

BLAZE DESTROYS WAREHOUSE AND FRUIT AT DEVON

Fire of Unknown Origin in Storeroom Hawkins' Fruit & Produce Co.

\$3,000 Damage

Officials Investigate the Cause; Loss Was Completely Insured

A stubborn fire of undetermined origin almost totally destroyed the storeroom of the Hawkins Fruit and Produce Company at North Devon late Saturday night, in spite of the efforts of the Devon Fire department to control the blaze. The damage was estimated at about \$3,000, all covered by insurance.

The storeroom, which is in the rear of an office building, contained about 600 barrels of apples, 50 bags of onions, a quantity of oranges and peanuts and a large number of empty cardboard cartons. Damage to the building which was valued at \$3,000, was estimated at \$2,000, by Guy Hawkins, Douglas, head of the company, while the contents of the storeroom, valued at \$2,500, were damaged as to cause a loss of \$1,000.

The origin of the fire is unknown. There was no heat in the building. A crew of men was working in the storeroom until about 10.30 Saturday night, an hour before the blaze was discovered. It was stated that none of the men smoked. After the Devon Fire Department had been called, three lines of hose were laid, but the mounting flames were not subdued until four o'clock.

Officials of the Devon Fire Department are investigating the fire in an effort to determine the cause, it was stated by Fire Chief Herbert Estabrooks.

News Briefs

THE SAXBY GALE

Today marks the 68th anniversary of the Saxby gale which swept the Maritime Provinces causing untold property damage and resulting in the loss of several lives. The storm will be remembered by any of the older residents of this city as one of the worst ever experienced in the Eastern Provinces.

HYDRANT BROKEN OFF

The city water department today is engaged in replacing a fire hydrant at the corner of King and Smythe Streets which was broken off by a truck on Saturday morning. The truck was delivering wood to the home of Earle Urquhart on King St. and in backing out onto Smythe St. struck the hydrant and broke it off just above the ground. The water rushing into the air caused a minor flood before the hydrant could be shut off.

COUNCIL MEETS TONIGHT

The regular monthly committee meeting of the City Council will take place this evening in the City Hall, while the Council meeting will take place tomorrow evening. Among the other items of interest which will be aired this evening, it is expected that Alderman W. R. Crawford will discuss the plans of the zoning committees of the Town Planning Commission, which were appointed on Friday evening.

FUNERAL HELD

Many attended the funeral of Mrs. Julia Taylor, which took place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Griffiths, North Devon, yesterday afternoon. The deceased had been a resident of the district for many years, and was well known and respected. Beautiful floral tributes evidenced the esteem with which she had been held by all who knew her. Rev. H. E. Dysart conducted the service, while the choir of the St. Mary's Anglican church, Devon, rendered several hymns. Pall-bearers were Roy Robinson, Frank Titus, John Neill, John Paisley, Albert Myles and Gordon Brewer. Mourners were Frank Jewett, William Jewett, Robert C. Jewett and Frank Griffiths. Interment was made at Sunnybank Cemetery.

Crown Calls Jury to Find Phillips Guilty Both Bigamy Charges

No Defense Witnesses Called in Case of King vs. Wilfred Phillips; Mr. Justice Richards Denied Motion of Defense to Discharge Accused

CONTENDING THAT Wilfred F. Phillips had carried out a systematic scheme of changing wives at the end of every decade since 1918, when he started his matrimonial career, Crown Prosecutor A. R. Murray this morning called the petit jury of the York County Circuit Court to bring in a verdict of "guilty" on the two charges of bigamy against the accused in the case of the King vs. Wilfred Phillips, which is under trial at present before Mr. Justice C. D. Richards.

The argument of W. J. West, counsel for the defense, in favor of the acquittal of the accused, was continued this morning when court was reopened after a recess since Friday afternoon. The counsel cited different bigamy cases and statutes in support of his contention.

Mr. West made a strong point of the smaller amount of extra territorial power over subjects possessed by the Canadian government as compared with that possessed by the British Government.

The prosecuting attorney, A. R. Murray, had no remarks to make and Mr. Justice Richards refused the motion. "It is not my intention to quash the indictment," His Lordship stated, after noting that he considered the evidence sufficient.

The motion of the defense counsel was that the jury be instructed to bring in a verdict of not guilty on both counts or at least on one count, or that the court withdraw the case from the jury and discharge the accused.

In summing up the argument of the defense counsel, Mr. Justice Richards stated that the person Joseph E. Wilson was registered to solemnize marriage in 1918, when the accused was married to Hildred Iris McLean, although the name was not, and that the correction in name which occurred in the Royal Gazette in 1926 validated all past marriages performed by that clergyman.

As regards the second point brought forward by Mr. West, that the accused had been divorced by his first wife, Mr. Richards stated that this is largely a question of domicile. If the accused was domiciled in New Brunswick at the time the Maine divorce was granted, then it is null and void in this province.

The contention in the second marriage, His Lordship stated, is that it must be proven to be valid. There is sufficient evidence to prove this, he said.

"I'm satisfied that it's my duty on the evidence presented to me to leave the case to the jury," His Lordship stated.

The jury then filed back into the courtroom, it not having been allowed to hear the arguments of Mr. West or the replies of His Lordship.

No Witnesses
Mr. West stated that there were no witnesses for the defense.

There has been no defense evidence in this case, and it is now your duty to pass on the guilt of the accused, stated Mr. Murray, in opening his address to the jury.

The Crown Prosecutor emphasized on the jury the seriousness of the offense and, in reviewing the evidence, stated that the truth of the evidence of Hildred Iris McLean Phillips and that of her mother cannot be questioned.

Mr. Murray submitted that the accused had an intention to remarry after his separation from his first wife, and that he exhibited a complete disregard of the laws of this country when he urged her to obtain an American divorce.

Only Valid Marriage
The first marriage, that with Hildred Iris McLean Phillips, is the only valid marriage, in existence today, to which the accused was a party, Mr. Murray emphasized.

Mr. Murray minimized the importance of the argument of the defense centering around the question of whether Rev. Joseph E. Wilson was registered to solemnize marriage in this province when he married the accused and Hildred Iris McLean in 1918. He repeated, in substance, the words of Mr. Justice Richards, that the mistake was not one of identity or person, but of name only.

Mr. Murray reviewed the evidence of Rev. William G. Kirschebaum, the Houlton clergyman who stated that he performed a marriage ceremony before.

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LOSSES GREATLY REDUCED BY FIRE PREVENTION W'K.

From 110 to 67 P. C. In 16 Years, States the Fire Marshal

Firemen Parade

Elaborate Program to Mark Commencement of Week in This City

That Fire Prevention Week has been greatly responsible for reducing fire losses in the Dominion from 110 per cent to 67 per cent within the last 16 years, was cited by the provincial fire marshal, H. H. McLellan Saint John, in his address before the assembled firemen at the dinner in the Waverley Hotel yesterday. The dinner, which was tendered to the 175 visiting firemen and guests by the local department, followed the church parade to Christchurch Cathedral which was addressed by Very Rev. Dean W. H. Moorhead, and the placing of a wreath at the foot of the Cenotaph by Fire Chief Harry E. Tracey, Calais.

The ceremonies which were the commencement of Fire Prevention Week in this city, bore a strong international flavour, departments from different parts of Maine and New Brunswick being in attendance.

Firemen's Association Meets

The day also featured an impromptu meeting of the Maine-New Brunswick Firemen's Association at which the president of the association, D. W. Bailey of this city, presided. The fire department of East Machias, Me., joined the association.

Chief speakers at the dinner were Mr. McLellan, Deputy Mayor Ray T. Forbes of this city; Chief Tracey of Calais; H. E. Hyatt, chairman of the fire committee of St. Stephen; Aldermen B. R. Ross and David McCaughey of this city; Alderman G. Noble of Milltown, Me., and Fire Chief G. R. Ryder, St. Stephen.

Mr. McLellan, Deputy Mayor Forbes, and Aldermen McCaughey and (Continued on Page Five)

AWARD TWELVE SCHOLARSHIPS AT UNIV. OF N. B.

Irvine Cameron of This City, Recipient York Co. Scholarship

All Freshmen

C. Alvin Gardley, Woodstock, Only Double Winner in List

Twelve scholarships, including eight county scholarships, to the University of New Brunswick has been awarded, it was announced today by Joseph W. Sears, registrar of the University. The only local winner was awarded the York County Scholarship.

Winners of the other country scholarships are as follows: Kent Co., Miss Jane Gregory, Richibucto; Victoria Co., Miss Geraldine Hansen, New Denmark, Charlotte Co., Miss Ella L. Armstrong, St. George; Carleton Co., C. Alvin Gardley, Woodstock; King Co., Gordon Myers, Sussex; Gloucester Co., Harold Gammon, Bathurst; and Albert Co., Miss Helen Duffy, Hillsboro.

The winner of the Whelpley Scholarship is Arthur J. Lawrence, Prince William; of the scholarship of the Highland Society of the Miramichi, Samuel W. McKnight, Centre Napan; of the Fleming Scholarship, C. Alvin Gardley, Woodstock; and of the Wilnot Scholarship, George R. Logan, Saint John.

All Freshmen

The only double winner was C. Alvin Gardley, Woodstock, who was awarded both the Carleton County scholarships and the Fleming Scholarship. All recipients are first year students, it was stated by Mr. Sears.

The county scholarships are for two years, each year the holder being advanced \$30. The other four scholarships are each of one year's duration. The Whelpley Scholarship is valued at \$60, that of the Highland Society of the Miramichi, at \$75, the Fleming (Continued on Page Five)

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