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# FROM THE RURAL DISTRICTS

## NASHWAAK.

March 1.—A concert and basket social are to be held in the school house at the mouth of Penniac in the near future. Miss Bradley, our teacher, has charge of the arrangements and all are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Harry Allen recently purchased a valuable piece of land from Mr. Richard McDonald. The purchase price was in the vicinity of \$800.

John R. Barter, with James Cameron's press, is working at Sugar Island, pressing hay for Frank Clements.

Four young men, Fred and Josiah Saunders, and George and Harry Lawson, who went to the lumber woods in Carleton Co., have been rather unfortunate. Soon after arriving at their destination they found that there had been diphtheria in the camp. They then left this camp and went to another but on one of their number beginning to get a sore throat they thought it best to start for home. They walked a distance of some 60 miles to Plaster Rock station and came home by C. P. R. They are now quarantined by Dr. Fisher in a house at the mouth of the Penniac, where one of the Saunders boys has developed a bad case of diphtheria. As there are only the four boys in the house they have painted in large letters under the diphtheria placard "Female Cook Wanted."

Mr. Hanford Dunphy has four teams rushing in the spruce logs to the Nashwaak. He has been much inconvenienced by the warm weather.

Woodford Dunphy has about finished his lumber operations. He will be done hauling this week.

A private siding has been put in at Luther Goodspeed's on the I. C. R. from which nearly a dozen cars of hay and straw have been shipped in one month.

Mrs. Isaac Manzer, who was stricken with paralysis over two years ago is still living, though very low.

Mr. Odbur Dunphy's condition remains about the same.

A large pier 50x30 on the bottom, has been erected in the Nashwaak, above Marysville, where the Gibson Company hold their logs, to replace the one torn out by the ice jam last winter. The cost of erection will exceed \$2500.

## UPPER QUEENSBURY.

March 2.—The weather for the past few weeks has been mild and pleasant, with scarcely any snow. Since the recent thaw there is hardly snow enough for the lumbermen to continue hauling.

There are quite a number of people ill in this place at present, but we are pleased to say as yet there is nothing serious except bad colds and whooping cough.

# NEWS OF SPORT

JEFF NETS \$62,812.

Big Athletic Tour Financial Record-Breaker.

James J. Jeffries drew down \$62,812.28 for his tour of eighty-three days, in which time he appeared at 101 performances. He received a salary allowance of \$12,666.66, while his share of the profits amounted to \$50,145.60.

The gross receipts of the tour amounted to \$203,712.13, of which the company's share was \$148,616.23. This was the pith of the statement issued by Harry Frazee, who managed the show from the time it started at Atlantic City, Nov. 17, 1909, until it closed at Hibbing, Manitoba, on Feb. 12.

Wrestling Champion Frank Gotch received a salary allowance of \$13,666. Frazee and Sam Berger, who was the former's partner in the venture, took for their end \$43,326.13. There was considerable expense at-

tached to the tour, which was paid by Frazee, except hotel bills, these being paid by the principals. Railroad fares, including private cars on part of the journey, amounted to \$10,463.10, while incidental expenses reached \$6,281.31.

The show opened at Atlantic City, and all the principal cities of the United States and Canada were visited. The company traveled 22,112 miles, was eighty-three days on the tour, appeared in ninety-eight cities, and gave 101 performances.

If Jim Jeffries whips Jack Johnson in July he is going to repeat Theodore Roosevelt's African hunt, magazine articles and all, but he will not attempt to copy Mr. W. D. Boyce's balloonograph expedition on account of the great cost.

Frederick G. Bonfils, half owner of the Denver Post and Kansas City Post, who is now on his way to Khartum to invite Colonel Roosevelt to return to America via San Francisco, has arranged the hunt, but it is dependent upon the retired champion's victory.

There has been considerable speculation and comment about an article which recently appeared in the Gleaner, in which the Federal Government was severely attacked by one purporting to be a Liberal from Harvey. The general impression is that such a Liberal as this does not belong to Harvey.

## CENTRAL KINGSCLEAR.

March 4.—The roads are in good condition and the farmers are hauling their hay from the islands and getting their wood hauled.

The Goodine brothers have commenced their spring work with their wood sawer. They are hustlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKay and son, Walter, left for their home at Gleichen, Alberta, Monday. They will spend a week at Montreal, Winnipeg and Medicine Hat. Mr. McKay has been very successful in the west and speaks in great praise of his home in sunny Alberta and would advise young men who are starting out in life to give the west a fair trial. To succeed they must be honest, sober and industrious.

Miss Maggie Basterach of Fredericton, is visiting her friends at Kingsclear.

The Baptists of Lower Kingsclear, intend having a concert Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bailey arrived from Calgary, N. W. T., to visit Mr. Bailey's mother, Mrs. D. F. Knight. The latter has been in very poor health but we are glad to say she is improving.

Miss Nellie Cliff entertained a number of her friends from Fredericton at her home here.

Quite a number of young people intend to drive to Fredericton to attend the dedication of the Reformed Baptist Church on March 6th. The special evangelistic services will be conducted by C. W. Ruth of Indianapolis.

## SOUTHAMPTON.

March 5.—The United Baptists held a very successful donation at the beautiful residence of G. A. Grant last night and collected \$70 in cash and goods for their popular pastor. Rev. Mr. Rutledge, was realized. There was a very large crowd present and at midnight a sumptuous supper was served.

H. W. Shaw, of New York, late of Hawksbury, was here a week ago, intending to dismantle his large plant in connection with his tannery; but, hearing strong talk of the Valley railway, went back without doing anything. At Canterbury Station, in conversation with a resident of Pokio, Mr. Shaw said if the road went he would come back and go into business heavier than ever.

Nevers Fox has returned from Carleton county and is lumbering for W. H. Cronkhite. He is living in the Wayhouse.

Melbourne Dunham, of Dunham Bros., millmen, of Campbell Settlement, left on Monday for the Canadian west. He took a carload of potatoes, four splendid horses, their harnesses, sleds and wagons, all his household furniture and enough of every kind of lumber to build a house and barn—even spikes and nails—when he gets there. Mr. Dunham is a member of the local board of trade here and has done all in his power to bring about the building of the Valley railway; but, hearing adverse reports of late, he made up his mind to wait no longer; and so New Brunswick loses one more splendid family—and not a small one—that would be equal to the whole 300 immigrants Mr. Hazen claims he has brought into the province.

Another railway meeting was held in the Orange hall at the mouth of Campbell Settlement road last Saturday evening and the story told by John S. Brooks about the advertisement he once saw of "all sorts of wiggling, riggling, twisting and tumbling done in here," has kept many laughing ever since. He wants a railway.

The Primitive Baptists held their quarterly meeting in their church (recently organized), over in Canterbury in what is known as the Hillman meeting house at Belvoir Bar, beginning on Saturday, the 19th inst. A very large gathering is anticipated.

# HAZEN AND FOWLER OF THE SAME MIND

Interesting Correspondence Brought to Light in an Albert County Case—A Siamese Twin Letter

(Moncton Transcript.)

For the information of those who are interested in the administration of justice in the county of Albert, James Hyslop desires to have published the correspondence concerning a case in which he is an interested party. The correspondence is between Mr. Hyslop, Premier Hazen and Geo. W. Fowler, of Sussex, and is of an interesting nature.

In June last Mr. Hyslop, who is a constable, was the complainant in a case against Edson E. Peck, of Hopewell Cape, charging the latter with assault. The case was heard, George W. Fowler representing the crown, and the jury disagreed, standing eleven for conviction and one for acquittal. Mr. Fowler advised Mr. Hyslop to endeavor to secure a new trial in October, and Mr. Hyslop wrote to Premier Hazen. Nothing was done at the October session, or at the January session, and Mr. Hyslop again took the matter up, and wrote to Premier Hazen on February 7, inquiring what he proposed to do in the case.

Mr. Hyslop received two replies to this inquiry, one from Premier Hazen, and the other from Mr. Fowler, and the peculiar point is that the premier's letter, dated February 14, is an exact duplicate of Mr. G. W. Fowler's letter, which is dated February 11, and it would be interesting to learn how Mr. Fowler exactly anticipated the phraseology of Mr. Hazen's letter.

## MR. HYSLOP'S LETTER.

The letters are given in full, as follows:

Albert, A. Co., N. B., Feb. 7, 1910.  
Hon. J. D. Hazen, Premier, Attorney-General, etc., St. John, N.B.,  
Dear Sir,—On October 15, 1909, I wrote you as follows: "At the last sitting of the Albert county court in June last an indictment was sent before the grand jury charging Edson E. Peck with having unlawfully resisted me, a constable and peace officer, in the lawful execution of my duty as such constable and peace officer. The twenty-three grand jurors were, as I believe, unanimous in finding a true bill against accused. The case was tried at that court and the jury disagreed, standing eleven for conviction and one for acquittal. The accused then entered into recognizance to appear at the October sitting of the court and take his trial for said offence."

George W. Fowler, K. C., prosecuted for the crown on that trial. A short time ago I talked with Mr. Fowler about having the case tried at the October court. He claimed that the matter was in your hands and advised me to write you and lay the facts before you and get your consent to a new trial. Mr. Fowler expressed his opinion that the evidence was very clear against the accused. The constables of this county are desirous of knowing whether or not they can be resisted and assaulted and have no redress. I would respectfully ask that you authorize a re-trial of the case. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience, so that I may have witnesses summoned.

Your obedient servant,  
(Sgd.) JAMES HYSLOP.  
On the 19th day of October I received your reply as follows: "St. John, N. B., October 18, 1909. James Hyslop, Esq., Albert, Albert Co., N. B. Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor of the 15th inst. I have written to Mr. Fowler, asking him for a report regarding the matter to which you refer in your letter."

Yours truly,  
(Sgd.) J. D. HAZEN.

As the October sitting of the Albert county court and also the January sitting of the circuit court have passed and the re-trial has not taken place, I thought I would again call your attention to the matter as I consider it of great importance to the constables of the county to feel that they can, without fear, discharge the duties of their office and have the assurance that those who interfere with them will be adequately punished.

Please let me know what you propose to do with this matter, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

JAMES HYSLOP.  
WHICH IS WHICH? THE POLITICAL SIAMESE-TWIN LETTERS.

Feb. 11th, 1910

Mr. James Hyslop,  
Constable,  
Albert Co., N. B.

Dear Sir:—  
I am in receipt of your favor under date of the 7th instant and would have answered earlier but for press of public business. I do not suppose the delay will in any way prejudice your matter as there are no courts meeting in Albert until June next.

I note what you say in the copy of your letter of Oct. 15th and recall my answer to you of the 19th, and also what you say in your letter

under date of Feb. 7th, enclosing these copies, and have given the matter some consideration.

It is my duty to look at a question of this kind from the public interest solely and to lose sight of the individual and I do not think it in the public interest that there should be a re-trial of your case. As far as I can gather there seems to have been in Albert a considerable amount of unnecessary litigation owing to feuds between parties there and this matter of yours seems to have been one of the results.

If you will remember the trial of the Stewart case, in which as in your case, there was evidence for a jury to find the accused guilty; but in that case the court saw fit to take the matter from the jury and I was urged to have this matter retried but I declined for the same reason that I decline in your case. I do not believe it is in the public interest that these feuds should be encouraged and no very serious harm has been done in either case, nor do I think the refusal to re-open either of these matters will seriously affect the public interest in any way. It would seem to me to be much more in the public interest to allow these matters to die out and the people there who have been engaged in these feuds to give up their strife and live in peace and amity together.

Unless much stronger and better reasons can be given than has yet been presented to me, I think I shall have to decline to allow a re-trial in either case.

In coming to this conclusion, I have been influenced somewhat by the considerable expense which trials of this kind entail upon the county and public ratepayer. If I thought that the administration of justice would be harmed or that constables would be afraid to perform their duties by reason of the experience between you and Mr. Peck, I should take a different course, but even you who are most deeply concerned, will, I think, admit that such would not be the case.

Regretting that I cannot meet your views, I am,

Very truly yours,

GEORGE W. FOWLER.

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