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## THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

Fifty years ago on Oct. 15 last, Mr. William Henry Tuck, then a bright, pink cheeked young man, twenty-two years old, came up to Fredericton from his home in St. John to seek admission as an attorney-at-law, and to start on a career which after years of hard and earnest work landed him at the head of the judiciary of his native province.

Those who remember Mr. Tuck at that early stage of his life, speak of him as a vivacious youth, with plenty of animal spirits, and confidence in himself to secure whatever was likely to be going in his chosen profession. After leaving St. John schools he studied at Mount Allison and was articled as a law student first with the late Hon. L. A. Wilmet, and afterwards with the late William Jack, of St. John.

On securing admission to the bar Mr. Tuck opened an office in St. John and was not long in securing clients. He had a bright, breezy way with him and an earnestness of purpose that soon won him a following which increased year by year as the young attorney exhibited the good stuff that was in him, until when in middle age he enjoyed a large and lucrative practice.

Mr. Tuck had also an eye for any plums that might be floating, and secured the appointment of clerk of the crown and the silk gown of a Q. C. in 1867, and in 1874 the recordership of St. John, holding the first named position until the office was abolished by Mr. Blair in 1884. In 1874 Mount Allison honored him with the D. C. L. degree, and in 1882 he was one of the Conservative candidates in St. John for the House of Commons, failing however of election.

Mr. Tuck had long taken an active part in politics, and after his defeat received the reward that has more than once been handed out to defeated candidates, a seat on the supreme court bench of New Brunswick, a position for which his eminent legal abilities qualified him. This was in 1885, and on the retirement of the late Sir John Allen in 1896, Judge Tuck was appointed Chief Justice, the last important judicial appointment made by the Conservative party in this province. The lawyers who practice before the Chief Justice speak very highly of him as a successful judge, prompt in his decisions, genial and kindly in his treatment of members of the bar. On circuit there is no denying the popularity of His Honor. There is not a county in the entire province in which the Chief is not personally known to a large number of the people, and increasing age seems only to enlarge his sphere of acquaintances and to extend the genial good fellowship for which he has always been noted. The Chief has plenty of dignity when required, but he does not embarrass his friends with a display of that quality, and his genial wit and bright repartees on the bench as well as in the social circle, are noted among members of the legal profession and his personal friends.

When in the political arena the Chief was a very active Conservative, a hard hitter, yet leaving few stings, and although he has been separated for eighteen years from party strife, there is a suspicion that concealed somewhere beneath the judicial garments is a strong sympathy for his former political associates, who were the means of elevating him to his present exalted position.

The Chief has good reasons in looking back on his career to feel a large measure of satisfaction at the success which has been his throughout his life. Possibly the only thing for which he feels regret is that he was once perhaps the innocent cause of sending an editor to jail, but we

presume all this is forgiven now, and that His Honor's newspaper friends rejoice at the celebration of His Honor's fiftieth anniversary quite as heartily as his associates of the bench and bar.

The Chief carries his seventy-two years well, and expects to give a few years more service to his native province as head of the judiciary. The Herald wishes His Honor continued good health, and the worthy rounding out of a long and strenuous career, which reflects credit on himself, as well as on the respectable profession to which early in life he dedicated his ability and energy.

Mr. Foster is in England, and makes his first speech for Chamberlain tomorrow night.

## Marysville News.

(By our own Reporter.)

Nov. 3.—About twenty members of the Epworth League drove to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Handley, on the Nashwaak, last Saturday evening, and were very pleasantly entertained to a real old time Hallowe'en party. All the usual parlor games were provided and heartily enjoyed. Needless to say that all present spent a very delightful evening, and are singing the praises of the popular host and hostess who did all in their power to make every body welcome. During the evening light refreshments were served and the jolly party started on their homeward trip shortly before eleven.

The young people in this community were up to their usual Hallowe'en pranks last Saturday night and although no serious damage was done, one young man was belayed by a crowd of young fellows who stored him until he was compelled to run home for help. With the exception of a few windows being broken everything was rather quiet.

Mr. William Clark returned home last week from the woods where he cut his knee quite badly, but his many friends will be pleased to know that the young man is doing nicely.

John A. Lawson left for Canterbury yesterday to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Dr. Coburn.

Our esteemed friend, Messrs. Elwood Allen and George Nason, have lately gone into the butchering business and started Saturday by killing a pig for Mr. Walter Robinson of Brick Hill. Walter informs your correspondent that they are first class workmen and that it only took about four hours to finish his porker. Anybody wishing their stock butchered cannot do better than calling on these gentlemen for their prices before going elsewhere.

## Gibson News.

(By our own Reporter.)

Nov. 3.—The pulpit of the Baptist church was occupied by Rev. Calvin Currie at both services Sunday. In the evening he was assisted by Mr. Chas. Manzer, the text chosen was from Matt. 27-22, "What shall I do with Jesus." In the evening the text was Rev. 17, "Behold He cometh with the clouds and every eye shall see Him." The reverend gentleman preached very eloquently and held the closest attention throughout his able discourse. The choir rendered some beautiful hymns, the first selection at the evening service being especially good, Mrs. Hiram Brady taking the solo part.

In the afternoon there was a largely attended meeting in the Holiness church. Rev. Mr. Traiton, of Marysville, preached an able sermon in his usual pleasing manner, taking his text from Philippians, Hebrews and John. There was a special collection taken for the purpose of paying the rent which is a little behind.

There is to be a big time next Thursday evening under the auspices of the Orangemen.

With the exception of a few fences being torn down, Hallowe'en went off very quietly.

Miss A. G. Duffy will continue to receive her pupils in art work, painting (water-colors and oils), sketching, art needle work etc., at her home 220 Brunswick street. Evening classes in short hand as usual. Oct 20, d.t.f.

## Fancy Biscuits.

Water ice, Imperial, Windsor (and orange wafers including a large assortment of plain and fancy biscuits just opened at G. T. Whelpley's.—d.

## Will Hold Another.

The young people who attended the private dance held on last Friday evening at the Masonic hall, which proved to be such a pleasant affair, will be delighted to hear that the same committee have about completed arrangements for the one to be held on next Friday evening, as already announced.

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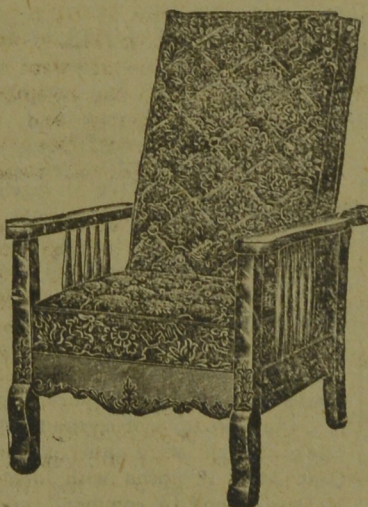
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