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OPPOSITE NORMAL SCHOOL

FIRST JUNE WEDDING

St. John Presbyterian Clergyman Married
Popular Young Lady of that City.

ST. JOHN, June 1.—(Special)—In the Leinster Street Baptist church this afternoon, Rev. Gordon Dickie, pastor of St. Stephen's Presbyterian church, was united in marriage with Miss Maud E. K. March, daughter of the late Dr. J. G. March. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wellington Camp, assisted by Dr. Chalmers Jack, of Sydney, and

Rev. A. B. Dickie, father of the bridegroom. The bride was attended by Miss Muriel Gillis, while Rev. David Lang supported the groom. After the ceremony the newly wedded couple left for Montreal, and will later go to Winnipeg, where Rev. Mr. Dickie will attend the Presbyterian General Assembly.

COUPLE OF FATALITIES

Sea Yields up its Dead—Young Lady Accidentally Killed.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., June 1.—(Special)—The body of Andrew McAuley, aged 49, of Georgetown, was found yesterday on the shore of Montague River, at the head of Georgetown harbor. He had been missing since the night of Dec. 26th, last, and is supposed to have fallen over one of the wharves in Georgetown. The remains of Jennie Powers, aged 18, daughter of Michael Powers, of this city, will arrive tonight from Newton, Mass., where she was accidentally killed on Friday night. She was employed as nurse in the home of Thomas Chappin. While assisting the family in moving, Miss Powers was in an upper room packing furniture. She found a revolver in a bureau drawer, and when removing it, accidentally discharged the weapon, the bullet striking her in the neck and killing her instantly.

PLUNGED INTO RIVER.

Remarkable Accident to a Train in Northern Ontario.

Several Persons Were Killed.

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., May 28.—In one of the worst disasters that has ever been experienced in this country five men were killed and hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of damage done at Current River, on which the incorporation has its water-power. This stream got on the rampage last night, and today practically the whole system, that has cost the city thousands of dollars, is demolished. The park has been torn up, and large streams of water now run through it in several places.

BURST THE DAM.

Last night about 11 o'clock a great torrent of water caused the breaking open of one of the system of dams on the river, and in a short time a vast volume of water was on its torrential way down to the lake, carrying everything before it. The river overflowed its banks at all points, and soon the whole channel was filled. At Black Bay the government bridge was torn away. The next obstruction was the storage dam at Port Arthur. When the water, timber and other portions of the wreck struck the dam the report could be heard for a great distance.

POWER HOUSE SUBMERGED.

Engineer Richmond, who was in charge at the power-house, with great presence of mind immediately shut off the power, and in a minute the power-house was submerged and the water was pouring from all points. He grasped the lantern, intending to go out and flag approaching trains. However, he was unable to do so. The water was up to his waist, and was rushing to the lake in torrents. His lantern was put out, and he had to get back into the power-house. The water had torn away the track on both sides of the bridge for over a mile.

FREIGHT TRAIN PLUNGES IN.

When the torrent of water struck the bridge a C. P. R. freight train was just pulling into Port Arthur, with orders to meet the passenger train. She was running at a good speed. Just before striking the bridge she went into the undermined track. The locomotive turned completely over and five cars went over with it. It was thought impossible for any person to live through the wreck, as in a moment it was under

water and the flood flowed over the top of it.

WENT DOWN WITH ENGINE.

Engineer Savard, Fireman McBride and Brakeman Inman, who were in the locomotive at the time of the accident, were pinned under the engine, and two tramps who were riding in the train are believed to have been killed. This morning hundreds of people visited the wreck, and work has been commenced to get the bodies. So far only one has been found, and this is so badly pinned under the train that it has been impossible to ascertain who it is. Search has been made for others, but so far without success. It is believed that they have been washed out in the lake with the flood of water.

FLAGGED THE EXPRESS TRAIN

Conductor Rose stated that as soon as the wreck took place he at once prepared to flag the eastbound express, but although he was unable to get across the track, he mounted the debris and flashed two lights. By this means he was successful in stopping the train, or the loss of life would have been great. He himself was badly injured, his shoulder being hurt and his hand cut.

SCENE OF DEVASTATION.

The scene is one of great devastation. Where once existed one of the prettiest parks in the west, is now practically a ruin. Houses and stands were swept away, some being taken over half a mile. Fortunately the rain had interfered with the regular traffic or else scores would have lost their lives. The loss, it is thought, will reach half a million dollars, while the power plant of the city is gone.

The C. P. R. will be a large loser, over a mile of track and the bridge being wiped out. The city power plant, light and water systems were crippled, and it will be days before they are repaired. Temporary arrangements for power for lights and street cars may be made with the Canadian Northern & Kaministiquia company at Fort William by connecting the city lines with their system. Large numbers of people today are endeavoring to visit the scene of the catastrophe, but cannot get near it, because it is flooded. The bodies of Engineer Savard, Fireman Inman were recovered this afternoon from under the engine.

LOSS OF \$200,000.

Tories Responsible for Greatly Increased Cost in Dredging Contracts.

OTTAWA, June 1.—The country will have to pay from a hundred and fifty to two hundred thousand dollars this year as the result of the conservative attitude in regard to this year's declining contracts for dredging.

In March the Minister of Public Works had decided not to call for new tenders on certain dredging operations which had been begun the year before, but to extend the contracts at the same rates paid last year.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley said that there were two reasons for this decision. The first was that his engineers reported the rates on all the contracts as reasonable. The second reason was that it was desirable to hurry the work, particularly on some of the Georgian Bay ports where the Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk Pacific railways wanted dredging work at terminal ports as soon as possible, and it would be better to renew the contracts with men who had plants on the spot than to invite tenders and give other contractors time to get their dredges at the contract in case their bills were lowest.

Mr. Bennett of Simcoe, the Conservative member, who makes supervision of dredging his specialty, protested against this and declared that extension of contracts without new tenders was a scandalous evidence of government corruption and graft.

Mr. Bennett was supported in his position of Mr. Borden and the whole Conservative following. They threatened to make this an excuse for the withholding of supplies. Dr. Pugsley announced that he would meet the wishes of the opposition and would cancel the order-in-council extending the Ontario and Quebec dredging contracts and would call for tenders and invite competition. This was accordingly done.

The new tenders with the exception of those from one or two minor places, were all higher than the rates on the contracts which it was proposed to extend. The increases ranged from one or two to twenty-five cents a yard higher than last year's rates.

The losses at the various ports as the result of Mr. Bennett's activity in the interest of public economy are as follows:

ONTARIO.	Total increased cost calculated on engineer's estimates of quantity
Increased	quantity

	Price per yard	to be dredged.
Cents.		
Owen Sound	5	\$ 2,375
Mer'ion	4	1,020
Hamemston	3	2,700
Coburg	7	8,400
Goderich	10	3,000
Midland	2	8,240
Wingfield	13	2,860
Blind River	4	2,340
Trenton	12	7,200
Toronto	6	2,100
Pentanguishene	5	3,150
Waubashene	2	620
Rondeau	7 1/2	5,120
River Thames	7	4,200
Port Edward	5	600
Kincardine	10	840

Total estimated increase for Ontario \$59,355

QUEBEC.

River St. Maurice	2	\$ 5,000
River Godfroy	2	1,700
St. Pierre Les Bacs	16	19,200
Riviere De Concor	1	1,000
Vaudreuil	5	2,250
Assomption	3 1/2	2,427
Riviere Du Loup	8	12,800
Batiscan	6 1/2	13,845
Yamaska River	7 1/2	90,500
St. Francis River	7	10,150
Maskinonge	13	9,230
Nicolet	9	2,340

Total increase for Quebec \$90,442
This makes a total extra cost for the two provinces of \$149,797.

For Little Current in Ontario the new tender was lower than the old contract and there will be a saving of about six thousand dollars. In Quebec there is an estimated saving at Saguenay of twenty-seven hundred dollars. There are the only two cases where there has been a gain by adopting the course insisted upon by the opposition.

Therefore, while calculations show a loss of a hundred and forty thousand dollars, it is thought the amount will be nearer two hundred thousand, as the departmental engineers' estimates of quantities is made for the purpose only of approximating the cost of work and experience has shown that the man with the dredge finds a good deal more material to remove than the engineer estimated there would be.

It is calculated that Mr. Bennett and his friends have taken two hundred thousand dollars from the treasury and put it into the pockets of dredging contractors.

ARRESTED FOR THEFT.

Young Man With Criminal Record Arrested
At Parrsboro.

MONCTON, June 1.—(Special)—Chester P. Thomas, who claims Prince Edward Island as his home, was arrested on the arrival of the C. P. R. express here Saturday afternoon. Thomas was drunk on the train, and drew a big revolver, the cham-

bers of which he emptied through the windows.

The appearance of the formidable weapon of western type, and about a foot in length, was followed by the hasty flight of all the passengers from the car, those who did not go out doors, ducking their heads under the seats.

SCHOONER WRECKED

Vessel and Cargo a Total Loss; Crew Escaped.

SYDNEY, N. S., June 1.—(Special)—The schooner "Julia Forsey," Capt. Chas. Hillier, of Fortune Bay, Newfoundland, which left North Sydney on Saturday with a cargo of coal for Fortune Bay, ran ashore on Cranberry head last night, while putting back to port for shelter. Both vessel and cargo are likely to prove a total loss. The crew got away with most of their effects.

GRANITE CUTTERS STRIKE

All St. George Establishments Closed as a Result.

ST. GEORGE, N. B., June 1.—(Special)—The request of the granite cutters for an eight hour day, has been refused by the manufacturers, and every granite concern is closed today. The cutters were in session this morning, but no settlement is in sight.

OPIUM POPULAR WITH SMART SET.

SAN FRANCISCO WOMEN DRIVE UP IN THEIR AUTOMOBILES TO BUY THE STUFF.

According to Charles Whilden, Secretary of the State Board of Pharmacy in San Francisco, opium smoking is increasing in this city, and young men and women of the smart set form a not inconsiderable part of the growing army of smokers.

Whilden has made twenty-six arrests in San Francisco, nineteen of whom have been white men.

"That the vice of opium smoking is spreading in San Francisco is patent to anyone who cares to give the matter earnest attention," says Mr. Whilden. "In the majority of cases where druggists have been convicted for selling the drug their chief source of income has been derived from women who are able to drive up to pharmacies in their own automobiles."

"Waiter, have you got any Gorgonzola cheese?"

"Yes, sir."

"Is it very nice and white?"

"Yes, sir, very white."

"And good and hard in the middle?"

"Oh, yes, sir, Stone hard."

"Thank's. Gorgonzola cheese ought to be green and very soft!"—Everybody's Magazine.