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**NASH, FREDERICK JOHN**, journalist, editor, and writer; b. 21 December 1862 in Halifax, son of Samuel C. Nash and Hannah Creelman; m. Emma Charlotte Miller, and they had two children, Isabel and Frederick; Presbyterian; d. 2 August 1929 in Charlottetown.

Nash, a Liberal, was elected to the Legislative Assembly in the general election of 1919 for 4<sup>th</sup> Queens. He was defeated in a by-election held 15 November 1911, and also in the general elections of 1912, 1915, and 1923. Nash served as a Minister without Portfolio in the John H. Bell\* Administration. He served as President of the Young Liberal Association.

Nash was educated at the local school and Prince of Wales College in Charlottetown. He worked as a reporter, city editor, and associate editor. He was a marine reporter for a large Boston daily newspaper. Nash became editor of the *Daily Patriot* and the *Weekly Patriot* in November 1898, upon the resignation of David Laird\* from this position. He was a well-respected writer, and served as correspondent for the *Toronto Globe* and for several leading liberal papers in Canada. Nash also served as the Island editor of the *Canadian Labour Gazette*. He gave numerous lectures and was regarded as one of the best platform speakers in the province. Nash took a great interest in education and served as a trustee and active member of the Charlottetown School Board. He was president of the Zion Presbyterian Church Literary Society and a member of the Charlottetown Board of Trade. Frederick Nash died 2 August 1929 while editor of the *Patriot*.

Emma Nash was the daughter of Lemuel Miller, principal of West Kent School in Charlottetown, and Margaret H. Lawson of Charlottetown. She was born 24 April 1872 and died 22 July 1931.

## References

*CPG* 1921, 1924; *Past and Present* pp. 349-50; *Patriot* 3 August 1929; PARO: Charlottetown People's Cemetery Records.

**NICHOLSON, JAMES**, farmer; b. 16 October 1827 in Belfast, son of Samuel Nicholson and Flora MacLeod; m. 15 September 1855 Mary Jane Munroe, and they had seven children, A. John, Florence, F. Daniel, A. Samuel, Evangeline, Florence (died at two years and ten months), and Samuel I. (died at three years and five months); Presbyterian; d. 10 June 1905 in Eldon.

Nicholson, a Conservative, was first elected to the House of Assembly by acclamation in a by-election held 7 November 1878 for 4<sup>th</sup> Queens. He was re-elected in the general election of 1879. He was defeated in the general election of 1882. Later that year he was elected to the Legislative Council for 2<sup>nd</sup> Queens. In the general elections of 1886 and 1890, he was re-elected to the Legislative Council. Nicholson served as Leader of the Conservative party in the Legislative Council. He served on Executive Council from 1887 to 1891. Nicholson was a strong supporter of local industry and advocated protective tariffs.

Nicholson was born of Scottish parents and educated in Belfast. His father came to the Island from the Isle of Skye in 1803. In his early career, Nicholson had been a successful farmer and a temperance advocate. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church and Superintendent of the Sabbath School. As a result of these involvements and his political service, Nicholson was well-respected within his community. James Nicholson died 10 June 1905.

Mary Nicholson was born in 1836 and died 14 March 1918.

## References

*CPG* 1879, 1880, 1885, 1889; PARO: MNI-Hutchinson's p. 147; MNI-Census 1861, 1881, 1891; John's Presbyterian Church Records.