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APRIL 1900:

LET THE GOOD WORK CONTINUE

A Freeport correspondent writes as follows: - The work of grace is still going on in Freeport. Forty three have united with the church, and others are awaiting baptism. The young men are holding cottage meetings with good results. The pastor is now in Tiverton engaged in special services, while the young men are holding their meetings in Freeport and Central Grove.

Westport:

- D. McClain is in town with a stock of jewelry.
- Dr. Morgan was at the Central House last week.
- Schooner Freddie G. sailed for St. John for bait Tuesday night.
- Schooner W. K. Smith was towed to Plympton by steamer Westport.
- Schooner Minerva sailed on Monday for Brown's Bank on a halibut trip.
- John A. Ewing, under writer's agent from St. John, is at the Central.
- Schooner Hattie, Thompson, arrived from St. John on Sunday with general cargo.
- Schooner L'Etoile, Titus, arrived from Grand Manan with smoked fish for Halifax.
- Mr. Charles Suthern arrived on Monday from Yarmouth to pay a short visit to this town.
- Schooner Sovereign arrived this morning from Grand Manan with lobster bait for Yarmouth.
- Saturday night's storm was the worst we have had since the first of January, also more snow.

PASSED BRIER ISLAND:

The signal agent reports that a full rigged ship passed there yesterday morning at 7:00, bound up the Bay, and that at 8:00 the tug Flushing passed inward.

The Flushing was at Barrington Wednesday with the ship Canara in tow, bound from Shelburne to Saint John. The Canara was on a voyage from New York to Germany, and had put in to the former port with 4 feet of water in her hold.

It is possible that the Flushing had dropped her tow in order to call at Yarmouth and has again joined the ship.

Freeport:

- It is rumored that Cupid is still busy in Freeport.
- J. M. Roy M.D. and family have moved to Tiverton.
- George Morrell goes as steward of the schooner Nina Blanche.
- We regret to hear that Mr. Asaph Moore is seriously ill.
- Shooners Nina Blanche and Mayflower are being painted and renovated for sea.
- Rev. E. H. Howe is still holding meetings in Tiverton. He was unable to fill his appointment with us last Sunday on account of trouble with his throat.
- We notice several of the boys home again; among them are Al Lewis and Arch Thurber. They have returned home as full as enthusiasm as they were when they went away.
- Dr. W. A. Morgan is expected daily. He did a rushing business while here and this second visit is to finish pieces of work left over for lack of time and material.
- Mr. L. B. Chipman, our genial jeweler, leaves today for up the valley. There is a suspicion that he has done a good

stroke of business here. Only one event transpired to mar the even tenor of his way, but he found the splinter and things are running smoothly again.

Westport:

-Saturday and Sunday were the most like winter weather of any days this season. We had a gale of wind and blinding snow storm.

-At the home of the groom's parents, April 5th, Mr. Barlow Suthern was married to Miss Bessie Phillips, of Yarmouth County. Rev. P. S. McGreggor performed the marriage ceremony.

-Steamer Westport arrived from St. John Saturday with a full freight for Bay ports. Mrs. E. C. Bowers, Miss Nellie Denton and Mr. Rupert Peters were passengers to Westport with their spring supply of goods.

-At the home of the groom's parents, April 4th, Mr. Robert Lafoley was united in marriage to Miss Edith Florence; only daughter of George Bunker, of Little River, Digby County. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. S. MacGreggor.

-Mrs. Phoebe Suthern, widow of the late Joshua Suthern, passed away at 1:00 Sunday afternoon, aged 67. She was the daughter of Deacon Franklin Potter. She leaves 3 sons and 1 daughter to mourn their loss, also one half-sister, Mrs. Cynthia Suthern.

A WELL WRITTEN ARTICLE:

R. G. D. Richardson, B. A., principal of Westport school, had a scholarly three column article in the issue of April 6th, of the Middleton Outlook. Subject "The aims and history of the Institute". As Secretary Treasurer of that body, he was well fitted for the task, and during the recent sessions it was very favorably discussed by the Superintendent of Education and other prominent educationists. In the last issue of the same paper, among the sketches of a half dozen prominent teachers of the district, is a cut and an article on his life and work in his profession. Mr. Richardson reported the Institute for one of the Halifax papers.

VESSEL'S NAME CHANGED:

The name of the schooner Mary A. Taylor, of Westport has, by order in council, been changed to "Mildred M." and a new register issued. The above vessel was built in the United States many years ago and has been owned since 1897 by Messrs. Morris D. Peters and Collin Titus of Westport. She is 63 feet long, 19 feet beam, 7 feet deep and is 52 tons register.

HARBOR MASTER AT TIVERTON:

By a recent order in council Tiverton is now a public harbor. Mr. Joel Blackford has been appointed Harbor Master. This has been a long felt want and we congratulate the enterprising village in their upward march.

Westport:

-There is quite a number of our fishing boats ready for the fishing business.

-The boats are all out on the fishing grounds this morning. It looks like spring. Dandelions are in blossom.

-Schooner Hattie arrived today from Meteghan River, with timber and lumber for the enlargement of E. C. Bowers' residence.

-The Guano factory is going on very rapidly, so I think there is no doubt but we will have a clean shore this summer, when the tourists arrive.

-Capt. Denis Sullivan arrived today on his first ferry trip for this season. He intends making his weekly trips as usual. He is looking as well as he did 50 years ago.

TIVERTON:

-Mr. Edward Blackford is getting ready to build a new house.

-Mr. Jacob P. Wyman has painted Mr. Joel Blackford's house.

-Schooner Alfred, Capt. F. P. Small, is ready for the freighting business.

-We have now a public harbor, with Mr. Joel Blackford as Harbor Master.

-We are anxiously looking for the commencement of our much needed breakwater.

-L. S. Morse, Esq., Inspector of Public Schools, passed through to Westport on the 20th.

-A large amount of halibut have been caught by our fishermen this spring, some as heavy as 300 pounds.

-Capt. John Sollows has been doing considerable painting, and white-washing about his residence.

-Mr. Freeman Small, who has been laid up so long with a lame arm, we are glad to say is getting better.

-Another store is about to be built by Mr. Howard Ossinger, which will make 10 stores in number for Tiverton.

-Schooner Annie and Lizzie, Capt. Handford Outhouse, has sailed for Halifax with a cargo of smoked herring and dry fish.

- We are having some very fine spring weather. The fields are looking very green. Tiverton is a busy place at present.
- Capt. John McKay has bought the schooner Restless from Centreville parties. He has 3 loads of coal engaged for different ports.
- David Loomer, Esq., of St. John, who is running a general store and factory in this place, came to town by steamer Westport Saturday night.
- Rev. E. H. Howe, pastor of the Baptist church, is holding special meetings in Tiverton and East Ferry. Quite a number, we understand, are to be baptised on Sunday 29th.
- Mr. George Hegan has accepted a fine position as night watchman in one of the large factories in the U.S. we are glad of this good position for "George". He is also very much improved in health.
- Another fishing vessel has been added to the fleet - the schooner Minnie C., bought by Mr. Lyman H. Outhouse from Capt. Charles Bailey, of Westport, and commanded by Capt. George Sollows, of this town.
- William Kay, Esq., of Leonardsville, D. I., who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Alpheus Handspiker, has returned home very much pleased with the place and people. He also made very many friends while in this town.
- The schooner A. B. Parker, owned by Capt. Holland Outhouse, is at Meteghan, being very extensively repaired. A new stern is being put in and other necessary work done. They say she will be a very handsome vessel when she returns from the blocks. Capt. John Clifford takes charge of her this season.

FREEPORT:

- Rev. E. H. Howe baptized 4 candidates on Sunday afternoon.
- In spite of the rainy evening our "Ice Cream" social was quite a success. About \$10 was realized.
- La Grippe is the fashionable malady just now. There are several cases, but quite mild in character.
- Capt. Ernest Lewis formerly mate of the S. S. Westport, leaves soon to take command of a tug up the Bay of Fundy.
- Mr. Ralph Morrell left for French shore yesterday at 1:00 p.m. returning at 5:00 p.m.. Not so bad for the new boat. The boat was built by Mr. Wallace Haines of this place.
- We are happy to hear that Miss Lizzie Lewis is rapidly recovering from injuries received in a bicycle tumble. Also that Mrs. E. Haines who met with quite a severe accident is around again.

WESTPORT:

- Schooner Dominion is here discharging a load of soft coal for E. C. Bowers.
- Schooner Gertie is here from Parrsboro, landing a cargo of coal for the Insular S. S. Company.
- We had quite an exciting boat race on the harbor Saturday, Capt. Cousins' new boat "Moose", carried away her spar and had to be towed home.
- Capt. Charles Bailey finished his boat, the Addie B., and will launch her out of the shop about the first day of May. She will be rigged Irish style. Her dimensions are length over all, 40 feet, length of keel, 25 feet, breadth of beam, 13 feet, depth of hole, 6 feet. I think she is the finest boat of the kind that is at present in Westport.
- Miss Florence Cowie of Westport is a pupil at the Halifax School for the Blind.
- Welch - Born at Westport, on the 19th to Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Welch a son.
- (April 30th): The new boat was launched from Capt. Bailey's wharf Monday. She makes a fine appearance on the water.
- Mr. James Strickland has sold the S. S. Gem to parties up St. John river. She steamed over last Sunday, making a quick run across the Bay.

Death's

- Died at Boston:** Miss Maggie Cutten, sister of Mrs. Ralph Eldridge, died at Boston on Saturday last. The remains will arrive by steamer Yarmouth tomorrow morning, and will be forwarded to her former home, Freeport for burial.
- We are sorry to have to report the death of Mrs. Letitia Welch. She passed away on the 24th at 5 p.m. She leaves 3 children, 24 grandchildren, and 25 great-grandchildren.

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