

Carroll's Crossing Notes.

The Rev. Mr. Waley of Fredericton preached at Dacktown on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, and in the afternoon at St. John's church near Carroll's Crossing at three o'clock. In the evening he preached at St. James' church at Upper Lifford at seven o'clock. There was a large congregation in each church.

The Rev. Mr. Clements, Methodist minister of Boiestown preached at the Boiestown schoolhouse on Sunday at three o'clock.

Mr. J. O'Donnell and Mr. Ernest O'Donnell are doing good work on the river for Mr. Richards of Boiestown. Mr. John Stewart is the leading chopper, chopping eighty spruce logs one day last week. Best that if you can, boys, Mr. Oliver Lyons handles the ribbons. The correspondent heard the employer say that they were doing good work.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at Mr. John O'Donnell's on Friday evening. We thank Mr. D. O'Donnell for his kindness.

Mrs. Jas. Lyons of this place has left her house on several occasions because of trouble bothering her. She must remember that Christmas is near and Santa Claus is expected.

Mr. John Price of this place reports that he is doing good work for Mr. Jas. S. Farley. He expects to make more money this winter than ever before in lumbering. He intends to purchase a second seaed sleigh.

Mrs. David Lyons of this place is very sick and all hope she will be better in a few days.

Wedding bells are ringing at this place. Come, John, and set an example for the rest of the boys.

Mr. Chester O'Donnell of this place is out of the woods again sick. We hope to see him around in a few days.

Miss Alberta Brown of McNamee school has closed it and has left for her home in St. Martins. She went aboard of the Canada Eastern train on Monday night and was accompanied to the siding by a large number of friends, who bade her farewell and many good wishes.

Mr. John McAleer of this place met with a very bad loss Saturday evening. One horse broke loose in his stall and all most ruined another one.

Barnaby River Notes.

We are in hopes that we will have good sleigh driving before Christmas as some of the young folks are anxious to get to town.

We are glad to hear that Miss Mary A. Murphy who has been sick, will soon be able to be out again.

Mrs. Daniel Shea is visiting her mother. Poor Johnny has a long run to travel this winter, look out Katie and keep Sam in.

Mr. Lawrence Gorman has set up a new grocery store; he is kept busy waiting on his customers.

Mr. John Elward has been visiting his friend Mr. McDonald.

There is a young lady waiting the arrival of some of the young men from the States.

We are glad to hear that Miss Lizzie Wood who has had a very lame foot will soon be able to be out again.

Mr. Dennis Cahill working in the lumber woods captured a fine deer.

Mr. John Shea and Mr. Pat Elward intend to build a saw mill to cut all dimensions of lumber and which will supply his neighbors with fuel.

Pat, hurry and fix up your snowplough for the new road is getting drifted up.

THIRTY.

North Hak Notes.

The public examination which was held at District No. 12 Strathadam school house proved quite a success when the different grades were tested. By their quick and efficient answers one could not fail to see that every pains have been taken by the teacher for their benefit. There were quite a number of visitors present and all were well pleased with the proceedings.

After some remarks being made by the secretary, Mr. Robt. Adams, relative to a pleasant time all had, his intention of giving additional furniture for the school, which he thought was required also after many words of praise for the teacher's success and discipline of the pupils, confectionery was given to all little folks present, by Santa Claus.

General feeling of those present was a vote of thanks should be tendered to the teacher, for obtaining services of so competent and painstaking teacher as Miss Pendelope A. Robert.

Bathurst Notes.

Ernest Battister, the genial master of the Bathurst, has had his hat in repair.

He has begun on the much needed over the Nepisiquit River.

His has been prevalent and many fell to power.

D. Adams has gone to New Montreal and will probably be winter.

For the young ladies of the town are rehearsing for a concert to be given at the County Council hall on Wednesday for the benefit of the poor.

The warden.

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South Hak Notes.

The semi-annual examinations were held in Redbank and Cassilis schools on Friday, the former in the morning and the latter in the afternoon. There was a good attendance at each. After the examinations, the children were treated to candies and nuts.

Miss K. J. Bryth has resigned her position as teacher in Lyttleton, and will take charge of the Meadow school next term.

Miss Malay has resigned her position in Cassilis. She will be much missed, as she was well liked by both parents and children.

Mr. G. Layton visited South Hak on Saturday in the interests of D. & J. Ritchie & Co. He was so wrapped up in fun, that the small children thought he was Santa Claus, and one little boy is said to have demanded a pair of boots from him for Xmas.

Miss Keys arrived home on Friday to spend the Xmas vacation. Miss Stella O'Shea also arrived home on Friday from Fredericton to spend her vacation.

Your correspondent wishes the readers of the Advocate a Merry Christmas.

Douglasdown Notes.

The school teachers have all returned home for the holidays. This makes the town a little livelier and cheers the hearts of some of the young men.

Hugh Lamont left Saturday for Bathurst and has not yet returned.

Rev. D. McIntosh lost a small silver watch. A reward will be offered to the finder.

Mr. Connell in Bathurst has secured the services of one of Mr. McKnight's horses for the winter.

Mr. R. Benn started today for Connell's camp on a shooting expedition. He says he hopes to return with a Caribou and a Moose on his back.

The annual Sunday School concert will be held in the hall on Christmas night. Doors open at 7 p.m. Admission 25c.

Mr. J. Doyle has three teams hauling green oats from his farm in Bathurst.

Mr. W. Campbell of the Back Lots has been laid up for some time with pleurisy, but he is now recovering slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson and Bill have just returned from a visit to their son Richard.

Alexander McCosh of Upper Town who has been sick for some time with the fever is slowly recovering.

Upper Nelson.

William Welsh and wife are happy and receiving congratulations over the birth of a son.

Mr. Patrick Tobin and Miss Mary Tobin drove to Newcastle on Tuesday. The sleighing was very good.

Mr. M. G. Schofield went to Chatham on Wednesday.

Miss Sherman, our popular teacher, so is rumored, will probably leave at the close of the Christmas holidays.

The mail between Newcastle and here is steadily increasing. Why is it?

A young man who comes from afar off makes many trips to see an old man here, also his daughter.

Derby Notes.

The primary department of Derby superior school taught by Miss Jean Clouston was examined on the 16th inst. in the presence of a goodly number of visitors.

The pupils were examined in reading, arithmetic, geography, composition, and map drawing and in all subjects acquitted themselves admirably, showing that they had taken an interest in their studies and that the one bestowed upon them by their teacher was not in vain. At the close of the afternoon's work the children's entertainment afforded much enjoyment and when school closed all departed seemingly well satisfied.

Local Pickups.

Monday was the shortest day of the year.

The Union Advocate is only one dollar per year when paid in advance.

The Christmas number of the "War Cry" is a very interesting one, abounding in brilliant illustrations and appropriate stories.

It is to be deplored that the young lass cannot have time to develop. The wholesale destruction of them now means a scarcity in the future.

— Sheriff R. R. Call's sale of George Drummond's horse, harness, buggy, and minor articles attracted quite a large crowd in front of the Post Office.

— The sleighing.

Johnson's boat was kept for sale at the premises during the preliminary examination, described the condition of the rooms corroborative of previous testimony. He examined thoroughly the conditions of the windows. The blinds were of gauze and would remain stationary if the windows were opened. The blinds were intact and there were no indications of cinders or traces of fire having been on the roof or about the house. In reply to a query by the coroner, an explanation of the

General Booth, supreme head of the Salvation army, is to visit St. John on January 18th, and remain there for three days. He will then visit Halifax and afterwards proceed to the upper provinces.

There is no need of people in this County collecting "widdies." Christmas, birthday or any other kind of cake from larger cities when H. Wyse, so long established here can furnish such excellent and rich quality of bakery in all the latest styles. To those wishing to see a magnificent specimen of a pyramid shaped Christmas cake, look into Mr. Wyse's window.

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J. D. Croghan's windows so tastefully arranged by Messrs. Wyse and DeWolf, attract considerable attention. The display of a large assortment of Holiday novelties, furs, clothing, dry goods and many gifts is certainly an excellent and varied one to select from.

The windows of D. Morrison present an interesting show of Christmas goods and are very neatly trimmed, reflecting credit upon Mr. Buckley's skill in that line. Clothing, gents' furnishings, boots and shoes, furniture and many other useful gifts are to be found there.

The people of Newcastle will please notice that skating will begin at the Crystal Skating Rink at Chatham on Christmas afternoon. Excellent music. Mr. H. S. MacIntosh, the manager, will be on the alert to make it pleasant for everybody.

The weather last week up to Saturday was very mild and moist, but later in the day and evening it turned very cold. On Sunday many people were glad to remain indoors.

Nervous people find relief by enriching their blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is the one true blood purifier and nerve tonic.

Lumbermen from the North Shore say that the cut on the Miramichi this season will not be one half as large as that of last year. Mr. Richards' men are already with their cutting, and for want of snow for hauling he is now bringing his men and teams out until there is a fair depth of snow to work upon.

Mr. John Robinson, if he did not have so much to do in his own territory, would have stopped the destruction of bass long ago.

The shooting affray in Chatham where a person by the name of Blake was wounded, has proved to be not a very serious matter.

Friday night, outside of the door leading to the Salvation Army barracks, a Christmas box will be placed for those wishing to contribute gifts of any kind to the work. Please bear this in mind.

The Chatham Steam Laundry is now prepared to turn out work satisfactory to everybody. Mr. Dillon is the Newcastle agent and all the people who believe in patronizing home industries should send their work to this laundry instead of to St. John and other places. Please bear this in mind. Mr. Merritt will call at the agency this morning for parcels and they will be returned Friday evening.

Correspondence.

Mr. Editor:

Why is it that the fishermen are allowed to catch bass in snail nets? Is the question many people of New Brunswick County have been and are still asking each other. It appears for the last week that several men have been fishing and catching large numbers of small bass in snail nets and hiding them in the woods. A week ago last Friday night nearly a thousand dollars worth of under-sized bass were destroyed and can be seen scattered over the ice between Bathurst and Newcastle.

Fishing Inspector Abbott gave orders to John Robinson to be on the watch. Mr. Robinson promptly obeyed these orders, being obliged to leave his own territory, but this made very little change.

Some years ago the Government issued an edict, forbidding the catching of bass for a period of three years. At the end of this time the men engaged in fishing caught over a hundred tons of bass in the same unlawful manner as they are doing to-day. Unlawful, because bass under two pounds weight should not be taken, nevertheless, they are catching them as low as half a pound in weight, and destroying what they dare not keep.

To the people of this vicinity this is a serious matter and should be taken, nevertheless, they are catching them as low as half a pound in weight, and destroying what they dare not keep.

At once, Mr. Robinson has all he can do in his own territory and should not be asked to attend to other people's ground. Where is the Inspector?

Yours truly,

JUSTICE.

Married.

At the Methodist Parsonage, on the 15th inst, by the Rev. John A. Clark, M. A., Mr. ALEXANDER ARCHIBOLD to Miss ALICE H. ROSE, all of Newcastle.

General Intelligence.

THE WINDSOR FIRE-BUGS.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST MCINTYRE.

KENTVILLE N. S., Dec. 17th.—The trial of McIntyre, for alleged incendiarism at Windsor, has been going on daily since Wednesday morning.

This morning a witness named Melvin testified to the discovery of fire in the bed of the east room of the prisoners house and to extinguishing the same by smothering it with his beds and pouring water upon it. He identified the bed clothes produced in court, and stated that his own house, between McIntyre's and the foundry, did not burn until an hour later.

Robert Lehan, Sergeant of Police at Halifax, alleged to have examined the premises during the preliminary examination, described the condition of the rooms corroborative of previous testimony. He examined thoroughly the conditions of the windows. The blinds were of gauze and would remain stationary if the windows were opened. The blinds were intact and there were no indications of cinders or traces of fire having been on the roof or about the house. In reply to a query by the coroner, an explanation of the

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holding upon a lamp. Witness discovered two empty oil cans, five and one gallon respectively, in the cellar way. He also saw the prisoner being returned to confinement in the Block House after his escape therefrom.

Charles Beare related the discovery of fire in McIntyre's house substantially the same as given by Angus McKinnon. An examination of Lewis Shaw elicited nothing particularly pertinent to the case. Judge Chipman adjourned the trial of Fletcher, appointed for to-day, until Wednesday.

NEWS NOTES.

Before Mr. George W. Vanderbilt, the youngest son of Mr. William K. Vanderbilt, sailed for Europe he took out a life insurance policy calling for a million dollars. This is the largest policy ever written by one company. The policy is what is known as a twenty-payment life contract, and provides for a premium of about thirty-five thousand dollars.

In the ocean race between the Galla of the Beaver line and the Paragon of the Allan Reef from Halifax to Liverpool the latter boat won by two hours and a half, arriving at her destination early this morning. The boats were out eight days.

J. T. G. Carr says the poultry supply this year is not equal to the demand, and good prices will be realized next week if stock comes in in time for shipment to out side points.

After operating for more than a year, the Moncton Street Railway Co. decided on Saturday to stop the cars for the season as the traffic on the present circuit would not appear to warrant running through the winter.

A week or two ago Sir Charles Tupper was making speeches in British Columbia. A day or two he was making speeches in England. To-day he sails for home. There's no use denying that the leader of the opposition covers the ground pretty well for a man getting on toward 80.

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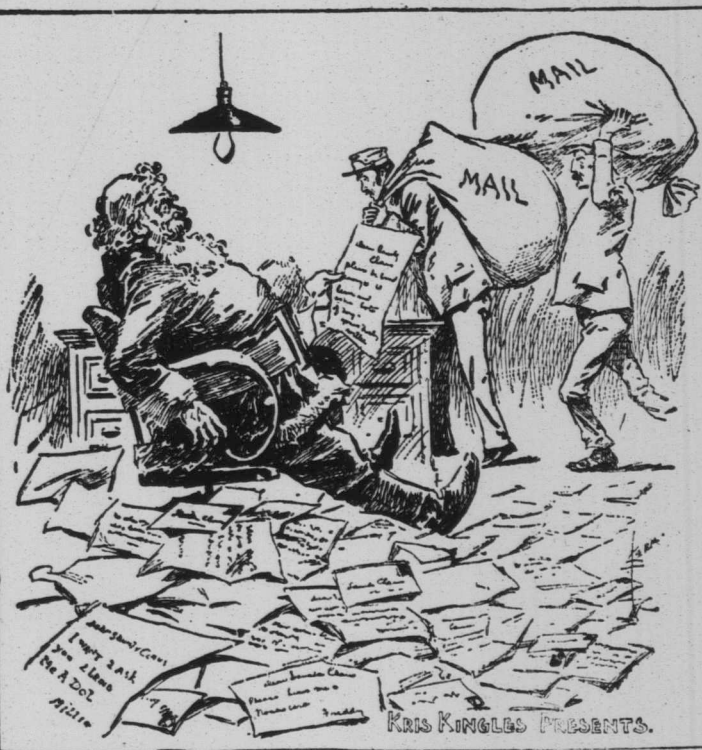
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NOTICE.

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George H. Haynes. Pictouville.

Stray Bull.

The subscriber has had on his premises for the past four weeks a stray Bull about two years old. The owner can have it by proving property and paying expenses.

Donald McFarlane. Ritchieson's Brook, North Esk.

NOTICE.

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