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MONDAY

DIED IN WINNIPEG.—A telegram received in the city announces the death in Winnipeg on Friday last of Mr. Joseph M. Hyde, formerly of West River, this province. It will be remembered his wife died two weeks ago after a short illness. No particulars have been received as to the death of Mr. Hyde, and letters received from the family recently told of his being in his usual health. The sympathy of a large circle of friends goes out to the bereaved family.

There passed away on the 25th of February at his home in Greenvale, Lot 46, in his 96th year, formerly of the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, of which he was a consistent member, John H. McDonald, familiarly known as John "Burnpoint" his birthplace being Burnpoint, a short distance from Georgetown.

The late Mr. McDonald was one of the best known of the old settlers and was one of the pioneers who had to clear away the original forest to make a place for his home. He was the eldest son of a family of twelve, two of whom survive him. Ellen in San Francisco, and Eliza, wife of the late Angus N. Morrison, Annandale, Lot 55. He also leaves to mourn his loss two sons, Hugh on the west side, and Angus in Souris. His wife predeceased him about eight years ago. He was highly respected by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

The funeral took place to St. Mary's Church, Souris, where Mass was celebrated by Rev. Pastor J. C. McLean. May his soul rest in peace.—(Boston and San Francisco papers please copy.)

On January 27th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frederick Larzer, Hampden, Mrs. Sarah A. Hyde, a highly respected resident passed away at the advanced age of 88 years. She was the widow of the late Charles Hyde. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons and three daughters, namely George S. Hyde of Rockland, Mass., William Henry of Portland, Oregon, and Edgar Hobbs of Portland, Oregon. Her funeral was held at St. John's N. B. and Mrs. Frederick Larzer at whose home the deceased resided for the past thirteen years.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. S. D. Webster of Cornwall, assisted by R. H. Bell of North River and the Rev. J. C. McLean. Mr. Webster referred to the christian hope that sustained her in the closing moments. She fell asleep like a tired child in full assurance as she expressed it that she "was going home". The pall bearers were her two grandsons, Watson and Charlie Larzer, John Hyde, Robert Reeves, Benjamin Ward and David Proud.

The deceased was a member of the Baptist Church, North River for forty years. She was always a kind and faithful mother and a genuine type of that innumerable throng who love to do their Master's will.—(Patriot please copy.)

Professor P. A. Murphy, Mrs. Murphy and two children leave tomorrow morning for Ireland, where Professor Murphy has accepted a position with the Agricultural Department in the Royal College of Science, Dublin. The position is a splendid one and while the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Murphy deeply regret their departure all will congratulate them both on the upward curve and especially Professor Murphy on this recognition of his abilities from one of the world's most famous seats of learning.

Professor Murphy has been in this province five years and during that time has done more in developing potato culture, not only in Prince Edward Island but through Canada, than any other man in the Dominion. He was appointed some time ago Plant Pathologist for Canada and his advice has been sought and generously given in every province. His departure is a loss to Canada and particularly to this province, but it is unfortunately the old story—the older and larger a country's offer inducements that Canada so far, declines to make in Dublin and after coming to this side of the Atlantic spent a year in Cornell University, accepting a call from the Dominion Department of Agriculture to take charge of the plant pathology department, the duties in connection with which he has filled to the entire satisfaction of the department and of the country. Mrs. Murphy is a native of Ireland and naturally is pleased to return to the land of her birth. They are accompanied home however by two sturdy little Canadians, born in Charlottetown who will link them to Canada and especially to Prince Edward Island where they have all made many friends who will wish them a safe and pleasant voyage home and the best of luck afterwards.

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TUESDAY

—KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—A very enjoyable evening was spent at the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias last Friday evening, when Past Grand Chancellor commander B. Roy Holman, assisted by Mr. C. L. McKay, Wilfred Wright, Earl Reid and P. A. Farquharson all of Charlottetown installed the following officers for ensuing quarter: Chancellor, Commander B. Graham Rogers; Vice-Chancellor, Commander L. A. More; Prelate, J. E. Wyatt; Keeper of records and seals, A. R. Brennan; Master of Finance, M. L. Frank McKenzie; Master of Exchequer, L. R. Allen; Master of Work, J. A. Taylor; Master of Arms, C. Stewart; Inside Guardian, T. M. Linkletter; Outside Guard, Robert Walker.

Much sympathy is felt for Mrs. William MacKinnon and daughter, Mary Effie, and son, William Angus for the loss of a loving husband and father, who died with pneumonia, February 12th, on P. E. Island, while there attending to business.

Mr. MacKinnon was expected home by his family when a telegram was received by them of his illness. Mrs. MacKinnon left on the first train but he had passed out of life before she arrived there.

Mr. MacKinnon was a large man with a cheerful disposition and beloved by all who knew him. He was born on P. E. Island on March 12, 1871. He came to the United States seventeen years ago and resided in Dorchester, Mass. He was a member of the Forerunners, Odd Fellows and Scottish Clans, and an active member of the Presbyterian Church for many years.

Besides his family, he leaves to mourn, five brothers and three sisters.

Considerable damage is reported throughout the Province as the result of the freshets caused by the heavy rain of Saturday night.

About midnight the saw mill owned by Mr. Shaw MacMillan at Alberry Plains, broke away with the weight of ice and water; a breach being made to a width of about ten feet. Two miles miles further down the stream the dam at John Ross' mill was swept away almost in its entirety. Hayden's Bridge across the Murry Harbor road near the mill, also went down beneath the rush of waters.

The total loss will amount to several thousands of dollars. Mr. Ross who has been conducting a roller mill will be the heaviest individual loser. The Provincial government's bridge at Hayden's consisted of a 32 foot span. It was in a good state of repair, being recovered a couple of years ago. The fish pond owned by Mr. D. A. MacKinnon and others of Charlottetown, on the Glencoe River, which is a branch of the Vernon River was also destroyed.

At Bonshaw the road below the steel bridge at Crosby's Mills, was covered with four feet of water and in other places throughout the country, the roads were submerged.

The unusual thickness of ice in the mill ponds prevented what might have been serious loss in other parts of the Island.

Around the outskirts of Charlottetown the flow of water in some sections was quite heavy. At Brimstone the Country Club suffered, the water almost filling the cellar and causing the loss of the provisions which were kept in the store-room. Quite a number of other cellars were flooded in various sections.

LECTURE AT ST. DUNSTON'S—It is seldom that the students of St. Dunstan's receive a treat such as that given them a few nights ago by Premier Bell. They followed him with the closest attention for fully an hour and a half while he introduced them to the many wonders of mysterious Egypt. There are men who have travelled as extensively as Mr. Bell but it is doubtful if there is any one who possesses the same powers of observation and faculty for description. His vividness of portrayal was such that it required but a slight trick of the imagination to stand with him on the veranda of the hotel and watch almost the entire eastern world parade itself in the broad street below. He described the appearance of a great many types of the Eastern races, the picturesqueness of their dress, etc., and added many interesting facts about their modes of living. He circled with the students the great pyramid of Gizeh, with its base covering 13 acres and climbed 700 feet to its summit. Looking out from this elevation, over the great waste of sand, it impressed him, he said, as if the desert were being tossed about like the sea during a storm and it was suddenly quieted by the divine injunction, "Peace, Be still." He took them out into the desert to visit the ruins of the once famous city of Thebes, the City of a Hundred Gates immortalized by Homer. He visited with them the Tomb of Pharaoh the location of which was a mystery to European scientists until revealed recently through the agency of an American detective. Here they were introduced to the sole occupant of the Tomb, an Egyptian mummy—who "perhaps had walked in Thebes streets three thousand years ago." The bare description of these wonders of Egypt would have been sufficient to compel interest, but coupled with touches of humor and even a little ventriloquism it was irresistible. Mr. Bell's lecture was valuable to the students both from a geographical and historical point of view. He must indeed be a listless student who has not received from the lecture an inspiration and impulse to dive into the history and tradition of the East. The Reverend Rector as well as a number of the students commented on Mr. Bell's lecture, emphasizing its educational value, etc., and a vote of thanks and appreciation was tendered him through the president of St. Thomas Literary and Debating Society. It is the earnest wish of every student of the University that Mr. Bell will find it convenient to favor them again soon with one of his interesting and instructive lectures.

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