

DEVON INDIANS
MAY BE GIVEN
NEW RESERVE

Indian Colony at Nashwaaksis May Soon be Established—Noel Sacobie is Elected Chief, Joe Acquin Councillor.

The department of Indian Affairs has under consideration the establishment of a model Indian colony and village on the banks of the Saint John River for the Devon Indians on a site known as the Pugh farm at Nashwaaksis.

Here the Indians will be given new houses in place of the ramshackle huts which they are occupying at present and every encouragement will be given them to earn a good livelihood by farming, gardening, bush-work and basket making.

It is planned to erect a model village with running water in each house and a resident agent in charge. Doubtless in course of time, Indians from other reserves in central New Brunswick, such as at Oromocto, Kingsclear and Woodstock, will be attracted to this new reserve and the new village will be a pleasing contrast to the collection of dilapidated hovels that have been condemned in the town of Devon.

It is expected that the removal of these Indians will be completed by next August.

Officers Elected.

The annual election of officers took place yesterday morning under the supervision of Indian Agent B. J. Griffiths and a chief and councillor were elected for the usual term of three years. Noel Sacobie was elected by a majority of six for the office as chief. Joe Acquin was elected councillor by acclamation.

H. J. Bury of the Department of Indian Affairs at Ottawa visited here in connection with Indian affairs. He spent the week-end here, returning to Ottawa last evening.

CITY AFFAIRS

Crop That Never Fails.

"There is always something to take the joy out of life, even at the start of the New Year" remarked a citizen as he opened his mail this morning and found a notice from the Board of Assessors.

A Late Start.

The Curling season opened yesterday and a curler remarked that he hoped the weather man would be kind and provide proper weather for the rest of the season. The season usually opens about the 15th Dec. so it is unusually late in getting started on Jan. 2nd.

Have Passed Out.

A young man remarked yesterday that the horse and sleigh seems to be a thing of the past. That he wanted to take his best girl for a sleigh ride on Sunday but could not locate a suitable rig. In old times hundreds of horse drawn rigs turned out on Christmas and New Year's days.

Had A Good Year.

At the Sunday morning service at St. Ann's Parish church the rector, A. F. Bate, gave an interesting review of the work of the church during the past year, bestowing especial praise on the young people's organizations for the efficient service rendered. He said that in addition to paying the interest the debt on the church hall had been reduced by \$1,000. During the year he said that two of the services of the church had been broadcast, something new in the history of Anglican churches in this province. He had words of praise for the choir, the Boy Scouts and the Girl Guides' Association. He also spoke of the work accomplished at St. Margaret's church at Morrison's Mills. There had been fifty-three baptisms during the year, including three adults.

CANDIDATES
RETURNED BY
ACCLAMATION

Mayor Clark and Five Candidates for Aldermen Returned—W. G. Quinn and H. C. Jewett are the New Men.

This is nomination day for the civic election, set for the second Monday in January, but there being only one candidate nominated for the mayoralty and one for each of the five vacant aldermanic seats, there will of course be no contest. Those declared elected this afternoon were: His Worship Mayor Clark for a third term; Wellington Ward, Ald. Moses Mitchell; St. Ann's Ward, Mr. W. G. Quinn; Carleton Ward, Ald. J. A. Thompson; Queen's Ward, Mr. H. C. Jewett; King's Ward, Ald. Parker Currier.

List of Candidates.

His Worship Mayor Clark was nominated by F. L. Cooper, Joseph Walker and H. C. Jewett.

Alderman Moses Mitchell for Wellington Ward was nominated by H. S. Campbell, J. E. Saunders and A. Murray.

Mr. W. G. Quinn for St. Ann's Ward was nominated by H. S. Campbell, G. R. Foster and R. J. Baxter.

J. Arthur Thompson for Carleton Ward was nominated by C. L. Sypher, W. E. Vaughan, T. Amos Wilson and others.

Harry C. Jewett for Queens Ward was nominated by W. A. VanWart, Moses Mitchell and others.

Ald. Parker H. Currier of King's Ward was nominated by Moses Mitchell, J. A. Thompson and Oliver Smith.

Week of Prayer.

The first service in the Week of Prayer takes place at the Reform Baptist Church this evening. Rev. M. H. Mason will be the speaker. Tomorrow evening the service will be in St. Paul's Church with an address by Rev. A. Sutherland. On Thursday evening the annual meeting of the Bible Society will be held at St. Andrews church and there will be an address by the Bishop.

BIG INCREASE
IN RECEIPTS OF
CUSTOMS HERE

Collections for December amounted to \$101,664.59, an increase of \$49,257.92 — Year's Increase \$263,903.93.

The national revenue for the port of Fredericton for the month of December totalled \$101,664.59 an increase of \$49,257.92 as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total revenue for the calendar year at this port was \$826,110.65 an increase of \$263,903.93 over the year 1926.

Following is a declared statement of receipts:

December, 1927.	
Customs import duty	\$ 70,604.15
Customs Sales Tax	7,621.86
Customs Excise	50.00
Excise tax, (domestic)	2,566.81
Excise duty	20,820.77
Sundry collections	1.00
	\$101,664.59

The collections for December, 1926 amounted to \$52,406.67, an increase of \$49,257.92, for December, 1927 over the corresponding month last year.

The total revenue for the calendar year of 1926 was \$562,206.92, for 1927 it was \$826,110.65, an increase of \$263,903.73, over 1926.

Buried Today.

The body of the late Ralph Lawrence son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence in Charlotte street, who met such a tragic death recently arrived here from Boston where the death occurred and funeral services were held this afternoon at the bereaved home of the parents. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. F. Bate and interment took place at the Rural Cemetery.

Dance and Social.

The employees of the Hart Boot and Shoe Company held a dance and social on Saturday evening in the Knights of Pythias Hall. A large crowd was in attendance and an enjoyable time was had by the assembled merry makers. Refreshments were served during the evening.

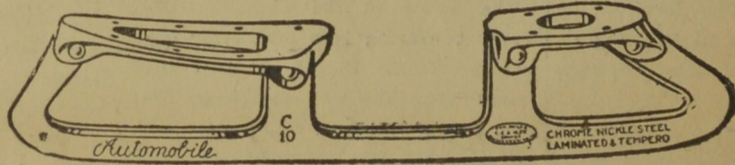
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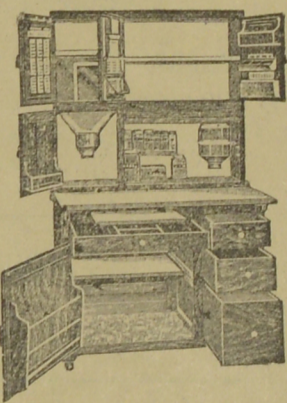
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