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# The Daily Mail

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THE WEATHER  
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Moderate easterly winds;  
cloudy today and Thursday;  
probably a few scatter showers  
on Thursday.  
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FREDERICTON, N. B. WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1928.

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## General Nobile Started For the North Pole Today

**Good Weather Prevailed For the Departure and Members of the Crew Are Confident of Success — Will Go Direct to the Pole — Plans to Land Two Men Who Will Make a Close Observation.**

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Kings Bay, Spitzbergen, May 23—General Umberto Nobile started for the North Pole in the Dirigible Italia at 4.35 a. m. today.

The weather here was excellent for the departure and all members of the crew were confident of success on the northern trip. The present flight is the third into the uncharted air spaces over the frozen north for Nobile on this present journey and weather permitting, he will go direct to the North Pole.

At the pole he intends to land two men—an engineer and an meteorologist—so they may make four hours close observation. Also it is possible that the Italia may be anchored at the pole while Italia's flag and a cross from Pope Pius are dropped from the top of the world.

## CONTEST BIRDS ARE MAKING A GOOD SHOWING

**A King's County Pen Now Holds First Place With York County Pens in Second and Third Positions.**

The production of the birds in the Provincial Egg Laying Contest, which is conducted at the Experimental Station, Fredericton, declined somewhat during the week. The 190 birds laid 888 eggs which brings the total to date to 19,734 eggs and 20,027.4 points. The production for the week, namely 66.7 per cent was 2.4 per cent below that for the previous week and 1 per cent higher than for the same week in the previous year.

The Barred Rocks owned by Mrs. Edward Hart, Newton, Kings County, N. B., which moved up to first position during the previous week, maintained the lead and now have a total of 1,266 eggs and 1,325.9 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by John Moore, Scotch Lake, York County, are in second position with 1,293 eggs and 1,316.0 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Wm. A. Sanson, Durham Bridge, York County are in third position with 1,244 eggs and 1,291.7 points. This pen is followed closely by Barred Rocks owned by John Woods, Bloomfield Station, N. B.; the Barred Rocks owned by A. T. Reed, Rollingdam, N. B., and the Barred Rocks owned by the Experimental Station, Fredericton.

The pen of Barred Rocks owned by the Experimental Station, Fredericton, led in production for the week with a total of 59 eggs and 66.4 points.

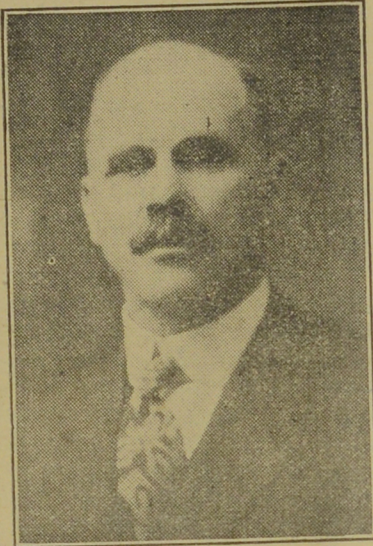
The Barred Rocks owned by Mrs. Edward Hart, are in second position for the week with 56 eggs and 61.2 points.

Mrs. Edward Hart's Barred Rock No. 10 still continues to be the leading bird with a total of 182 eggs and 188.3 points.

Hen No. 10 owned by the Experimental Station, Fredericton, is in second position with 171 eggs and 176.4 points.

Now and then a figure in public life reminds us rather strongly of the town tough who became a deacon, explaining that "the rough element in the church riz up and demanded recognition."

54 YEARS YOUNG



HON. D. A. STEWART

The Minister of Public Works of New Brunswick celebrates his 54th birthday on Thursday, May 24th. He was first elected to the New Brunswick Legislature in 1912 and became Minister of Public Works on September 10th, 1925, when Premier Baxter's Cabinet assumed office.

Young people like to be advised to do the things they want to do.

## FORTY-ONE BODIES YET TO BE TAKEN OUT

**So Far 155 Have Been Recovered From the Mather Mine.**

**210 WERE ENTRAPPED**

**Fourteen of Those Rescued Are Reported Still Living.**

(Special to The Daily Mail)

Mather, Pa., May 23—Forty-one bodies remained to be removed today from the debris of the Mather Collieries Company mine, where 210 men were trapped in an explosion on Saturday.

During the night the bodies of sixty-three victims were located and lifted to the surface, bringing the number of recovered bodies to 155.

Fourteen survivors, some in Waynesburg hospitals were still living today.

Our own opinion is that the blushing bride, if any are that way, is suffering from conscious embarrassment superinduced by the unpleasant consciousness that her little world is calmly sizing up the funny thing she is annexing.

## Lord Buckland Noted British Financier Met a Tragic Death

**His Head Crushed When a Horse Which He Was Riding Collided With a Telegraph Pole—Was a Leading Mine Owner and Had Just Put Through a Great Industrial Merger.**

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Newport, Wales, May 23—On the verge of his conclusion of one of the greatest industrial mergers in British history, Lord Buckland, leading coal mine owner, financier and general industrialist was killed today.

Lord Buckland went out before breakfast this morning to exercise a horse in the big stables at his estate, Bucklands, near Bwlch, Breconshire.

The horse was going at a gallop when it collided with a telegraph pole. Lord Buckland's head was crushed. He died in Stanley soon afterwards.

## THE COOK ARSON CASE IS BEING TRIED AT BURTON

The case of the King vs. Harvey Cook, of Devon, indicted last year on a charge of arson in connection with the alleged burning of what is known as the Hallett House at the the Three Tree Creek, early in the summer of 1926, was begun yesterday at Burton before Judge Crockett. Daniel Mullin, K. C., of Saint John, is Crown counsel, and R. W. McLean, of Fredericton, is the lawyer for the accused.

The five witnesses called to the stand by the prosecution were T. Gilford Slipp, Fredericton Junction, tax collector; Arthur McLaughlin, farmer, who lives near the destroyed building at Three Tree Creek; John Booker, of North Devon, who told of Cook having the property burned for its insurance; Mrs. Mildred Booker, his wife, and Clifford Lunn, of Fredericton.

The burning of the Hallett property took place near the end of April, 1926, and it is alleged by the Crown that Cook, who obtained a deed of the property from George Hallett, acquitted a year ago of a charge of burning the building, employed Frederick Price to act as incendiary, on promise of payment of \$50. Insurance amounting to about \$1,200 was collected by Major J. S. Scott, of Fredericton, who holds a mortgage on the property and in whose name the policy was taken out.

## TO EXPLORE THE PROVINCE FOR MINERALS

Notice appears in the Royal Gazette today of the incorporation of New Brunswick Exploration Company, Limited to conduct exploration work for mines and minerals of the Province of New Brunswick and to carry on the business and operations of a mining, milling and reduction company.

The incorporators are: Colonel W. H. Harrison, M. L. A., Captain Gerald G. Anglin, and Miss Alice M. DeForest, all of Saint John. The authorized capitalization is \$50,000, and the head office of the company will be in the city of Saint John.

## HEAVY LOSS IN MILK BOTTLES

New York, May 23—The value of lost, strayed, or stolen milk bottles in the big town and vicinity is put at \$2,600,000 a year by dealers.

## EMPIRE DAY OBSERVED IN CITY SCHOOLS

**Representative of the I. O. D. E. and Scout Masters Visited the Different Departments — Prizes Were Presented.**

Empire day is being fittingly observed in the schools of the city this afternoon. In practically all of the departments programs of a patriotic nature were carried out by the pupils in the presence of representatives of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire. Addresses appropriate to the day were delivered.

At the St. Dunstan's School an address was delivered by Mr. W. B. V. Riddell. Mrs. W. C. Crockett was the I. O. D. E. visitor. Four volumes of Dent's Canadian History have been added to the set of books the Sir Howard Douglas Chapter has donated to this school.

The Empire day address at the Charlotte street school was delivered by District Cub-Commissioner Prof. Pugh. Two famous war memorial pictures have been donated to this school. The I. O. D. E. visitors were Mrs. A. T. McMurray and Mrs. Hugh Calder. Five library readers buttons have been won by pupils of this school. Two volumes of Dent's History have been presented to complete the set.

At the Morrison Mill school Rev. Alban Bate delivered the Empire day address. Mrs. H. G. Chestnut and Mrs. Stanley Wainwright were the visitors. Fourteen library buttons have been won in this school. Five volumes of Canadian history readers will be donated.

The Doak Settlement School was visited by Mrs. John Black and Mrs. H. V. B. Bridges as I. O. D. E. representatives. Ald. L. R. Bull delivered the Empire day address. Mrs. Bridges presented two prizes and Mrs. Black gave a special prize to the youngest pupil. Seventeen library buttons and also flag folders were presented.

## INDICTED FOR PERJURY

John A. Belyea, druggist, of Fredericton, arrested on a bench warrant by the provincial police on a charge of perjury alleged to have occurred in the hearing of the Hazen Banks murder trial at Burton in April, appeared in Court at Burton yesterday and pleaded not guilty.

He was released until his case comes up for hearing on June 5, bail being placed at \$2,000. Two Fredericton produced securities of \$500 each, beside \$1,000 put up by the accused.

## FREDERICTON'S TAX RATE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED

**Will Be \$2.50 on Each \$100 as Against \$2.58 Last Year—Increase in Assessable Property of \$361,203—Number of Polls Has Been Increased by Fifty-Seven.**

The city assessment roll for the year 1928 has been completed and the tax notices will be sent out by the city treasurer in the course of a few days. The outstanding feature of the 1928 assessment roll is a cut of eight cents in the tax rate, and an increase of \$361,203 in the assessable property and an increase of 57 in the number of polls. The total of assessable property and income last year was \$10,548,000 while for the present year it is \$10,709,203. The inside tax rate has been fixed at \$2.50 and the outside rate at \$1.86. The outside income rate without schools is \$1.60 and on real and personal property without schools is \$1.30.

### An Excellent Law.

The present is the second year for the new assessment law, which was framed by a commission composed of Dr. Kierstead, John A. Reid and J. Bacon Dickson. Those who predicted that the new act would be failure have another thing coming to them. The law is not only a good one, but it has been administered in a fair and equitable manner, and for this the greatest credit must go to the principal assessor, Mr. Peter Farrell. He has labored unceasingly in the administration of the act and success has crowned his efforts.

The statement of the years assessment as given out by Mr. Farrell is as follows:—

### CITY OF FREDERICTON ASSESSMENT FOR 1928.

Real Estate ..	\$ 6,219,730
Personal Est.	1,875,659
Income .....	2,613,814
	\$10,709,203
Inside Rate ...	2.50
Outside Rate ..	1.86
Outside income	
no school, ..	1.60
Outside real	
and personal,	
no school ...	1.30

Inside total \$10,-	
252,130 at	
2.50 .....	\$256,303.25
Outside total	
\$457,073 at	
1.86 .....	8,501.55
	\$264,804.55

Special Taxes—	
2162 polls ....	10,810.00
Banks .....	6,423.34
Insurance Co. .	3,625.76
Telephone Co.'s	
Tax .....	2,474.20
Special school	
tax .....	1,580.85
	24,904.15
	\$289,708.95

Assessment	
Ordered ...	267,500
Add 8 p. c. ..	21,400
	288,900.00
	\$ 808.95

The above rate of 2.50 is apportioned as follows:—

Debentures int.	
and Sinking	
Fund .....	\$ 55,299.64
Maintenance of	
Schools .....	112,725.00
Aid to Victoria	
Hospital .....	5,000.00
Main. Public	
Health .....	3,000.00
Main. Municipal	
Home and Poor	7,500.00
Main. Street	
Lighting .....	7,000.00
Main. Fire De-	
partment .....	12,000.00
Main. Roads and	
Streets .....	26,000.00
Main. Public	
Works .....	3,000.00
Main. Adm. of	
Justice .....	16,000.00
Main. City Gov.	
and Contingen-	
cies .....	15,975.00
	14.79
	\$267,500.00
	\$250.00

## BANQUET TO THE PREMIER TO BE BIG AFFAIR

**Every County in the Province Will Have Its Quota at St. John Function on 29th.**

Saint John, N. B., May 22—Every county in the Province will have its quota of representatives in attendance at the banquet to be tendered Premier John B. M. Baxter by his friends throughout New Brunswick at Saint John on Tuesday, May 29.

"Applications for reservations are coming in to Secretary Harold W. Kinsman from all parts of the Province," Hoon, L. P. D. Tilley, chairman of the committee of arrangements for the banquet stated today, "and the chief difficulty facing the committee is apparently going to be that of allotting reservations. With 300 the maximum number that can be accommodated at Pythian Castle, the largest banquet hall in the city, it has been deemed necessary to name next Saturday, May 26th, as the latest date when applications for reservations can be accepted. We have apportioned the reservations so as to give a proportionate number for each constituency. The enthusiastic response to the proposal to honor the Premier has been most gratifying and the committee's only regret is that the seating capacity of the banquet hall is limited to 300."

The total list for the banquet as now under consideration by the committee is to be as brief as possible. The toast of the evening—to the Premier—is to be proposed by John D. Palmer, of Fredericton, while Dr. James V. White, of Shediac, one of New Brunswick's most prominent and eloquent Acadians, will be the second.

## ONE IS AS BAD AS THE OTHER JUSTICE RULES

New York, May 23—A Brooklyn fellow desired to change his name, had wedding invitations engraved, then applied for judicial permission. Justice Druhan ruled: "Anyone who could spell or pronounce the name Cyril Merrill would have no difficulty with Simon Minsky. The application is denied."