

SUDDEN DEATH OF WOMAN AT COVERED BRIDGE

MRS. WALTER PECKHAM
FOUND DEAD SUNDAY

Dr. B. M. Mullin, Coroner, Notified and Began Inquest—Will be Resumed on Friday.

Mrs. Walter Peckham daughter of James McPherson of Covered Bridge died Saturday night under circumstances which have caused the authorities to begin an investigation. She stated to her sister that she was going to the post office for mail and was never seen alive again. She was not missed until yesterday when her brother going to her house found her dead. She had not undressed or gone to bed but evidently had fallen across the bed.

Mrs. Peckham was a young woman about twenty-eight years old. Her husband is overseas.

Inquest Begun

Dr. B. M. Mullin of Devon, coroner was notified of the death and yesterday visited Covered Bridge. He empanelled a jury of which Alexander Fraser is foreman and viewed the body. An adjournment of the inquest until Friday morning then was made.

Stories of Poisoning

There are numerous stories current concerning the death of Mrs. Peckham one of them being that she was poisoned. So far nothing has developed to indicate the cause of death. Mrs. Peckham resided in Marysville but went to her former home at Covered Bridge some time ago. She was living alone there. Her husband has been overseas for upwards of two years.

Are Being Congratulated

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hoyt of South Devon are being congratulated on the arrival of a son Sunday.

Reentered Hospital

Mrs. J. Herbert Maxwell has reentered Victoria Hospital for a further operation.

County Court

The October term of the York County court will open here tomorrow morning.

Mr. Peter J. Hughes, government counsel in the patriotic potato enquiry, has returned from St. John and is being warmly congratulated on the ability with which he is handling the case.

Rev. O. E. Steeves, pastor of the Macnaquac and First Kingsclear Baptist churches, with his wife and daughter, has been enjoying a motor trip through Albert County and intermediate points.

Band Concert Postponed

Owing to the rain yesterday there was no band concert. A fairly large crowd of music lovers collected at Wilmot Park at the time named for the concert and were disappointed when no band concert was played.

The Fordson Tractor

There will be a plowing demonstration by the Fordson tractor on the farm of Mr. Harvey Mitchell at Keswick Ridge tomorrow afternoon. A large attendance of farmers from the surrounding country is expected.

Admitted to Hospital

Mrs. Russel Rickard of Barker's Point was taken to the Victoria Public Hospital this morning suffering from typhoid fever. Mrs. Rickard has been ill for some time. On Friday the symptoms of fever were recognized but there was no vacancy in the hospital.

Got Fine Moose Near Royal Road
Mr. E. A. Adams employed with Concrete Builders Limited arrived here this morning with a fine moose which he shot near Royal Road. He started after big game on Friday and brought down his moose after a short hunting trip. The head has a spread of about fifty inches.

Death at Municipal Home
The death occurred at the Municipal Home, yesterday of James Barnett, aged eighty-six years, colored. The funeral took place this morning at ten o'clock. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Addison and interment was made at the Rural Cemetery.

Palace Alley Roll-off

About forty bowlers have qualified for the weekly roll-off which takes place this evening at the Palace Bowling Alley. The ladies' bowling team will play at Marysville this evening. The Palace Alley team expects to play the returned soldiers' team after the roll-off this evening. The bowling league has been organized and the first game will be played on Tuesday evening.

Seized the Butter

St. John Times: A passenger arriving on the C. G. R. train recently, heavily laden with two large grips, was somewhat embarrassed when one of the liquor inspectors accosted him and politely invited both him and the grips into the baggage room. The inspector then opened the grips, and found that they were filled with the finest dairy butter. As the prohibition act does not mention anything about butter, the passenger was allowed to proceed on his way.

PEDDLER OF SWEET LAVENDER IS ARRESTED

MILITARY AUTHORITIES
AT HALIFAX ACTED

Woman Said to be of Foreign Extraction—Was in Fredericton About a Fortnight Since.

Press despatches state that a woman of foreign birth was arrested on Friday as the result of suspicions of the intelligence department of Military District No. 6. She was distributing sweet lavender in packages. The story states that a pig inoculated with the contents of the package sold by the woman died in five hours.

Woman Was in Fredericton

A woman corresponding to the description given in the Halifax despatch was in Fredericton about a fortnight ago. Her methods of operation were observed in a restaurant. Going from table to table she left packages which bore a notice that the seller was suffering from extreme nervousness and would be extremely grateful for any small donation in return for the sweet lavender. The woman's face gave apparent evidence of nervousness in twitching and there seemed to be an impediment in her speech when distributing the packages. This impediment was not always observable as at times the woman seemed to speak all right. The same woman is reported to have canvassed St. John. Her progress from Fredericton to Halifax is less than a fortnight was rather rapid for a person supporting herself and child by charity.

The Halifax Story

The despatch from Halifax is as follows:

Halifax, Sept. 28—Suspicion of the intelligence department of military district No. 6 fell upon a woman of foreign birth who was peddling sweet lavender in packages throughout the city yesterday, selling her stock both in business places and in private homes. Major Rudland, intelligence officer, ordered her arrest so as to have her nationality, connections and mode of life investigated, and the stuff she was peddling to be chemically analyzed to see what ingredients, possibly poisonous it contained.

The woman was arrested yesterday about noon and taken to the county jail, where she is at present awaiting investigation into her character and the results of the clinical analysis of her so-called sweet lavender. She was doing well with her sale until suspicion fell on her. Yesterday the intelligence department had a pig inoculated with the alleged sweet lavender which the woman under arrest was peddling and the pig died five hours

HOWARD FOSTER REPORTED WITH SERIOUS WOUNDS

ONE OF THREE BROTHERS
WHO SERVED IN C. E. F.

H. Nichols Wounded by Shrapnel, but in Satisfactory Condition—Other Casualties in This Section.

Several men from this section of the province are reported as casualties. Private Howard Foster of this city, one of three brothers who enlisted in the C.E.F. is reported seriously wounded. H. Nichols is reported wounded with shrapnel. E. B. Crouse of Zealand is reported wounded and Lieut. E. H. Gorman of Burt's Corner is reported killed in action.

Howard Foster Wounded

Mrs. Howard Foster received a telegram this morning stating that her husband Private Howard Foster was seriously wounded. Private Foster enlisted here with the 104th Battalion two years ago. After going overseas he was transferred to the 5th Mounted Rifles. On September 27th he was admitted to No. 38 Casualty Clearing Hospital seriously wounded. Private Foster has a brother Judson overseas and another brother Fletcher, who is returned. He has also one son Sheldon now in France.

Private H. Nichols

Private H. Nichols has been wounded with shrapnel but his condition is not satisfactory according to a message received yesterday by his wife.

Zealand Man Wounded

Saturday's casualty list contained the name of E. B. Crouse of Zealand reported seriously wounded with the infantry.

Lieut. E. H. Gorman

Lieut. E. H. Gorman of Burt's Corner is reported killed in action. He was given a commission and returned to France in June last. He is survived by a number of relatives in Burt's Corner and in this vicinity.

Defaulter Arrested

A defaulter under the M. S. A. was arrested in Nashwaakiss on Saturday night and is being held by the military police here.

afterwards. From that time on, as soon as the story got around, there were all sorts of queer rumors afloat. One was that several of the women who had bought the sweet lavender in their homes, when they heard of what had happened, threw packages into the stove fire and that the stuff suddenly burst into lurid flames, giving out a sickening odor which had the same effect on the respiratory organs as poison gas has on soldiers in the line at the battlefront.

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Sacred Concert

The sacred concert presented by the Picardy Chapter I. O. D. E. to the public last evening at the Opera House proved very successful. The proceeds amounting to about \$300 will be given for Christmas stocking for our boys over there. The opera house was filled to overflowing and a large crowd who arrived after church services were turned away. The concert will be given again next Sunday evening with a few new numbers. It was enjoyed by all. Among the most attractive events put on was the specialty by Miss Eva Brewer with a chorus of fifty voices. Little Miss Norah McGrath was very pleasing as Joan of Arc. Dressed in silver leggings and shining helmet she was a diminutive but very effective representation of the French heroine. Master Ray Forbes as Uncle Sam was also well applauded.