

A VALUABLE FIND:

A St. John paper says: Ernest Peters, a Westport fisherman, was fortunate enough the other day to pick up about 20 pounds of ambergris near Brier Island. The find is a valuable one, as competent judges here yesterday declared a sample brought over by Capt. Powell, of the steamer Westport, to be the genuine article.

(In talking with Carl Haycock and internet research this would be very rare to find today. Ambergris is more or less the vomit from a sperm whale and to find it today would still prove very valuable as strangely enough it makes one of the most expensive perfumes in the world. The cost can be found on the internet at \$250.00 a gram).

Tiverton:

-We are sorry to say that Mr. George Farnsworth leaves tomorrow for the hospital in Halifax. He is daily losing the use of his limbs.

Westport:

-Mr. Isaac Jones of Newton, Massachusetts, is registered at the Sea View House. His business is to locate mines and minerals through the lower provinces. He was formerly a resident of Bear River.

-Dr. Donham, Capt. Collins Titus and Balfour Brown, commenced on Saturday last to open up their copper mine. They put in two blasts and threw out about 20 tons of quartz rock and found some very good samples. We wish them good luck, hoping they will be well remunerated for their time.

-Dr. Donham and brother arrived on Tuesday from Meteghan by the packet, looking after the copper mine at North Point.

-Mr. Israel Burrill arrived today by the steamer Westport from Weymouth to join Mr. Balfour Brown and Mr. Donham in the mining expedition. They made several blasts today with good results.

ACCIDENT AT WESTPORT:

On Saturday last Willie, little son of Capt. Collins Thompson, while riding a bicycle on S. T. Payson's wharf at Westport, fell from his wheel, he and the machine going into deep water. The boy and bicycle were rescued uninjured.

Freeport:

-Mr. Frank Sargeant arrived back from Halifax last week and intends continuing to dig and see if there is not a mine here. Many of our readers will be surprised when we tell them there is prospects of valuable copper here.

-The work on Dr. Bishop's new drug store has been completed, and on Saturday evening last was lighted and business commenced. The new street lamp at the corner of the store is very convenient especially to some of our gentleman friends who stand on the corner waiting for the opposite sex to come that way.

SCHOONER WILLIE WRECKED:

Friday's Yarmouth Times contained the following: The treacherous Gannet Rock Ledges have again claimed another victim in the schooner Willie, of Westport, which was on a voyage to Halifax from Grand Manan, via Westport, with a cargo of dry fish and smoked herring. She left Westport on Monday in charge of her owner, Capt. Collins Titus, and during Tuesday lay at anchor off Cat Rock. She got under way Tuesday night, but met with a dense fog and baffling winds and at five o'clock on Wednesday struck on the ledges, afterwards floating off and sinking in ten fathoms of water about three miles S. S. W. of Gannet Rock. Her crew took to the boats and succeeded in reaching Ellenwood's Island where they were well taken care of by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morton, who won the gratitude of the shipwrecked men by their kind treatment. Capt. Titus' loss will be considerable as he had only bought the vessel on June 1st and did not have a cent of insurance on her. Her cargo, which was consigned to Halifax parties, was partially insured. Mr. Morton brought the crew up to Yarmouth. Capt. Titus is at the Queen; the rest have returned to their homes in Westport. The Willie was built in Yarmouth and registered 22 tons.

Sissiboo Echo:

Tiverton:

-Mr. G. W. Foster, oculist, is a guest at the "Willows".

-A number of our young men have gone to Lubec, Maine, to seek employment.

-We are sorry to say there is need of Carrie Nation in our village. If she does not soon appear there will be a “hot time in the old town”.

(Derek’s note: Carrie Nation was a lady that was charged and sentenced for breaking up saloons).

Freeport:

-Mr. Fred McNeil is having a residence built. It will add greatly to the beauty of Water Street. (Isabelle Tibert’s home).

-Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eaton, who were married in Weymouth Monday evening, came home by steamer Westport. We understand that they will soon move into their new home. (Peter Morehouse’s home).

-Mr. Balfour Brown, of Yarmouth, has been here prospecting for copper, but owing to there being another prospector on the ground, he was obliged to leave.

-Mr. St. C. Brown’s residence at Freeport has been thoroughly repaired and painted, and a veranda 36 feet long has been put along the front of the main house. The painters finished their work last week. Mr. Brown now has one of the finest residences in town. (Gail Warren’s home).

Westport:

-Charles Coggins and George Cochrane have been making fine improvements on George Dakin’s new house (Lisa Peters and Chris Titus’ home).

-Capt. F. B. Lent rescued Willie Denton, the nine year old son of Hantford Denton, from drowning yesterday.

-Dr. Donham and Mr. Bowers of Kempt, arrived Saturday night. The Doctor and Mr. Bowers are on the prospecting business for copper and are interested with Mr. Balfour Brown and Capt. Collins Titus. These gentlemen have taken up claims near North Point and have men employed excavating for copper. They are encouraged as to the prospects, having secured some fine specimens.

-The population of Digby County in 1901 was 20, 322.

-Engineer Cowie, of Westport, has sent his thoroughbred greyhound “Patsy” to Fredericton where he will compete for prizes at the Provincial Exhibition to be held at that place.

-George Bishop, fishery warden of Digby, arrived Tuesday evening, having

accompanied Messrs. Savage and Edson, of Cleveland, Ohio. They registered at the “Sea View House”. Messrs. Savage and Edson are looking around the county for the purpose of establishing a fertilizing factory. They were very much encouraged at the prospect at Westport.

Yarmouth Times: The copper mine lately discovered on the north side of Brier Island bids fair to become an important property. A shaft is now being sunk. Specimens of the ore, showing copper in large quantities, were shown to the Times this morning. The mine is owned by Capt. Collins Titus, of Westport and by Dr. Dunham of Saulnierville.