PROVINCIAL NEWS

HAVELOCK, Kings Co., May 4.—The barns and outbuildings owned by Mrs. John Powell of Steves settlement were destroyed by fire on Friday.

A well attended pie social in connection with the Methodist church of Steves settlement was held at Killam's Mills on Wednesday evening.

Beacon Star Lodge, I. O. G. T., Spring Hill, was re-organized on Saturday evening. The members of Willow Tree lodge not having a suitable place to hold their meetings, have joined with the Good Templars of Spring Hill.

The ladies connected with Havelock Baptist church have this week renovated the parsonage in anticipation of the new minister and his family, who are expected tomorrow.

Captain and Mrs. Wm. Fownes, who have been at sea several years, are now home. Captain Fownes will not sail with his ship this voyage owing to the illness of his sister, Mrs. E. A. Keith.

Dr. Walker of St. John, Dr. Harry Keith of Kingston, Dr. Flemming of Petitcodiac, and Dr. Rice of Havelock held a consultation in the case of Mrs. E. A. Keith on Wednesday.

Samuel Thorne is again able to be out after his long illness.

Samuel McDonald of Canard, who had his house destroyed by fire a short time ago, has moved to Havelock and will occupy the house owned by the late Marshal Price. LeBaron Dimock of the Elgin and Havelock railway has moved on his farm. Mr. Fletcher will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Dimock. Rev. Mr. Snell has moved into the house owned by John Regan.

W. C. McKnight has again gone to Sydney, C. B. He has been able to secure a shop and will carry on the meat business.

Read Keith of Canaan moved to Boston last week. Jestner Thorne of Canaan road and his family left for the States today. Herbert Corey left for Boston last Monday, and there are more to follow.

The ladies connected with the Havelock sewing circle will hold a bazaar on the afternoon of May 24th, and a supper and concert in the evening.

HAVELOCK, Kings Co., May 5.—Mrs. E. A. Keith died last night. Although she had been very ill, the doctors did not anticipate her sudden death, which was caused by heart failure. The community is shocked and saddened, as she was universally loved and esteemed. Her husband, the late Elias Keith, died eleven years ago. She leaves four children, Dr. Harry Keith of Kingston, Walter S. Keith of Greenwood City, B. C., and Ross A. Keith, now a student of dentistry at Philadelphia, and Miss Ina Keith of this place. Her sister, Mrs. B. R. Keith and her brother, Captain Fownes and her mother are here.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., May 4.—A deep gloom was cast over this place today by the sudden death of William B. Taylor, one of its most esteemed and respected residents. Mr. Taylor was in his usual good health this morning, and after having eaten his breakfast went to a neighbors to visit a sick girl. While there he complained of feeling unwell and immediately started for home. After arriving at his own residence he laid down on a sofa and in a few minutes expired. Heart trouble is supposed to be the cause of his death. He leaves a family of five children, three sons and two daughters. Mr. Taylor, who was 77 years of age, was a consistent member of the Church of England.

At Robertson's Point one day last week, while Chester Dean was teaching his son Roy how to load and cap a gun, the hammer slipped from his grasp, discharging the gun. Mr. Dean had the muzzle of the gun pointed toward the kitchen stove. A cat that happened to be within range was rudely awakened by having its tail shot off. A large hole was torn in the floor and a mat set on fire.

Schooner Joliet, Capt. Fowler, is here taking in a cargo of soft wood for Samuel J Austin.

Miss Agnes McDermott, who has spent the last few years in Boston, is here visiting her mother.

RICHIBUCTO, N. B., May 5.—Capt. Wm. Connaughton has gone to Yarmouth, N. S., to join a vessel.—Mrs. Johnson, wife of Collecton B. E. Johnson, left on Wednesday for Montreal.

Herring have struck in in fair quantities. The lobster fishermen are getting their lines and traps out.

Edward Walker, the Bass River lumberman, is reported to be much improved in health this week.

MEMRAMCOOK, May 7.—Death carried off two of our well known citizens last week. On Thursday morning Ambrose Landry, the well known contractor, died very suddenly at his home in Memramcook East. The deceased gentleman was indisposed for several days, but his sickness was of so mild a type that no fears were entertained by his family. About two o'clock Thursday morning, however, his condition suddenly changed, and he breathed his last before Dr. Gaudet, who had been hastily summoned, arrived. Mr. Landry, who was a man of mild and gentle disposition and enjoyed the respect of all his fellow citizens, was considered one of the best contractors in the county of Westmorland. The funeral of the deceased, which was largely attended, was held from his late residence on Saturday morning. The body was taken to St. Thomas' church, where requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Roy. After the mass the body was interred in the Catholic cemetery at St. Joseph.

The death of John McGowan, J. P., school teacher, occurred about 9 p. m. Friday. Mr. McGowan, who was in his 47th year, had been confined to his bed for several months, and his death, while not unexpected, was a great shock to his family. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon, and was largely attended. The body was taken to the church of St. Thomas, where the prayers for the dead were read by Rev. Fr. Roy. The interment took place in the Catholic cemetery.

Negotiations are being carried on between St. Joseph's College A. A. A. and the Moncton A. A. A. for a game of ball on the latter's ground May 24th inst. The first game of the season on the college campus was played May 2nd, and the boys showed that they had not lost during their long winter's rest any of the snap and vim which usually characterizes them on the diamond.

HOPEWELL HILL, May 7.—Miss Stella Smith, who has been living in Boston during the winter, came home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Peck of St. John are visiting relatives here.

Mount Pleasant Lodge, I. O. G. T., has elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter: W. J. McAlmon, C. T.; Clifford C. West, V. T.; Almira, Robinson, sec.; Maud Smith, A. S.; Edna M. West, F. S.; Martie Smith, treas.; Mrs. Leander Elliott, chaplain; Gordon Starratt, M.; Bertha West, D. M.; Walker Perry, S.; Robert Starratt, G.; Leander Elliott, P. C. T.; Janie McGorman, organist.

ANDOVER, May 7.—The Andover station, that has been closed since the strike by the telegraph operators, is to be opened in a few days. The increase of business at this station has rendered it necessary. Judson C. Manzer has done a large business in shipping hay and country produce. Mr. Manzer is now building a butter factory at this station, and will use the railway in getting his supply of milk. To successfully carry on the factory it was necessary that the station should be opened. The C. P. R. authorities recognized Mr. Manzer's request, and so, thanks to his enterprise, the station is to be opened. Mr. Dow of Woodstock will have charge of the butter factory. He intends to move his family to Andover soon.

The merry party who towed the Tobique river last summer in the Tobique Lass will be sorry to hear that that venerable craft went out with the ice, and like the ice floated down the river piece by piece.

A serious fire occurred at Aroostook Junction last week. The Grantham house, with barns, was completely destroyed. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Grantham, as the insurance on the buildings had run out a few weeks before the fire.

The choir of St. James' Presbyterian church intend holding an "old folks' concert" on the evening of the 24th. The proceeds are to go towards buying a burying ground.

Hale's new mill at Plaster Rock was somewhat damaged by the ice. The piers were taken away, and one post of the mill.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., May 7.—The remains of the late William B. Taylor were interred in the Church of England cemetery on Sunday afternoon. Despite the bad travelling, a very large number of friends paid their last tribute of respect to one who was dearly loved and esteemed by all. Rev. A. J. A. Goilmer, rector of Cambridge, who conducted the obsequies, delivered an eloquent sermon from Job 14th chapter and 10th verse: "But man dieth and wasteth away; yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?"

Dr. W. M. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Cooke of Boston arrived here on Saturday to attend the funeral.

SACKVILLE, N. B., May 7.—Under the patronage of Mt. Allison, the Bostonia Sextette Club, assisted by Miss Helene Wetmore, soprano, gave a concert in Beethoven hall Saturday evening. Such music has never even been dreamed of in Sackville. The audience listened entranced to the beautiful strains, their silence broken only by insistent applause. Miss Wetmore was welcomed back warmly, not only as a former Mt. Allison student, but on her own merit. She has well fulfilled her musical promise. Her voice is a fine soprano, fresh and sweet as a spring flower. Miss Wetmore's beautiful clarity of tone, care and finish of vocalization are markedly noticeable. Considering the downpour the audience was large.

Miss Susan Nicol's graduating piano recital was held on Friday evening in Beethoven hall before a good house. The performance was gratifying. Miss Nicol is an extremely pleasing player and of no small merit. She showed excellent memorizing ability and a good grasp of her subject. In the Beethoven sonata for piano and violin she was assisted by Prof. Royer's magic bow, and her sister, Miss Mary Nicol, furnished three songs.

McADAM JUNCTION, May 7.—B. B. Hoyt, son of Collector of Customs J. W. Hoyt, has gone to Quebec to take charge of a department of stores on the C. P. R. Mr. Hoyt has won his promotion by close attention to his work in the stores department here and his many friends are much pleased to learn of his advancement.

A. L. Hoyt, who holds an excellent position in the Maine Central offices, spent Sunday with his parents at McAdam.

Geo. Green and Geo. Moffatt have gone west on a holiday trip.

Geo. Byron, accompanied by his brother-in-law, J. Hollett, has gone to the Victoria hospital, Montreal, for treatment. He has been ill for some time.

Your correspondent begs to correct an error in last notes. The wedding of James Boyd to Miss Jennie Golding should have read: "At St. Jude's church by Rev. Mr. Spike," instead of "St. George's church by Rev. Mr. Sampson."

SUSSEX, N. B., May 8.—Right Worshipful Grand Master Forbes and the grand officers of the grand lodge of F. and A. M., made an official visit to Zion lodge, No. 21, last night. The initiation of a new member by the lodge, which took place in their presence, fully exemplified the local ability to correctly conduct this interesting procedure, and brought the members of Zion lodge the warmest praise of the grand officers.

The grand master delivered a stirring address, and spoke of the order as being in a most flourishing condition in the province. After the proceedings of the lodge were brought to a close, a sumptuous repast was served in the lower hall that did the ladies who so generously prepared it the greatest credit. The visitors, who returned home by midnight train, expressed themselves as being greatly pleased with their visit to Sussex.

The remains of Charles Smith, who for a few years past acted as government surveyor for the counties of Kings and Queens, were conveyed from his late residence on Church avenue to the Sussex station and put aboard the C. P. R. express for Fredericton, where they will be interred tomorrow. Zion lodge, of F. and A. M., turned out in a body on the occasion to pay the last respects to one who had been a credit to the order.

The remains of Mrs. James Chambers arrived here this morning from St. John and were conveyed to the Church of England cemetery at Upper Corner for burial.

WOODSTOCK, May 8.—Deputy Sheriff Foster arrived on the 4.18 express this afternoon from the north with four prisoners, two of whom were handcuffed. They are arrested on the charge of breaking into the C. P. R. station at East Florenceville. The station was broken into a week ago last Saturday night, the door being broken up. A quantity of candy and extracts were stolen. Supt. Newcombe was notified, and on information furnished by him the sheriff started into his detective work, with the above result. The names of the youths arrested are Hanford, David and Mooly Collins and Murchie Tibbetts. They reside near Bakville, at a place popularly known as Rogue's Roost. One of the party resisted arrest, and Foster had to handcuff him in order to get him to come with him. A boy named Henry Tompkins was also brought down by the sheriff as a material witness. Some of the candy was found in the prisoners' possession. The preliminary examination will be before Police Magistrate Dibblee tomorrow afternoon. In the meantime the prisoners are in jail at Upper Woodstock.

FREDERICTON, May 8.—At a meeting of the trustees of Victoria Hospital this afternoon, Dr. Geo. J. McNally was appointed a member of the medical staff, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Coulthard.

Miss Lottie Shanks of Oromocto and Wm. Wall of this city were united in marriage at St. Dunstan's church this morning. The bride was attended by Miss Maggie O'Brien and the groom had the support of Chas. O'Connor.

The remains of the late Mrs. Everett R. Fairley of Minneapolis, formerly of Boiestown, N. B., arrived here at noon today, and will be taken to Boiestown for interment tomorrow.

Robert Belyea, a well known truckman of this city, arrived home last night from the lumber woods with a crushed ankle. He had been working with John Kilburn on the Upper St. John.

Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Crocket left this afternoon on an extended tour through the British Isles and continental Europe.

Dr. Atherton, assisted by Dr. McLearn, performed a successful operation this morning upon Mrs. Daniel Richards of this city.

ST. STEPHEN, May 7.—Keys Bros. have added two new rubber tired carriages to their equipment. "Jolly" Fitzsimmons, a popular horseman, is now employed by this firm.

The fine grey driving horse, belonging to the pair which W. H. Whitlock recently purchased from Edward McGibbon of Moore's Mills, took sick Monday night and died within a few hours. Mr. Whitlock is now looking for a black driving horse, weighing eleven hundred or over, to match the remaining one of the pair.

A new lodge of Knights of Pythias will be organized at St. George in the latter part of June.

Soon after midnight on Monday, Fred Carroll heard a suspicious noise in E. H. Barter's store, adjoining his dwelling. Officer Vanstone was summoned and caught "Cotton," a well known character of impaired reason, appropriating a quantity of money and goods. He was relieved of the portion of his load that could be reached and allowed to depart, awaiting further action by the proprietor. He had gained admittance by breaking glass in the front door.

The sloop Centennial, owned by Captain Morse of Grand Manan, seized by Officer Hyslip last week for violation of the customs laws, is still in port. Collector Graham offered to release her on payment of a deposit of $450, to await the decision of the department at Ottawa, but the offer was not accepted. The vessel was built last year and is valued at $1,000. The Grand Manan people are wondering just how these things happen under a government that promised free trade.

Christie Jackson, a prosperous farmer of Getchell Settlement, has added materially to the appearance of his comfortable home by the erection of a large verandah. On the north side it is 64 feet 8 inches long, then turns and runs along the west end 17 feet. It is supported by eleven columns and several entrances lead from it to the house, one opening into a hall 31 feet by 11 feet, with an inviting open fire place. The work was done by C. F. Robinson.

A few shad are being caught in the harbor by the gaspereaux fishermen.

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Children Cry for CASTORIA.

PARLIAMENT.

Government Shuts Out Further Discussion of Prohibition Plebiscite.

Cold Storage Contracts to be Renewed at an Enormous Increase of Cost to the Farmers.

Ottawa Fire Relief Fund Now Sufficently Generous to Fully Meet the Necessities of the Case.

OTTAWA, May 7.—On orders of the day Mr. McInerney of Kent brought up the question of lobster fisheries. He objected to the regulation forbidding fishermen from setting their traps or otherwise making preparation before the time set for actual fishing. He pointed out that this regulation shortened the period of fishing. It took about a fortnight to make these preparations. The rule was invidious, inasmuch as fishermen in northern districts could begin preparations as early as they chose.

Sir Louis Davies said it was necessary to adopt prudent regulations, so that an important industry should not be wiped out. It might be popular to allow fishermen to set their traps before the open season, but if that were done it would be impossible for any officers to prevent the fishermen from breaking the law by taking lobsters before the time. The minister said he would go over the matter again and give it consideration.

Mr. Bell (P. E. I.) said fishermen did not desire to break the law, but they lost ten days by having the period of preparation counted in their fishing time. It took about ten days to set the traps, and fishing did not commence till half of them were set.

Mr. McDonald (P. E. I.) said in his district the beginning of the lobster fishing season was set so early that the men could not begin work for the ice. He agreed with Mr. McInerney that the fishermen did not wish to violate the law. They were as anxious as anyone that the industry should be protected.

Mr. Ellis would support the department in the enforcement of strict regulations. He thought lobster fishermen commenced taking lobsters very soon after they began to prepare.

Mr. McInerney insisted that the regulation made unfair discrimination. He asserted that there were no more law abiding people anywhere than the lobster fishermen.

Mr. McLennan (Inverness) protested that the regulations as applied to western Cape Breton were unfair. The subject dropped.

Replying to questions, Hon. Mr. Mulock said that the public works report had gone to the printer April 29.

Hon. Mr. Sutherland stated that when the government heard of a movement among the Doukhobors to California, appeal was made to Count Hilkoff. Count Tolstoi and others were asked to use their influence to keep them here.

The same minister said that W. H. P. Clement, legal adviser in the Yukon, had a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars last year. He now gets five thousand, with a living allowance of one hundred dollars per month.

Mr. Davin moved his resolution in favor of the issue of scrip to scouts who served in the Northwest rebellion. After some discussion Sir Wilfrid Laurier gave a hopeful assurance, and Mr. Davin withdrew his motion.

Mr. Gillies' motion against the government's increase of tobacco duties was discussed till dinner time, when the debate was adjourned.

There was a lively discussion on Mr. Casey's bill respecting draining across lines of railway, which finally passed its second reading and was sent to the railway committee.

Mr. Davin moved the second reading of his Mounted Police bill, which provides that all offices of the police should be filled by promotion from the ranks.

The premier said he preferred to retain the privilege of appointment from outside, and especially from militia officers and from the Kingston Royal Military College.

Mr. Britton of Kingston, liberal, moved the second reading of his bill to provide for the use of voting machines. Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved the six months' hoist, which was carried without division of the house, and the commons then adjourned.

FIRE AND PAPER.

There is some anxiety about the supply of newspaper print since the Grand Mere mill has been burned the night after the destruction of the Eddy mill. Eddy's manager says that their paper mill may perhaps be ready to go to work six months from now. Meanwhile it is said that the Canadian mills cannot begin to supply the demand, and a conference will be held tomorrow by some of the newspaper men of Toronto and Montreal, who have arrived, and by members of parliament interested in newspapers, to consider whether the government should not make paper free until Canadian mills are able to supply the demand. It is possible that some suggestions may be made in favor of the abolition of newspaper postage.

NOTES.

Senator Almon, who had a sudden illness today, is better this evening. This afternoon while in his place in the house he was observed to fall back in a faint. For a time his pulse could not be felt, but he recovered soon, and in a short time was talking cheerfully with comrades, who saw him safely to his lodgings.

The governor general came down to the senate today and assented to a number of bills.

OTTAWA, May 8.—When the house met, Sir Charles Tupper called attention to the destruction of the Eddy paper mills and the Laurentide pulp mills. The result had been that Canadian mills were not able to supply the home demand for paper. There would be a large importation of paper and a large increase of price. He asked whether it would be possible for the government to suspend for the time being newspaper postage.

Mr. McLean, conservative, of Toronto, publisher of the World, said he had just come from a meeting of newspaper men, and it was unanimously resolved to ask the government to take the step indicated by Sir Charles Tupper. It was impossible for papers to purchase their supply in Canada, and imported paper could not be had under four per cent. Eddy would re-build his mills as soon as possible, but this proposition would help Eddy in the meantime to supply his customers.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said representations had been received from all over the country similar to those made by previous speakers. The government appreciated the position, but they had as yet taken no action. The matter was under consideration.

Mr. Richardson, liberal, strongly supported the proposition that the duty be suspended for the time. He read the resolutions passed this afternoon by the newspaper men and protested against the present newspaper law. Publishers in Manitoba had been held up by paper makers to the extent of sixty per cent. rise in price.

Mr. McCleary, conservative, of Welland, thought it would be a retrograde step to abolish the duty. He thought the mills could carry out their contracts.

Mr. Gibson, liberal, who lives near the paper mills at St. Catherines, held that the paper mills of Canada should not be deprived of their protection. At least they should be heard from before the government took action. He favored the abolition of newspaper postage.

Sir Charles Tupper rose to correct a reference by Mr. Gibson. He (Sir Charles) did not ask for a reduction of duty, but the suspension or abolition of newspaper postage.

Mr. McMullin, liberal, said if the Canadian paper makers would agree to sell paper at former contract prices, no charge need be made, but if they raised the price the duty should be taken off.

Dr. Montague said that Mr. Richardson's statement was true. There was a combine for undue increase in price, within the meaning of the combine clause of the Fielding tariff law. He believed this cause was intended to be a farce, but if it was serious now was the time for it to get in its work.

Hon. Mr. Fielding said if Mr. Richardson or any other person made complaint to the government of such combine as was mentioned, proper steps would be taken.

Mr. McLean read a despatch that the Laurentide's paper mill would be in operation in a week.

The government bill regarding grants of land to the militia force in the Northwest was read a third time and passed.

The resolution extending the subsidy to Pacific steamship service for another period passed the committee and a bill was introduced and read a first time.

The house went into committee on Joly's apple barrel bill, which makes the barrel six and a half quarts smaller than the barrel legalized last year.

Mr. Mills of Annapolis, following the request of Kings and Annapolis board of trade and other organizations, asked that it be stated explicitly in the bill that the barrel of apples and potatoes contain three bushels. This was the actual contents, according to the bill, but he wanted it definitely stated, so that farmers would not hereafter be obliged to sell a barrel of potatoes for two bushels and a half. He also asked that the weight of a bushel of potatoes should be by law 58 pounds, which was the actual weight. The barrel proposed by Joly would contain 154 pounds and the weight of the bushel should be conformed by making it weigh one-third of that.

After some discussion the bill stood over for further consideration.

Hon. Mr. Fisher moved the house in committee to authorize the government to enter into contracts with the Reford and Allan companies to continue cold storage contracts at $28,750 a year. Explaining, Mr. Fisher said he had hoped that by this time the cold storage system would have been so well established that it could be carried on henceforth without subsidy. Unfortunately this was not the case. It was found that unless a new arrangement was made the whole cold storage accommodation would be transferred to the trade from the United States. He had now arranged for a continuance of the service from Canada by the Reford and Allan companies for two years more. He regretted to say the cost would be greater than before, as the government had not been able to make as favorable terms as before as to the rate on freight.

Sir Charles Tupper pointed out that the government had neglected to make these arrangements at the proper time. The government might have foreseen this position and made the proposition a year earlier. Under the new arrangement the cold storage accommodation would be 15 shillings per ton, in addition to ordinary freight. Under the previous arrangements the rate was 10 shillings.

Dr. Montague held that if the government had acted promptly, his information was that the ten shilling rate would have been continued instead of fifty per cent increase. They had acted in this matter as in the fast line service.

Hon. Mr. Fisher, replying to a question, stated that the proposed contract and others renewed would provide for twenty-two ships, and counting in the Manchester and Furness lines, whose contracts were not terminated, there would altogether be about twenty-seven.

Replying to Dr. Montague, Hon. Mr. Fisher admitted that so long ago as 1895 the late government had arranged for cold storage in as many as seventeen ships.

Dr. Montague showed that after all Mr. Fisher's boasting of his services to farmers, he had only gone forward on the plans of his predecessors, while the farmers were now obliged to pay fifty per cent too much because of Fisher's neglect.

Sir Charles described in detail the cold storage accommodation to be provided by the fast line contract made by the late government with the Allans. This contract the present government cancelled. They had then entrusted the new arrangement to Mr. Dobell, who had previously opposed the fast service altogether. Cartwright had probably expected that Dobell would cause a collapse of his own bottle-necked scheme, and he had done so, as others knew he would. Fisher had also managed to allow the cold storage matter to drift, and in consequence the farmers were obliged to pay fifty per cent extra for the transport of their perishable products.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier gives notice that hereafter Monday will be taken for government business, so that there will be no more private members' days. This seems to shut out Mr. Flint's prohibition motion for the present session.

After recess, the discussion on cold-storage was resumed, but drifted into a debate on the fast line steamship project, which continued during the evening. The cold storage resolutions were passed and a bill founded thereon was introduced and read a first time.

The house adjourned at midnight.

NOTES.

The fire relief committee report that further supplies of clothing are hardly needed, as the quantity sent in has been very large. The fire relief fund now exceeds $700,000, with probably much more not yet reported and large additional gifts in kind. It would appear that the response to the call for relief has been sufficiently generous to meet the necessities of the case.

CAMPBELLTON NEWS.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., May 8.—The town marshal, John Duncan, arrested two suspicious characters at a late hour last night. They gave their names as Laurier and Boudreau, and stated that they were on their way from Cape Breton to Montreal. They were brought before the police magistrate this forenoon, charged with vagrancy, and were remanded until Thursday. Duncan believes they are Moore and Huddell, two of the Danville gang who escaped from jail at Sherbrooke, where they were imprisoned on a charge of having burglarized the People's Bank of Halifax at Danville. Detective McCaskill of Montreal has telegraphed that he will be here on the first train.

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