

S. S. Valiant In 1817 Brought Immigrants To This Province

(J. L. M.)

Almost fifty-one years ago, on January 24, 1896, the interview reproduced below appeared in the Charlottetown Guardian. Mr. J. E. Matthews, M.P., of Brandon, Manitoba, a former member of the staff who at that time was responsible for the interview has just forwarded to the writer a Guardian of the above date in the belief that many hundred descendants of those mentioned will be interested in the now ancient story.

"Rev. Matthew Smith of Anagnone, N. B., has kindly sent The Guardian an interesting account of the sailing of the ship Valiant from Hull, England to Charlottetown in 1817.

"Mr. Smith accompanied his parents on this voyage and although only four years old at the time he remembers distinctly the incidents of the trip. His oral description of Charlottetown and surrounding country at that time is extremely interesting and a written account of it from his pen would be much appreciated by many readers.

"Mr. Smith is well known in Crapaud and surrounding country, where a large number of his relatives reside.

"He paid a visit to his friends here about three months ago, and although 84 years of age was hale and hearty as in the days of youth.

"The Valiant, Captain Izzard, Mr. Smith says, sailed from Hull on March 22, 1817, with 196 passengers aboard. One death occurred on the voyage, a child of the late Mr. Isaac Smith of Crapaud.

"Among the passengers were William Baker and family, who settled in Tryon, P. E. I.; Richard Hudson, local preacher, Tryon.

"Christopher Smith and family, Crapaud.

"Joseph Trowsdale and family, Crapaud.

"William Hodgson and family, Crapaud.

"George Wiggenton and family, Crapaud.

"Thomas Carr, single, Crapaud.

"John Pearson, single, Crapaud.

"Robert Hawkes and family, John Rensimon, Albert Co., N. B.

"John Milner, Sackville, N. B.

"John Towse, Dorchester, N. B.

"Isaac Smith, Henry Smith,

Charlottetown.

"Wm. Lund and family, Robert Lund and family, Lot 46.

"Thomas Pawcett and family, Covehead.

"Mr. Sigworth, St. Peter's Road.

"Mr. Stead, Covehead.

"Vincent Bell, John Hutchison and family, Traoadie.

"Thos. Best and family, Thos. Hardy and family, Geo. Hardy and family, Mr. Vessey and family, Mr. West and family, Little York.

"Richard Cross, Charlottetown.

"About the middle of the voyage the ship came across a Scotch brig in a sinking condition and took off 60 passengers and the crew.

"Among the passengers were: Dr. McGregor, who settled at St. Peter's Road. He was afterwards murdered in the gold fields of British Columbia.

"Thomas Gorval, West River.

"Thomas Hodgson, a local preacher, Robert Morrison, who settled in Sussex, N. B., Robert Milten and family, Coverdale, N. S. Of the 196 passengers, who sailed on the Valiant, Mr. Smith says that he and Mr. Thomas Pawcett of Salisbury, N. B., are the only survivors of which he is aware.

"Mr. Pawcett is in his 84th year and Mr. Smith in his 85th.

"The voyage lasted 73 days.

"Captain Izzard died on his next voyage and is buried in the Old Cemetery in Charlottetown.

"The ship Valiant was a floating chapel in 1896.

"Mr. Smith will have the gratitude of hundreds of the descendants of the parties above mentioned in the making public an important event in the history of the island and welding a link in the chain of circumstances which connects the earlier day of the province with those of the present generation."

Weekly Livestock And Market Report

Cattle prices continued their recent downward trend with the current week's trading at \$1.00 to \$2.00 or more below the previous week and with steers of the better grades taking the heaviest losses. This week's trading in all markets was depressed. The principal factors were depressed United States markets and a lack of sufficient stock cars to ship out readily the heavy arrivals. Shippers were cautioned to consider selling agencies or utilizing buyers before loading stock for the open market. The tendency was easier in the calf and lamb markets but price declines were not extensive. Hogs were unchanged.

Eastern Cattle Markets

Another heavy cattle run was handled at Toronto, but buying on United States account was in fair volume. Price levels, however, were lower to the extent of \$1.00 to \$2.00, with some spots in the market down \$3. Some choice weighty steers went at \$24 to \$25 and butcher steers up to \$21, an occasional \$22, while the bulk of the sales were considerably below these figures. Some good feeders were taken at this market at \$19 to \$20.50. Trading was very drab at Montreal and buyers were not offering bids on some 400 cattle still in pens at the close. Prices were down \$2.00 to \$3.00, with a load of good steers taken at \$23, others from \$20 down, and good cows \$15 to \$16 and a shade higher.

In the Maritimes, good to choice steers and heifers were quoted at \$17 to \$18, f.o.b.

Western Cattle Markets

Arrivals of cattle at western market centres were again fairly heavy, both by rail and truck. While buying on United States account was considerable, a temporary shortage of stock cars to handle the quantity of cattle moving across the line had the effect of slowing up trading and bringing about a general overhauling of prices. All classes at Winnipeg shared in the decline, with a good load of the better steers making \$22 to \$24 but most sales from \$20 down; while Calgary closed 50c to \$1.00 lower with good to choice steers quoted at \$19 to \$20. Edmonton had a liberal quantity of plain cattle but here also the stock car shortage resulted in an accumulation of cattle already sold but which could not be moved south, thereby causing a shortage of yardage space and a warning to shippers to exercise caution in fresh deliveries in the immediate future. Best of the steers at Edmonton were \$20 to \$22, an odd \$22; Prince Albert up to \$22; Moose Jaw \$21; Saskatoon \$22; Regina \$21; and Vancouver \$20 to \$24.

Exports to United States

Exports of slaughter and feeding cattle to the United States during the week totalled 20,487. This places the total since Aug. 16 at 102,614 head. Shipments of dairy cattle and purebreds during the week amounted to 2,357, making the total to date this year 85,481. Calf exports this week were 2,620 and since Aug. 16 total 15,563. Exports of sheep and lambs for the week were 1,153, placing the total since removal of restrictions on Aug. 3 at 10,286.

Calves Tending Easier

While there was no appreciable changes in calf prices from the previous week, the tendency was toward lower levels, particularly at Montreal. Toronto paid \$27 to \$29 for best veals, Montreal a general \$25 which looked about \$1 down, Winnipeg \$19 down, Calgary \$20, Edmonton \$22, Prince Albert up to \$20, Moose Jaw \$19 to \$20, Saskatoon up to \$21, Regina \$20, and Vancouver \$19 to \$20. Montreal quoted best veals at \$18, f.o.b.

GALLIVAN—MacPHEE WEDDING



Mr. Daniel Leo Gallivan of Halifax and his bride, the former Mary Madelyn Eileen MacPhee, daughter of Mr. H. F. MacPhee, K. C. and Mrs. MacPhee, Charlottetown, leaving St. Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown, following their marriage on Monday, Oct. 4. Rev. William Gallivan, brother of the groom performed the ceremony.



Bride entering St. Dunstan's Basilica with her father, Mr. H. F. MacPhee, K. C. —Photo by Saunders

Giving New Look to Old East Block

(By A. R. SYKES)

OTTAWA, Oct. 6.—(Special to The Guardian)—Canada may be lagging in participation in the Berlin Air Lift, but let no one think she is not spending freely in the cause of External Affairs.

When he gets back to Ottawa after the by-election in Algoma East, External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson will hardly know the old East Block, traditional quarters of the Prime Minister, the External Affairs Department, formerly the Finance Department and still headquarters for the Privy Council.

A small army of carpenters, brick-layers, stone-masons, plasterers, cement-finishers and painters are hard at work giving old Lady East Block the New Look. Built some 75 years ago, the building has undergone only urgent repairs since that time, and only now is it coming into its full glory.

At the South-East corner of the venerable structure which faces Parliament Hill lawn, a constant succession of trucks is carrying away rubbish and bringing in new materials for a complete revamping of the former Finance Department offices. With saw abandon, men with sledges and crow-bars have cut through thick interior brick walls, ripped out doors, torn down partitions, uprooted old pine floors.

A Complete Job

As The Guardian's correspondent today shouldered his way past a half-laden truck, barrows full of debris, piles of lumber and other materials, a curious foreman asked if he had business there.

"This is a handy door," the

assured that he had not but was just a stranger admiring the job. The foreman warned up immediately.

"It's a complete re-modelling job," he explained. "Ye see, these used to be Finance Department offices and now we're turning the whole shebang into conference-rooms for External Affairs."

"How about these funny old stone fireplaces?" The Guardian's correspondent asked. "Will you leave them where they are or rip them out?"

"We'll leave some of them," he replied, "not that they're much good for heating as intended in the first place, but they look sort of home-like."

"And what about this?" persisted the newspaperman, pointing to an immense steel vault flush with one of the walls.

"Oh, we'll cover that up with plaster," the foreman said. "It used to be full of all sorts of currency, treasury bills and that sort of thing, but we don't need it now. All that stuff has been taken over to the new Bank of Canada building. Once we get it covered over no one will know the difference."

Door leading to the External Affairs Conference-Room-In-The-Making has been not only closed but sealed and battened with oskum for nearly half a century. An attempt will be made to see if scraping treatment can make the door suitable for use once again. If not, a brand-new set of doors will be hung between the facings of the entrance.

Very Convenient

"This is a handy door," the

construction foreman pointed out. "Foreign diplomats can come in here unseen by anyone near the Centre Block of the Parliament Buildings. Also it's only a stone's throw from the Chateau Laurier which has the finest bar and cocktail lounge in Canada."

On the West side of the East Block a door originally reached under an imposing porte-cochere is an unparalleled example of unusual architecture. This large double-door, also sealed off for many years and leading directly into the Prime Minister's suite of offices, has been torn from its hinges and replaced by a new window, five feet from the ground, six feet wide and five feet high.

Today, no one could explain just why a window was needed at that particular place, but several admitted that it looked like a ticket-seller's wicket.

"We're just replacing a door by a window and that's all we know about it," workmen said.

Next job for the work crews around the East Block will be removal of the iron bars from several dozen windows. Necessary while the building was used to store both currency and Government securities, the iron bars spaced four inches apart are now slated to go.

"They wouldn't look right in a Canadian Conference-Room," a wag of the External Affairs Department said. "Only the boys from countries behind the Iron Curtain would appreciate them."

With many of the senior and junior officials of External Affairs Department away in Paris at the

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Born With Skirl Of Pipe In Ears Holds Many Honors

(The Telegraph Journal)

Pipe Major John McLeod wasn't exactly born with a bagpipe under his arm, but he sure enough came into the world with the skirl of the pipes ringing in his ears.

The 26-year-old sandy-haired piper, who has a Scottish burr as thick as molasses, arrived in Saint John yesterday direct from Scotland to become pipe major of the New Brunswick Scottish Regiment (Reserve).

Brought to Canada to reorganize and enlarge the pipe band of the N. B. Scottish, the holder of many piping honors in his native land arrived in Saint John wearing the kilt of the Ancient Seaforths and the regimental cap of the Seaforth Highlanders.

Bubbling with enthusiasm, the youthful pipe major who has been playing "as long as I can remember," explained "that he plans to give the N. B. Scottish a pipe band that will compare with the finest in Canada."

Born into a piping family in the town of Nairn, Invershire, Scotland, he recounted that his father had been a piper and his father before him. An only brother was the black sheep of the family — he turned out to be a violinist.

"But he's pretty good, so we forgive him," laughed the new pipe major of the N. B. Scottish.

A little questioning revealed that Piper McLeod also is "pretty good." A keen competitor in piping matches which are held in conjunction with Highland Games throughout Scotland, he won his first championship when only 15 and since that time has won "more than I can remember."

Shortly before leaving Scotland to assume his new position in Saint John, he won the piping championship of the National Athletic Sports at Murray Field Park, Edinburgh. Some 18 area champions from all over Scotland competed in this particular competition.

Pipe Major McLeod, who served with the famous Seaforth Highlanders during the war years, left Prestwick, Ayrshire, Monday by plane and landed at Sydney where he spent a night before proceeding to Penfield by plane where he met Major D. F. Seely of the N. B. Scottish.

Suspect Dog Caused Death Of Small Child

HAVERHILL, Mass., Oct. 6.—(AP)—The mangled and nude body of a four-year-old Alberta Grogan, formerly of Moncton, N.B., today was found in a field a few minutes after she left her mother's side to watch a neighbor feed his poultry.

Medical examiner Leroy Stokes said some of the child's injuries were consistent with dog bites. He said, however, he would reserve final decision on the cause of death pending an autopsy.

Dr. Stokes said he was unable to determine immediately how the child suffered two deep cuts, one on her neck and the other on her groin. He said those wounds did not look like dog bites.

Police said the poultry farmer, Paul T. Jones, told them his two nine-month-old German shepherd dogs led him to the child by their constant barking.

The torn and blood-stained clothing was found nearby.

The girl is one of five children of Mrs. Edna Grogan, 30, who was widowed two months ago. The child was born in Moncton and came here with her parents about three years ago.

The other children in the family are seven-year-old twin girls, Janet and Joyce, and two boys, Charles, 16 months, and Robert, five months.

Growing Belief Communists To Dominate China

PEIPING, Oct. 6.—(AP)—There is a growing belief in this North China city that the Communists are over the hump in their plans to dominate all China.

That belief has had a great impact on the economic life of Peiping. An already hard life grows harder.

The cost of most household necessities has doubled since the government froze prices at the Aug. 19 level. Merchants are unwilling to sell at the ceiling prices and trade moves into the black market. It is hard to find pork, beef and mutton—except in the black market. Legitimate dealers don't dare raise their prices because they are under the scrutiny of the economic police.

The police have made a number of arrests for illegal commodity and currency dealings, but none of the big operations has been caught.

Prices on foreign products have gone up because of an increase in import taxes and other restrictions.

All this time most wages have been stationary.

A lot of the trouble is being blamed on Red agents.

They are said to be out-bidding the government for United States currency and gold and silver by as much as 20 per cent. This charge is plausible because the Communists wage war on all fronts, military, political and economic.



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