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THE MONTHLY MEETING OF Auxiliary of Y. M. C. A. will be held Tuesday at 3.30 p.m.

RECOVERING.—Mr. James Brown of Stanley Bridge, is reported somewhat improved. Mr. Brown has had a severe illness for the past two weeks, and his numerous friends anxiously look forward to learn of his recovery.—M

BLOWING UP WRECKAGE.—Wreckage obstructions about some of the wharves and harbors of the Island are being dynamited out of the way by Mr. Poland, of the Marine Department, who is here for this purpose from Quebec. Yesterday morning some work was done at Connolly's wharf and in the afternoon Mr. Poland and his assistant went to Belfast pier. There is a wreck to be removed at Haliday's wharf, Murray Harbor, Annapolis and other places.

READERS ARE advised that sale of foxes belonging to East Victoria Farm Black Fox Co., Ltd., will take place at Wedlock ranch, Union Road, on Thursday November 1st at 10 o'clock a. m. Also foxes owned by Estate Greenwood Foxes Ltd., will be sold at 11 a. m., together with farm, ranch, implements, stock, etc., at the same place according to advertisement in this paper.

MISS MARGARET DOYLE, formerly of Emerald, is now employed as Stenographer with the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N.Y., one of the largest Electric Companies in America. Miss Doyle graduated from Union Commercial College last term. In a recent letter to Prin. Moran she says, "I have an excellent position. The work is difficult, but I have no trouble, owing to the excellent training I received in Gregg Shorthand and Office Work."

"THE COMING OF JOY." A dainty little booklet in poetic thought and language has just been received from Miss A. L. Read, 614 Main Street, Moncton, who is so kindly remembered here, and whose father, Rev. John Read, D. D., was at one time the beloved pastor of the Methodist Church. The booklet is entitled "The Coming of Joy" and each page gives evidence that Miss Read possessed in balanced harmony, the mystic element and the spiritual vision which combine to make the true poet. Some idea of the variety and wealth of the subjects of the poems may be obtained by a glance through the work, when one comes upon such promising titles as "The Garden of Hope," "The Angelus," "A Spring Day," "An Easter Morn," "Voices of Long Ago," and yet selections are inadvisable, they are all so attractive. The reader will find himself, having started, keeping right on through the volume with interest and inspiration. The booklet can be had from the author for 75 cents and two cents for mailing and will no doubt be widely circulated.

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PAINFULLY INJURED.—Mr. Warren Houston Mayfield was the victim of a very serious and painful accident a short time ago, in which one of his ankles was badly broken and bruised. Mr. Houston was in the act of unloading one of his milkcans from his wagen, where his horse, a highly spirited animal, made a quick start and a heavy can slipped from his hands and fell full-weight on his leg with the above mentioned result. Mr. Houston is making a good recovery under the skillful treatment of Dr. A. B. Stevenson, of New Glasgow, who was immediately summoned and set the broken limb. A strange coincidence was that a brother-in-law of Mr. Houston viz; Mr. E. C. LePage, general merchant of North Rustico, sustained a similar, though much less severe accident the same week—when assisting his men in the unloading of his vessel. Mr. LePage, is also improving rapidly and their many friends hope to see both young men as active as before, ere long.

A FINE OPENING.—The interest of the people of Rustico, and all the neighboring districts is at the present time largely centered on the charge to take place on Tuesday the 7th of November, in the proprietorship of the fine mercantile property, that has been held by the late Joseph Gallant, for more than forty years. The store is ideally situated for business, in the heart of the village of Rustico—just a few yards from Rustico draw-bridge to which large vessels frequently come for the purpose of unloading coal and lumber and shipping farm produce.

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The Mitchell Inquiry

(Continued from Page Four)

hear the evidence of the witnesses we have here. The inquiry would go on and the evidence would be given even if Mitchell were here. We might adjourn for sufficient time to take his evidence, but I propose to ask the Commissioner to take the evidence that is now available.

MR. INMAN: A man has a right to hear the evidence and cross-examine.

MR. STEWART: Mr. Mitchell is not charged with anything. This is an investigation in the interests of the Province.

MR. INMAN: The Attorney General

has come to the notice of the Government that there has been some transaction between some English young men and Mitchell. These young men have complained. As Mitchell was the agent of the Government, the Government has the right to get the Commission to investigate the facts of the case and the Commission may call whomsoever they see fit as witnesses.

MR. INMAN: I submit that it has developed into a charge and that the man charged should be notified.

MR. STEWART: I will undertake to notify him before this investigation closes, and in order not to waste time I will ask that the witnesses here be heard.

THE COMMISSIONER: I think I will certainly hear the witnesses. What the Government wishes to find out is whether this Province is being injured by things that are being done by anyone and they have asked me to find that out if

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eral in opening his case stated charge after charge against this man of misconduct.

MR. STEWART: I said that from the statements of these men (Capt. Dudgeon and Butler) his conduct should be investigated.

MR. INMAN: My honorable friend did not say so but he said that the statements of Mitchell were proved incorrect, that is, a falsehood and a lie. The evidence as given by this gentleman (Capt. Turner) on the stand shows that this man has acted in a most extraordinary way and the Commissioner should see that. So it has taken on the form of investigating a charge of fraud against him. It is only fair to go on against him and let him cross-examine witnesses if he wants to, especially as Mr. Gaudet's witnesses are not here.

MR. GAUDET: Has Mitchell any solicitors?

LIEUT. JACKSON: I understand he has solicitors in Amherst, Messrs Milner & Purley, I believe.

MR. GAUDET: Does Mitchell belong to Amherst?

LIEUT. JACKSON: Yes.

MR. INMAN: I claim that the investigation has developed into a charge of the grossest fraud and that according to all sense of fair play the inquiry should be adjourned to give that man a chance.

MR. STEWART: Section 8 of the statutes of the Province provides "that no report shall be made against any person or persons until reasonable notice shall have been given to him or them of the charge of misconduct against him or them, and he or they shall have been allowed full opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel." I in the course of the inquiry it transpires that there is a charge the Commission is not to report until reasonable notice has been given of this charge, that is all the section means. There are two witnesses here who are very anxious to give their evidence and return home. This evidence concerning the survey of the land and the building of the cottage. I would ask that we take the evidence of these witnesses from Summerside.

THE COMMISSIONER: I do not see anything to hinder that.

MR. GAUDET: The Act safeguards Mr. Mitchell in any case.

MR. STEWART: Certainly. I very much oppose taking any narrow technical view of the matter.

MR. INMAN: I only brought it up as a matter of fact.

THE COMMISSIONER: He will get fair play all right.

MR. GAUDET: We may notify Mitchell and go on with the examination of these witnesses. I do not think his absence will invalidate their evidence.

THE COMMISSIONER: I do not think so either.

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Q. That was the first intimation you had?

A. Yes.

Q. That was when?

A. I think it was on Wednesday it might have been the 15th or the 14th, I am not very sure.

Q. You had no dealings with any-

Q. Can it Mr. Mitchell or anyone else is guilty they will then have to take proceedings against him.

MR. STEWART: The proceedings that we may take against Mr. Mitchell lie outside of this inquiry altogether.

JOHN MOLLISON (sworn)
Examination by the ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Q. You live at Summerside?

A. Yes sir.

Q. You are a land surveyor?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you hear the statements made by the last witness Capt. Turner?

A. Not very much. I was late coming in.

Q. Did you hear the evidence given about a plan?

A. No.

Q. Did you make a survey of land near Emerald?

A. I did.

Q. When did you make that?

A. Some weeks ago. It was in August.

Q. That was the only survey, or was there another?

A. I was out twice but it was the same thing. It was all done in August.

Q. What land did you survey?

A. I understood that I was surveying the farm land of William Mayne, George Mayne and Peter Sinclair, partly in Queens County and partly in Prince County. George and William Mayne have some land both in Queens and Prince but I think Sinclair's was altogether in Queens.

Q. How many acres were involved in the survey?

A. About five or six hundred acres.

Q. What was the extent of the survey?

A. Well, we measured the boundary line of the total area and we laid off that part that lies in Queens County west of the County line road and west of the County line itself in four acre lots, though there were some jobs a little less or more.

Q. Were the lots square or rectangular?

A. Rectangular, narrow and long.

Q. Was the whole part in Prince County?

A. I have a small, incomplete plan here which I made for my own use. (Plan produced and explained).

Q. When was the large plan prepared?

A. Shortly after the survey in August. I think the first time I went out was on the 16th or 17th of August, and I know I could not finish and leave for home in the evening. I think I came back on the 23rd, 24th and 25th and completed the survey.

Q. What did you do with the large plan?

A. I delivered that to William Mayne and he issued the charge for me. I understand it was delivered to the gentlemen who ordered the survey.

Q. Who engaged you to make the survey?

A. The first day I went out in the afternoon, coming on towards evening, and Mr. Mitchell and Capt. Dudley came along from Emerald and we made an agreement. It was really Mr. Mitchell who was employing me to make the survey.

Q. Was that in August of this year?

A. Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Was this the same Andrew Fraser Mitchell?

A. Yes.

Q. He was on the Island then?

A. Yes. That was the only time I saw him. I saw Dudley the second time.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: Q. Did you agree with Mr. Mitchell about the expense of the survey at that time?

A. No, it took me a great deal longer to make the plan than I had suggested to him but he gave me to understand that whatever it was the cost would be paid.

Q. It was after you had gone out there that you saw Mitchell for the first time.

A. Yes.

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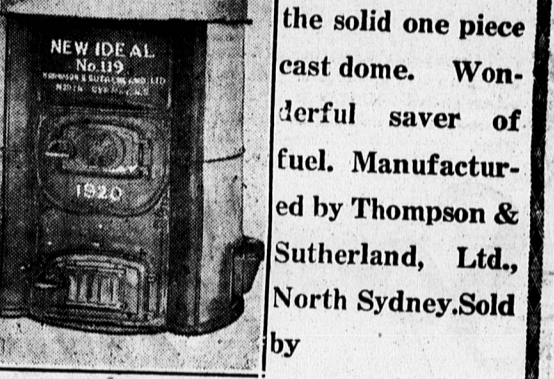
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body except these two gentlemen in connection with the survey?

A. No. Of course I consulted with Capt. Dudley but it was only in a matter of details.

Q. I understand that Capt. Dudley and Mr. Mitchell were together on the first occasion?

A. Yes, and Capt. Dudley and Mr. Thompson the second time.

Q. When did you see Capt. Dudley and Mr. Thompson?

A. That was the second time I was out, if I mistake not. The 23rd of August, I think.

Q. What was the nature of your conversation with them?

A. There was a suggestion about making a road at the southern end and a few details like that.

Q. It was all concerning the survey and the plan?

A. Yes. I think there was something said in regard to laying off the part that was in Queens County and a certain understanding was come to about the

lines would run. I was supposing at first that they would run north and south but they wanted them to run fronting on the Princeton road.

Q. That is all you had to do with the matter?

A. Yes.

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