Summary Sheet

IDTO - ID Number :494702
AUTH - Report Author :
TYFU - Tornado Type & Fuji Code :c2
TITL - Report Title or Location :Hartland
PROV - Province :New Brunswick
COUN - Counties :Carleton
REFS - References :Cape Breton Post
August 1, 1947
ZOTO - Touchdown Zone Number & Easting :19613600
NOTO - Touchdown Northing :5128370
LOVA - Touchdown Error Value & Code :5000c
DADA - Date of Data Entry :18/06/1990
ZOLO - Liftoff Zone Number & Easting :
NOLO - Liftoff Northing :
UPVA - Liftoff Error Value & Code :
DEAD - Number of Fatalities :
HURT - Number of People Injured :
HERT - Injuries Code :
DATA - Date of Tornado :31/07/1947
DAVA - Date Error Value & Code :
TITO - Time of Tornado :1500
TIMR - Time Meridian :60
TIVA - Time Error Value & Code :104s
AXDA - Maximum Path Width :
AXVA - Max. Path Width Error & Code :
AVDA - Average Damage Width :
AVVA - Avg. Damage Width Error & Code :
SADA - Sample Damage Width :
SAVA - Sample Damage Width Error & Code:
INTO - Initials :JAM
DFTO - Detailed Report Flag :n
JUNK - PRDA & DIMO & DALE :
CODA - Property Damage Code :
MISC - ORDE,PICS_TYPE,PICS_AVAIL,COCO : 1
MANY - Multiple Event Flag :y

MEMO:Barns destroyed.

PHEN - Associated Phenomena :
TSHP - Townships :Brighton

JAM, 18/06/1990

Cape Breton Post: Aug 1 1947

Storm Date: Thursday July 31 1947

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# Storm Causes Heavy Damage

EDMUNDSTON, N. B., Aug. 1 — (CP) —Debris was being cleared from storm-littered streets and fields today as stunned farmers surveyed a two-mile swath of desolated farmland in this rich northern New Brunswick potato district.

Preliminary estimates placed the total damage of yesterday's fierce 30-minutes hail, rain, wind and electric storm at more than $100,000 but farmers said it would be days before they could correctly estimate the exact damage to their precious crops.

Striking yesterday afternoon and lasting less than 30 minutes, the roaring storm left a trail of demolished barns, wrecked farm machinery, and flattened potato and coarse grain crops.

For the farmers it was a hard blow; potato-digging time was only a month away.

Sweeping across the northern Maine border, the storm broke with intensity at nearby St. Hilaire. Five barns were blown down, seven farm houses had all their windows on the windward side blown in, and damage to farm machinery alone was counted at more than $3,000.

LIGHTS, POWER OFF

Light and power-lines were severed and were not restored until late in the night.

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One person, an unidentified woman, suffered undetermined injuries when a huge tree crashed through the kitchen walls where she was huddled with 14 others. The others escaped unharmed.

The area hardest hit by the storm contains about 20 farms and stretches from St. Hilaire to the outskirts of the village of Albertine. Farmer Adrien Daigle first felt the full fury of the raining storm as he watched his big barn tumble to the ground and his potato plants torn by the wind-whipped hailstones.

Everywhere tall trees were lying uprooted; telephone lines were down, and crops flattened to the ground.

Old-time residents of the district could recall no such damaging storm in their memory.

Further down the western border, at Clarkand, more barns were demolished and power lines were down.

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Residents of the district also said the lashing wind had lasted for about 30 minutes and described it as a "miniature hurricane."

There was no immediate estimate of damage available but fishermen said the St. John River had risen at least three feet and predicted that it might ruin their profitable salmon business.

Here, too, crops were damaged, windows broken and highways littered with debris. But farmers happily reported that the majority of the farms in the area had escaped severe damage.