

IMPORTANT READING MATTER SELECTED FROM THIS WEEK'S NEWS FOR THE GUARDIAN'S SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

MONDAY.

The death occurred at Whim Road on March 26th of Mrs. Donald Nicholson at the age of 90. She leaves to mourn a husband, Elder of Caledonia and Sarah who had ministered tenderly and patiently to her mother, also two sons - one in Woodstock, N. B., and the other in the western part of Canada.

The investigation into the charges of partizanship against W. J. McEachern, Station agent at Mt. Allison, recently suspended, and George Wood, station agent at Hazelbrook, were conducted in the Grand Jury Room in the Law Courts Building, Charlottetown, on Saturday before N. A. Campbell. The following were the witnesses examined in the case of Mr. McEachern, Donald Jenkins, Ernest Jenkins, Charles Rankin and William Laughton. In Mr. Wood's case David Mutch, Rodk. McNeill, Ambrose Wood and Calvin Wood were examined.

Yesterday afternoon an iceboat owned in Charlottetown skinned out the harbor and up to the Earl Grey as she was fighting her way through the ice in the Bay. Several of the passengers who went out on the iceboat decided to board the Grey and come in on her and the iceboat returned to port. The boys were somewhat disappointed in the steamers failing to reach the Marine Wharf and whether they walked in or obtained passage on the teams which brought passengers and mails from the steamer has not been learned.

The Earl Grey in her attempt to reach Charlottetown from Pictou yesterday, as referred to on page one, met with very heavy ice all the way over. The icebarrier near Pt. Prim was crossed with some difficulty and from that to the point where she was held up, about two miles from the mouth of the harbor, was very hard work. The heaviest of all is just ahead of the steamer, the channel being narrowest at this point. Capt. Brown's efforts to open this port are keenly appreciated and should succeed not attend him this time it surely won't be for the want of a good trial.

A large and appreciative audience gathered in the Hall at Clifton, New London, on the evening of Monday, March 25th to enjoy a concert given up by the ladies of the Auxiliary and Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church, and it is needless to say that the highest expectations of all were realized. Rev. John Murray, pastor of the church, acted as chairman, and a choice program of solos, duets, choruses, anthems, readings and recitations was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The organists for the evening were Mrs. H. P. Pound, Mrs. Major Whithead, and Miss Margaret McGregor, and each did her part ably and well. At the close of the program, there was a sale of home-made candy, which with the admission fee realized the neat sum of \$43.30.

Quite a crowd of the younger members of the Charlottetown Y. M. C. A., as well as many of the older members, gathered at the Association rooms on Saturday evening to say farewell to C. H. Oberdiek. The program consisted of vocal solos by Miss Campbell, Miss Dorothy Sutherland and Percy Stanley. All were in fine voice and their singing was greatly enjoyed. Professor Barlow gave a whistling solo which was a delight to the boys. Edgar Shaw rendered several readings in his usual capable manner. Speeches were made by Murdoch McKinnon, Dr. J. H. Ayers, Arthur Bruce and Secretary Bely. Mr. Oberdiek responded to these and spoke briefly of his plans for the Summer. Refreshments were served by the members of the young ladies gymnasium class. Mr. Oberdiek leaves this morning for Georgetown and will cross to the mainland to-day on his way to New York. All join in wishing him abundant success in his future work.

The graduation exercises of the class of 12 of the Essex Hospital Training School for Nurses, Newton, Mass., was held on March 21 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Earle E. Bessey, 1690 Beacon St., Waban. The affair brought out a large gathering, including medical men and former patients at the hospital and many floral tributes were presented to the graduates. The affair opened with short talks by Mrs. Herbert B. Cushing, recently appointed a trustee of the Insane Hospital by Gov. Fass. Dr. Bessey, Miss Mary Macleod, head nurse; Dr. Hawkins and Fred M. Purmort, who has lived at the hospital for the past year and a half. The presentation of diplomas and classpins to the graduates was made by Dr. Bessey. The following young women received diplomas and classpins: Miss Edna W. Bell, Miss Ethel M. Brown, and Miss Alma E. Colby. Following the exercises all present gathered in the gymnasium, where refreshments and dancing was enjoyed until midnight. Miss Bell referred to is a Montague girl and her large circle of friends in this Province will hear with pleasure of her success.

The Summerside students attending the Charlottetown schools are home for the Easter holidays among them Helen Strong, Jean McPherson, Mollie Currie, Thane Campbell and Jack McLeod.

H. T. Holman, sold last week to Frank P. Tuplin, two very desirable lots west of Central Street. Mr. Tuplin intends building this spring on one of these lots immediately west of Mr. Holman's residence. The Guardian understands that Mr. Tuplin's new residence will be a large, modern and up-to-date one and maybe of concrete. He also purposes moving his fox business nearer to Summerside and will build a ranch as soon as a location can be secured.

The rural mail delivery routes in this Province which have been established from time to time have proven a success. In the recent estimates brought down by Hon. W. T. White, Minister of Finance, at the House of Commons at Ottawa, \$200,000 was provided for the extension of the rural mail delivery service and there is also a vote of another half million dollars for the mail service generally. The question arises whether or not P. E. Island will receive any of the extension privileges.

Many citizens and owners of black foxes are estimating as to the possibility of the market prices of these animals during the coming summer and autumn. It is not long ago that a syndicate was formed in Bradshaw, and purchased from Benj. I. Rayer Alberton, one pair for \$21,000.00. The Tryon syndicate also made a purchase of a pair from Frank Tuplin for \$20,000.00. Those interested in the industry claim that both of the above transactions were made at a reasonable figure when quality and prospects are taken into consideration.

At a meeting of the East Point Dairy Institute held at Elmira on 26 inst. the organization of a contesting association was discussed by Latchin McDonald and others after which a committee of the following patrons of the East Point Dairying Association were appointed—L. McDonald, S. T. Anderson and C. C. Dingwall, to act in conjunction with a committee of patrons of the Red Point Dairying Association which will be appointed at the next meeting of the Institute to be held at Red Point on Tuesday Evening next. It was shown that two cows producing 2000 and 3000 lbs. of milk respectively per year were kept at a loss which would only be made up by keeping two lbs. per year. Seed and Cultivation will be the subjects for discussion at the next meeting.

Thirty-seven thousand dollars was the amount of the consideration in which a committee of the week by E. H. Beer and Dr. H. N. Goff of the J. I. Pose property on the east side of Sixth street between B and C. The property is described as the south half of lot D, block 19, Horton's addition, being 25x100 feet, improved with a two-story brick building. The new owners bought the lot as an investment. Dr. Goff is an old time resident of St. John's while Mr. Beer is a comparatively new arrival, having come to this city with his family from eastern Canada four or five months ago. He has unlimited confidence in future values of local real estate, having made a number of investments besides that in the Sixth street property. He was here a month or so when he entered the realty business under the firm name of Beer & Goff in the U. S. Grant hotel. This sale follows several large deals recently consummated on Sixth street. There is a big demand for property on this thoroughfare. Within the last two months the entire frontage has changed hands on the block in which the Pose building is located excepting 25 feet owned by N. E. Brown and Leighton McMurrice, who, however, have refused several offers. The property secured by Beer & Goff adjoins the site of the \$150,000 Bridges block to be occupied by the Prevert-Biedsoe Furniture company and is opposite Marston's new department store and the Cecil hotel. On the next corner north, in the same block, is being erected the J. M. Anderson \$105,000 hotel, the site being known as the Dr. Thomas Magee property. Beer & Goff do not contemplate making any improvements at this time, but intend leasing the ground floor to a graduating scale. Serrano, Cal. exc. (E. H. Beer, referring to above, is a native of Charlotte who recently removed to California).

Dan's River Institute met at Whimont on March 22nd with the President presiding. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. A communication from the Commissioner of Agriculture on the protection of sheep from dogs was read and discussed by the large number present. T. J. Humphrey favored the placing of a tax on dogs with the object of lessening their number and also to create a fund to remunerate farmers having sheep destroyed by dogs. The President also

Joseph Cannon, Cape Traverse, who has been in Sussex, N. B., for the past few months, has returned and was in Charlottetown yesterday, proceeding to his home on the afternoon train.

G. H. McGuigan, Hunter River, was in Charlottetown yesterday and returned on the afternoon train.

Alfred Affleck, of the P. E. I. R., Charlottetown, leaves this morning on the special train to Georgetown, en route to Edmonton and Vancouver. He will be absent a few weeks and will return with Mrs. Affleck who has been visiting for some time in Vancouver.

Miss Aggie Sharp, student of P. W. C. Charlottetown, spent Sunday at her home in Pleasant Valley.

Miss L. Milligan of Sherbrook, student of P. W. C. Charlottetown, is spending her Easter vacation at her home.

Miss Laura Gillis, of Miscouche, has successfully completed her probationary course at the Waltham Training School for Nurses, Waltham, Mass., and will go on duty at the General Hospital April 1st.

The weekly meeting of Lorne Valley Debating Society was held on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock with the Honorary President, Alex. C. MacDonald, presiding in his usual, able and impartial manner. The subject discussed was: Resolved, that Sailors Endure Greater Hardships than Soldiers. The speakers were: On the affirmative, Wendell H. Gordon, Peter A. McIntyre. On the negative side, Malcolm McDonald, Murdoch McDonald, Wm. D. Hazard. On a ballot being taken, the resolution was declared carried by a majority of forty-seven-pros, fifty-eight; cons, eleven. The subject for next meeting is: "From which does the mind gain more knowledge, Observation or Reading?" The meeting closed with the singing of God Save the King.—Loo-Loo.



spoke along the same lines. Robert Agnew said he agreed with what Mr. Humphrey had said. John Burrows thought a tax should be imposed to protect sheep and that it would rid the country of a lot of worthless curs. Percy Marchbank was also favorable to the proposition. It was moved and carried unanimously that the Institute favor the placing of a tax of one dollar on male and three dollars on female dogs, such tax to form a fund for the purpose of remunerating those having sheep destroyed by dogs. A letter was read from the Frost & Wood Co., Ltd., soliciting an order from the Institute for binder twine. No action was taken. The Sheep Industry, which was laid over from the last meeting, was then taken up for discussion, taken part in by the President, P. Marchbank, John Burrows, Edward Clarke and others, after which the meeting adjourned to meet at Upper Preetown on a date to be named by the Secretary, Robert P. Burns.

The funeral of the late Ronald McCormac of St. George's which took place on Thursday morning at that place was one of the largest ever seen in King's County. Upwards of one hundred and fifty sleighs and many people on foot followed the remains from his late residence to the church. The pall-bearers were:—James D. McInnis, St. Peter's Bay; James Fay, Newport; John Fitzpatrick, Woodville Mills; P. S. Brown, Charlottetown; Michael Murphy, Panmure Island, and R. J. McLellan, St. George's. At the church a solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. Dr. McMillan of Carleton Place, Rev. Dr. Walker of Holy Bay as deacon, Rev. Dr. McMillan of Carleton, sub-deacon, and Rev. Dr. McMillan of St. Dunstan's Cathedral, Master of Ceremonies. Rev. D.J.G. McDonald, pastor of St. George's occupied a seat in the sanctuary. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Father McLellan when all that was mortal of an upright and respected citizen was laid to rest in the shadow of the beautiful Calvary group which occupies the central position in St. George's Cemetery. Mr. McCormac was a very prosperous farmer. In early life he taught school and for some years was engaged in mercantile business. He had a good education, being a graduate of the Central Academy. For over half a century he was Secretary of St. George's School District. He was a Justice of the Peace for King's County, and before County Judges were appointed he was Commissioner of the Small Debt Court. He is survived by his widow, three sons and one daughter. One son, Bernard J., is on the old homestead at St. George's. Leonard is Ship, of the Northern Coal and Coke Co., Superior, Colorado; Geo. J. is Inspector of Schools for King's County and Sarah C. is the wife of Wm. A. McDonald, Panmure Island. The late Mr. McCormac was a devoted member of the Roman Catholic Church. In politics he was a life-long supporter of the Liberal-Conservative party.

—S. E. Reid, Tryon, spent yesterday and Sunday in Summerside, having arrived from Charlottetown Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hermas Myers of North Carleton is at present spending a few days in Fredericton, the guest of her father, John Weeks, Sr.

Eddie Carter, who has been visiting his parents, Benj. and Mrs. Carter, Charlottetown, left on return to Souris yesterday afternoon.

Many friends will regret to learn that Aggie, the youngest daughter of Robert Arthur, Fredericton, is at present seriously ill.

—Miss Gadya Locke, Summerside, went to Charlottetown yesterday evening, to spend a week with friends.

—Freeman Clark, Summerside, was a passenger to Charlottetown last night and leaves shortly for the west.

A very successful basket social and entertainment was held at Union Road Hall on Wednesday evening of last week. A snug sum was realized towards repairing the hall.

—The dredge Pownal, now in Summerside, is taking in water and being otherwise made ready for beginning her season's work. Captain McGrath, of Tignish, is the new commander of the Pownal.

The amount realized by the Charlottetown Hospital for the lecture given by A. A. Bartlett in Charlottetown recently was \$82. Mr. Bartlett, and Mr. Burke who operated the machine for the views, were heartily thanked for the kind efforts.

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The Misses Eliza Graham and Janet Butcher, have left for their homes in Murray Harbor North and Peters Road, having spent the winter in Charlottetown.

Frank and Mrs. Pooley, Hunter River, are spending a few days at the home of the former in North Tryon. Mr. Pooley expects to leave for the West in the near future.

William J. Wadman, who recently returned from New York where he was employed with the New York Central Railway as lineman in the Telegraph Department, and who had to give up work on account of severe injuries received while at work, has purchased the farm property of Allan J. McDonald, Chepstowe. The farm contains 50 acres and is in fair condition. There is also a good dwelling house and farm buildings.

John A. Lyman, Tryon and M. C. Delaney, M. L. A., North Tryon, came to Charlottetown yesterday. Mr. Lyman is a great enthusiast of the Fox industry and is largely interested in the \$80,000.00 Tryon syndicate. This company is one of the largest in the Province and owns pairs purchased from the best raisers, viz. Dalton's, Gordon's, Tuplin's, Lewis, and Raynor's. With a little luck during the next few weeks, the outlook for financial success is assured.

A Spring Valley correspondent writes—Artemus Leard is doing a fishing business in his saw mill this winter.—A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of John Profit on March the 19th when the young people assembled. They spent the evening in games and music, the music being furnished by Leslie Paynter and Albert Millman. They all returned to their homes in the wee sma' hours, thanking Mr. and Mrs. Profit for the evening's enjoyment.—Melford Adams is out again with his trotting mare Primpny and intends beating all the Spring Valley boys.

Florence Leard, daughter of the late Ed. Leard, North Tryon, died at a hospital in Boston from blood poisoning on Saturday, March 30th and word was received Saturday evening by telegraph. Miss Leard, who left home last summer to work in Boston, had been sick in the hospital for some weeks, but her people at home did not expect the news of her death, in fact, they expected her home as soon as she was able. The remains are expected at Albany this Tuesday evening, and the funeral will take place the following day. Besides her mother, there are two brothers at home—Frank and Fred. Much sorrow is expressed for the family and for Mrs. Leard who has had a great deal of trouble to bear during the past number of years.

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Frank and Mrs. Pooley, Hunter River, are spending a few days at the home of the former in North Tryon. Mr. Pooley expects to leave for the West in the near future.

William J. Wadman, who recently returned from New York where he was employed with the New York Central Railway as lineman in the Telegraph Department, and who had to give up work on account of severe injuries received while at work, has purchased the farm property of Allan J. McDonald, Chepstowe. The farm contains 50 acres and is in fair condition. There is also a good dwelling house and farm buildings.

John A. Lyman, Tryon and M. C. Delaney, M. L. A., North Tryon, came to Charlottetown yesterday. Mr. Lyman is a great enthusiast of the Fox industry and is largely interested in the \$80,000.00 Tryon syndicate. This company is one of the largest in the Province and owns pairs purchased from the best raisers, viz. Dalton's, Gordon's, Tuplin's, Lewis, and Raynor's. With a little luck during the next few weeks, the outlook for financial success is assured.

A Spring Valley correspondent writes—Artemus Leard is doing a fishing business in his saw mill this winter.—A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of John Profit on March the 19th when the young people assembled. They spent the evening in games and music, the music being furnished by Leslie Paynter and Albert Millman. They all returned to their homes in the wee sma' hours, thanking Mr. and Mrs. Profit for the evening's enjoyment.—Melford Adams is out again with his trotting mare Primpny and intends beating all the Spring Valley boys.

Florence Leard, daughter of the late Ed. Leard, North Tryon, died at a hospital in Boston from blood poisoning on Saturday, March 30th and word was received Saturday evening by telegraph. Miss Leard, who left home last summer to work in Boston, had been sick in the hospital for some weeks, but her people at home did not expect the news of her death, in fact, they expected her home as soon as she was able. The remains are expected at Albany this Tuesday evening, and the funeral will take place the following day. Besides her mother, there are two brothers at home—Frank and Fred. Much sorrow is expressed for the family and for Mrs. Leard who has had a great deal of trouble to bear during the past number of years.

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