

## JUNE 1900:

**A SAD DROWNING ACCIDENT:**

One of the saddest drowning accidents which has occurred in this county for years, took place in Petite Passage Saturday afternoon when Mr. Simon Outhouse was drowned within sight of his home at Tiverton. He and Lyons Stanton were returning from the day's fishing with their boats heavily loaded with fish, and as they were about to round up to the mooring, a squall struck the boat bearing her down, when she immediately filled and sank. Outhouse came to the surface but once, when he called to his companion that he was drowning and immediately sank. He was 30 years of age, leaves a widow and 4 young children. The body has not been recovered.

The Courier extends its deepest sympathy to the sorrowing widow, and the large number of brothers and other relatives who are left to mourn the loss of one of Tiverton's much respected citizens.

**FREEPORT:**

- J. V. Gesner, of Manchester, New Hampshire, has been stopping at the Freeport House a few days.
- We are glad to say that William Finnigan, who has been quite ill, is improving.
- Miss Annie Perry arrived home Saturday to attend the funeral of her brother.
- Schooner Ina B., Capt. Brooks, is laying by for a few days intending to load with dry fish.
- Rev. E. H. Howe has gone to Wolfville to be present at the closing exercises of Acadia College.
- Schooner Dorothy, Capt. Morrell, is now lying at M. G. Crocker's wharf, painting and fitting out for trawling.
- J. E. Brooks has purchased a fine young hound from Mr. Balsor Lent, which he intends training for fox-hunting.
- Mr. Ralph Morrell and Harley Perry are having extensive repairs put on their old homes. It looks as though Cupid was at work.

**WESTPORT:**

- Mr. Frank Southern, who has been quite ill, is convalescent.
- Schooners Violet N. and Willie, sailed for Yarmouth this morning with fish.

- We are glad to state that our light and fog alarm keeper, Mr. Joseph Bancroft, is improving in health.
- Our fishermen did not make a very big catch last week. Fish were scarce and prices very low.
- Schooner Sovereign, Capt. Peters, has arrived from White's Cove where she has been undergoing repairs.
- Capt. Collins Titus has purchased the schooner Mable. He intends making a freighter of her between Westport and Halifax.
- Capt. McHenry, of Port Maitland, has purchased the schooner Minerva from E. C. Bowers and Company. She is intended for the coasting trade.
- The yacht, Bonita, Capt. Gahan, left here on Monday morning for Campobello, New Brunswick, and we are a little anxious to hear of her safe arrival. The wind breezed up from the northeast and made the water very rough shortly after her departure.
- The remains of Dr. Bingay were conveyed to their last resting place on Sunday at 3 p.m. A very large procession followed the remains to the grave where the members of the Masonic order read the burial service. He leaves a widow and 2 sons to mourn their loss.

### **THE LATE DR. BINGAY:**

We are requested to insert the following in reference to the death of the late Dr. Bingay, whose obituary notice appeared in our last issue:

Dr. George T. Bingay died on Monday afternoon at 3:00, aged 74 years, after a brief illness. The doctor had been complaining for some time, but his death was unexpected to his family, having been confined to the house only a few weeks. He was born at Yarmouth, and moved to Westport from Annapolis some years ago. He was considered a very skilful practitioner, was a graduate of Edinburgh, Scotland, and in his early life had charge of one of the hospitals in London. He leaves a widow and 2 married daughters, the eldest the wife of Mr. Albert Bailey, and the other the wife of Capt. Colin Thompson; two sons, one Robert, who is located at St. Catherines, Ontario, and William, living at Brooklyn, New York.

Doctor Bingay will be much missed by the people of Westport, who sympathise with Mrs. Bingay and family in their sorrow. Doctor Bingay was widely known throughout the provinces of Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

### **SAD DROWNING ACCIDENT:**

About 11:00 Monday morning while Mr. Chipman Thurber and his son of Freeport were sailing in from fishing a squall struck their boat, capsizing her. She immediately sank leaving the occupants in the water. The accident happened off Brier Island, and was fortunately noticed by the occupants of another boat who hastened to their rescue, and arrived just in time to save the son.

Both occupants clung to the oars, but the father was drowned. His body has not been found. He leaves a widow, daughter of Mr. W. C. Morton, of Barton, and a family of 8, beside many friends, to mourn their loss.

### **THE LATE SIMONDSON OUTHOUSE:**

Owing to the failure of our Tiverton correspondent to write us an account of the sad drowning accident which took place there last week, and as the telephone line was working badly, it was impossible for us to get particulars when he reported the accident.

We have since learned that the deceased was 34 years of age and a son of the late Capt. Simondson Outhouse whose death was reported several months ago. The body was found and interred at Tiverton on Wednesday. The funeral was the largest ever known in that locality. A widow, 4 children and many friends are left to mourn their loss.

### **NO MORE LOBSTERS:**

The lobster season for Digby County will close June 30th. Three days will be allowed, however, for the fishermen to dispose of their catch and to get their traps, etc., removed from the grounds.

### **WESTPORT:**

- We are expecting many visitors here this summer.
- Schooner Hattie is taking in fish for Saint John. The market is very dull.
- Mrs. George Bingay and son Robert left here on Saturday morning for Ontario.
- The new lighthouse was erected on north point of Brier Island last week.
- We are glad to see our post master painting up the post office. It is very much needed.
- Schooner Sarah, Capt. Barkhouse, arrived from Saint John on Saturday with

freight and passengers.

-Mrs. Lloyd S. Bailey was a passenger on the S. S. Westport this morning to make a short visit at Barton.

-Capt. G. C. Haley left this morning to fill his former position in the yacht Dewey at Digby. We hope he will get his share of the pleasure parties.

-Schooner Mabel, Capt. Titus, has been chartered to go to Parrsboro for a load of coal for the guano factory on Peters' Island. This establishment will soon be ready for business.

-Schooner Daniel C. Baker, of Lubec, Maine, is in port. She is engaged in the purse seining business. They have taken 12,000 pollock in the last 2 weeks, crew sharing \$27 each. Now they are going to look after schools of herring that make their appearance in the bay at this time of the year.

### **FREEPORT:**

-Lindsay Haines has returned home from Wolfville, where she has been attending school.

-A deep gloom was cast over the place Monday, June 11th, when the news reached us of the drowning of Mr. Chipman Thurber, while on the fishing grounds. His boat filled with water and sank. His son Garfield was with him. All the boats had left the grounds but J. A. Crocker, who just arrived in time to save the young man. Mr. Thurber leaves a widow and 8 children to mourn their loss. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

My note: (Chipman was my GG Grandfather; he was the grandfather of Doug Thurber. J. A. Crocker was Harold Crocker's father. It was always said that Chipman was a strong man and swimmer and he kept trying to swim to shore but Garfield always hollered for him to come back so Chipman would keep returning until he became too exhausted).

### **TIVERTON:**

-Elder H. Murray preached to a large congregation on Sunday evening.

-Schooner A. B. Parker, Capt. Clifford, reports 100 quintals of fish last week.

-Hake have struck in; quite a large number are being caught by the boat fishermen.

-Mr. A. M. Handspiker and Mr. Churchill Sollows have been appointed by Court Petite as delegates to attend the Forresters' convention which meets at Truro on

July 18th.

### **SIFTON PARTY IN TOWN:**

We copy the following from the Daily Alaskain published at Skagway. The Mr. Haley referred to is a son of Capt. Haley, of the yacht Dewey:

Among the passengers arriving yesterday on the Rosalie were J. L. Wortham, manager of the Bennett lake steamer Clifford Sifton, and the crew of the vessel enroute to Bennet to prepare for the season's business. With Mr. Wortham are G. G. Haley, who will be master of the steamer; D. J. Butler, mate; C. R. Weddleton, chief engineer, and 5 others to be employed on the vessel.

Mr. Wortham anticipates good business for the season, and says that although his company has made no arrangements as yet to carry freight on through bills of lading from the Sound, he feels it will be kept busy, as it was last year without an agreement.

"It is probable", says Mr. Wortham, "that we shall have steamers on the river from Whitehorse to Dawson this way, but as yet I am not prepared to speak further on the matter".

(Derek's note : George Gilbert Haley was born in the home now owned by George Garron - Mr. Haley was a brother to Hazel (Glavin) Titus' grandmother, Mrs. Charles Glavin. The Clifford Sifton was a 120-foot long sternwheeler. On July 24th 1900 she was run through Miles Canyon, and worked between Whitehorse and Dawson until 1904, when she was destroyed by ice during spring breakup at Dawson).

(In regards to the yacht race in Digby)

....The steamer Westport will probably run an excursion here on Monday bringing excursionists from Westport, Freeport, Tiverton and other shore ports.

### **WESTPORT:**

-J. F. Hutchings, of New York, is here.

-The weather has been very fine during the past week.

-The schooner Mabel lost her foremast head the last trip down.

-The Anglo-American Guano Company has commenced operations.

-Capt. Rupert Peters has landed a load of pollock in his schooner Violet N., from

Campobello.

-Mr. Ling, of Lockeport, is now occupying A. B. Crocker's shop, barbering and shoe making.

-Schooner Mabel, Capt. Titus, has arrived from Parrsboro with a load of coal for the Anglo-American Guano Company.

-Mr. E. C. Bowers is making extensive improvements on his house, the work being done by Messrs. Coggins and Cochrane.

-Capt. Arthur Payson and Hatheway Collins have placed a new deck on their vessel recently purchased from Port Maitland.

-The schooner Melrose has arrived from the fishing grounds with a fair trip and has been fitted out for the trawling business on the Banks.

-Schooner Hattie, Capt. Thompson, was towed into port Friday by steamer Centreville. Capt. Thompson reports the loss of his vessel's foremast head the night previous near Whale Cove.

-Mrs. J. D. Payson, proprietress of the Central House, has recently had an addition to her house, a back room fitted with hot and cold water. Mr. Wetmore, plumber, of Yarmouth, did the work.

-Capt. Howard Titus was a passenger to St. John on the Westport last trip, to look after his claim on the Italian barque which ran into his vessel. We understand he has liabled the barque for damages sustained.

-Capt. F. B. Lent is making large shipments of fish oil this season to St. John and other markets. He has sold his interest in the Vesta Pearl to parties in Tiverton who will fit her out for trawling. Capt. Lent intends to replace the Vesta Pearl for his fresh fish business by purchasing a vessel at Lockeport.

(Derek's note: Capt. Lent was Daniel Kenney's grandfather and his fish business was actually the origin of D. B. Kenney fisheries).

-George Arrowsmith had a serious time on Thursday. He left home quite early in the day with his boat for a load of wood some 6 miles away. He was successful in getting the wood but the wind increased and he was unable to get his boat home without assistance. However, he was taken in tow by a Freeport boat. Before reaching home he got his boat filled with water. He reached here next morning at 3 a.m., with loss of his wood and boat leaking.

-Schooner Freeman Colgate arrived today with 50 quintals cod from Englis's Bank.

-Schooner Violet N., is home from North Shore with a cargo of salt fish consigned

to master.

-Schooner Sovereign returned home from Belliveau's Cove. She looks good as new after being repaired.

-Capt. Charles Glavin and sons have purchased a new boat. This will make about 35 sail of boats.

-Schooner, "On Time", Titus, arrived the 24th with 12,000 pounds of hake and cod. Sold to E. C. Bowers and Company.

-Our fleet of small boats are coming in every day with quite a lot of pollock, but report the cod fish very scarce.

-Schooner Mabel is putting in a new spar to replace the one she carried away last week in a squall off Petite Passage.

-Capt. Howard Titus is getting his vessel repaired up again. It is quite a loss to him at this season of the year.

-The Westport School Section held their annual school meeting last evening, and appointed their officers for the next term.

-Mrs. J. D. Payson has been making some improvements to the Central House that will make it compete with other hotels in our province.

-The government cruiser, Curlew, Capt. Pratt, in coming across the bay last week, collided with one of our Freeport boats, causing considerable damage, and what we would least expect, never made any stop whatever.

#### FREEPORT:

-Dr. F. S. Kinsman, eye, ear and throat specialist, is in town.

-Miss Annie Perry leaves on the 27th for Boston to resume her duties as nurse.

-Joseph Haines, who has been away for a year, has returned home to make a short visit.

-Mr and Mrs. James Murphy, who formerly resided here, but who are now living in Lynn, have come home on somewhat of a business trip, intending to sell their house and furniture before their return.

-Since our last writing, two of our aged citizens, Mr. Stephen Westcott and Mr. Stutson Perry, have passed away. Mr. Westcott was well known as one of our merchants. The business will be carried on by his son Austin.

#### Born:

- At Westport, June 21st, to Mr and Mrs. E. Frost, a daughter.
- At Westport, June 17th, to Mr and Mrs. James Morrell, a son
- At Freeport, June 10th, to Mr and Mrs. Edgar Ring, a daughter.
- At Freeport, June 19th, to Mr and Mrs. Lyman Haines, a daughter.
- At Freeport, June 15th, to Mr and Mrs. William Bates, a daughter.

Married:

Tidd - Haycock - At Westport, June 30th, by Rev. P. S. McGregor, Charles Tidd, of Freeport, to Fanny Belle, youngest daughter of William Haycock, Esq.

(my note: Tidd/Teed is always spelled different but they descend from the same loyalist. Charles was Roger and David Teed's grandfather).