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**THE EASTERN GUARDIAN**

SHOP from Holman's Catalog.  
...COME TO MONTAGUE horse races Wednesday, August 9th.

...PERFECTION Ice Cream received daily. Eastern Grocery Co., Souris.

...POPULAR CAMP LIFE—The camping fever has aken hold on several of the citizens and this week a number of the school girls under Miss Ethel Knight are occupying the grounds and intend to spend the week in a similar manner to the boys.

...SUPREME COURT—The Supreme Court opened in Georgetown yesterday morning, with Mr. Justice Hazard on the Bench. There were no criminal cases and the customary pair of white gloves were presented. There is a large number of civil cases on the docket and the court will likely occupy the greater part of next week.

...MRS. A. McLEON'S SALARY—The fact that Mrs. A. McLeon, formerly Mrs. Robert M. MacMillan, now Perth, Patrick Bradley, St. Teresa's, Thomas Troy, Greenfield, John T. Gill, Eltholva, James MacLeod, Victoria Cross, Peter Curran, St. Teresa's, John Collings, Sturgeon, Wm. A. Power, Sturgeon, George Parker, Cardigan, Albert Dewar, Brudenell, Patrick Trainor, Peakes, Stannard, Edwin MacFarlane, Annadale, Daniel J. MacLean, Montague, Michael Murphy, Panmure Island, Seymour Knight, Georgetown, Lester Melish, Montague, Harry Cox, Morrell, Michael Murphy, Elmira, Daniel Mullins, St. Peter's, Malcolm Macdonald, Lorne Valley, Joseph McQuaid, St. Teresa's, Thomas Lamont, Summersville, Peter J. McPhee, Souris.

**PERSONALS**  
...Mr. Somers, Boston, was a recent passenger to Georgetown. A

...Miss Tina Hume, Dundas, is visiting Miss Elsie McDonald, Georgetown.

...Dr. and Mrs. McLean, Souris, recently visited Mrs. McLean's sister, Mrs. A. A. McDonald, Georgetown.

**Is Decorated For Bravery In 1871**  
PARIS, July 19.—The Official Journal today contains the simple statement that Mme. Laurentine Proust Ledoell has been awarded the Legion of Honor for her conduct in defence of Chateau Dun in the war of 1871. Behind this plain announcement lies one of the most heroic and romantic stories of feminine courage ever enacted.

The defence of Chateau Dun was one of the most brilliant feats in the Franco-Prussian war. The city, though unfortified, was garrisoned by a small number of military men, with the aid of the Franc-tireurs, or guerrillas, managed to check the advance of one whole Prussian army for a day. The credit for the defence belongs in notable part to the woman who was decorated with the Red Ribbon today.

When the Franc-tireurs took their first stand before the town, Laurentine, who was only 18 years old, joined them. When ordered by Commander Ledoell to return to the town she replied: "My place is beside my father. If he falls, I will be at hand to help him up again."

Then, finding a basket, she gave herself to the task of supplying the soldiers with ammunition. Throughout the day, as the defenders retreated from post to post, the girl continued at her task, stopping only to bandage wounds. When the men were wearied she inspired them to continue, and when one man, after the explosion of his rifle, turned from the battle, she exhorted him to return.

After the war she became first seamstress and then a shoemaker in order to support her aged parents. At the age of fifty she again met Colonel Ledoell, the commander at the defence of Chateau Dun. Her courage and the aid she had given him in that fight had remained in his mind, and the meeting brought about a belated romance which ended in their marriage.

...WOMAN WITH BABE IN HER ARMS SWEEP OVER NIAGARA FALLS  
NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 19.—An unidentified woman, said by some witnesses to have carried a baby in her arms, was swept to the river at a point about 200 feet above the Goat Island bridge and was rapidly carried into the whirlpool current. Rescuers with pike poles tried to rescue her, but in vain.

On the bank were found a black straw hat, a scarf with the initials "S" and two handkerchiefs with the initials "L."

PARIS, July 19.—The congress of the Alliance Francaise opened yesterday at Versailles under the presidency of Under-Secretary Colrat, of the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Pierre Dupuy, a Canadian delegate, brought a message of sympathy from the Canadian people, and said: "Three million Canadians speak French, not patois, but a language still impregnated with the perfume of the 17th century. They still live the whole intellectual life of France and they proved it by coming to die in numbers on her battlefields."

Mr. Colrat said he was anxious to salute the Canadian delegate who had given to the congress the greetings of millions of Canadians who still spoke French with the purity of Pascal and Racine.

**Capt. Lauchlan McKinnon Fails To Rally**

(Nelson Daily News) June 22nd.

Captain Lauchlan McKinnon, at the age of 53 years died yesterday morning at 6.30 o'clock at the Kootenay Lake General Hospital, from the effects of exposure and a fishing trip at Kaslo last Saturday, resulting in muscular rheumatism, which developed rapidly in the last day, affecting the muscles of breathing, into multiple peripheral neuritis.

One of the most powerful officers who ever held a wheel in a pilot-house, Captain McKinnon for the past 25 years has been in the C. P. R. lake and river service in the Kootenay, and in the early thirties steamed on the Fraser. For many years he has been master of the boat on the Nelson-Kaslo run, and he was looking forward with the greatest anticipation to the time when the Kootenay, which has recently been completed, renovated and painted, would resume its former run to Kaslo. When the Nasookin, now undergoing repairs, was again in service to Kootenay Landing.

Captain McKinnon was born in 1869 in the village of Five Houses in Kings county, Prince Edward Island. He leaves a widow, and three adult children—Elizabeth, Leo and Clifford.

...TORPEDOED IN MEDITERRANEAN  
Captain McKinnon held an enviable record, enlisting with the corps at the age of 17, and was promoted to First Lieutenant, P. Armstrong of the Royal Engineers, and gained his commission as lieutenant in December, 1916.

After training in England, he left on April 1, 1917, and went via Havre and Marseilles and boarded the "Mercurian" at Marseilles, which was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on May 15, following. Captain McKinnon and Captain Armstrong, after the ship had been torpedoed, had charge of loading and lowering two lifeboats. The Cameronian was then sinking by the head, and he followed the captain of the ship to the forward deck and was later picked up by the destroyer "Riternan" on the 16th.

On the arrival of the "Riternan" in the Mediterranean, McKinnon and Armstrong were the first picked up by the destroyer, and Captain McKinnon immediately volunteered to act as crew for the boat, and remained on from 5.30 o'clock till midnight, picking up survivors that were floating around on lifeboats. McKinnon was the first to be rescued on the arrival of the "Riternan" in Malta, he was sent to hospital suffering from exposure.

On Tigris and Nile  
After serving a month in Egypt, he was sent to Mesopotamia, where he was put in charge of the different vessels running from Basra to Bagdad, on the Tigris river.

When the call came from Egypt for river men to run sternwheeler on the river Nile, Captain McKinnon was the first man to be recommended, and put in a year of service in command of all boats there during the high water of 1918. He was made a special pilot to take steamers through the railway bridge at Naga Madhi.

In this service, he was a very popular officer, and was a favorite with the British officers, and also with the Arab crews under his command.

...EMOTION FLOWS AT THE BURIAL  
Scenes of deep emotion, both in the Church of Mary Immaculate during the celebration of requiem high mass, and at the graveside in the city cemetery, marked the funeral Saturday, possibly the largest ever held in Nelson, of Captain Lauchlan McKinnon. From points all over Kootenay lake and the West Arm, and from other communities of the West Kootenay, persons to whom the passing of Captain McKinnon meant a personal loss, came to Nelson specially to pay a tribute of respect to his memory.

The funeral was held immediately after the high mass of 1918. The service was held in the Church of Mary Immaculate.

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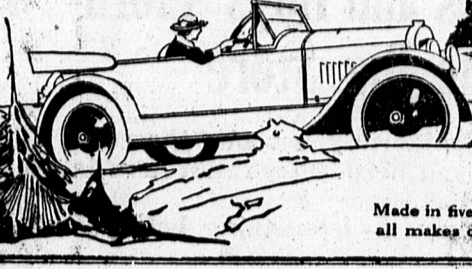
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ly after the arrival of the steamer Kootenay, this hour being fixed in order to permit his immediate crew to attend.

Before the hour of the church service arrived, the Catholic church was filled to the doors, and scores stood outside, while Rev. J. Althoff, V. G., intoned the ancient service of the Catholic church for the dead, and the savor of incense pervaded the sanctuary.

In spite of the funeral taking in the noon hour, there was a particularly large attendance at the cemetery, and a long line of cars followed the cortege. The service at the grave was conducted by Rev. A. L. McIntyre, of the Sloane district. The pall bearers were Captain Douglas Brown, Captain J. C. Orr, Wm. Elsdon, J. Cameron, T. J. Scanlan and P. J. Gallagher.

The floral and spiritual offerings were very numerous and beautiful. The above is taken from the Nelson Daily News. The late Captain McKinnon was brought up at the home of his Aunt, the late Mrs. Ronald McCormack, Monticello, and leaves to mourn the following adopted brothers and sisters: Mrs. Daniel McDonald, Souris; Mrs. Alexander McDonald, Little Pond; John, Hugo and Angus McCormack, Monticello; D. C. McMalta, he was sent to hospital suffering from exposure.

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**P.E.I. Tuxis Boys' Camp Big Success**

The P. E. I. Tuxis Boy's Camp which opened on July 8th, and closed on the 18th, was held this year on the farm of Mr. Robert Baker of North Bedouque. The spot chosen is a beautiful one and the Camp is pitched along the back of a large field at the back of the property, and this field is surrounded on two sides with a beautiful grove of evergreens.

The boys went from many parts of the Province the largest delegation going from Charlottetown. The leadership at the Camp was provided by A. M. Gregg, Maritime Secretary for Boy's Work of the R. E. C. Rev. H. S. B. Strothard, Rev. Wm. Godfrey, H. H. Simpson of the Summerside Y. M. C. A. and G. H. Gorbell Secretary of the Charlottetown Y. M. C. A. Several of the local ministers from Bedouque and vicinity also gave their services freely at the Camp.

The Camp was organized on the Indian Tribal plan. The whole camp being called the Awbegweit Tribe with the boys divided into groups each with a Big and Little Chief. The tribes chosen were Iriquois, Mohawks, Hurons and Micmacs. All the activities and athletics of the Camp were carried on in a competitive way between the four tribes with honors being given for all the different events.

The days program consisted of rising at 7.00, setting up exercises and morning dip; breakfast at 7.30 followed by the morning Chapel service around the tables; 8.05-8.45 camp duties; 8.45-9.15, "Camp Studies in Friendship; Bible study group led by Big Chiefs; 9.20-9.50 Life Discussion period; 9.50-10.30, improvement hour for the good of the Camp; 10.30-11.30 Volley ball; 11.30-12.15 morning swim; 12.30 dinner; 2.00 tent inspection;

the balance of the day being spent in special program with Athletics, games, baseball, swimming, etc. In the evening the camp fire was held, closing with a vesper service each night.

In the Athletic events the boys made some splendid records and the competition was so keen that three of the tribes came very close in their grand total of points; the scores being as follows:—Iriquois 3435, Micmacs, 3310, Mohawks 3632. The boys competed in 8 events as follows:—100 yd. dash, 60 yd. potato race standing broad jump, high jump, Target throw shot put, Hop, step and Jump, and throw for distance.

**Montague Horse Races**

Wednesday August 9th, \$400.00 in premiums. Following are the classes: Free for all Trot, Purse \$300.00, 2:40 Trot \$300.00, 2:25 Pace, \$300.00 and entry fee of 15 per cent in all classes. Entries close Saturday, July 29th, National Trotting Association rules to govern. Mail your entries early to T. G. Ives, Secretary.

Arthur Younkers, Montague 662 Saturday, July 15th, was visitor of the day at the Camp, and the friends of the boys were at the Camp in considerable numbers. A special program of athletic games and special baseball games were played that day.

The Camp boys played the Bedouque team and the Freetown Team games of baseball. They beat the Bedouque team but were decisively defeated by the Freetown team.

The Charlottetown boys home Tuesday all looking in fine condition and all loud in their praise of the fine time at the Camp.

**BRINGING UP FATHER—BY GEORGE McMANUS**

