

St. John, N. B., Jan. 11, 1905

LONELY FISHERMAN PROBABLY MURDERED.

He Had Lived Alone for Many Years-- Body Found Covered With Blood-- Robbery the Motive.

ELLISWORTH, Me., Jan. 9.—Evidence of murder, with robbery as the probable motive, developed today with the discovery of the body of Wm. W. Robbins, a fisherman, in an isolated spot three miles from Deer Isle, and where he had lived alone. The head was crushed in and the body covered with blood. As Robbins, who was 46 years old, had few callers, he was not missed until last night, when J. E. Eaton, his nearest neighbor, living a quarter of a mile away, recalled that no light had been seen for several nights. Fearing he might be sick, Mr. Eaton sent his son to investigate, this forenoon. Through the window he saw Robbins' body upon the kitchen floor in a pool of blood. His first thought was of suicide, and word to that effect was sent to Judge E. F. Spofford, Deer Isle, Judge Spofford, accompanied by Dr. C. E. Wasagat and Geo. L. Beck, began an examination. They found the only entrance unlocked. The kitchen, one of three rooms of which the structure consisted, plainly revealed the fierce struggle Robbins must have had with his assailant. Blood stains were upon the door and walls as high as the ceiling and all over the furniture. The clothing was saturated with it. The man's head was beaten in and cut almost beyond recognition. The stock of a gun which the murderer undoubtedly used, was found near the body, and its broken barrel in a corner of the room. The broken end of the barrel was matted with blood and hair. Dr. Wasagat gave it as his opinion Robbins had been dead nearly a week. Every fact indicated that robbery was the motive for the crime. Robbins was known to have had considerable money usually, and he frequently showed it. In fact, it is believed his fondness for displaying money was responsible for his death. Tracks apparently made before Wednesday's snowstorm led to and from the house. Those evidently made in leaving were much further apart than those leading to the house, indicating they were made by some one in a hurry to get away. Deputy Sheriff Joseph A. Eaton was placed in charge and ordered to allow no one to enter the place until the county officers arrived. Judge Spofford then communicated with Attorney General H. E. Hamlin of Ellsworth, who requested County Attorney Chas. H. Wood of Bar Harbor, Sheriff D. H. Mayo of Ellsworth and Coroner E. E. Spofford of Stonington to accompany him. Mr. Wood arrived here tonight and will leave with Sheriff Mayo early tomorrow for Deer Isle, a distance by wagon and boat of 22 miles. They expected to begin an inquest tomorrow noon.

P. E. I. MAN Wants Money in Boston Savings Bank.

Mrs. Bartlett Suing for Divorce from Her Husband—Were Married in Nova Scotia.

BOSTON, Jan. 7.—Duncan Darrach, administrator of the estate of Florrie Darrach, late of Canoe Cove, P. E. I., has petitioned the probate court here for the right to take possession of money in the South Boston Savings Bank, left by the testator. A hearing will be given on Jan. 12. Mrs. Augusta A. Bartlett is a petitioner in the superior court for a divorce from Albert I. Bartlett. The Bartletts were married at Lower Arroyo, N. S., in 1882. Desertion is alleged. Among provincialists in town this week were: B. C. Munroe of Amherst, N. S.; Mr. and Mrs. T. Hastings of Moncton; Miss Fannie C. Bell of Shefford, and T. F. Piper and Mrs. Piper of Yarmouth. The following deaths among former provincialists are announced: In Cambridge, Jan. 8, Bilis B. Barnes, formerly of St. John; in Brantford, Jan. 8, Martha L. Gaddis, formerly of St. John; in Cambridge, Dec. 20, Mrs. Sarah Keenan, wife of Peter Keenan, formerly of St. John, aged 65 years; in East Boston, Jan. 2, Wm. J. Murdoch, formerly of St. John; at Barre, Wm. T. Gillespie, formerly of St. John; in Jamaica Plain, Dec. 30, Edwin Landers, aged 53 years, a native of Yarmouth; Manchester, N. H., Dec. 25, George G. Wightman, aged 89 years, formerly of St. John; in Methuen, John A. Robinson, aged 23, native of Norton, N. B.; in Gloucester, Dec. 29, Watson Baker, aged 74, native of Yarmouth; in Gloucester, Dec. 28, Mrs. Annie Williams, nee Melanson, aged 25, native of Weymouth, N. S.; in Winthrop, Mr. Abraham J. Wendell, aged 57, formerly of Halifax.

TWO MASTED SCHOONER WASHED BY HIGH SEAS.

Captain Nelson and Crew of the W. R. Chester Safe in New York-- Skipper's Wife Aboard.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—After a rescue in mid-ocean and a narrow escape from death, Captain Wm. Nelson, his wife and five seamen, of the two-masted schooner W. R. Chester, arrived tonight as passengers on the Atlantic transport line steamship Minnehaha. The schooner was abandoned in lat. 39.02, lon. 52.20, the crew being taken aboard the steamship Anglo-Chilian, which landed them at Havre. The Chester left Jonesport, Maine, on Nov. 24, lumber laden, and bound for Barbados. She ran into rough weather soon after sailing, which continued until Dec. 11, when she was struck by a wave which threw her on her beam ends. She rolled over to port so far that her captain and his wife thought she would turn turtle, and the captain gave the order to cut away the masts. This was done, and when they went by the board, carrying away the bowsprit and other hardware, the vessel slowly came back to an even keel. To add to the peril of the situation, Captain Nelson found that his rudder was broken, and the schooner wallowed and rolled at the mercy of every sea which broke over her. "Fortunately," said the captain, "she did not leak. We huddled in the cabin and did the best we could for four days and a half. There was plenty to eat and fresh water. There came a lull in the storm on the evening of the 15th, when the Anglo-Chilian came along. We lit signals of distress and the steamer sent her boat for us in charge of the second officer. It was necessary to make two trips to take off six of us. The schooner was set on fire when we left." Captain Nelson, while he lost nearly all his belongings, managed to save his parrot and his wife's cat.

CLOTHING BARGAINS NOW

We have made sweeping reductions on the following lines in order to clear them at once to make room for new Spring Goods: Men's Overcoats, formerly \$6 to \$12, Now \$3.95, 4.95, 6.98 and 8.75. Men's Suits, formerly \$6 to \$12, Now \$3.95, 5.98 and 6.98. Boys' 2-Piece Suits, formerly \$1.85 to \$4.75, Now 98c., \$1.69 and \$1.98. J. N. HARVEY, Men's and Boys' Clothier, 199 and 201 Union St.

RUSSIAN PRISONERS MOVED FROM FORTS

Port Arthur to be a Naval Station. Nearly Nine Hundred Officers and 24 Thousand Men the Total Number of Prisoners.

TOKIO, Jan. 8, 1 p. m.—The transfer of prisoners from Port Arthur was completed at 4.30 p. m. yesterday. The total number of officers transferred was 878; men, 23,481. TOKIO, Jan. 8, noon.—The Japanese intend to establish a naval station at Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Y. Shibayama will probably be placed in charge of it. The military administration of Port Arthur will retain only a small garrison as soon as the prisoners are withdrawn and order is restored. The fleet is busily engaged in clearing mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor. It is probable that Dalny will soon be opened up to neutral shipping. Japanese companies are preparing to establish weekly services to that port. It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic mail boat under the same conditions as the third was negotiated. Headquarters Japanese Army at Port Arthur, via Fusan, Jan. 8.—Lieut. General Fock and Smirnov had decided to go to Japan as prisoners of war. The Russian prisoners were being held in the forts at Port Arthur and General Fock commanded the fourth division of the army there. Gen. Fock says he will detail his men in Japan. There are five Russian admirals at Port Arthur, one of whom will go to Japan. Among the admirals is a prince. Twelve foreign naval attaches have visited Port Arthur and inspected the Russian fleet. The Russian fleet, including the battleships, is being moved to Nagasaki. He will be accompanied by other parole officers. The Russians probably will remain in Japan a few days and then proceed on a French steamer to Europe, going by way of the Suez canal. General Nogt reports that the officers paroled to date number 441 and orderlies 228. Reports previously received here were to the effect that both Lieut. Generals Fock and Smirnov had been killed at Port Arthur. On Jan. 2 a French despatch denied that Fock had been killed, but admitted that he had been wounded. A despatch received from Mukden Jan. 7 said that while the death of Fock had not been published, it had for weeks been accepted there as a fact. The report of General Smirnov's death had never been confirmed. The only prince among the Russians to have been at Port Arthur was Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsky. A St. Petersburg despatch on Saturday said that information had been received from the Chinese that the Russian Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomsky, disguised, had arrived at Cha Foo on board of a launch. TOKIO, Jan. 8.—General Nogt's report, received at 11 o'clock Saturday, announces that the transfer of the Port Arthur prisoners was completed Saturday afternoon. Saturday's transfers were as follows: Officers, Men.

REV. JOHN LATHERN DEAD.

Was Probably Best Known Methodist Minister in Maritime Provinces.

HALIFAX, Jan. 8.—Rev. John Lathern, D. D., died last evening after a long illness. He was prominent in every good work. No Methodist minister in the province was so well known as he, and no one was better liked by members of other churches. He was born in England. Dr. Lathern was descended from an old Northumbrian family and was born in Cumberland, Eng., in 1831. He was trained for mining engineering, but obeying a call to the ministry, entered the British Wesleyan conference in 1855. He was ordained in 1859 and joined the newly organized conference in Eastern Canada and became pastor at Fredericton. After holding different pastorates he was president of the N. S. conference in 1882 and was elected editor of the Wesleyan. He is the author of Institute Lectures, The Macdonaldan, Fry, and born in Cumberland, Eng., in 1831. He married Miss Mary Elizabeth Simpson, daughter of the late John Simpson, at one time Queen's printer for N. B. During his ministry Dr. Lathern had charge of many of the more important Methodist churches in the three provinces. He was pastor of the Centenary from 1885 till 1891, and was the General Conference president who presided over the death of Dr. McMurray a good many years ago. Dr. Lathern became chairman of the board of regents of Mt. Allison University, holding that position until his death, though on account of infirmity he was unable to attend the last meeting. He retired from the editorial management of the Wesleyan some years ago. It is understood that notwithstanding his feeble health Dr. Lathern was during the last two or three years of his life engaged in the preparation of a book which has not yet been published. When in the active ministry he was one of the most eloquent and impressive speakers in the Methodist connection, and there were few pulpit speakers who had a higher reputation as a lecturer. Among his popular lectures were "Cromwell and the Ironsides," "Cobden and the Corn Laws," "Latham and the Bible of Lathern." The last mentioned was delivered many times and always stirred an audience to enthusiasm. Dr. Lathern was a successful pastor in the best sense. He was a gentle, kindly man, loved by all, and yet true and strong, so that all respected him. One of his daughters, a graduate of Mount Allison University, is on the staff of the Ladies' College in Sackville. ALBERT'S NEW COURT HOUSE

Japs' Kindly Treatment.

Carried Effects of the Weary Russian Prisoners--Latter Feel Their Position Keenly.

Headquarters of the third Japanese army at Port Arthur, Jan. 6, via Yiu Kow and Tien Ts'in—Five thousand men of the Russian garrison at Port Arthur were marched from the village of Yamufsu, on the shores of Pigeon Bay, for 15 miles to the railway station at Changtingtsu at 3 o'clock, and the other detachments followed soon after. Each detachment was accompanied by six loaded transport carts. The Russians during the night will be taken on special trains of open trucks to Dalny, and there will immediately embark for Japan on transports now waiting in that port. The long procession of the remnants of the gallant Russian garrison was a pathetic spectacle. The first arrivals at Changtingtsu were four drookates containing the staff officers who had refused to give their parole. All wore their swords. A few minutes later the first detachment arrived. As the Japanese soldiers crowded about them with evident curiosity the faces of the Russian officers were an interesting study. All of them appeared to feel their humiliating position keenly, and though some seemed to be resigned to their situation, others were resentful at being regarded with curiosity. The men looked to be well fed, but their faces, like those of the officers, indicated the awful physical strain they had undergone. The prisoners were treated with the greatest respect and kindness. The soldiers were given food, cigarettes and beer, and the correspondent of the Associated Press saw soldiers voluntarily carrying the effects of the prisoners when they were overcome by fatigue.

DIED AT MONCTON.

Mrs. William Robinson Had Been Suffering from Paralysis.

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 8.—Mrs. William J. Robinson died yesterday afternoon at her home on Adams street, in East Moncton, of paralysis. She had been ill almost six weeks ago. Deceased was 66 years of age and was predeceased by her husband by about eleven years. Mrs. Robinson was a native of the town of Bute, and was the daughter of Robert T. McLeod of Point de Bute, and three sisters, Mrs. Johnson and the Misses Dunlop and Amy McLeod. Over 100 residents of Moncton, and Councillor Frank C. Robinson of Salisbury are stepsons. Deceased was an active member of Central Methodist Church, and was greatly esteemed by a wide circle of friends in Moncton and in the eastern part of the county. Chief of Police Tingley, who has been ill with pneumonia, is steadily improving and is expected to be about again shortly. An interesting event took place at the residence of ex-Councillor John McKee, of McKee Mills, Kentville, Jan. 8, when his daughter, Miss Jennie A. McKee, was united in matrimony with R. W. Allanack of Moncton. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. Lucas, of the presence of members of the family only. Mr. and Mrs. Allanack will reside in Moncton.

YOUNG BRAVADO Endeavoring to Terrorize His Native County.

Had Read Dime Novels and is Following the Example Set Therein—twenty Years Old.

WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 9.—Emulating the example of dime novel bravados, a youth of twenty years, armed with a shot gun, a repeating rifle and a bowie knife tucked away in a cartridge belt, has succeeded in terrorizing Worcester county, and attracted to himself the attention of the state and county police, who tonight had traced and followed him across the New Hampshire line. Late last Tuesday afternoon the young desperado arrived at the home of Mrs. Estimo O. Ward, in Petersham, and learning that the woman, who is a widow of 65 years, was living alone, installed himself in the house, where he remained until 10 o'clock the following night. Thursday night the woman reported that she had suffered abuse at the hands of the young man. Saturday the police began a systematic search for the young man. Details of the case were given at Amesbury, where he was in her home as shocking and have aroused the resentment of the community.

BATHURST. County Council Meets Today—later, resting Wedding.

BATHURST, Jan. 8.—The County Council will meet tomorrow and there is not much of special importance to come before it, it is thought the session will be a short one. The matter of lighting the streets and bridges as well as the court house and jail will be discussed, and it is fervently hoped, will be so favorably considered that in a week or so will materialize. On Friday morning the dwelling of John Hollywood was destroyed by fire, which was not noticed till it had gained considerable headway. The occupants, Mr. Hollywood's wife, two children and mother-in-law, escaped in their night clothing. Nothing was saved. There was no insurance, and the loss, \$800, is a severe one to the owner. A skating carnival was to have taken place on the ice in the harbor on Saturday evening, but was postponed on account of the snow and rain storm. It will be held as soon as the ice is again in readiness. The funeral of William S. Hachey, who was accidentally killed by the shunting engine in Newcastle railway yard on Thursday night last, took place yesterday, and was one of the largest ever seen here. From 60 to 70 horses with sleighs containing friends of the deceased were in the procession. Mr. Hachey was a worthy man and a good citizen, and his widow and family have the sympathy of all. Telephone communication (before referred to in the Sun) has been established between the office of the manager of the light system and the power house. On Tuesday next the marriage of Miss Lena Melanson, daughter of Samuel Melanson, registrar of deeds for this county, to Frank Foote of Fredericton, will take place in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Bathurst Village. Congratulations.

Wolfville.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Jan. 9.—The college and sister institutions open again on Wednesday. The seminary will have a larger attendance than ever before. Over 100 resident students are expected. The young ladies of the college who have hitherto found a home in the seminary building will be obliged to find boarding places in the town. The next building to be erected at Acadia will probably be a home for college young women. At a regular meeting of the Wolfville town council, A. J. Caldwell was unanimously appointed clerk in place of Frank A. Dixon, deceased. Mrs. L. S. Gove of St. John is spending a few weeks at the home of her father, D. R. Munro. Miss Hazel Wortman has returned to Sussex for the winter. Miss Hilda Tutts returned on Saturday to Wexley College, where she expects to graduate in June next. The engagement of Miss Adeline Putnam, vice principal of Acadia seminary, is announced to Clifford Hamm of Boston. Miss Putnam is spending her vacation at her home in Newton. Miss A. Archibald of this town, who left for the west two weeks ago, was met at El Paso, Mexico, and married to Fulton J. Harvey. The happy couple will reside at El Paso, Arizona. Stanley Pickering of St. John was in town this week. Mr. Keefer, editor of the Citizen, Ottawa, has been in Wolfville, visiting friends here. Miss Keefer has been here some weeks. William Woodman, a much respected citizen of Grand Pre, son of the late James Woodman of Lover Wolfville, died on Wednesday, after a short illness, aged 45 years. Besides a wife, who was Miss Falkner, and several children, he leaves three sisters—Mrs. A. J. Eaton of McGill College, Mrs. E. D. Englemann and Mrs. J. D. Chambers of this town. Edmund Crowley visited friends in St. John this week. Geo. L. Hishop, Acadia '98, was married on Wednesday to Miss Leora

FIRE AT DARTMOUTH.

(Special to the Sun.) HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 9.—The residence of Geo. C. Oland, Dartmouth, was totally destroyed and the home of John Forsyth badly gutted by a serious fire in the north end of the town this morning. Mr. Oland estimates his loss to be between \$3,000 and \$4,000. His house was valued at \$3,500, on which he carried \$1,000 insurance. He was unable to state the amount of the insurance on the furniture. Mr. Forsyth's house is assessed at \$1,600, on which he carried \$1,000 insurance. He saved his furniture.

NAVAL GUNNERY.

Improvement Will Be Made by the Admiralty. LONDON, Jan. 8.—With a view to improving naval gunnery the admiralty has decided to create the new post of director of naval gunnery practice, to which Captain Percy Scott will be appointed. He will be given wide powers of supervision and advice. Captain Scott is a great expert in this line and during his periods of command of the cruisers Scylla and Terrible, these vessels were ahead of all other British men of war in gunnery.

S. AND H. TRAIN BLOCKED.

Snow Storm Completely Stopped Traffic—Difficulty With Mills. HOPEWELL HILL, N. B., Jan. 5.—One of the most severe storms experienced here in years began on Tuesday night and raged all day yesterday, doing the roads badly and blocking the S. & H. railway completely. No mails have been received for two days. Tomorrow a team will go on the route, and it is expected there will be a mail brought in to-night. The train which left Albert yesterday morning has not yet reached Salisbury. The engine gave out between Salisbury and Hillsboro, and a relief engine hauled the train back to Hillsboro today. This morning the thermometer registered 5 below zero. HOPEWELL HILL, Jan. 3.—A Baptist social at the home of John Russell last night netted \$150. Fred J. Newcomb returned yesterday from slight-seeing in St. John. W. E. Jardine is acting manager of the Bank of New Brunswick at Riverside for a time. The body of Miss Clara Moore, of Moncton, whose death occurred recently, came down by yesterday's train for burial at New Ireland. Miss Moore was a native of this county, and her early death was heard of here with much regret.

NOTICE.

Canvassers and Collectors of the SEMI-WEEKLY are now making their names as mentioned below. Manager hopes that all arrears will be paid on.

DEATHS.

At the General Public House, Mrs. Jane Burke. At Boston, in the 39th year, Bliss B. Barnes, formerly of St. John. In this city, on Jan. 1st, the widow of the late John Forsyth leaving three sons, two and one brother. In this city, on Jan. 2nd, L. Mourier, aged 67 years, wife and one son to mourn. In this city, on Jan. 2nd, at 1000, J. M. Nein, died very suddenly at his residence, No. 2 Dorchester street, St. John, 1895. J. M. Nein, died very suddenly at his residence, No. 2 Dorchester street, St. John, 1895. J. M. Nein, died very suddenly at his residence, No. 2 Dorchester street, St. John, 1895. J. M. Nein, died very suddenly at his residence, No. 2 Dorchester street, St. John, 1895.

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ST. JOHN SOLDIER RECEIVES MEDAL.

T. J. Stone, of this city, son of Thos. J. Stone, was the happy recipient Saturday of his war medal, which he earned during the South African war. Stone served his time with Marshall's Horse, a Cape Colony organization, and has been home for about eight months. Some time ago a request was sent from Cape Town for his discharge papers, and the result was that Saturday he received his papers back and also his medal. The medal has the Queen's head stamped on one side, while Mr. Stone's name and the name of the regiment is on the rim. The colors of the corps are with the medal. Mr. Stone is justly proud of his decoration.

A MARVELOUS FLESH PRODUCER!

That is the statement of those who have used "The D & L" Emulsion. It is said to be rich and sweet as cream and not unpleasant.

ALBERT'S NEW COURT HOUSE

HOPEWELL HILL, Jan. 8.—The S. & H. train, which left Albert last Wednesday, four days ago, got through to Salisbury yesterday, and reached Albert on the return trip this morning. The train brought down a lot of passengers. Albert county's new Court House, at the Cape, which is about completed, will be opened for the meeting of the County Council next Tuesday. The plan is very tastefully finished, and touches this week. In the construction of the building, the contractors, H. Copp & Co. of Sackville, appear to have very faithfully followed the plans, which were prepared by W. E. Reid of Riverdale, and the result is a handsome and convenient structure. Outside the building is painted a French gray, with white trimmings. The large columns, supporting the extended gable facing the Court House square, and much to the appearance of the building, which is certainly an ornament to the shiretown. The interior is very tastefully finished, and the walls being painted in terra cotta, and the woodwork done in hard oil. The ceiling is of metal, octagonal, and painted a lighter shade of terra cotta. The rails are of hardwood. The building is heated with a very large furnace, which was put in by Jordan Steeves, the well known hardware man of Hillsboro. Mr. Gould of Sackville was the foreman on the work. Albert county's new Court House, at the Cape, which is about completed, will be opened for the meeting of the County Council next Tuesday. The plan is very tastefully finished, and touches this week. In the construction of the building, the contractors, H. Copp & Co. of Sackville, appear to have very faithfully followed the plans, which were prepared by W. E. Reid of Riverdale, and the result is a handsome and convenient structure. Outside the building is painted a French gray, with white trimmings. The large columns, supporting the extended gable facing the Court House square, and much to the appearance of the building, which is certainly an ornament to the shiretown. The interior is very tastefully finished, and the walls being painted in terra cotta, and the woodwork done in hard oil. The ceiling is of metal, octagonal, and painted a lighter shade of terra cotta. The rails are of hardwood. The building is heated with a very large furnace, which was put in by Jordan Steeves, the well known hardware man of Hillsboro. Mr. Gould of Sackville was the foreman on the work. Albert county's new Court House, at the Cape, which is about completed, will be opened for the meeting of the County Council next Tuesday. The plan is very tastefully finished, and touches this week. In the construction of the building, the contractors, H. Copp & Co. of Sackville, appear to have very faithfully followed the plans, which were prepared by W. E. Reid of Riverdale, and the result is a handsome and convenient structure. Outside the building is painted a French gray, with white trimmings. The large columns, supporting the extended gable facing the Court House square, and much to the appearance of the building, which is certainly an ornament to the shiretown. The interior is very tastefully finished, and the walls being painted in terra cotta, and the woodwork done in hard oil. The ceiling is of metal, octagonal, and painted a lighter shade of terra cotta. The rails are of hardwood. The building is heated with a very large furnace, which was put in by Jordan Steeves, the well known hardware man of Hillsboro. Mr. Gould of Sackville was the foreman on the work.

OFFICERS, MEN.

Table listing names and ranks of officers and men, including General Stoessel's Kwantung command, Gen. Stoessel's headquarters, Engineers company, Telegraph corps, Cavalry, Officers' mess, Retzivan, Poldia, Persyev, Poitava, Sevastopol, Bayan, Bobr, Storoban, Obashni, Amur, Naval defence headquarters, Harbor office, Naval brigade, Field posts and telegraphs, Totals, and Three judges and three clerks of courts were also transferred.