

1877- 1978

Loss of the schooner "W. Coonan" is a tragedy. The ship struck the Labrador Bay shoals, and was lost with her cargo of 100 tons. All the crew were rescued. The schooner was carrying a cargo of 100 tons of lumber. The schooner was carrying a cargo of 100 tons of lumber. The schooner was carrying a cargo of 100 tons of lumber.

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1800's

- (1810) the first elections were held in the County.
- (1837) the County of Annapolis was divided to include the County of Digby.
- Old Post Road and rural school system improved.
- Weymouth Trading Post established.
- Ship Building is a major industry in the area.
- (1879) the District of Digby was incorporated.
- (1891) the railway (the missing link) between Annapolis and Digby was completed.
- Joshua Slocum sails around the world alone.
- Temperance Movement.
- Summer Tourism Industry develops.
- I.M. Singer invents the sewing machine.
- Canadian Confederation (1867)
- Klondike Gold Rush
- The Supreme Court of Canada is established
- Florence Nightingale takes London nurses to the battlefields of the Crimean War

1900's

- Poor Farm in operation
- Isaiah Wilson's Geography and History of the County of Digby Published.
- Prime Minister Sir Wilfred Laurier visits Digby.
- Marconi transmits wireless message across the Atlantic
- Queen Victoria dies
- The Boxer Rebellion breaks out in China.
- The Boer War in Southern Africa ends

1910's

- (1912) last race of the Brattain Cup in the Annapolis Basin.
- First motorized vehicle in the area.
- Communities collect cloths and money for the war effort.
- Spanish Flue kills many in the area.
- First Calgary Stampede
- Women in Canada get the vote
- Halifax explosion
- WW1
- The Titanic Disaster
- Norwegian Roald Amundsen becomes the first to reach the South Pole.

1920's

- Motorized vehicles becoming more common.
- Last wooden ship built in Bear River.
- Electric lights installed in villages.
- Motorized vehicles becoming more common
- Canadian Schooner "Bluenose" wins the International Fisherman's Trophy
- Agatha Christie launches her career as a mystery writer.
- George Carnarvon and Howard Carter unearth King Tutankhamen's tomb

1930's

- Economic Depression.
- Rural electric lines being installed.
- Electric lights installed in villages.
- Highway paving projects underway.
- First crossing of the Princess Helene Ferry.
- Rum running along the coast.
- Rum running in its heyday
- Dionne quintts born in Ontario
- Movie "King Kong" released starring Canadian Fay Wray
- WW II begins

1940's

- Digby home to WWII submarine base.
- CFB Cornwallis largest training base in the Commonwealth.
- Scallop Industry expands.
- Hog farming expands.
- Population decline in rural communities.
- Newfoundland enters confederation
- UN Formed
- U.S. planes drop atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
- Orson Welles' film Citizen Kane, premieres

1950's

- Bus service along the Digby Neck.
- Population in villages continue to decline. NORAD formed with USA
- National Ballet of Canada founded
- Bear River Power Plant built
- Korean War
- Smoking linked to lung cancer
- Sputnik launched
- Castro takes over power in Cuba
- Elizabeth II coronation - Queen of England

1960's

- Sissiboo Power Plant built.
- Kejimikujik Park established.
- Conners Brothers Fish Cannery Plant closes in Freeport.
- Fish Meal Plant opens in Mink Cove.
- Weymouth Industries closure.
- Bear River Village Fire.
- Canada celebrates 100th birthday
- Pierre Trudeau sworn in as Prime Minister
- Bay of Pigs invasion
- Thalidomide deformities revealed
- Cuban Missile Crisis
- John F. Kennedy assassinated
- Demonstrations against Vietnam War

1970's

- Evangeline Mall built.
- New CN Ferry Terminal built.
- Ground Hog Day Storm.
- Municipal Airport opens.
- Hwy 101 completed to Digby.
- First Computer used.
- Jones Bottling Plant burns in Weymouth
- War Measures Act invoked
- Pierre Laporte murdered
- Canada-Soviet Summit Series in hockey begins
- Quebec language legislation (Bill 101) passes
- Munich massacre at the Olympics
- Rock stars Jimi Hendrix and Janis Joplin die.
- At Kent State University in Ohio, protesting students are killed by National Guardsmen

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COMMERCIAL HOUSE,

POSTPONEMENT
Of Marshall's Grand Price Drawing.

It is with much regret that I am forced
to announce the postponement of the draw-
ing the MONDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER.
This has been found necessary by the well-
known tightness of money at the present
time rendering the sale of the requisite num-
ber of tickets in the formerly specified time
impossible.

The Drawing, I wish it to be distinctly
understood, will most assuredly come off
on the above date.

R W MARSHALL.

Notice is hereby given that from and after the 14th June, next, WM. M. MACKENZIE ceased to act as agent and traveller for the undersigned and all persons who have given said Mackenzie orders, or paid money on any account from the 1st of June to satisfy the same, shall still place their communications with me as soon as possible, that the work may be *promptly* executed, and *correct* receipts given.

THOMAS DEARNESS,
Marble Works,
St. John's, K.B., June 15th, 1872.

In future Mr. Dearness will travel on account of the above. mail 21

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First-Class in all its Appointments.
McSPOSS & McKEITH, Proprietors.

Chris Conolly's Coaches are in waiting on
arrival of Trains and Steamboats.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore carried on by Edwin McMillan, G. Miller and James H. McKeith, at Bear River, in the Province of Nova Scotia, was this day dissolved by mutual consent, and all debts incurred by or owing to the said firm, and all debts due by the said firm, shall be paid by the said firm, and the said firm is authorized to wind up the affairs of the said firm.

J. H. MILLER
G. MILLER
Dear River, 16th June, 1875. host and

NOTICE

I hereby request all parties indebted to me for more than three months prelode to this date to make immediate payment.
P. W. SMITH,
Digby, November 6, 1874.

Granville House,
BRIDGE TOWN, N.E.

The travelling public will find the above-named Hotel a first-class place, it having been thoroughly re-fitted and furnished by
J. A. ARMISTEAD, Proprietor.

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BEST SPRUCE SHINGLES
Sawed in the Dominion.

Thanked for past favors, would invite parties in want of shingles to inspect the superior lot of St. Mary's Bay-shingle timber now

can then decide on the best place to buy.
Our extra shingles are strictly made of
large quartered logs and carefully surveyed.
Apply to E. BURNHAM, at Ditch,
the Shoemaker, at the Steam Shingle Mill,
St. Mary's Bay.
B. VAN DI ARCOM.
March 30th, 1875.

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STEAMER "SCUD,"
THIRD DAY.
2000 Rolls PAPER HANGINGS of the
Latest Designs.
All sale at very low rates.
E. BURNHAM.
Ditch, 25th March; 1875.

KING JOSEPH.
 "The King Joseph" will run from Monday to Wednesday every week, at 50 cents, and on Wednesday 25 cents.
DENNIS SULLIVAN.

Copartnership Notice.

We respectfully announce to the public of River River, and vicinity at large, that we have entered into a Copartnership, under the name of

FATTEN & SPURR.
 (In the future mutually occupied by M. L. Fatten), for the purpose of carrying on a general merchandise business.

At our Store will be found a good assortment of all kinds of Goods, including Dry Goods and Groceries, consisting of
 Flour, Meal, Oatmeal, Beans, Pork, Hides,
 Oil, Tea, Sugar, Spices, &c. &c.
 together with all other articles to be found in a first-class Grocery establishment.

On time or 20% discount. Goods are well
 selected, and at marked down to prices
 defying competition.
 We also have a good assortment of Hard-
 ware, China-ware, Glass-ware, Earthen-ware,
 Crock-ery, and Tin-ware.
 All of which we are offering at very low
 prices for cash or country produce.
 Hoping to merit a share of your patronage
 we remain your obedient servants.
 J. D. PATTER, C. H. PATTER,
 Bay River, June 4, 1875.

some preparations dangerous and injurious to the hair, the Vigor can only benefit but not harm it. If wanted merely for a **HAIR-DRESSING**, nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor lime, it does not soil white cambric, and yet lasts long on the hair, giving it a rich, glossy lustre, and a graceful perfume.

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