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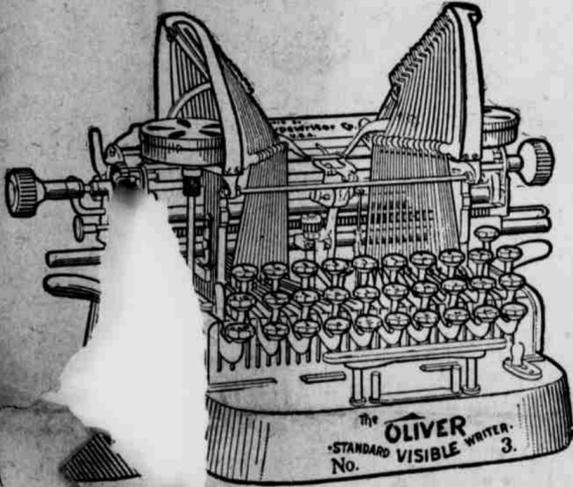
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On the Atlantic and in Historic Boston.

Editorial trip articles—No. 7.

We came to Digby on the Dominion Atlantic Railway's limited train the "Flying Bluenose," and having spent the twenty-four hours at

Digby, the heaviest, the tourist rest, Next to below a hill whose rugged crest Affords a view, that centuries ago, Startled explorers with its lovely glow. A view of basin, forest, stream and hill, Whose glory is the traveler's wonder still. Took the flyer again for a quick run to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia's western gate, Long might the pleasure loving tourist wait, A busy thriving port yet all around The restful scenes of rural life are found.

The poet tells but the truth in thus speaking of Yarmouth. It combines Old England and New England, as many of the founders were from New England, yet today the town is typically Canadian. Its hedges are the most prominent characteristic of the village, being used as a substitute for fences, while almost every yard has an abundance of flowers. The cold winds from the north being tempered by the Gulf stream makes a most delightful and healthful climate; hay fever is known only by the name; sunstroke is never heard of and mosquitoes so rare as to be a curiosity.

Practically every business man was out with his best turnout to take the party for a ride around the city and up on the hill a grand view of the bay and surrounding country was had. Being the home of a large number of the owners of ocean vessels, it has some magnificent residences and the styles represent the best plans in Europe and America, while the lawns and gardens also take on numerous old country ideas—the hawthorn hedges being the most perfect on this continent. Near the entrance to the harbor within a radius of a few yards is found sea water of three different degrees of temperature. The water coming directly in from the ocean is cold, while a little farther back in John's Cove the bright clean sands becoming warmed from the sun's rays at low tide make the temperature just right for those who like a plunge into like warm water while in the inner harbor those who wish a hot bath can be satisfied. Every yard in Yarmouth has a finely kept lawn, something not noticed anywhere else on our entire trip.

Our short visit in Yarmouth was due entirely to the extreme kindness of the Dominion Atlantic Railway Co. officials in holding the steamship which we were to take at 8:30 until 5:30. The Railway Co. operate the lines of steamers to New York and to Boston and at 5:30 we crowded on board the magnificent ocean boat the Boston and in a short time were out of sight of land and on the mighty Atlantic. Fortune again favored us with grand weather—warm, no wind, sun shining, and in the evening the heavens full of bright stars. Practically none missed a meal and all watched the sun sink into the ocean—the sunset being one of the beautiful and inspiring sights never missed by ocean voyagers. Until 12 o'clock a large crowd sat on deck singing and taking in the good salt sea air. All were up early, however, and watching for new sights and for the first glimpse of the land of Uncle Sam. Whales were accommodating and spouted in considerable numbers, a few coming to the surface, but at such a distance that a real good look at them was not obtained. At 9 o'clock we were nearing the New England shore as could be told by the passing vessels, all kinds and sizes and so numerous that we could take but a glance at them, noticing however the nine mast sailing vessels, the private yachts and the long lines of tows, the dredges and a couple of ocean steamers starting for distant parts of the world.

Then at 10 o'clock Boston Harbor—scene of the Boston Tea Party—and historic Boston were in sight and now even the few sea sick ones were on deck.

Most of the party had never been in Boston—they had, since earliest childhood, been told of its early settlers, of their trials and persecutions, of their fights with cruel British governors, of the long and ceaseless efforts for reasonable taxation laws; their final act of remonstrance in Boston harbor, of the forming of "Alarm List Companies," of the start of the British troops to capture the leaders and the alarm given them by Paul Revere and then the momentous events that culminated in the freedom of the United States of America, and here they were on this seemingly sacred ground. But those famous buildings and grounds did not appear as it almost seemed they should when the boat stopped. Instead we ran into the American custom's office for examination of our baggage. But he found nothing taxable (on top) and we hurried to a car, which in a few minutes was whirling us along under ten, twelve and fifteen story buildings in one of Boston's notable subways at a lightning speed, and then up grade to

the station at the lower end of "Boston Common." Getting out here we disliked to waste the time to go to the "New Lexington" to register, desiring to see Bunker Hill, the Old South church, the navy yard, Faneuil Hall, etc. But hunger and the sight of a bath tub in every room kept us there until two big touring cars pulled up in the street and stopped and all landed in them and away they went. The lecturer pointed out the birthplace of Benjamin Franklin, the old state house, site of Boston massacre, the liberty tree, the balcony from which the declaration of independence was read, and the more recently "famous" things like Thomas W. Lawson's residence, his office, the magnificent capitol building, which contains a single thirty foot square room that cost \$30,000 to finish and furnish, and the main staircase and rotunda on which \$300,000 was spent in marble and paintings. Changing the route again the party went through "Little Italy" where there are hundreds of shops, stands, and stores from 5 to 20 feet wide, the streets but admitting the passing of two teams, and everywhere children—all ages, sizes and colors—Jews, Italians, negroes, Irish, Yankees and even Chinese—women sitting on the walks, on the doorsteps and counters, every window seemingly occupied—none of the population wearing more clothing than was absolutely necessary. Almost every child had some fruit or bread or candy and all seemed to be happy. It certainly is an interesting place to visit in the day time, but I'd leave my valuables and go along with the policeman if a visit was made after dark.

In the evening an association meeting was called and as it was rumored that some pleasant things would be said and done every one made a point to be there. After adopting some resolutions President Knox was presented with a handsome water set, secretary Hopkins with a set of dainty plates (I didn't see a U.S. custom's tag) and Vice-President McKinnon a beautiful clock. To McKinnon being due the thoroughly complete arrangements of the trip he was surrounded for a final word of thanks and congratulation from every one present. Many good byes were said as the next day was a go-as-you-please and a great many left at different times, while the others were sight seeing.

Early Friday morning nine of us were up and hustling at 6:45 and after a lunch took the trolley for Lexington and Concord and on the way out part of the route was that used by Paul Revere in his famous ride when awakening the patriots to arm themselves and from behind stone walls, fences and buildings, harass the British and drive them to retreat.

Lexington is a beautiful village of 4000 people with a public park in the center where the British met the "minute men" for the first battle of the revolutionary war and the spot where they lined up is marked with a large stone. Just down the road a block is a house where John Hancock and John Adams were sleeping when aroused by Paul Revere. It is now owned by a historical society, having been bought for \$150 from some woman who intended to tear it down. It was the home of Rev. Jonas Clarke and his ancestors and has now a large number of the original paintings and much of the furniture, books and cooking utensils, etc., that were in it at the time of the revolutionary war. A fine statue of Capt. John Parker, captain of the minute men, is also erected on the common, the foundation being of natural boulders one of which is fixed into a drinking fountain. We hurried along to Concord and there spent a long time visiting "The Wayside," the home of Louise M. Alcott and "Old Manse" occupied by the poet Hawthorne during the last twelve years of his life. Practically every house and road has some historic interest but time was short and we hurried back for a visit to Bunker Hill and to see the monument, but the climb of 500 feet was too much for most of the people so the journey was resumed to Charleston Navy Yard.

Here the gunboat Nashville, that fired the first shot in the Spanish-American war was at anchor and also Admiral Sampson's armored cruiser, the New York. Of course the old frigate Constitution is permanently anchored there, being covered over and fixed up for visitors. It is the most historic ship owned by the United States, having won the first battles of any importance for this country and having never been beaten. The Old North church, from the belfry of which was hung the lantern signal to Paul Revere telling him which way the British soldiers were marching; the Old South church, which is now a museum containing many things in the way of clothes, books, household articles, etc., used by George Washington; and Faneuil Hall, where the continental congress was held

and the demands of the cused, and known as Liberty." But having a full day we concluded supper and attend the theatre is the finest ir building runs across with white marble e street, colored marble engine room carpete pet; thousands of beautiful paintings for ladies and a gentlemen. A va commencing at 1: until 10:30 was th gram being repea up to closing t Woman's Orchest tion of Caroline principally interes our crowd was cor sights will make week.

Circuit Court.

Divorce was granted in the case of Gertrude vs. Alfred C. Sutherland.

A suit for \$3,000 damages has been commenced for Henry Reyson, by Walsh & Pardee, against the Grand Trunk Railway, his claim being that his household goods were held on a side track and not delivered at Nashville, Tenn., as consigned from Corunna last April, but a portion of them were finally returned to Corunna in a badly damaged condition.

County Sunday School Picnic.

The County Association of Sunday schools will probably have a picnic at McCurdy park on Friday Sept. 1. A basket dinner would be served at twelve o'clock noon, after which singing, music and addresses will be given in the casino and then all will enjoy the balance of the afternoon in games and visiting. It is hoped that a larger attendance than ever before can be secured and that one of the state association workers will be present.

Odd Fellows' Picnic.

The annual picnic of the Odd Fellows county association will be held at McCurdy Park August 16 and will include a basket dinner, sports and games. Dr. J. O. Parker, and A. J. Stevens will sing and there will be instrumental music. Addresses will be made by D. E. McClure, of Lansing, Judge S. F. Smith, S. S. Miner, Revs. Benson, Rowe and Coulter.

It is hoped to arrange a ball game between Owosso and Corunna for the afternoon.

It is expected that there will be a large attendance and all Odd Fellows are urged to come and bring their families.

Common Council.

The Board of Public Works was instructed to notify the Barber Asphalt Paving Co., of Detroit, who put the west Main street work in, that before Sept. 1st. the cement stringers beneath the street car rails must be relaid, the pavement above relaid, and all bad spots on the street put in first class condition.

A communication was received and filed from the Board of Public Works suggesting and advising that petitions for new water mains be accompanied by a deposit of ten per cent of the cost of the improvement. Bills of C. W. Parker for services on the board of review and Theron Stevens for cutting weeds which were cut down were again presented but the council refused to pay the extra fee.

Patient Sufferer Relieved.

Miss Lois Cragdon, of Holley, New York, died Sunday morning at the home of her grandfather, Ex-Mayor M. C. Dawes, on Hickory street, where with her mother, formerly Miss Clara Dawes, and her sisters, she had been visiting for four weeks. She was not quite seventeen years old and has been a sufferer since about two years of age from spinal trouble and has lost strength rapidly lately, so much so that her death was not unexpected. But through all the years she has been a patient sufferer and was much loved by all who knew her. She was very desirous of making the visit to Owosso, having formed pleasant acquaintances here on previous visits.

Short services were held Monday evening conducted by Rev. C. H. Hanks and on Tuesday the family left for home with the remains. Mr. Cragdon arrived Monday morning.

List of advertised letters in the Owosso post office for the week ending July 29, 1905: J. D. Bird, James Casler, Miss Ethel Clark, W. H. Hawkins, Johanna Lynch, O. P. Co., Charles Persons, H. S. Scott, Ramon Smith, Fred Steels, A. J. Thomas, Sig. Pietra Vitale, Milton H. Walton, Zila Wanzan, Mrs. Geo. Wright, Burt Yates.

Mr.

Alice Mc... morning by... Congregational... the right hand of fel... members of the church, and James B. Hurst were also into membership.

The church will be closed during the month of August while repairs to the building are being made and no church or Sunday School services will be held. Company H and Quackenbush Post attended the morning service in a body, the Company members wearing their khaki uniforms. Rev. Hanks said that he regarded the company members as his own boys, having been so intimately connected with them for a number of years, and that he had the same feeling towards the veterans of the civil war, and was glad of an opportunity to address them before their departure for camp and the closing of the church for the month. The sermon was an able one and much appreciated by the large congregation, being applicable to all.

Charles H. Gould, of Chicago, addressed the Bible class of the Sunday school in an earnest and interesting manner. Rev. Hanks and family will spend the most of the vacation at Bois Blanc island near Mackinac. As Chaplain of the Third Regiment M. N. G., Mr. Hanks will attend camp at Ludington next week.

Probate Court.

In the estate of Wm. Simpson, deceased, Mrs. Georgia Simpson was appointed administratrix, G. W. Swarthout and K. S. Crook appraisers. The same with C. H. Frain will act as commissioners on claims. Value of estate \$23,000.

Sale of real estate was confirmed in the estate of Elizabeth Thompson, deceased. The property is located in the city of Corunna and was sold to C. B. Lindsey, of Owosso, for \$1805. Geo. Chavey, administrator.

Geo. Stanlake was appointed executor of the will of Geo. H. Warren, deceased, G. Snyder and O. J. Leland, appraisers. Claims will be heard by W. J. Brookins and A. H. Moulton.

R. Colby, J. Northwood and G. Chavey were appointed special commissioners to determine the necessity of a drain known as Copas No. 2 drain of Caledonia. The commissioners will meet on Aug 9th, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the residence of Walter Harryman in Caledonia township.

Laura M. Watson was appointed administratrix of the estate of Joel H. Watson, deceased, late of Caledonia township. Value of estate about \$500. In the estate of Elizabeth F. Guile, deceased, W. E. Upham, executor, rendered his final account. On Sept. 5th hearing upon assignment of the residue of estate will occur.

The divorce case of Sarah vs. Dwight Branch has been appealed to the supreme court. Branch not being satisfied with the decree secured by Watson & Chapman against him as to alimony.

Order was made admitting Lizzie Stafford, an insane person, to the Eastern Michigan Asylum.

In the matter of the estate of Anna Triloff, absent and supposed to be dead, Christopher Triloff asks that L. A. Sanderhoff be appointed temporary administrator. Hearing Sept. 5th.

Initial steps toward the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the city of Saginaw, to be held next summer, have been taken by a joint committee representing the council, the board of trade and the Retail Merchants' association. The festivities will cover several days and a "homecoming day" will undoubtedly be made a feature. Definite action will be taken next month.