

THE FREDERICTON POST OFFICE.

Supt. Ross Holds Conference With the Board of Trade.

AND HEARD SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING THE MAIL SERVICE.

Superintendent Does Not Think That Local Staff is Greatly Overworked.

A meeting of the council of the Fredericton Board of Trade, to confer with Post Office Superintendent Ross in regard to improvements to the local mail service, was held in the office of Mr. W. T. Whitenhead, M. P., on Saturday. The members present were, President Weddall, M. P., J. W. McCready, F. B. Edgecombe, J. D. McKay, J. D. Phinney and J. S. Neill.

Mr. Alex. Gibson, ex-M. P., in introducing Supt. Ross to the meeting, stated that while a representative he had repeatedly, at the request of the Board of Trade, brought the condition of the Fredericton post office to the notice of the authorities at Ottawa, and was glad now that some action had been taken by them, with a view to improving the service.

Supt. Ross then invited the gentlemen present to suggest what changes they believed were necessary, and he would have pleasure in forwarding their recommendations to the Postmaster General.

President Weddall, stated that the delivery window at the post office was now practically closed from the time the western mail arrived, at 11.30 a. m., until 2 o'clock p. m.

The Superintendent expressed surprise that such was the case, and he promised to go into the matter very carefully and see if a remedy could not be found. He thought the window should be kept open continuously and a member of the staff in attendance, at all times when needed.

The matter of having a night shift at the office was brought up by Mr. Gibson and discussed at some length. Mr. Ross and the others present seemed to be quite favorable to the idea. Mr. Ross said that he had consulted the time book while inspecting the office and found that at present some of the employees started work at 5.30 a. m., but were running back and forth all day.

Mr. Tennant wanted the office kept open until twelve o'clock at night for the convenience of box holders. Mr. Ross remarked that they would try it at ten o'clock for a time and see how it worked. The matter was one that could easily be adjusted.

The question of increasing the accommodation at the office was next taken up. Some of the gentlemen thought the windbreak, now on the inside of the lobby should be moved to the outside. They also thought another entrance should be provided on the up town side of the building.

The superintendent admitted that the lobby was somewhat cramped at the present time, and he promised that the matter should have early attention.

Messrs. Edgecombe and McKay complained that the present arrangement, whereby the evening mail for St. John was taken to Fredericton Junction by the six o'clock train and detained there for three hours, was hardly the right thing. They wanted to know why this mail could not be forwarded by the nine p. m. train.

Mr. Ross did not know what the objections were to making the change but promised to make it his business to find out. He did not think the cost of an extra trip for the carrier

could be the only obstacle. Mr. Phinney said there had been a great outcry for extra help at the post office.

Mr. Neill said that it was the practice of many country postmasters, when buying goods in Fredericton to pay for the same in postage stamps. This of course, interfered with the receipts of the Fredericton office and made them look smaller than they really were.

Mr. Ross said that country postmasters received a commission of forty per cent. on stamps, and if Mr. Neill would give him the names of those who used them in payment for goods, he would guarantee that there would be no further loss of revenue to the Fredericton post office from that cause.

Mr. Gibson said that when the present vacancy in the post office was filled, the staff would be greater by one than was the case three or four years ago.

Mr. Edgecombe remarked that Mr. Gibson had always been willing to act on recommendations of the Board of Trade, and he was the only representative who ever placed their views before the government.

Mr. Gibson stated that Mr. Geo. Y. Dibblee was very anxious to have a post office box located near his store.

Mr. Edgecombe approved of the idea, and thought a box at Dibblee's corner would be a source of convenience to many merchants along Queen street.

Mr. Ross asked if it was possible to obtain a blue print map of the city, so that he could ascertain the location of all the boxes, and Mr. McCready promised to provide him with one.

On motion of Mr. Edgecombe, seconded by Mr. Chestnut, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Messrs. Ross and Gibson for their attendance.

Mr. Ross in reply, said that Mr. Gibson had been very active while at Ottawa in bringing the needs of Fredericton before the department. He (Ross) was now giving the Fredericton post office some attention, and he was hopeful of being able to improve the service, without materially increasing the staff.

He did not think the staff was greatly overworked, but he felt that conditions could be greatly improved by rearranging the time schedule of the employees.

Mr. Gibson also briefly thanked the meeting, and in doing so remarked that he was not given to blowing his own horn, nor did he have a newspaper in the family to do it for him. He could assure them that it was no fault of his if the Fredericton mail service was not what it should be, as he had repeatedly urged improvements on the authorities at Ottawa.

Mr. Ross, who had had a lengthy experience in the postal service, and is a gentleman of most pleasant address, impressed the meeting most favorably.

The conference lasted one hour and adjourned at five o'clock.

DEATH BUSY IN CITY AND COUNTRY.

E. H. Jouett, Geo. A. Treadwell and Other Well Known People Succumb to the Last Enemy.

Mr. George A. Treadwell, one of the best known farmers of Sunbury County, died at his home at Upper Mauderville, at an early hour on Sunday morning. He had been ailing for some time from cancer, and a few weeks ago went to Montreal and consulted a specialist, who was able to hold out no hope for his recovery. Since his return he has been steadily failing, and news of his death did not surprise friends and relatives who knew of his condition.

The deceased gentleman was a son of the late Mr. George Treadwell, of Mauderville, and was unmarried. He was forty-seven years of age and is survived by an aged mother, who resided with him, one sister, Mrs. Charles H. Sterling of Gibson, and one brother, Mr. Albert A. Treadwell, of Mauderville.

The late Mr. Treadwell was known

Henry Dewitt, died at her home at Victoria Corner, Carleton County, on Sunday, after a lingering illness. She was a native of Blissville, Sunbury County, and for some years was a resident of this city. A family of four daughters, all living at Victoria Corner, survive the deceased. The remains will arrive here by the Gibson train on Tuesday evening, and funeral is to take place from Long's Hotel on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. John G. Adams undertaker.

EDWARD H. JOUETT.

Mr. Edward H. Jouett of Jacksonville, Fla., a former resident of this city, died in a hospital in New York on Sunday, from the effects of an operation. He was a son of the late Mr. Beverly Jouett, at one time usher of the Black Rod in the legislative council, and a nephew of the late Hon. L. A. Wilnot. He removed to the southern states for the benefit of his health almost fifteen years ago, but last fall paid a brief visit to his old home. He had a large circle of friends, who will be sorry to learn of his death. The deceased was fifty-four years of age and leaves a widow and one son. He is also survived by one brother, Mr. L. A. W. Jouett, and three sisters, Misses Josephine and George Jouett, all of this city, and a married sister in St. John. The remains will be brought here for interment.

JAMES S. YOUNG.

The death occurred at the Victoria Hospital this morning of Mr. James S. Young of Nashwaak, aged fifty-five years. He had suffered from an internal trouble of a malignant nature for some time, and death came as a great relief. He is survived by a sorrowing widow and family of four children. He also leaves four brothers and four sisters. They are Coun. R. L. Young and William Young of Taymouth, John W. of Port Fairfield, Me., Charles D. of this city, Mrs. D. Barker of Mattawamkeag, Me., Mrs. James S. Fairly and Mrs. John C. Fairly of Boiestown and Mrs. George R. Parker of Derby. The remains will be interred at Taymouth. Robert B. Adams is the officiating undertaker.

AN INFANT'S DEATH.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cole, Queen street, died on Saturday night from congestion. The remains were interred in the rural cemetery yesterday afternoon, R. B. Adams, undertaker.

A BIG OPPORTUNITY.

Remember ladies—a 3 pound bag of Ogilvie's Royal Household flour to the first fifty ladies to attend the Food Fair on Wednesday afternoon after 3.30. Our inducement for Thursday afternoon will be a 6 ounce tin of Gillette's Magic Baking Powder, under the same conditions. To show that the gentlemen are not forgotten, a celluloid court plaster case ready for emergency, will be given to the first twenty-five gentlemen to arrive after 7.30 each evening.—d.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Mr. H. H. Gunter, of Boiestown, is among the guests at the Barker.

Mr. Charles S. Everett of St. John, is among the visitors to the city today.

Messrs. John Morrissey and Donald Morrison, M. P. P.'s, spent Sunday at home and returned to the city this afternoon.

Mr. Spencer Sterling of Fredericton, who is recuperating from a serious illness, is making an extended visit on the border.—St. Stephen Courier.

POLICE COURT.

A gentleman of colour, run in by the police on Saturday night, paid a fine of \$4 at the police court, this morning.

Another drunk, also arrested on Saturday night, forfeited a deposit of \$5.

A young man giving his name as Ernest Stanley, and claiming to belong to South Africa, was arrested for drunkenness and interfering with people on the street. As there was nobody in court to prosecute the latter charge, he was remanded until tomorrow morning.

A BAPTIST REVIVAL.

At the close of the service in the Free Baptist church last evening, Rev. Mr. Rideout administered the ordinance of baptism to eight candidates. At the Baptist church, four candidates were baptized, by the pastor, Rev. J. H. MacDonald.

MORE HOCKEY.

The second hockey match in the series for the Whitehead pennant will be played at the Marysville rink tomorrow evening between the Trojans and Crescents.

IT'S A SON.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Gardner are receiving congratulations on the arrival at their home last evening of a young son.

COUNTY COURT.

The March term of the York county court will be opened here tomorrow morning by Judge Wilson.

THE LATE MISS GRAY.

Many Floral Tributes to Her Memory—
Thanks to Kind Friends.

The esteem in which the late Miss Violet Gray was held by her friends in the community was attested by the following beautiful floral offerings, which accompanied the remains to Mount Desert, Me., where interment was made:

Gates Ajar—Employees of the shoe factory.

Wreath, with beautiful bunch of violets—Employees of Anderson & Walker.

Wreath—Walter and Miss Lottie Bishop.

Sheaf of wheat—Mrs. James Christie.

Flat bouquet—Mrs. William McAllister.

Boquet—Miss White.

Flat bouquet—Miss Annie McCorquindale.

Flat Boquet—Mrs. J. McKenzie and family.

Boquet—Mrs. W. B. Phair.

Mr. M. E. Doohan wishes through the Herald to extend his sincere thanks to those friends who assisted him during the illness and death of the late Miss Gray. Mr. Harry Gray brother of the deceased young lady, also wishes to extend his hearty thanks for the many expressions of sympathy which he received during his stay in this city, as well as for the kindness shown his sister while a resident of Fredericton.

BORN.

At Windsor, N. S., March 11, to the wife of Mr. Horace Longley, of the G. T. P. Survey, New Brunswick, a son.

DIED.

At Flower Hospital, New York, Saturday evening, the 18th instant, Edward H. Jouett, only brother of Mr. L. A. W. Jouett of this city aged 54 years. Notice of funeral hereafter.

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Mar. 19-dtf

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The brick house on King st., now occupied by Dr. W. H. Irvine after May 1st. This house has been recently renovated. Apply to

F. B. EDGECOMBE.
Jan. 31-dtf

WANTED

A lad about 16, for office work must be well recommended. Apply in own hand writing, giving references, to P. O. Box 416, City.
March 18-dtf

For Sale.

There will be sold at Public Auction, in front of the City Hall, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd of March next, at noon, the leasehold premises of the late Cornelius Sullivan, with house and small barn thereon, situated on George street, in this city.

JAMES FARRELL,
Executor.

Fredericton, 6th March, 1905—d2eod2wks.

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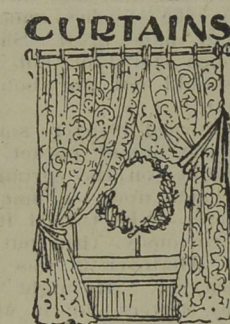
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