

FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

ST. MARTINS

St. Martins, Aug. 20—On Saturday evening a number of the officers of St. John County Orange Lodge paid a fraternal visit to Invincible Lodge, No. 16, of this place. Ten members were advanced a degree. After supper able addresses were delivered by J. King Kelley, D. McArthur, James Lannan and others, of St. John, and by James Bourke, J. B. Hodsmyth and others, of this place.

In the absence of Rev. C. W. Townsend, the Baptist pulpit was very acceptably filled Sunday morning, and evening by Rev. H. V. Davies, of New York.

On Monday evening the members of St. Martins Division of T. partook of a splendid tea served on the beach by the ladies of the order.

Miss Helen Carson entertained a number of friends at supper on the beach on Monday evening. All present had a most enjoyable time.

Harold and Louis Titus have returned home after having spent a most enjoyable and pleasant trip to St. John river.

Mrs. A. W. Fowles and Mrs. E. A. Titus left on Tuesday as delegates to the W. M. A. S. convention which meets in Sussex this week.

Mrs. Rommel, wife of Councillor William Rommel, of Alma, and son, Fred, who have been spending a few days here, left for home on Tuesday morning. Miss Annie Rommel, of Alma, will assume charge of the school in West Quaco at the beginning of next term.

Mrs. W. M. A. S. convention which meets in Sussex this week.

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Miss Gertrude Harvey has returned to Boston after a vacation here.

Miss Flora Harvey, who has been home from Massachusetts a few days, left yesterday morning for Yarmouth (N. S.) to visit friends there.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Clay Adams are guests at the Miramichi Hotel.

Misses Nellie and Gertrude Doucet, of Bathurst, are visiting Mrs. Lawrence Comfort.

Mrs. T. P. Fugley, of St. John, is the guest of Mrs. Hickson.

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EDMUNDSTON

Edmundston, N. B., Aug. 19—Miss Sadie Taylor, Grand Falls (N. B.), who has been visiting Miss Doris Henderson, has returned home.

A. B. Phillips, of the Royal Bank of Canada, has been transferred to Amherst (N. S.).

Miss Quencie Richards, who has been visiting her friends in St. John, returned home Saturday.

The annual bazaar and picnic in behalf of the Convalescent Home will be held on Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Miss Ethel Tomkins, Boston (Mass.), is visiting Miss Annie Phillips.

Miss Agnes Hebb, who is spending her vacation with her parents here, returns tomorrow to Hacksack school, Hacksack (N. J.), where she is training for a nurse.

St. Stephen, Aug. 21—Professor W. F. Vroom, of the Teachers' College, New York, having spent his vacation here with his mother, Mrs. Frances Vroom, has returned to New York to resume his duties.

The town schools will re-open on Monday next. The teaching staff will be the same as last term.

Miss Etta De Wolfe, of the town of Wolville (N. S.), with her brother, Rev. H. T. De Wolfe, principal of the seminary.

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HOPEWELL HILL

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Miss Amelia Nelson, of Springfield, who has been visiting her friends here, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Spurgeon Wells and daughter, of New Brunswick, returned from a visit to St. Martins, where they were visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hennessey.

Robert Starratt, of the I. O. O. F. office, returned from a visit to St. John, where he was visiting his friends.

Mrs. Mary and Miss Thelma, of Shelburne, are visiting their sister, Mrs. (Rev.) Thomas Hicks, of Albert.

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BYE-ELECTION LIKELY SEPTEMBER 19

Government May Make It a Day Earlier at Saturday's Meeting

Three Other Commissions Will Be Filled on the Same Date, Including a Successor to Hon. C. S. Hyman in London—Balance of Trade Continues Heavily Against Canada in Four Months of Present Fiscal Year.

Ottawa, Aug. 21—Four bye-elections of full gaps in the membership of the Canadian commons, will be held next month, probably on September 18 or 19.

The government will likely have a meeting on Saturday, when the question of fixing the date will be finally decided.

There are three vacant seats in Ontario and one in New Brunswick. Three were occasioned by death and one by resignation.

London constituency was opened by the resignation of Hon. Charles Hyman; Wellington, by the death of Thomas Martin; Northumberland, by the death of Edward Cochrane; and St. John city and county by the death of Dr. A. A. Stockton.

Canada's foreign trade totalled \$214,156,015 in the first four months of the current fiscal period from the first of April to the first of August. This is an increase over the similar period the year before of \$22,000,000.

During the five months the imports totalled \$131,808,070, an increase of \$25,010,424.

Imports of dutiable goods totalled \$77,706,121, an increase of \$15,470,748.

Free imports totalled \$54,101,949, an increase of \$8,539,676.

The duty collected amounted to \$20,383,734, an increase of \$4,214,428.

During the four months there was a decrease of \$1,948,963 in the volume of exports, which were of the value of \$22,257,945. However, exports are now showing an increase and it is expected that the remaining months of the year will more than make up for the falling off of the first few months.

MILK LIKELY TO GO UP A CENT A QUART TO FIREMEN'S SPORTS

Board of Health Yesterday Ordered Milk Dealers to Sterilize Cans

Regulation Unnecessary—Says the Public Will Pay for It—Negotiations by Board for Plant at Depot Fell Through

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