Springfield.

Mrs. S. T. Lohnes spent a few day last week visiting friends in Mahone Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Crocker, of Meadowvale, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grimm on Tuesday last.

Miss Nellie Saunders is spending a week at East Dalhousie.

Rev. E. E. Locke spent Thursday and Friday in Middleton.

Rev. H. B. Smith, of New Germany, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Locke on Thursday last.

A large number of our young people are leaving us. On Wednesday last nine (Miss Nettie Grimm, Miss Victoria McNayr, Miss Mildred Starratt, Miss Ellen Fletcher, two Miss McCormicks, daughters of Patrick McCormick, and Messrs. Maynard and Dennis Wagner) left for various parts of Uncle Sam's domain.

Mr. Emery Darling has commenced operations on his new house.

Mr. and Mrs. Ingram Baker and daughter, Annie, of Torbrook, spent Sunday last at Falkland Ridge.

Mrs. Elton Saunders and child spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roop.

Mr. Fred Freeman, of Brookfield, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Saunders last week.

Rev. J. Webb and family leave this week for their new field of labor. We wish to congratulate the Lower Aylesford church on the wise choice they have made in giving our former pastor a call. For three years Mr. Webb has been an untiring and faithful worker in the Springfield and adjacent churches. His family have also proven themselves active and energetic workers and leaders in all kinds of church work, ever ready for any duty required of them. The choir, in losing Miss Emma Webb as soloist and 1st soprano, have a vacancy which, they feel, will be hard indeed to fill. We feel assured that the good wishes of the community will follow them to their new home.

On the 2nd J. C. Grimm picked a bunch of blossoms from one of his apple trees.

Bellefisle.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cooper, of Wakefield, Mass., who have been visiting friends here returned home last week.

Mr. John S. Troop, and bride, of Boston, were here a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Troop.

Mr. Archie Bent, of Everett, Mass., visited his uncle, L. D. Gesner, last week.

We are sorry to state that Mrs. Mary A. Bent died this morning (Monday), at 7 o'clock.

Some of our farmers have been packing some very large fruit this season. Mr. Leander Gesner counted a barrel of Graven steins that contained 249, and Seth L. Gesner counted in one of 247. But the man who takes the bun is Mr Horatio N. Gesner. He picked and packed 20 barrels of Gravensteins from off one tree, and had drops and culls left; he packed off one tree of the Blenheim pippin variety, not a large tree, 5 barrels, two of which contained 411 apples, in one was 182; he picked out two dozen that weighed 23 lbs. and 5 oz, one weighing 17 oz. We doubt if this can be beat in the county, if so, let us hear.

Mrs. Herbert Sancton had the ill luck one day last week to lose her wallet on the street in Bridgetown. It contained over five dollars in money and some papers bearing her name. It seems strange the party finding it and learning to whom it belonged has not communicated with her.

Quite a number of our farmers have lately found numbers of their sheep dead in their pastures with only their throats bitten and blood taken.

Inglisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Baird, of Clementsvale, visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Banks, on their way to Wolfville.

Miss Edith Beals, of Boston, has been home on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beals.

Miss Evelyn Beals and brother Hardy accompanied Miss Edith Beals, on her return.

Mr. Wm. K. Crisp's banner, "Canada expects every man to do his duty Sept. 9th 1898," was gotten up in a very artistic manner, and reflects much credit on his genius as a painter. It has been hoisted on several occasions.

The chief event of last week was the temperance entertainment gotten up under the management of our teacher, Miss Harlow and Miss Mary Crisp. The programme consisting of music, recitations and readings was a complete one, Miss M. N. Dunn and Miss Cassie Whitman presided at the organ, and acquitted themselves creditably. The most pleasing part of the programme was the very little children who gave their speeches in very clear and distinct tones.

Rev. Mr. Astbury preached Sabbath morning in the Methodist Church, to an attentive audience.

Port Lorne.

Mrs. Chipman Foster, of Lawrencetown, has been visiting friends here.

Mr. William Grant is visiting relatives in New Tusket, Digby Co.

Officers elected for the ensuing quarter in North Division are as follows: Young Anthony, W. P.; Beatrice Elliott, W. A.; Alfred Charlton, R. S.; Bertie Sabean, A. R. S.; William Johnson, F. S.; Edgar Grant, Treas.; Mrs. J. G. Brinton, Chap.; Charles Cropley, Con.; Mrs. Lorimer Sabean, A. C.; Charles Foster, I. S.; Lorimer Sabean, O. S.; Mr. Hiram Johnson, P. W. P.

Mrs. Freeman Beardsley entertained her Sunday school class of little girls at her home on Saturday afternoon.

Miss Smith, of Middleton, and Mr. Pearley Marshall, of Spa Springs, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Starratt on Sunday last.

Mr. D. Balcom and daughter, of Lawrencetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dalton on Sunday last.

Rev. E. P. Coldwell will preach on Sunday, 9th, at Port Lorne, 10.30; Arlington, 2.30. Conference at Port Lorne Saturday, 2.30.

Upper Clarence.

Clarence Division, No. 366, installed the following officers for the ensuing quarter: Mrs. F. Fitch, W. P.; Fred Banks, W. A.; H. G. Wilson, R. S.; Cora Elliott, A. R. S.; E. M. Marshall, F. S.; A. J. Wilson, Treas.; Alfred Wilson, Chap.; Lorenzo Elliott, Con.; Mabel Elliott, A. Con.; Annie Wilson, I. S.; J. W. Elliott, O. S.; A. P. Rumsey, P. W. P.

Mr. and Mrs. Avard Jackson spent Sunday with friends in Berwick.

Ernest Marshall has gone to Boston for the winter.

Dr. T. A. Croaker and family, of Middleton, spent Sunday in this place.

Miss Azuba Fitch, Miss Etta Roach and Miss Ella Elliott left for Wolfville on Tuesday.

Our farmers would like to know what has become of the N. S. Pork Packing Co., organized at Middleton so short a time ago, that promised so much for the farmers, and to which they subscribed so much stock.

Hampton.

Mrs. Herbert Reynolds has returned to her home in Lynn.

Mrs. Aleda Simms has also returned to Lynn.

Mr. Ainsley Brinton and daughter, of Massachusetts, are visiting his mother and friends here.

Mr. Dodwell, R. E., visited us on Monday last and examined the breakwater. He expressed himself as well pleased with the work.

On Monday last Master Dennis Milbury presented our school teacher with some ripe strawberries.

The election passed off very quietly. A large vote was polled. There were seventy-nine votes on the list, twenty of which were unavailable, being absent; fifty votes were polled for prohibition and one against.

West Paradise.

Mr. William Cropley, who has been visiting friends in this place, left for his home in Lynn, Mass., on Friday last.

Mr. Milton Daniels, of Wakefield, Mass., is visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. S. Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Neily, of Mt. Hanley, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Winchester Daniels, on Sunday last.

Mr. Judson McClaskey met with quite a painful accident on Saturday last, by falling from a tree while picking apples.

Michipicoten Gold Fields.

Toronto, Sept. 30.—The latest advices from Michipicoten are to the effect that there is a rush of miners and prospectors in that region again this fall. Several rich strikes have been made on the north shore of Lake Wawa, adjoining the property of the Superior Gold and Copper Company. Mr. Trembley, of Toledo, who owns the claims adjoining the Rossland group, owned by the Superior Gold and Copper Company, in doing some development work, encountered a splendid showing of free gold in a big quartz lode which crosses the Rossland. The specimens are some of the finest yet found in Michipicoten and will assay thousands of dollars to the ton.

Notes from the Capital.

"I told you so." A small part only of the voters of the Dominion, have taken any notice of the plebiscite, and the anti prohibitionists have gained the battle practically by not fighting, but by allowing indifference to affect the conquest. And after all have not the temperance people during the past decade been playing the part of flies buzzing round an old tough weather-beaten horse? And what a mockery it must seem, when the city brewers sarcastically, profitably and withal, humorously, advertise their "entire stock for sale on or before Sept. 29th.

We had the pleasure of seeing a number of friends from Bridgetown and vicinity last Tuesday morning, when the D. A. R. excursion train brought some eight hundred people from Annapolis county. It must indeed have been a Samantha's "pleasure exertion" to some of them who, unacquainted in the city, were compelled to wander about the exhibition grounds for twelve hours, under the depressing influence of a Halifax rainy day. To those, however, who came to see and profit by the really good exhibition of farm produce, manufactures, etc., the inclemency of the weather was not a great disadvantage, as the exhibits were very well housed.

The exhibition, taken as a whole, was as good as that of 1897. This year we missed the address of the premier, though the Hon. Mr. Fielding spoke briefly on the last day. No programme seemed to be laid down for each day and published in the papers, as last year. The crush at the gates was obviated by the erection of several ticket offices along the street leading to the entrance. The accommodations for the live stock, too, were better this year. The success of the variety show in front of the grand stand was, however, spoiled by the very bad weather. The balloon made two or three successful flights, and the "Relief of Lucknow" was presented as many times. The latter was not as well liked as last year's "Siege of Sebastopol." There was really good weather only one evening in the week for this part of the attractions.

Interest in football is again being aroused. The season for this game extends generally from the middle of October to the middle of November. The Rugby game is played here and differs considerably from the Association game played by the American boys. In the former more running is done with the ball in hand and less kicking, thereby making the game less brutal. An interesting part of the Rugby game is the scrimmage, in which the centre men or forwards line up on either side of the ball, and with heads together, try to push the opposing forwards back and thus get the ball out behind to the waiting men, who grasp it and run toward the opposite goal. A league composed of Army and Navy, Wanderers Athletic Association and Dalhousie Athletic Club fight every year for the league trophy. This has been captured by the Wanderers for three successive years. NUNTIUS.

Gilmour—Davidson.

A very pleasant September wedding occurred on Wednesday evening, when Miss Sadie J. Davidson, of Wakefield, was united in marriage with Mr. Howard J. Gilmour, also of Wakefield. The wedding took place at the future home of the young couple on Winthrop street, Melrose, in the presence of their friends and relatives. Guests were present from Wakefield, Lynn, Malden, Everett, Stoneham, Boston, Woburn and Melrose.

The ceremony was performed at 7.30 o'clock, Rev. Putnam Webber, of Wakefield, officiating. The bride was charmingly gowned in white organdie, trimmed with lace. She carried a bunch of white roses.

The bridesmaid was Miss Josephine C. W. Clark, of Wakefield, and the best man was Mr. Andrew Gilmour, of Quincy, and brother of the groom. The ushers were Miss Maud Clark and Miss Mattie Lettney, of Wakefield.

An informal reception was held after the ceremony. Mrs. Vail, of Wakefield, the groom's mother, and Miss Maud Davidson, of Melrose, sister of the bride, assisted in receiving. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmour were the recipients of many beautiful presents, among them being a Morris chair from the employees of Herkloss' bakery in Malden, where Mr. Gilmour is employed.

The newly wedded couple will reside at 25 Winthrop street, Melrose.—*Wakefield Daily Star, Sept. 24th.*

[Mr. Gilmour is a native of Granville, where he has many friends.—Ed.]

Terrible Accident on the I. C. R.

A special passenger train from Pictou for Halifax, consisting of four cars and carrying about 50 persons, and a workman's train from Stellarton to Westville, collided a short distance from Westville at 6 30 o'clock last Wednesday.

The collision occurred on a steep down grade, and the two engines were totally wrecked, and one car was upset, injuring the passengers inside. Those killed were:

James Sproull, engineer.
Mitchell O'Brien, engineer.
John R. McKenzie, fireman.
W. G. Henderson, fireman.
James Cameron, Pictou, passenger.

A number of the passengers received severe shocks and bruises, but only two of them were seriously injured. It is claimed that orders were given for train to cross a workingman's train at Acadia Crossing, a short distance from Westville, and that the orders were either disobeyed or forgotten, as the train did not stop at the designated crossing, but kept on its way down the steep grade toward Stellarton, until it collided with the other train bound for Acadia Crossing, with over 40 men from Stellarton for the mines.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The American House, at Wolfville, was burned last Friday.

Half a ton of quartz from the Jubilee mine at Renfrew, crushed last month, yielded 131 ounces of gold.

Colonel L. DeV. Chipman, for many years agent of the Bank of Nova Scotia, at Kentville, has resigned his position.

Joseph Curry, of Grand Mira, C. B., who left for Klondike some years ago, returned home last week. He is said to be worth over one hundred thousand dollars.

A jail erected in the early history of Baddeck, C. B., has been torn down because there were no prisoners to confine within its walls.

An immense deposit of magnetic iron has lately been discovered at George's River mountain, Cape Breton. The deposit is considered to be worth millions of dollars.

Mr. Ralph Eaton, of Kentville, picked 75 bushels of Burbanks Japanese plums this season which he sold for $3 00, while other varieties were selling for 60c. per bushel. Mr. Eaton, has 1,100 trees on his fruit farm.

China's Emperor Dead.

London, Oct. 1.—A special despatch from Shanghai, published to-day, say it is officially announced there that the emperor of China committed suicide on Sept. 21, after signing the decrees which placed the dowager empress at the head of affairs in China. This is understood to mean that the emperor was assassinated. All the English speaking secretaries and the principal members of the Chinese foreign office have been seized and banished.

DEAR SIRS—I was for seven years a sufferer from Bronchial trouble and would be so hoarse at times that I could scarcely speak above a whisper. I got no relief from anything until I tried your MINARD'S HONEY BALSAM. Two bottles gave relief and six bottles made a complete cure. I would heartily recommend it to any one suffering from throat or lung trouble.

J. E. VANBUSKIRK.

Fredericton,

—A correspondent in the Halifax *Herald* says:—One of the largest barns in Annapolis county is being erected by Robie Morton, at Middleton. It is 100 feet long, 45 feet wide with 16 foot post and eight feet of brick wall. The cellar extends under the entire building and is divided lengthwise into three parts. A manure pit with cement floor extends the whole length of the east side under the stable. In the middle, under the barn floor is a store room for vegetables, fruits, etc. On the west side three large bays extend to the ground. On this same side on the first floor are a granary 19 feet by 16 feet, and a horse stable of the same size.

A terrific storm swept over Japan on Sept. 6, doing great damage to shipping. A Summary of the loss of life and property follows: Deaths, 250; houses swept away, 164; houses overthrown, 1,195; partially wrecked, 11,460; houses inundated, 5,597; river banks broken, 78.

The proposed dry dock at St. John, N. B., will cost at least $1,000,000.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

Mr. Editor:—

For the second time within the short corporate existence of this town, the Mayor has been obliged to resort to the press to explain his position in his conflict with our statutes. In February last a resolution was passed by the Town Council to the effect, "That owing to certain irregularities in the Towns' Incorporation Act, there would be no election for Mayor or Councillors in February in this town, and consequently they would hold office for one year longer." This question being taken before our Provincial Legislature and ventilated, it was decided that our interpreters of the law were in error, but being novices in the business, instead of passing too severe a sentence upon them, the legislature passed an act authorizing the Town of Bridgetown to hold an election, the time having passed under which an election could be held under the Towns' Incorporation Act.

This time the difficulty appears to be of a more serious nature, for by ignorance of the law they have disfranchised the electors of this town for all purposes until April 10th, 1899.

Now let us look into this production signed by Mayor Ruggles, that appeared in your issue of Sept. 28th.

I propose to start out by agreeing in every particular with clause No. 1, and informing the correspondent to a St. John paper that he was in error when he stated, "that the Mayor had informed the Council there was no necessity of a revision in March last," for I know that neither the Mayor nor Council, at that time, was aware that the law required a revision by the revisors of incorporated towns in March, and did not know it until their attention was called to it, some time in the following month, after the revisors of every incorporated town in the Province of Nova Scotia, including the town of Liverpool, (which was incorporated some three months after Bridgetown) had completed their lists, and I defy the Mayor to produce from the minutes of the Clerk a single record showing where this question had ever come up for their consideration, or that they had any previous knowledge that this revision was required until their attention was called to it about the time previously referred to.

The Mayor further says that under the existing state of law no revision could take place in March last, and to justify him in this statement, quotes Section 1, Acts 1889, an act entitled, "The Local Franchise Act," which is the only act under which revisors to revise a list for election of members of the House of Assembly are appointed, and which reads as follows: "Incorporated towns shall appoint revisors to revise the list of electors for election of members of the House of Assembly at their first meeting held after the first day of May, and the revisors so appointed shall be the revisors for the following year." The first meeting of this town under its corporate existence was held in September, 1897, and at that meeting three revisors were appointed. Was not this meeting in September the first meeting held *after* the first day of May? And who, except those who have placed us in this unfortunate position, will contend that these revisors appointed at that meeting were not legally appointed, and if they had been instructed by the Mayor and Council, as they should have been, to revise the list in March last, who would dare to question the legality of that list, and if we had that list to-day, we would be on the same footing as every town in the province, and not be a target for ridicule as we at present are. Now what does the law say in regard to the appointing and duties of revisors to revise a list, within the town, of persons qualified to vote for election of Mayor and Councillors? Section 9 of Acts of 1898 says (I am quoting from the Mayor's letter as I have not the act before me) "that the revisors shall be appointed by the Town Council at its first meeting in the month of May in each year." Note the difference: "Revisors under the Provincial Franchise Act to be appointed at the *first meeting held after* the first day of May." "Revisors to revise the town list to be appointed at the *first meeting in* the month of May." And yet the Mayor and recorder, one and the same individual, informs us these sections are identically the same, and that they could not appoint revisors under the Provincial Franchise Act before the month of May. Is there any elector in this town prepared to swallow this? For instance a town becomes incorporated in the month of June, 1898; according to the interpretation of the law by Mayor Ruggles, every elector of said town becomes disfranchised until April 10th, 1900.

I cannot bring myself to believe the Mayor is in earnest when he quotes such nonsense, but is trying to make the electors of this town believe that he was aware of the existing state of affairs in March last. I would like to see these sections submitted to the pupils in one of the junior departments of our school, for their interpretation, but would be very sorry to have the Mayor there to hear their decision, for if they were informed of his stand, I am afraid the respect that they at present entertain for his decision in matters relating to the school affairs of this town, he being, as I believe, one of the School Board, would greatly diminish. The further statement in this apistle where he claims they have now the only *legal* list that could be prepared, is most ludicrous.

In the first part of his letter he says: "That had it not have been that three sections of the Towns Incorporation Act were repealed last winter, their revisors would have prepared a list between 1st and 18th of August, of persons qualified to vote in the town, but as the Act now says the list must be prepared in March, they were not in a position to prepare us a legal list," but towards the latter part of the letter he bobs up, after all with what he says is a *legal* list.

As I stated in your columns last week, Chap. 52, Act 1898, Sec. 27 says: "That in preparing a list for Incorporated Towns for the year 1898, revisors for the town must take and adopt the list of electors of members to serve in the House of Assembly, now under revision, and they must add thereto the names of women qualified to vote." How have our Mayor and Council instructed our revisors to prepare this *legal* list? Did they tell them to follow the law? No. As far as I can understand their mode of procedure was something like this: About 4 weeks ago they met in a certain back office in this town without any notification to the ratepayers of this town that a list was going to be prepared, and not having a single section of law to back up their procedure, they then and there prepared a list, which was signed by the Mayor and handed to the clerk on the 9th of Sept., and this is the list termed by the Mayor of Bridgetown as the only *legal* list; and to make it worse it is the list, as I have been informed by one of the Councillors, upon which the Mayor says the election will be run next February, which threat, if carried out, will invite litigation for every act done by the Mayor and Council elected under this list.

I certainly think the Council made a wise move in giving an opportunity to those they had defranchised to express their opinion on the plebiscite on Thursday last, for although the vote taken in this town will have no official significance, it is a certain amount of satisfaction to the temperance people of the town, to know the feeling in respect to the passing of a Prohibitory Act is as strong as was shown on the 29th inst.

ONE WHO HAS BEEN DISFRANCHISED.

To the Editor of the Monitor:

From the "Home of the brave and the land of the free" I am called upon to show up, by a letter in your issue of Sept. 28th, from the pen of the anti prohibitionist, W. J. H. Balcom. He would have your readers believe that for fear of him I had imposed upon myself an exile, and would not even dare let my hiding place be known. He admires my discretion in running away from him! Verily! friend Balcom, where do you bury your dead? Why has not some world-famed poet arisen to put into immortal song your deeds of valour, and sing your deathless fame? I am beginning to admire myself as a martyr. To strike a blow for the cause of temperance, which I knew meant *exile*, and yet in the face of that appalling disaster to dare to do it. But, as I am now so far away from this modern Goliath, it may be safe for me to venture a reply.

He seems to complain at the beginning of his article, that I have spoken of him as an anti-prohibitionist, and at the close he implores every lover of his country to send a prayer to kind Heaven to avert such a dire calamity (as prohibition), his fear being that the law may come before there is public sentiment to sustain it.

Now it is very evident to every candid reader of his articles on this subject, that he has been doing his best, by hunting for data suitable for the purpose, and skilfully manipulating figures to put prohibition in as bad a light as possible, and thus discourage the growth of just such a temperance sentiment as he says is necessary in order to make prohibition safe legislation. When, I ask, will we have a proper temperance sentiment by pursuing such a course as that? Why not point out the right kind of prohibition, if the thing is at all desirable? And why not unite with temperance workers to bring the sentiment to the right condition? The government has simply been asking a question of the voters concerning this very temperance sentiment. What is there so very serious involved in having this question squarely answered? Surely the government has wisdom enough to know what to do in the matter after they have received the answer from the people. And if they have not, the matter can easily be remedied by sending Mr. Balcom to give them proper direction. I am sure he would be willing to sacrifice himself sufficiently to do that for the Dominion.

I am glad he thinks himself in such good company on this question, but if we are to credit the public statements of Hon. W. E. Gladstone and Evangelist Moody, I am afraid that he would not get such friendly recognition from them as he imagines. Concerning his reference to Maine, I may say that I do not know the men he mentions, but in my quotations I have not depended on stray utterances picked up at random, as he seems to have done, but have depended on the report of the royal commission. I have supposed that to be as reliable as such random utterances.

Now concerning his charge that I have handed him over to the tender mercies of the devil; I reply that I did no such thing. I pictured the two sides—and he cannot successfully contradict that my representation was a true one—took my stand on what I conceived to be the right side, and invited Mr. Balcom to come with me. I cannot help it if he does not choose to come.

In his letter Mr. Balcom has given us another one of his "ipse dixits." He says the liquor men were not active generally. He gives no further proof than his statement. Well, that is a short cut. How does he know? He objects when I assume that he must have been in correspondence with them. But that seems to be the conclusion to which he drives us, for I am just critical enough to question a statement that does not bear on its face the appearance of truth even when spoken by Mr. Balcom. Concerning the loss caused to the revenue by the preferential tariff, he has given us a strong pointer. He says that the loss was made up by the impetus given to trade. Exactly! And would not the abolition of the liquor traffic cause an impetus to trade, so that there would be no loss to be made up?

We might just here quote the public utterance of his friend, the Hon. W. E. Gladstone, of illustrious memory. He says: "Give me a sober people and I will know where to get a revenue."

Now concerning that $40,000,000, Mr. Balcom thinks he has me in a hole, sure! Not too fast! I expressed no opinion concerning the exactness of that statement any more than this: that I had always supposed it was given by candid statisticians. What I objected to was Mr. Balcom's unscientific way of disposing of the statement. He gave no proof that it was not so, but simply *said* it was not so. That was not proof. That is what forced me to the conclusion that Mr. Balcom must have been in communication with every liquor seller in the land, that he might know just what they had received for their sales. It can be easily shown that very much more than that amount is demanded by the traffic, directly and indirectly. Mr Balcom knows the figures as well as I. In my exile, I cannot make any remark on the result of the election, for I have not in this far place received the details of the contest. Perhaps Mr. Balcom will tell me in his next letter.

Yours for Prohibition still,
J. W. BROWN.

Brown University, Providence, Sept. 30th.

To the Editor of the Monitor:

DEAR SIR,—In your issue of Sept. 28th, I notice a series of resolutions passed by the Town Council of Bridgetown, and published; I also saw a copy of those resolutions posted up in the post office at Bridgetown, reflecting on my conduct and calculated to do me injury. Those statements are incorrect and misleading. When I received the writ for holding an election and my appointment as returning officer, I also received instructions in the matter, which were, to get "two certified copies of last revised provincial voters' list, from the local official in possession of it. The legal list will be the one in force on the 1st day of August, 1898 for a provincial election." I applied to O. T. Daniels, Clerk of the Municipality, and got those lists. I found the incorporated town of Bridgetown had no list. Mr. Milner, the Town Clerk, at the dictation of the Mayor, addressed a communication to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa, in which he stated that I was not using the proper list. He received an answer confirming my opinion, that the only legal list to be used would be the one in force on the 1st day of August, 1898. I afterwards wrote to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery on the matter, and have his reply. In regard to Mr. Ruggles' statement that I had refused to accept any list for the town of Bridgetown, thus depriving the electors of the town of Bridgetown of the right to vote at the plebiscite election, I may state that I never had presented to me, nor have never yet seen any lists for the town of Bridgetown. Mr. Milner wrote me, Sept. the 10th that a list had been fyled by the revisors of the town at his office, and that a copy could be obtained from him. Now I would ask any sensible person by whose law I must be governed, Mr. Ruggles' law or the instructions that I received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery. As for depriving the electors of the town of Bridgetown of a vote, far from it. I know there were many worthy persons there, who wished to record their votes on that question, and what right had I, or how dare I, deprive them of their privileges? It certainly was of no interest to me, and if I could legally have given them a vote I assure you I would gladly have done so. If I have done wrong in this matter, I am amenable to the laws of the land. Let your Worthy Mayor bring an action against me, and the whole matter will be threshed out. I may say again that I had no interest whatever in wishing to deprive the electors of their rights and know of none; only that in conversation with Mayor Ruggles on the street on the 10th day of September, in reference to the lists, he made these remarks, quoting his own language, "that there was a little clique in in this town that did not want them to vote as they might put the government in a hole." More anon.

EDWIN GATES,
Sheriff of the County of Annapolis.

October 3rd, 1898.

Captain Brady, of the United States Signal Service, has been ordered to begin the construction of an overland telegraph line, in Cuba 320 miles in length, from Guantanamo, via Santiago and Manzanillo.

An epidemic of typhoid prevails in Ottawa. There are 40 patients in the hospitals and as many more in their homes.

Births.

LOCKETT—At Young's Cove, N. B., Sept. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lockett, a son.

BEARDSLEY.—At Port Lorne, Oct. 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beardsley, a son.

Marriages.

GRANT—GREEN—At the Parsonage, Lawrencetown, Sept. 21, by Rev. L. F. Wallace, Clarence Grant, of Williamston, to Bessie Green, of Brickton.

BENT—CROCKER—At the home of the bride, South Farrington, by Rev. E. P. Coldwell, assisted by Rev. H. H. Saunders, James Bent, of Arlington, to Mrs. Maria Crocker.

Deaths.

BISHOP—On Friday, October 3, at his residence, South Williamston, William Bishop, aged 69 years.

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Church Services, Sunday, October 9th.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Rev. F. P. Greatorex, Rector. In St. James', Bridgetown: Service with celebration of Holy Communion at 11. Sunday School at 2. Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7. Service Wednesday at 7.30. In St. Mary's, Belleisle, service at 3; also on Thursday at 7. All seats free.

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