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Four More Trout and Salmon Stretches Sold

Leases on Restigouche, Kedgwick, Sevogle and Patapedia River Sold on Ten Year Basis—Tentative Bids are Made on Stretches Yet Unsold, so Minister Announces.

Four stretches of New Brunswick trout and salmon waters were sold at the Department of Lands and Mines Thursday morning for prices aggregating \$8,850. These leases, sold for a term of 10 years, are on the Restigouche, Kedgwick, Patapedia and Big Sevogle Rivers, and the prices paid Thursday are the annual rental charges.

Among the successful bidders at Thursday's sale was George W. Hill, of New York, president of the American Tobacco Company, who purchased the lease on the south branch of the Big Sevogle River, excepting the square fork pool, for \$250. Mr. Hill is an annual visitor to New Brunswick and has his fishing lodge on the Sevogle.

Hugh A. Orr, of Campbellton, purchased for the Kedgwick Fishing Club lease on the Kedgwick River at the upset price of \$5,500. This lease includes the waters on the Kedgwick river from its mouth to a point one-quarter of a mile above two mile pool, a distance of approximately 13 miles. The lease on the Restigouche river, from the mouth of the Kedgwick River to the Victoria County Line, was sold to C. H. J. Knapp, of Andover, for the Micmac Fishing Club at the upset price of \$2500, while the lease on the Patapedia river, on the southwestern bank of this river from its mouth to the Quebec boundary, was sold to D. S. Horton, of 460 West 128th St., New York, for \$600, the bidder for Mr. Horton being E. B. Price, of Campbellton.

Following the sale it was announced by the Minister of Lands and Mines that several other stretches of salmon and trout waters, still unsold by the province, are likely to be disposed of within the course of a few weeks. One of the most sought after stretches is that on the Little Southwest Miramichi, which includes the North Pole River, and includes the waters within an area of 300 square miles. This lease was formerly held by George D. Pratt, of New York, and the upset price is \$1000. It is understood that a fishing club, including in its membership several New Brunswick anglers, as well as some prominent non-resident fishermen, is in the course of formation with the idea in view of purchasing this 10 year lease. A tentative bid for the stretch has been made to the Department of Lands and Mines.

In addition there are some 10 valuable stretches for which negotiations are now underway, while several other small leases are to be disposed of in the course of the Department of Lands and Mines. It was announced by the Minister of Lands and Mines that the Department is now open to receive bids on these stretches.

ELLEN SMITH LARSEN

Mrs. Ellen Christena Larsen, widow of Jens Larsen, formerly of Andover, N.B., died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Cook, of Mapleton, Maine, April 8, after painful suffering caused by internal cancer.

Mrs. Larsen was born in Greenfield, N.B., 79 years ago, daughter of Charles and Tennie (Kinney) Smith.

In early life she was united in marriage to Jens Larsen, of Copenhagen, Denmark. Nine children were born of this union, seven of whom are now living, as follows: Charles F., Easton; Tennie, Mrs. W. H. Cook, Mapleton; Mary, deceased; James W., Easton; Wilmet, deceased; C. Hartford, Easton; Minnie, Mrs. W. J. Higgins, Mapleton; Nellie, Mrs. H. B. Buckingham, Andover; and Jennie Earle, Mrs. C. W. McManus, Andover.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 11, at 10:30 a. m., from the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cook, with whom Mrs. Larsen had made her home for the past one and one-half years. Rev. Mr. Bliss, of Presque Isle, officiated in a most comforting manner. Two selections were sung by Mr. and Mrs. Carol Coffin, with Mrs. R. R. Higgins at the piano. The hymns sung were "Rock of Ages" and "Looking This Way."

There were many beautiful floral tributes. R. W. Wright, of Presque Isle, had charge of the funeral arrangements.

At her own request this aged and much beloved woman was cared for during her last illness by the members of her own immediate family, who made many sacrifices to come to her, and the seven remaining children were all present at her funeral.

She was laid to rest in South Side cemetery, Mapleton, beside the husband who predeceased her five years ago.

Mrs. Larsen had many friends by whom she was held in high esteem. She was a devoted wife and mother. A sweet-hearted woman has gone from us, and in the hearts of those who knew her best, her memory will long be cherished.

(Carleton County papers and Fort Fairfield Review please copy).

MRS. EDWARD WITHERLY

The death of Mrs. Edward Witherly occurred suddenly at Weaver, at the age of 79 years, Friday morning. Her death was a great shock to relatives and many friends on the Tobique and elsewhere.

Mrs. Witherly was born at Fort Fairfield, Maine, a daughter of the late James and Lydia McDougall, who came to the Tobique about 75 years ago, making their home at Arthurette. In 1875 she married Edward Witherly and they resided at Arthurette until 24 years ago, when they removed to Weaver. She was a well-beloved woman, a zealous lifetime worker in the Anglican church at Arthurette. Her presence will be missed by a host of friends and acquaintances.

The surviving relatives, besides her husband, are: one sister, Mrs. John Wood, of Caribou, Maine; four daughters, Mrs. B. W. Graham, of Grimsby, Ont., Mrs. Douglas Baird and Mrs. C. E. Raymond, of Perth, and Mrs. J. W. Niles, of Andover; and three sons, Brook, of Weaver, Edward, of Sisson Ridge, and Osgood, of Mazonod, Sask.

The funeral was held on Sunday, with service at the Arthurette Anglican church, conducted by Rev. W. J. Clarke.

The choir consisting of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sadler, Fred Sadler and Mrs. B. T. Marsten, sang the hymns: "Rock of Ages," at the house, and at the church "Going Down the Valley," "The Home Over There," "Rest on that Beautiful Shore," and at the grave "Shall We Meet Beyond the River."

The pallbearers were: Archie Goodine, Albert Burridge, Edward MacInnes and Delbert Brown.

Interment was in the family lot at Arthurette.

WILMA LOUISE FLOWERS

Wilma Louise, five weeks old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flowers, Carlingford, died April 15. The child seemed as well as usual until the day she died, when she took convulsions.

The funeral was held at the home at two o'clock Sunday, conducted by Rev. John Wood, of Andover.

The casket was covered with beautiful flowers, brought by Mr. and Mrs. C. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Flowers. The body was taken to Riverside cemetery, Fort Fairfield, Maine, where she awaits the call of the Life Giver.

HARRY K. DONAGHY

Harry Knox Donaghy, an engineer on the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad, died at 7:35 o'clock Saturday night, April 16, after three weeks' illness, the cause of his death being Bright's disease, intestinal flu and jaundice. Mr. Donaghy had been in rather poor health many years, and suffered much as the result of an injury received while at work on the B. & A.

Mr. Donaghy was born in Forest Glen, Tobique River, N.B., January 28, 1887, a son of the late John A. Donaghy and Mrs. Frances G. Armstrong Donaghy, now of Fort Fairfield. He came to Fort Fairfield about 30 years ago.

July 26, 1911, Mr. Donaghy was married in Stockholm, Maine to Miss Ada Alma Gesner, who survives. He also leaves three children, Miss Jeanette Alma Donaghy, a student at Kirkville School of Osteopathy, Kirkville, Mo., who arrived home Wednesday to attend the funeral; Miss Dora Inez Donaghy, and Jack Edward Donaghy, at home.

Besides his wife, children and mother, he leaves one brother and five sisters, as follows: Blanche, now Mrs. G. A. Gibson, Fort Fairfield; William W. Donaghy, Gardiner; Martha, Mrs. A. H. Tapley, Fort Fairfield; Jennie, Mrs. J. E. Fenelon, Calais; Biney, Mrs. L. H. Larlee, Millinocket; and Jacqueline A., Mrs. Pearce, Fort Fairfield. Another sister, Helen, who was Mrs. Herbert E. Smith of this town, died some years ago.

The funeral was held at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon at Bethel Baptist church, Rev. T. L. Brindley, pastor of the church, officiating. The choir from the Baptist church of Perth, N. B., assisted by Mrs. J. B. Williams, furnished the music, one of the selections being "Going Down the Valley One by One."

The pallbearers were: W. F. Howard, Eugene Hale, James H. Turner, Charles Campbell, Wilbur Raymond and Perley Moores. Burial was made in Riverside cemetery.

Mr. Donaghy had worked for the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad 27 years, 24 years being an engineer.

The deceased was an excellent man, although his very quiet ways did not facilitate his making a very broad acquaintance or getting acquainted quickly with strangers. He was naturally a mechanic, and, although he did not devote much of any time to that sort of work, was nevertheless very skillful indeed in the care and repair of automobiles. As an engineer he was most efficient and responsible, giving the best of satisfaction to his employers and to patrons of the road. He was a very fair-minded man, industrious to a high degree, and a man who habitually paid his bills fully and promptly. An extremely useful and creditable man has gone from us all

Andover Debaters Win Shield for the Second Time

too early in life, and the mourning for him is deepest among those who best know his excellent characteristics.—Fort Fairfield Review.

(For a short time, about 12 or 14 years ago, the late Mr. Donaghy operated a garage, service station and store in Perth, in the building now occupied by the Ideal Bakery.)

Mr. Buckingham was born in Wicklow, Carleton county, N.B., March 27, 1853, and was married July 19, 1881, to Eliza DeMerchant, who died May 10, 1926. About 32 years ago he moved to Easton, his home being there since.

Mr. Buckingham is survived by one son, Arthur, and two daughters, Mrs. Arthur Clark, Florenceville, N.B., and Mrs. Eva Doak, Easton, also eight grandchildren. He also leaves to mourn two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Kennedy, Easton, and Mrs. Nancy Shaw, Bridgewater, and one brother, James, of Washburn.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, March 26, at the Baptist church, Rev. L. A. Farrer officiating, assisted by Rev. E. Mercer. The pallbearers were his four nephews: Edmund, Dudley, Wesley and Perry Doak. Music was furnished by M. W. Richardson, J. I. McBride, Mrs. Chester Culberson and Mrs. Herbert Dickey, with Mrs. Victor Hoyt at the piano.

The body was placed in the vault at the Estes Park Cemetery, for interment later in the Pomphrey burying ground at Clearview, Carleton County, N.B.

Among the people from out of town to attend the funeral were: James Buckingham, Washburn; Roy Doak, Caribou; Wesley and Perry Doak, Presque Isle; Mrs. Leon Belyea, Mars Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark, Florenceville; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckingham, Beaconsfield, N.B.

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Teachers' Salaries

To the Editor,
Dear Sir:

I have been reading with interest and some amusement the accounts in the daily papers concerning the zealous discussions of our honorable government in regard to reducing teachers' salaries.

I have taught school for seven years and realize who pays the taxes, and this year a good many of us accepted a hundred dollars less without any act of parliament to guide us. I am safe in saying that teachers are sensible enough to accept the salary which the district is able to pay and do it willingly enough, since the price of board is reduced accordingly.

It seems a most unfair way to go about the business. A hundred dollar cut to some teachers in cities or towns would be about 3-13 per cent. cut, while to some country teachers it amounts to a 20 per cent. cut. The government members and railroad officials took a 10 per cent. cut and no doubt think they have done nobly. Depression has not affected their work or their living — they are above it.

The business of living is pretty well understood by most of us. Some of our honorable M.P.'s, began their illustrious careers by teaching school, so they know the sorrows that are found therein. Further, we know how hard it is for the farmer and others living in the country to pay his taxes this year and for several preceding ones. I know of cases where poor men with no money to pay their taxes were refused a day's work on the road because they belonged to the wrong political party. Is our government honourable? Webster's Dictionary may be consulted for the meaning of the word "honourable."

Further, I would say that the humble profession of teaching school is noble and worthy. The boys and girls of today are the men and women of tomorrow, and the salary paid has never been so high that one felt like investing the surplus in government bonds at the end of the year.

We all know the outrageous amounts of public money which have been spent and wasted on the roads in the past few years, where countless dollars were paid to men who did nothing except acquire a coat of tan. The teacher faithfully does her duty from nine to four o'clock trying to mold characters for future members of parliament (?) and the common laborer with pick and shovel put in two hours more time and received several times the amount of his or her wages for taking sun-baths. This year when the farmer has no market for any of his farm produce, was not

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Plaster Rock School Team Defeated in Andover Friday Evening—Close Decision, 2-1.

The final interscholastic debate, of the Victoria County Debating League, was held Friday evening in the Specialty theatre, Andover, when the team of the Andover Grammar school won the decision over the team of the Plaster Rock superior school. This was the second consecutive year that Andover has won possession of the shield, Plaster Rock holding it for the three years previously. The other members of the league are the Perth and Aroostook schools.

The resolution Friday evening was, "Resolved that the Cotsworth Thirteenth-Month Calendar should be adopted." The affirmative was upheld by the Plaster Rock team and the negative supported by the Andover debaters. The decision was in favour of the negative, the vote being one for the affirmative and two for the negative. Mrs. John Ogilvy, of Killburn, R. W. Demmings, of Aroostook, and G. B. McKenzie, of Bristol, were the judges.

The platform of the theater was decorated with the colours of the two schools. On the platform were the debaters, the timers, the Misses Agnes Cassidy and Gwen Tweeddale, and the chairman, Miss Doris Ritchie. Miss Ritchie introduced the debaters of each team, explained that part of the Debating League constitution bearing on the debate, told of the organization of the league, and explained one or two points in connection with the resolution, saying that the Cotsworth thirteenth-month calendar was proposed by one, Moses Cotsworth, in 1895. To obtain permanent possession of the shield, Miss Ritchie said, it was necessary that it be won seven times.

Miss Margaret Marsten, leader of the Plaster Rock team, was the first speaker. She explained some of the points in connection with the Cotsworth calendar, emphasized its simplicity, value to business and stated that it was a necessary change in this age of progress. Edgar Ritchie, Andover leader, followed, then Miss Betty McLeod, for Plaster Rock, Paul Moore for Andover, Miss Erva Ingraham, for Plaster Rock, and Robert MacIntosh, for Andover. The negative speakers brought out as counter arguments the resultant confusion of dates if a thirteenth month calendar was adopted, the many probable lawsuits, increased costs of doing business, and emphasized that such a calendar was not really needed. Speakers for both teams referred to the League of Nations report on calendar reform, finding therein arguments for the support of their side. Mr. Ritchie, in his first remarks, stated that it was the Cotsworth thirteenth-month calendar that the Plaster Rock debaters must show should be adopted and not one of the many other plans under consideration by the League of Nations, and throughout the debate the Andover debaters assailed particularly the Cotsworth calendar. The Plaster Rock debaters probably exhibited smoother delivery, and Andover presented the superior arguments.

The theatre was filled to capacity with interested friends and relatives. Following the debate a social hour, in honour of all the members of the debating league, was enjoyed by the students.

BASEBALL BENEFIT DANCE ON WEDNESDAY LAST A SUCCESS

The dance held on Wednesday evening in McCluskey's hall in aid of the baseball team was well attended. A number of people from Van Buren and other neighbouring towns were present. The five-piece orchestra furnished delightful music and everyone reported a real good time.

On Friday, May 6, the second of a series of dances, under the auspices of the baseball team will be held. All these dances will be chaperoned. All are cordially invited to attend. Good dance music will be furnished by local orchestra, and as usual delicious refreshments will be obtainable at McCluskey's restaurant.

PETER S. LAFOREST.

PLASTER ROCK

April 25—The weather still continues very cold. Friends of William Church were sorry to hear of him being ill, and had to be taken to Fredericton hospital last week for treatment.

A farewell party was held in the Odd Fellows hall on Wednesday, April 13, for Mr. and Mrs. J. Jacques, who are leaving town to make their home in Saint John. On behalf of those present they were presented with a lovely rocking chair and jardiniere.

On Wednesday of last week the W.A. held a supper in the Orange hall, which was well patronized. All present enjoyed the good things provided. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wright were supper guests of their daughter, Mrs. B. P. Witherly on April 21, it being the occasion of Mr. Wright's birthday.

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Two Automobile Convictions and One Drunkenness Charge.

On Monday, George Gallagher, of Andover, was brought up before Magistrate N. A. Hanson and fined for driving an automobile faster than allowed in the village of Aroostook. Constables Wilson and Wood, R.C. M.P., made the arrest.

Glenwood Cahill, of Easton, Maine, charged with operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor on Monday, appeared before Magistrate Hanson on Tuesday and was given seven days in jail. High Sheriff E. V. Bishop made the arrest on the "Gulch" road.

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HALLETT-FOWLER

A very pretty but quiet wedding was solemnized in Trinity church, Saint John, on April 17, when Rev. C. Gordon Lawrence united in marriage Myrtle Marguerite, daughter of Albert J., and the late Mrs. Fowler, of Fredericton, and Arnold Clarence, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hallett, of Perth.

The bride looked very charming in a black flecked suit with accessories to match. They were attended by Russell Fowler, brother of the bride, and Arthur Barrett, of Saint John, friend of the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallett left immediately for a short trip to Montreal.

NEW GROUPING OF CHURCHES IS PROBABLE

At a meeting of representatives of the Aroostook, Andover and Perth United Baptist churches, held in the Andover church Tuesday evening, a resolution was passed favouring grouping of the three churches with one minister as up to three years ago. Three years ago the group separated, Andover and Perth remaining together with one minister, and Aroostook, Grand Falls and Ortonville, forming a group.

The Seed Grain Plan

Grand Falls, N.B.,
April 18, 1932.

Mr. Editor:

Please allow me a little space in your valuable columns to address a few remarks to the Councilors of the Municipality of Victoria County. I think it would be a wise move by the Councilors to help those who need seed this spring. Those who have no grain to sow cannot buy it because those who have grain to sell want their money down for it. It's about the only thing that they can derive any cash from, in view of the prevailing price for potatoes and livestock. The successful farmers are holding their seed grain for ready cash to put them through the summer. I presume there are some parishes that this government offer don't matter much to, but their Councilors should join hands with the other Councilors of the county and give the needy a chance.

I would suggest that the Warden of the county call a meeting of the Council and discuss the matter in full. I know it will cost a few dollars to hold a special meeting, but what would it amount to, to give satisfaction to the electors of the county. The Councilor of each parish knows the people and those that they think in their judgment are not sincere, to have a responsible man endorse the note, and if he failed to have these conditions fulfilled before he got the seed, then don't let him have it, but I think those who want the grain are honest enough to meet their obligations when due. If they have no grain they can't do it with potatoes at 15c a barrel.

I know of many good farmers who would appreciate the fulfillment of this offer. It is not often that we have an offer of this kind. It is not for the Councilors to put it in the waste basket. Now is the time to act while the chance is here. This offer, put in the waste basket, will not put grain in the granary next fall.

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Some Agitation for Lower Potato Tariff

Potato Dealers in Cuba Would Like Lower Duty on New Brunswick Potatoes—Reciprocal Action, However, Thought Necessary.

James E. Porter, of the firm of Guy G. Porter Co., Limited, who returned recently from Cuba, where he had represented his firm during the winter, stated in an interview with this newspaper that there was some agitation in Cuba, especially among potato dealers, for a lower tariff on our potatoes. The present duty on imported potatoes is prohibitive, except for seed stock which the Cuban planter must import. The present high duty was increased to its present amount in order to encourage the growing of more potatoes on the island, largely on account of the low price of sugar, Cuba's staple production.

Mr. Porter said, however, that it was felt that some reciprocal action on the part of Canada would be first necessary in order to obtain a lower tariff on the potatoes, at least in the near future.

It costs more to raise potatoes in Cuba than here, Mr. Porter stated, due to the lower yield, about half of what it is on the average in Victoria and Carleton counties. Also the seed is imported.

A lower tariff would probably come in time, Mr. Porter said and stated emphatically that reciprocity was necessary, for instance in regard to the importation of sugar from Cuba into Canada, to make sure of a lower duty on our potatoes within the near future.

TO ORGANIZE FOR SOFTBALL

A meeting of those interested in softball, from Plaster Rock, Perth, Andover and Aroostook, will be held in Perth Monday evening. It is expected that four teams, representative of the places mentioned, will be organized this summer, and on Monday night's meeting a league will organize and schedules drawn up.

PLASTER ROCK SCHOOL

The Interscholastic debate took place at Andover April 22. The resolution was "Resolved that the Cotsworth Thirteenth (Month) Calendar should be adopted." The Plaster Rock speakers, Peggy Marsten, leader, Betty McLeod and Erva Ingraham, upheld the affirmative, and the Andover speakers, Edgar Ritchie, leader, Paul Moore and Robert MacIntosh, upheld the negative. The judges were Mrs. Ogilvy, of Killburn; R. W. Demmings, of Aroostook, and Mr. McKenzie, principal of Bristol school. The judges decided in favour of the negative, the vote being two negative and one affirmative. Miss Doris Ritchie acted as chairman; Agnes Cassidy and Gwen Tweeddale were the timers. Immediately after the debate a social was given in honour of all the members of the Debating League.

Enquiring Reporter would like to know:

1. If Marie Reed is going to learn to play the "violin."
2. Does Claire Brewer's boxer ever hand her a "knock-out?"
3. Does Betty McLeod think that Rawleigh's mustard is "hotter" than any other kind?

Andover Women's Institute Meeting

The April meeting of the Andover Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. Gillett, with Mrs. C. Knapp assistant hostess. After the opening of singing "O Canada" and repeating the Club Women's Creed, the roll call on "Spring" was answered by twenty-five members. Four visitors were present.

Minutes were read and adopted and the reports of the sick and school committees were received. Correspondence was read from Miss Weldon, Mrs. Harrison and Miss Estabrooks.

A motion was passed that two baseballs be purchased for the Grammar School boys.

The treasurer reported that the entertainment of April 13 had brought in \$62.00 for the Institute. Motions were passed that a vote of thanks be extended to those helping with the music and specialties, also to Miss Beth Rogers for her splendid help to the Institute.

Mrs. Dickison thanked the members for fruit sent to her during her illness. Miss Kathleen Farquhar, delegate to the Short Course at Sussex, gave a very interesting and detailed report, and showed many pretty and useful articles she had made during her attendance of the course.

On account of such a long business period the programme for the afternoon had to be postponed. While the lunch was being served Mrs. J. Porter read the minutes of the April meeting of 1932.