pulpit Exchange

Rev. Willard MacDonald goes to St. John this evening and tomorrow will occupy the pulpit of St. Stephen's Presbyterian church at both services. The pastor, Rev. Gordon Dickie will take the services at St. Paul's in this city.

Champion Bowlers

The bowling competition which have been going on at the Queen Hotel Allies during the month of May closed last night. W. P. Flewelling won the first prize for the highest candlepin score, his total being 127 pins and second prize went to J. H. Hawthorne with 124 pins. A smoking set offered by Shute & Compan for the highest aggregate for fifteen games went to J. S. Campbell with a total of 1,378.

Personal Mention

W. B. Clements of Peekskill, New York, is among the guests at the Queen.

Bishop Richardson who has been attending the convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at Winnipeg returned home on the noon train today.

Rev. H. E. Dibble rector of Oromocto has returned from an extended trip to California and western Canada greatly improved in health.

Percy McNally, a student at the Philadelphia Dental College, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McNally.

R. F. Randolph is to leave here on

Wednesday for Montreal where he will take passage by the Allan Liner "Virginian" on a two months trip to the Old Country.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Wayland Porter returned from their honeymoon trip by the noon train today and are receiving a very hearty welcome.

The many friends of Gus Tweedale will be glad to learn that there is a marked improvement in his condition today.

A New Premier

Yesterday afternoon Hon. William Pugsley who has filled the position of Premier and Attorney General with marked ability and who lately decided to enter Federal politics as the Liberal Candidate for the Saint John vacancy tendered his resignation to Lt. Gov. Tweedie and it was accepted. He recommended Hon. C. W. Robinson, provincial secretary as his successor and that gentleman was immediately entrusted with the task of forming a new administration. In the evening in the executive council chamber the new cabinet was sworn in as follows:

Premier, provincial secretary and attorney general (temporarily) Hon. C. W. Robinson, Chief Commissioner of Public Works, Hon. C. H. LaBillois; Surveyor General, Hon. Francis J. Sweeney; Commissioner for Agriculture Hon. L. P. Farris; Solicitor General Hon. Wendall P. Jones.

The Valley Railway

Messrs A. F. Stewart and Gerald Ruel of the Canadian Northern Railway staff left this morning by train for Westfield and will carefully inspect the country between this city and that point and investigate its traffic possibilities for railway purposes. Friday afternoon in company with

TRIAL OF STEVEN, BOOZE SMUGGLER, ENDS AT QUEBEC

Quebec, May 31—Judgment will be rendered next week in the case of Thomas C. Steven of Edinburgh, Scotland, last of 40 men to stand trial on charges of conspiracy to defraud the Canadian Customs and the Quebec Government of duties on illegal liquor shipments.

Steven is the alleged provider of the contraband liquor peddled throughout the province of Quebec for a three year period by an organized band of rum-runners who are supposed to have escaped payment of \$1,500,000 on duties. The ring was uncovered after the Royal Canadian Mounted Police got on the trail of the leaders of the band, most of whom are now serving or appealing jail sentences imposed upon them.

No Witness

No witnesses for the defence were called by Stevens' lawyer, Oscar Gagnon, K.C. of Montreal. Mr. Gagnon's plea for the acquittal of Stevens rested softly on points of law, the main one of which was that Steven, having carried out his part of a contract with the rum-runners in Newfoundland, the Canadian courts had no jurisdiction to try him on the count of conspiracy. The lawyer admitted all the facts of the case, namely that Steven had supplied alcohol to the rum-runners, knowing full well that they intended to do with it. However, he signed no contracts and did not enter upon any agreements with the bootleggers on Canadian territory and this, in Mr. Gagnon's opinion, rendered him immune from facing a Canadian court.

Moreover, Mr. Gagnon said, Steven was wrongly charged when accused of "illegally importing or fabricating liquor in Canada." What Steven had done, he stated, was to sell liquor which came from Holland and was shipped to Newfoundland or the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon. Stevens did not deal in Canadian liquor at all whether legally or illegally manufactured, he concluded.

Valmore Bienvenue, K.C., Crown Prosecutor, replied to all of this with the terse statement: "If Steven had not provided the liquor there would have been no element of conspiracy and possibly no rum-running at all in the first place."

LITTLE BEER CONSUMED HERE

Due West, S. C., May 31—This college town of 620 inhabitants evidently doesn't like its beer. The town received from the state tax commission today a 9-cent check—its share of the state beer tax over a six months period.

The remittance represented 20 per cent of the state tax on beer sold within town limits.

Due West is the home Erskine college.

CENTRAL KINGSCLEAR, N. B.

May 31—The farmers in this vicinity are busy with seeding operations and with the continued fine weather will soon be completed.

A special missionary service was held in the United Church on Monday evening. Rev. Mr. Rowley had charge of the opening service and then a Japanese Missionary Mr. Morley very ably addressed a large gathering who was much interested in Mr. Morley's address.

Mrs. A. Jewett of Keswick Ridge is visiting Mr. John Black.

The friends of Mrs. John Goodine will be sorry to hear she is confined to her room through illness and all hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCarty of Canterbury who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collicott have returned to their home.

Miss Lizzie Black spent the holidays visiting her friends at Cardigan.

Mayor McLeod and Pres. Dibble of the Board of Trade the visitors enjoyed a drive about the city and called at a number of wholesale stores and industrial establishments. They said that the prospect of McKenzie and Mann accepting the Valley Railway proposition were very bright. It is just possible that the company may buy the Dominion governments survey made for the G.T.P.

"Stringing Along" Has New Rumba Hit

Madriguera's thrilling new rumba, "The Spanish In My Eyes" will be featured by Ted Andrews on his Canadian Radio Commission program for Monday, June 4, to be heard over the Eastern network at 7:50 P. M., A. S. T. "Stringing Along", which is proving one of the smartest of the lighter Commission features, will display the genius of the young director in this special arrangement and in such hits as "Quereme Mucho" by Roy "One Finger Joe" a fast guitar solo to be played by Andrews, "Nobody's Sweetheart" and "Waiting at the Gate for Katy" which will be another smart arrangement.

Ian Douglas continues his conquest of radio listeners with such romantic baritone solos as "Cocktails for Two", "Your Eyes Have Told Me So" and "Goodnight, Lovely Little Lady".

Short notice—that you have overdrawn your bank account.

Elsie Ferguson In "Sweethearts" On Family Theatre

Elsie Ferguson will offer a dramatic scene from "Darry's Gone a-Hunting" during her third appearance as dramatic star of Ward's Family Theatre, from 9:00 to 9:30 P. M., A. S. T., Sunday, June 3, over the WAUC-Columbia network.

"Daddy's Gone a-Hunting" is Zoe Akins' famous play of lost love, first produced on Broadway in 1921. The excerpt which Miss Ferguson will offer will be the touching scene, in which the mother sings her child the jingle of the same title. To the child it is a delightful nursery rhyme, but to the mother it is the tragic symbol of her lost love. Joseph Pasternack and his orchestra and James Melton, tenor, will be featured in the surrounding musical program.

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