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SAW MILL AND LUMBER A PREY TO FIERCE FIRE

The Property of John Carew--Damage \$14,000 --Was Partly Covered by Insurance.

STARTED IN SHINGLE REFUSE

Cause Unknown--Third Mill on That Site to Fall a Victim to Destroying Element.

(From Daily Free Press June 9.) Starting in the shingle refuse underneath the carriage, a fire broke out in Mr. Ino. Carew's lumber mills last night and the structure was burned to the ground.



CAREW'S SAW MILL AS IT APPEARED BEFORE THE FIRE.

say's most successful business men and prominent citizens, is the boiler room, which is a brick structure.

Long before the fire brigade arrived the mill was enveloped in flames and all hope of saving any of it was lost. The fireman was attending to the fires, and smelling smoke walked into the mill.

As soon as the fire whistle was sounded, the engineer kept the fires and the boiler pump going and turned the mill hose upon the flames. The thin stream was a very little use and many of the mill hands who were around rushed for pails and were soon at work fighting the flames.

The residents in that vicinity soon came to the aid of the mill hands, and Mr. John Carew, the proprietor, with his son, Frank, were among the first to arrive. They climbed through the window which led to the mill from the south and succeeded in bringing three of the large saws out and carrying them away from damage.

A SPECTACULAR SCENE. By this time hundreds of citizens had arrived at the mill and were

had not much of the mill to save. The huge flame gradually ate away the frame building and the roof soon fell in upon the floor beneath. Then the big carriage also went through with a crash and all of the expensive machinery was utterly destroyed.

Nothing is left of the mill but a skeleton, and the fire brigade, assisted by several hundreds of citizens, decided to save the lumber yard and the engine room.

The boiler was full of water and had it exploded it would have caused the death of many men who were standing near.

The fire brigade were working under extreme difficulties, owing to the intense heat caused by the flames. The brave fire ladders were not to be deterred. They took huge pieces of board to put in front of them and behind these they fought the angry flames. Many a time the hose slipped and the bystanders were drenched. The fire spread to within a few feet of the shingle shed, which is about 150 feet north of the mill, and as far west as the siding tracks.

Car. No. 12991 of the G.T.R. was standing on the siding just opposite the mill. The fire rapidly spread that way and the car was a total loss, only the wheels remaining on the track. There was a large quantity of ties on the west side and the car was half filled, and all of these were destroyed. Mr. Carew had received the order for these ties and was to have shipped them to-morrow.

MR. CAREW'S STORY. Mr. John Carew, the proprietor of

the saw mill, was seen this morning by a Free Press representative regarding the fire. He stated that the cause would always remain a mystery, as there was apparently no means of finding out.

"Where were you when the fire occurred," inquired the reporter? "I was sitting on the verandah with my two daughters and Mrs. Carew, when I heard the fire whistle blow. I had heard it before on one or two occasions, and knew what it meant. I hustled down to the mill in my shirt sleeves, and with the help of my son and a few other men who were there I succeeded in getting out three of the large circular saws. We tried to fight the fire the best we could, but no effective work was done until the brigade arrived."

Mr. Carew estimated the loss at about \$14,000, most of the damage being done to the machinery. There was considerable lumber and shingles also destroyed. He could not estimate to what figure the loss ran. Mr. Carew only carried \$7,000 insurance. In answer to a question as to whether or not he would re-build, Mr. Carew could make no definite state-

Heartless Parents Abandoned Infant

DESERTED ON ROADSIDE, TOWN LINE THORAH AND BROCK.

Beaverton Express: Early Saturday morning Mr. Chas. Francis, of the townline Thorah and Brock, happened along the town line on his way to Cannington with his stallion, when near Riverside his attention was attracted by infantile moans which proceeded from a dirty looking bundle under a cedar by the wayside. Mr. Francis could not leave his horses but called the attention of Mr. Sol. Samis, a neighbor, who was closely following him, to the bundle. On investigation it was found to contain a baby girl about two months old. The infant had evidently been exposed to the terrific storm of the preceding night, as its poor garments were soaked with water and itself blue with the cold. Beside it lay a bottle of milk which had coagulated.

Mr. Samis bore the child to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Duncan McNab, nearby, where it was cared for and where it still remains. The child was very poorly clad and was evidently the offspring of someone in very poor circumstances. Who the parents are, or from what stress the determination to abandon the child had arisen, is a mystery the local constables are now trying to solve.

Experienced Men Are Becoming Scarce

FARMERS ARE NOW TAKING ON GENERAL HELPERS FOR THEIR WORK.

To those who have been following the demands for farm help, a noticeable change is now apparent. A month or two ago the farmers were anxious to secure experienced help. They wanted men who could plough and drive horses in the field. It was the time for preparing the land and for putting in the crops. Now, things have changed and the farmers are not as particular. They want general workers, men who can hoe, milk, drive and do all classes of general work.

However, for the men who are wanted now there will not be a great deal of work for about a month. The farmers want men for the harvest and they are getting them now to make sure of having them when the busy season comes.

A MARIPOSA MAN IS DOING WELL IN WEST

INTERESTING LETTER FROM A FORMER POPULAR LINDSAY CITIZEN.

The following excerpts from a letter recently received by a member of the Free Press staff from Mr. Herb. Nosworthy, of Regina, Sask., will be read with interest by Lindsay citizens:

"When I arrived in Regina Saturday, I was handed your paper, the Free Press. May I congratulate you on being editor of a very creditable newspaper. Being nicely printed, in good plain readable type, with abundance of news-items and advertisements, it should appeal to an intelligent public and should be well patronized."

"The other day I was in that old historic town of Battleford. In nearly every town I meet someone from old Lindsay. Was very pleased to meet in Saskatoon our old friend, Fred. Robinson, who holds a good position with Currie Bros., merchants; Mr. Armstrong, a surveyor on C.P.R. construction, and Mr. W. E. Silverwood, of Oakwood. The latter gentleman is getting rich fast. He is now the owner of two sections of the finest land I ever saw. Having a few hours to spare before leaving for Prince Albert, I availed myself of the kind invitation extended to me by my friend, Mr. Silverwood, and driving behind a spirited stallion which Mr. S. brought up from Ontario, we were soon out in the country driving through some of the best prairie land I ever saw. On every hand we noticed the grain springing high out of the ground, and the crops and country looking beautiful. After a drive of five miles we reached Mr. Silverwood's farm, and to my surprise, was pleased to see one of the Routley boys, who is in charge of the farm. Mr. Silverwood has about five hundred acres in crop, and his grain is the best of any around that vicinity. He also has a fair number of horses and cattle. The farm house faces the Saskatchewan River and affords a splendid view of that mighty stream. By what I can see, Mr. Silverwood has been very successful since coming West."

DOMINION COSTLIEST PLACE IN WORLD TO LIVE, SAYS PROF. MCPHAIL.

Boston, Mass., June 8.—(Special)—In a forceful speech here Saturday afternoon before the intercolonial Club of Boston, Prof. Andrew McPhail, of McGill University, told of the stagnation in the Maritime provinces, and pointed out the need of a new policy. Among other things, he said: "Canada is to-day the most expensive place in the world in which to live. In Toronto the prices of necessities advanced 67 per cent. between 1897 and 1906; in Ottawa 45 per cent. in the last five years, and, in Montreal, 36 per cent. "The ultimate cause of the stagnation in the maritime provinces is that the people are denied access to their natural markets for purposes either for purchase or for sale."

PREMIER WHITNEY SWEEP THE PROVINCE LIBERALS SUSTAIN A CRUSHING DEFEAT

Only Eighteen Liberals Elected to Form a Rear Guard in the New Legislature--Leader McKay is Safe.

WEST VICTORIA ELECTED MR. SAM FOX

Hon. Nelson Monteith Was Defeated--Power Policy Supported by People--What the Premier Says.

Toronto, June 9.—Nothing like Premier Whitney's triumph was ever conceived of in Ontario before. Hon. Oliver Mowat's biggest majority was 32. Hon. J. Sandfield Macdonald was satisfied with 16. Premier Whitney is sustained by a majority which at the time of writing, looks like 71. "I haven't much to say to-night," said the Premier about 10 o'clock, when nearly all the returns were in, "except that the result is beyond my expectations. I had hoped, with good reason as I thought, to have our old majority. The result shows considerably more than that, and I am very thankful to the people for their endorsement."

It is not difficult to account for the victory. In the first place the most popular plank in any platform was placed before the electorate and the banner of cheap Niagara power was kept in the forefront of the Conservative ranks.

But beyond this the Whitney Government had been absolutely honest. For the one or two matters in which they were ever raised as to the intention of the Government to act in the best interests of the province in a business and administrative capacity. The following are the returns:

Table listing election results for various Ontario constituencies, including names of candidates and their respective parties (Cons., Lib., etc.).

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