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LOCAL NEWS.

THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—The following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: President, J. M. Palmer; vice-president, W. T. Day; secretary-treasurer, Miss Frances J. Ross; and executive members, E. Everett, H. McKee, F. Good, and Miss S. Clayton.

LOST A MAIL BAG.—Nat Urquhart, of this city, whilst driving a horse and buggy a few days ago lost a mail bag which was afterwards found opposite Harding Currie's farm at Queensboro. It is supposed the pump allowed round during the journey and so disclosed the bag.

BARRETT SOCIETY.—The Vesting lodge at Mouth Kewick intended building a basket social in the agricultural building at that town on New Year's eve. A program of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered by members of the lodge, and a pleasant time may be expected.

THE ASSAULT AT DOUGLAS.—Murray Scott who was assaulted by Hawkins last week at Douglas is still in a very serious condition, and confined to his room. This assailant, having consented to pay the doctor's fees during the illness of the unfortunate Scott, has not been prosecuted.

VOTING CONTEST.—The voting contest for the most popular alderman in town resulted in alderman Beck with winning by 13,377 votes, which gave him the privilege of presiding at the meeting of the council.

A FINE SHOT.—Lewis Brewer of Kewick brought the hide of a large caribou in to town a few days ago. It was shot in the woods near Upper Kewick. There was a good chance for a curiosity, or a mat, said the seller, but no one was inclined to buy. The price was sixteen dollars.

SONGS OF PATRIOTISM.—A handsomely printed collection of patriotic poems issued by the Rose publishing company of Toronto has been received at this office. Prof. Roberts, Dr. Roy Hooker, W. T. White, and E. G. Nelson are among the contributors. The volume can be obtained from the latter at St. John.

TO TRY THE REMEDY.—The efficacy of Dr. Koch's treatment for consumption will shortly be proved by a patient from this city. Hubert Clark, the youngest son of John Clark, of the well-known carriage firm, is now a patient in the German hospital in New York, and will be treated by the new remedy.

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A LIVELY RENAISSANCE.—Allen and Mrs. White met with a little adventure on Sunday evening, 21st inst., when driving along the Marysville road. The animal took fright and started off at a furious gallop up the road, and the occupants of the sleigh were thrown out. Both were unhurt, and the animal was stopped by some of the boys.

Three privates of the R. S. I. corps were brought before police magistrate Marsh on Tuesday last charged with disturbing the peace at the Gleason office. As the men refused to give the name of the offender who threw the coal which did the largest damage, all received the same punishment, viz. 42 days in the county jail and the forfeiture of their pay.

A BAD FALL.—Albert Smith, of Boletown, had a bad misadventure on Phoenix street Wednesday morning. He was standing by his sled, when his horse started to run away. Mr. Smith, who was holding the reins at the time, fell headlong to the ground, cutting his face severely. The animal was stopped after it had gone a few yards toward York street.

CONTENT OF COURT.—There is an unusual amount of occurrence among the legal fraternity in this city regarding the numerous visits paid to this city by a well-known St. John man. He does not come here to attend the courts, they argue, and yet no one can accuse him of contempt of court. Certainly not, the lady must be well satisfied that there is no contempt of court! Next.

A SERRIES FALL.—Miss Annie Morgan, one of the lady performers at the Maritime school concert, met with a serious fall, after leaving that building on Wednesday evening last. On proceeding down the incline she unfortunately slipped and fell, injuring her right side, the shock causing her young lady to faint away. She continued in this state for about twenty minutes when she recovered and was conveyed home.

TOO STRONG FOR HIM.—One of the boys who had been having a spin up and down King street on Christmas afternoon, had unharnessed his horse, and fell, falling off with a frisky trot to the stable, dragging along his unfortunate driver to the ground. After being pulled along for a few yards the young man let go, when for a moment he trotted the festive animal to his stable, and then conscious that he had done a smart thing.

FELL THROUGH THE TRAP.—A peculiar adventure befell Michael Wiles of Newburgh on Tuesday afternoon. He was walking in B. Yerr's store on Queen street, and did not observe that the trap door was open. The result was he fell headlong into the cellar, shaking himself up considerably. A bystander observed that it was usual for the buyer to go to the cellar. This was a good thing, as the well-chosen remarks bestowed all at a sudden few hours.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—A countryman was crossing the road at the corner of King and Westmorland streets on Tuesday afternoon last, when a team driven by two negroes came along and before the pedestrian could get out of the way the horse was upon him. They knocked him down, but he fled, proving his salvation by slewing his body round out of the way. The colored men went away, the countryman jumped to his feet, and hurried impressions after them. Beyond a few bruises he was all right.

MR. EDGECOMBE'S FUNERAL.—The funeral of the late John Edgewood took place on Sunday afternoon, 21st inst., at 2:30 from the Methodist church, and was a most impressive ceremony. The procession consisted of the relatives as chief mourners, followed by the employees, and about three hundred of the principal citizens on foot. The floral offerings were numerous, costly and unique, among the most remarkable being those presented by the Methodist Sabbath school, the F. O. M. W. club, Miss Shenton and Miss Schleyer, the latter being an elegant design in grasses. The Revs. Messrs. Shenton and Payson officiated.

INTERESTING PRESENTATION.—On Saturday evening last, the 20th inst., Miss L. J. Gregory was presented at her residence with a handsome gold watch and chain, the gift of the past and present colleagues school graduates. Fred. St. John Hiss, in a few well-chosen remarks, made the presentation, which was joined by 125 of the scholars. Miss Gregory, who was much surprised, acknowledged with great feeling this handsome token of personal regard and appreciation. The watch bore this inscription: To Miss L. J. Gregory, a token of affection and esteem from the old boys of the collegiate school, Fredericton, N. B., January, 1891.

HOLLY AT THE CATHEDRAL.

Historical Associations Connected with the Plant.

The Christmas services at the cathedral seemed to be made more sacred and appropriate for the great festival of the nativity by an abundance of holly with berries, variegated with green, also some mistletoe and other evergreen boughs from England sent to Mrs. Medley for Christmas service. To Englishmen the holly with its sacred and truthful associations recalls very pleasant memories of childhood, constraining us to use the poet's words:

The holly, the holly, Oh twine it with the bay,
Come give the holly a song;
For it helps to drive stern winter away
With his gusts so so many and long.
It peeps through the trees with its berries of red,
And its leaves of bristled green;
When the dew-droppers and fruits have long been
Dried and the daisy is seen,
Then sing to the holly, the Christmas holly,
That hangs over peasant and king;
While we read Blaise's caution 'neath its glittering boughs,
To the Christmas holly we'll sing.

The use of holly is said to have been derived from the Romans, who were in the habit of sending boughs to their friends during the period of Christmas, and the oak being then bare of leaves, the priests obliged the people to bring in boughs of holly and evergreen. The practice of decorating houses in England with holly seems to have been introduced by early Roman Christians, and this practice, in course of time, became connected with the christian faith.

In Germany the holly is known as Christdorn, as it is supposed to have formed part of the crown of thorns used at the crucifixion of our beloved Lord. Many curious superstitions are connected with the holly in the old world, and it is valued according to the abundance or scarcity of berries or fruit. The holly, besides being found in Europe and Asia, is also found in North America, and also in western Asia. The American holly is less ornamental, the berries are abundant, having a dull color, with leaves and berries, but still it is extremely used for church decoration in the larger cities of the U. S., such as Philadelphia, New York, and Boston. Of the legend or old historical trees, with the exception of the oak, hawthorn and yew, none possibly are invested with greater interest than the holly. Both writers of fact and fiction have made it famous, especially when referring to the happy events of Christmas.

Irving, in his Love for Nature, thus alludes to the holly providentially planted about the house: 'To cheat winter of its dreariness, and to throw in a semblance of green summer. The English holly will stand our severest winters in New Brunswick, but we will decorate our houses with native hemlock, cedar, spruce, fir, and pine. These are not used for protection as they should be about the city and country, to say nothing of appearance. J. B. Fredericton, Dec. 26th.

Fire at Lee's Livery Stable.
An alarm of fire was given at one o'clock p. m. on Wednesday afternoon from Lee's livery stables on Westmorland street. Exactly seven minutes from the time of the alarm the firemen were on the scene, and a stream of water was directed on the building in front of the ell, which was discovered to be in a blaze. The wind drove the flames to the rear, and soon portions of the ell caught fire, necessitating a stream of water on the rear of the stables. Meanwhile a busy knot of helpers hurried into the main building and removed the horses and harnesses to the building. The fire gained considerable headway, owing to the large quantity of hay stored in the building, but by two o'clock the flames were got under, owing to the two steady streams of water which were directed into the building. Two of the firemen, and several of the onlookers got a severe wetting.

The damage done to the building and all its contents, the main part suffering most. The fire originated in a defective fire situated in the front of the ell, and was not discovered until it had gained headway, and ignited the hay and straw. There is no insurance.

Concert at Morrison's Mill.
A sparkling little concert was given in the Morrison's Mill schoolroom on Tuesday evening last by the members of the local Amateur Musical Society. There was a large attendance, and the performance was well organized. The following was the program: Trio, flute, violin, and piano, Messrs. Fleet and Miss Gordon; opening choruses Bright Water, the company; duet, whistle and violin, Messrs. Fleet; song, 'Tis but a little faded flower, Misses Nellie Morgan, and M. O'Hara; piano solo, Home sweet home, Miss Gordon; Irish song, The jig, J. Humphries; farce of the apple woman by Misses Lucy Humphries, S. Morgan; song No. 10, Miss A. Morgan; clog and statue dances, Messrs. Gordon; song Poor old Jeff, J. Humphries; topical parlor song Skinner, T. Bully; duet, encore, Old oaken bucket, C. Gordon, Miss S. Lawrence; Lovers' romance by Will Fleet, Misses N. Morgan, M. O'Hara, and Miss Gordon; clog and statue dances, Messrs. Gordon; farce, Doctor Gunn, C. Gordon, T. Bully and Miss Lawrence. God Save the Queen.

The laughable farces kept the audience in a continual roar, and all the performers did well.

An Old Book.
Among the possessions of the late W. V. Street was an old MS book describing Guiana and giving its history. It bears date 1781, but is unsigned and there is no way of ascertaining by whom it was written. Mr. Street lent the book to C. H. Leggett, who, examining it, thought it would cast some light on the dispute between Great Britain and Venezuela as to the boundaries between the two countries, and he notified the Imperial government. He has received a request from the Marquis of Salisbury to forward the MS for examination, which Mr. Street has consented to do. The book contains about 400 pages closely written and seems to be very exhaustive. A series of maps went with it originally, but these are now lost. It particularly describes the extent of territory occupied in 1781 by the English, Dutch and Spanish, and seems likely to prove of considerable value in the pending dispute.

A New Brunswick abroad.
New Mexico papers contain lengthy accounts of the marriage of Thomas R. Gabel, formerly of Fredericton. The bride was Miss M. M. Aldrich, containing whom the Albuquerque Democrat says: "Rarely has there been a more lovely bride" and it adds: "Without flattery the bride and groom were well matched." The wedding gifts were numerous, costly and from all parts of the continent. The list of guests is sort of society directory of that region. Among those present being people from Chicago, Los Angeles, and a number of California towns, and there were letters of regret accompanied by presents from nearly every place you can think of. The whole affair seems to have been very brilliant. The Herald sends him very sincere congratulations.

THE CONDITION OF THE STREETS.—The slippery nature of the sidewalks on Queen street has been the cause of much inconvenience and many an awkward fall has been chronicled this week. It would be a good thing if ashes or sand were plentifully scattered by storekeepers in front of their establishments. They depend on the public for patronage, why not confer on them a public favor which the city authorities seem to ignore?

THE SOAP FACTORY.

Progress of the Work—Some Idea of the Machinery to be Used.

The machinery recently purchased at Granite city, Mass., by Walter MacFarlane in the interests of the directors of the St. Mary's soap factory is now being placed in position by an expert from the States. The 30 h. p. boiler is of a first class pattern and is adapted to all modern requirements, and the cylinder will have a capacity of 1200 gallons. A steam elevator is in process of construction affording ample connection from the basement to the attic. This elevator is from the celebrated establishment of the Covel machine company, a firm which recently put up the elevator works for handling bricks for the tallest chimney in America.

The steam jacket kettle to be used in the careful preparation of toilet soaps has a capacity of from three to four hundred gallons each, and there are very few in use in the Dominion. The large copper kettles, used in the manufacture of fine grades of soap are unique and rare specimens of machinery, specially adapted for the work.

The brick and masonry work in connection with the foundation of the engine will be completed by J. Maxwell of this city in a few days. Reed Blair of King's is busy on the carpenter work of the elevator, and the steam fitting is the work of R. C. Macredie.

The directors are pushing the concern on as rapidly as possible and the foundry work is being executed with neatness and dispatch by MacFarlane, Thompson, & Anderson of this city.

A STRANGE AFFAIR.

An old Gentleman has a Horrible Dream and Finds his Death in It.

On Sunday last at midnight the inmates of the Dunphy hotel at King's were awakened by cries of distress proceeding from a room on the first story occupied by an old gentleman named Mr. McCuskey. The proprietor and several of the boarders were quickly on the scene and found the old man in a great distress and agony of mind. He had had a horrible dream, so he said in which he had watched himself die, and he felt at this moment as if he about to expire. The boarders tried to pacify him, but without avail.

Nobody could satisfy him he said but Dr. Seery, and in a few minutes he had a doctor called to stay in his room while the boarders proceeded for the doctor, as he might die at any moment. This request was at once complied with, two of the boarders hurried off for the doctor, who arrived found that although his patient was in a frenzied state owing to the dream, there was practically nothing the matter with him. Dr. Seery administered a soothing restorative, and withdrew promising to call again in the morning. The old gentleman was very subdued and quiet the next day.

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THE TRACK AND STABLE.

A Few Items of Local Interest About the King Street Flyers.

Christmas was a very cold day on the road, but our customers in great numbers were a large number of local horsemen who took advantage of the good sleighing. The different corners along King street were lined with spectators, and excited groups of pedestrians watched the progress of the speedy horses. There were frequent outbursts of applause as some noted flyer came skimming down the road, followed by two to three others. These two horses mixed in the first grade, but a few spurs which only added to the enjoyment of the day's proceedings, Christmas being proverbial for good humored merriment. Among the speedy horses that were noticeable on King street were the chestnut gelding Harry M. owned by the Hon. F. P. Thompson, and the chestnut stallion Sporter owned by Alonzo Staples.

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Among the others might be mentioned Geo. Cooper's McKinzie, who is said to be "a dark one lying low," and will be a surprise shortly; Sheriff Sterling's Mary Robbins, J. McConnell's Dot, Dr. T. C. Brown's Kitty and W. F. Flowering's Dred. These horses did some good work, and frequent trials of speed were attempted. The appearance of George Allright late in the afternoon, with the familiar features of D. F. George in the sleigh was greeted with repeated bursts of enthusiasm.

Some interesting brushes took place between the Sheriff's mare and J. McConnell's gelding. Cooper proved willing to try conclusions with any one who came along and was usually successful at that. Dr. Brown's Kitty was not showing her old time speed, but was a pretty good one for all that. The sleighing was not so good during the afternoon and the miscellaneous array of scrubs gave rise to the usual chaff and sport. On the whole Christmas after snow saw good trotting done, and the pedestrians who had many a home thoroughly delighted with the sport.

Recent Deaths.
Mrs. A. Fowler, wife of professor Fowler, who died at Kingston, Ont., last week, was a resident of this city. Her husband, professor Fowler, was instructor of science in the Normal school, and both were members of St. Paul's church. The widow, who resides a short distance from St. Mary's died very suddenly on Monday night, the result of a poisoned thumb. It appears that deceased had been painting a picture, and in the process had cut deeply into his thumb. The thumb swelled rapidly, and soon the arm became affected, resulting in death after a ten days' illness.

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The Death Bell.

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THE trustees of the estate of GILBERT HAY, late of Fredericton, offer for Sale that Lot of land belonging to the said estate, situated at Fredericton Junction, in the County of St. John, together with the 2000 ft. wide water, situated therein. If not sold by private sale before TUESDAY, the 26th day of February next, the said property will be sold at Public Auction. Dated the 26th day of December, 1890.

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