

Nictaux.

Nictaux, Dec. 24th.—We extend to the Monitor and its staff the season's greetings.

Miss Eva Armstrong, who has been in Shelburne during the millinery season, has returned.

Miss Myrtle Nelly and Miss Florence Crawford are home from their schools for the holidays.

Miss Edna Nelly, who is attending business college in Halifax, came home on Saturday.

Miss Mary Chipman, who has been visiting in Boston for the past three months, got home on Saturday.

The Christmas tree and entertainment given in the school house on Thursday evening, was a decided success. To the delight of the little ones, Santa himself was present and had a gift and bag of candy and orange for every one. Much credit and many thanks are due our very efficient teacher, Miss Nicholls, whose work, both in and out of the school room, is highly appreciated by all. Santa, on behalf of the pupils, presented Miss Nicholls with a pendant set with pearls.

At the annual supper and fancy sale held by the Ready Workers on Tuesday evening the sum of fifty-four dollars was cleared.

Mr. and Mrs. Hovey Gates welcomed a son on Dec. 7th.

Miss Nicholls is spending her vacation at her home in Aylesford.

Miss Bertie Vidito has returned from a visit with her sister in Lawrence, Mass.

A particularly sad accident occurred on Saturday afternoon, when Everett Whitman, fourteen years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Whitman, along with some other boys, were out shooting, and in climbing a steep hill one of the boys fell causing his rifle to be discharged. The ball entered young Whitman's body above the hip. Dr. Messenger came as quickly as possible, but nothing could be done and, after suffering intensely, he passed away on Sunday at noon. We extend our sincere sympathy to the parents and brothers and sisters.

Clementsvale.

Clementsvale, Dec. 23rd.—A. L. Danielson is enjoying a visit among his many Boston friends.

Maurice Robbins and Reggie Beeler arrived from the West last Thursday to spend the winter among their friends here.

Miss Effie Potter, teacher at South Farmington, and Miss Etta Long, teacher at Lake LaRose, are spending the holidays at their respective homes.

Miss Marie Danielson of Acadia College, is home for the vacation.

Miss Mary Potter of Truro Normal School, is also at home.

Mrs. Avar Wesley and little daughter went to Boston on Saturday to spend the holidays with her husband.

Mrs. Joseph Berry and Mrs. Prudence Chute are spending Christmas with their sister, Mrs. J. Harry Hicks, Bridgetown.

The marriage of Miss Flossie Brown, daughter of Albert Brown, to John Wright, of Princesdale, was solemnized at the Baptist parsonage Wednesday evening, the Rev. O. P. Brown officiating.

Kentville merchants announce that their stores will be closed every evening after the first of the year for the winter months, Saturday excepted. A good plan for Bridgetown merchants to adopt.

Paradise.

Paradise, Dec. 23.—Fred Freeman returned from the Canadian West last week, and left for Philadelphia on Saturday. His brother Aubrey accompanied him.

Messrs F. W. Bishop, R. S. Leonard Balcom left for Boston on Saturday to spend their Christmas holidays.

Messrs F. W. Bishop, R. S. Leonard and J. C. Phinney went to Berwick on business Saturday last, returning same day.

Roy Balcom is home from Acadia to spend Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. Henry Caine is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Longley.

Miss Goldie Zwickler of Bear River, and sister Lulu, of Acadia College, are spending the Christmas season with their sister, Mrs. W. E. Banks.

The pupils of the school presented Principal Banks with a box of stationery and a shaving outfit. Miss Jackson received a manicure set.

The schools closed for the holidays on Friday last.

A public entertainment was given by Regina Division on the 13th inst. Dialogues, recitations, songs and a speech by Rev. McNinch made a very pleasant evening.

The Annapolis County Farmers' Association met in Longley's Hall on Thursday at half-past two o'clock. President Curdy in the chair. After the president's address and the reading of the minutes, the meeting proceeded with the election of directors. The entire board of directors representing all sections of the County was re-elected. A lengthy discussion took place on the apple packing question. The following were appointed a committee to draft a resolution for presentation to the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association:—E. C. Shafer, F. W. Bishop and E. J. Elliott. The meeting then proceeded with the election of delegates to the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association, which meets at Sydney in January. The following were chosen:—R. S. Leonard, F. W. Bishop, E. C. Shafer, Vernon B. Leonard and Byron Morse. At the close of the afternoon session a meeting of the board of directors was held for the purpose of appointing officers. The following were appointed:—President—E. C. Shafer; Vice President—R. S. Leonard; Secretary—Treasurer—L. W. Elliott. At the evening session Mr. Landells gave an instructive address on "Drainage." Mr. E. J. Elliott read a practical paper on mixed farming. An interesting discussion followed on the question of dairying, etc. This was brought out in the discussion that it is in the interests of the farmers of this section to support the Lawrence Creamery. "Why should they send their cream to Yarmouth when they can get as much at home besides having the satisfaction of supporting a home industry."

Tupperville.

Tupperville, Dec. 23.—The Rev. Mr. Porter preached here on Sunday at eleven o'clock.

The Messrs Kent, Alice and Bessie, are home on their vacation. Also their two brothers, Arnold from Boston, and Stanley from the northwest. The youngest brother, Bert, at time of writing, is quite low.

Miss L. Chipman held a school concert in the Hall on Saturday evening, which was fairly attended.

Miss S. V. McKeown, who visited here last summer and is now in Florida, writes the weather there is very warm and oranges very plentiful.

We are glad to see the sunshine as very cold winds and cloudy weather have prevailed for some days in succession.

Clarence.

Clarence, Dec. 21st.—H. D. Starratt and H. A. Veits left for Lynn on Saturday.

Our students are home for their Christmas holidays. Miss Merle Frits, from Acadia Seminary, Wolfville, Miss Evangeline Elliott, Provincial Normal College, Truro, and Mr. Victor Chute, Agricultural College.

Miss Sarah Elliott, of Halifax, made a short visit to her home, returning to the city on Thursday.

Miss Flossie Chute, of the Advanced Department of the school at Smith's Cove, arrived on Saturday for the holidays.

Allison and Frank Bezanson have purchased their father's farm, Mr. and Mrs. Bezanson having purchased a small place at Middleton.

Donald K. Foster met with an accident the other day by being thrown from the back of his pet dog and striking his head on the edge of the kitchen stove and burning his face.

Major and Mrs. E. P. Rumsey spent a few days in Halifax last week.

Mrs. C. C. Bartheaux, who has been laid up with a sore hand, is around again.

Miss Grace Foster left on Saturday to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Charles Wood, Sheffield Mills, Kings Co.

The Christmas closing of the Central School took place on Friday afternoon, when the parents gathered to witness and take part in the services. The entertainment consisted of readings, recitations and dialogues. The school house was very nicely trimmed with evergreen. A large Christmas tree stood in one corner, which was very nicely dressed with wax candles. The blinds were drawn and the candles lighted for the performance. Santa Claus appeared and sang a song to the delight of all present, after which he proceeded to distribute the presents to the members of the school, each one being remembered by their teacher. Master Grant Messenger acted the part of Santa. The school in turn remembered their much esteemed teacher, Miss Jessie I. Bowly. Among the gifts was a very nice fountain pen from the larger boys of the school. After the tree had been stripped remarks were made by Deacon Messenger, Secretary E. M. Marshall, F. W. Ward, V. B. Leonard and others up on the work being done. The visitors then left, after wishing both teacher and pupils a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Service for Dec. 29th; preaching at three o'clock; B. Y. P. U. at half-past seven o'clock. Service to be conducted by W. M. A. S.

On Friday evening the Maple Leaf Mission Band and school of Clarence East held their Christmas entertainment, a very excellent program being rendered. Master Clyde Wilson and little Miss Muriel Bartheaux took the audience by storm as they sweetly rendered their duet, dressed in old time costume. Our veteran, Mr. Alfred Wilson, acted the role of Santa Claus, who, to the delight of both old and young, distributed the gifts from the tree that groaned beneath its burden.

To the Monitor and staff we would extend the compliments of the season.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

Clarence West, Dec. 23rd.—The Christmas concert held in the school house Friday last, conducted by Miss Laird, was very successful. Great credit is due Miss Laird for her care and patience in getting up the program, and to the pupils for their interest in making it a success.

Miss Mildred Wheelock, who is teaching this year in Bloomington, accompanied by her brother, Noble Wheelock, went to Boston on Saturday last for the Christmas holidays.

Fred Y. Marshall arrived on Saturday last from Boston, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Marshall.

Miss Mabel Marshall, who is teaching in Falmouth this year, is home for two weeks, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Marshall.

Mrs. Charles Marshall left yesterday for Shubenacadie, to spend Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. Alice Banks.

Miss Julia Foster will spend her Christmas holidays with her brother, Charles Foster, of Falmouth.

BOTH WERE FINED.

Says the Yarmouth Times:—A young lady attendant of a town church had the janitor before Stipendiary Pelton on Wednesday on a charge of slapping her in the face during the Sunday services. The janitor pleaded guilty and paid a fine of six dollars and costs. He then laid a complaint against the young lady whom he charged with disturbing the services. He appears to have proved his case as the magistrate imposed a fine of six dollars and costs.

West Paradise.

West Paradise, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Harvey Marshall of Bear River, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Daniels during the Christmas holidays.

Robert Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cameron, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is slowly convalescing.

Our school is closed for the Christmas holidays, and the teacher, Miss Florence Longmire, has gone to Granville to spend her holidays at home. A treat was given to the scholars at the close of the school, which was highly appreciated.

Miss Lottie Saunders, who has a dressmaker's business at Annapolis Royal, is home with her parents during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Arthur Morse, Dominion Fruit Inspector, came home on Saturday last from Halifax to spend Christmas with his family.

Port Lorne.

Port Lorne, Dec. 22.—Capt. J. D. Brinton and Wm. Johnson left Saturday for Lynn.

Mr. John Phinney, of Lynn, and Mr. Jason Anthony, of Boston, are visiting friends here.

Stme. Ruby L. landed a quantity of freight here on Wednesday last, this being the last time she will call here this season.

Johnson Beardley arrived home on Thursday.

On the closing of our school for the Christmas season, our teacher, Miss Ennis, and pupils gave a very interesting concert, consisting of recitations, dialogues and music, after which gifts were presented by Santa Claus from a well decorated tree.

Miss Ennis is spending the holidays at her home in Queens Co.

Enforcement of Lobster Law

Yarmouth, December 13.—Inspector Ward Fisher, of Shelburne, held a meeting at the Grand Hotel last night of the fishery officers for western Nova Scotia. The matter of the enforcement of the close season lobster law has been energetically pushed, as this regulation is practically the only protection the industry has under present conditions. The reports thus far were extremely gratifying and it is safe to say that the law was better observed this year than for a long time. The steamer for Boston sailed last night and took the first shipment of lobsters, as the season for the south shore opened on the fifteenth. The total shipment amounted to only one hundred and ninety-seven crates, a about fifty-four coming via the H. & S. W. railway, and the remainder by steamer from the Turkeys and Seal Island districts. Last year the first shipment was made the very day following the opening of the season, and the shipment amounted to fifteen hundred crates, which was followed by a further shipment, two days later of about one thousand crates. The first shipment last year was made up altogether of illegally caught lobsters. This year the law was sharply enforced and the result is seen by the figures given. The fishermen generally speak enthusiastically in favor of this enforcement, and the officers deserve great credit for their work. The Digby county season will open on the fifth of January and it is hoped that the same success will follow the efforts of the officers to enforce the law.

HEROIC DEATH OF NEW YORK MAN

New York, Dec. 10.—While making a heroic effort to save his fourteen-year-old daughter Lillian from their burning home at Woodside, Melville Mendell, a New York lawyer, and the girl perished in each other's arms. Mendell was carrying his daughter to safety when he was overcome by smoke and when the bodies were found the girl had her arms still clasped about her father's neck.

The Mendell family occupied the second floor. The fire had made much headway when the lawyer was aroused by the shouts of the family on the first floor. Seizing his wife Mendell carried her to safety, then returned for his two children. Mendell found his twelve-year-old son groping in the hallway and carried him out. By this time he was nearly overcome by smoke and the inside of the building was a seething furnace. Disregarding the entreaties of his wife, he again plunged into the building.

Those on the street could hear above the roar of the fire the girl's voice crying: "Father, please save me!"

Soon all sound died away. Mendell did not reappear, and the firemen knew that it was useless to attempt to save him. Half an hour later when the flames were subdued and searchers entered the building they found the two bodies in a parlor of the girl's bedroom, where they had fallen.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

We here enumerate many lines which will make useful Christmas Gifts

Ladies' Handkerchiefs In great variety, from 5c. to 50c. Ladies' Initial Hdfs. in linen at 25c each. Also in half dozen boxes.

Ladies' Umbrellas With nice range of handles. prices from 95c. to \$3.50

Ladies' Hand Bags Make a very acceptable Xmas gift. We have them at all prices.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's Fur Collars, Stoles and Muffs in Mink Sable, Western Sable, Mink Marmot, Persian Paw, Thibet, Opposum and Coney.

Bed Puffs We have some very nice Down Bed Puffs. The colorings are good and the prices very low.

Neckwear As usual we are in the lead in Ladies' Neckwear. Belts, etc. We are showing several lines in fancy boxes especially for the holiday trade.

Sweater Coats For Ladies, Misses and Children. We have about 2 dozen on which we will give special prices for Christmas.

Men's Underwear Hewsons, Stanfields and Turnbull's unshrinkable Underwear. Fleece-lined for Men and Boys.

Men's Gloves We are in the lead in Men's Gloves. We show Mocha, Plain Kid and Fancy Knit, all prices.

Men's Neckwear We are showing a great variety of Men's Neckwear of all the new shapes and colorings. See our special line at 25c. each in a fancy box.

Men's Handkerchiefs Men's Cambric Lawn, Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, all prices. Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs at 25c.

Men's Suspenders Big variety, Men's Suspenders and Armlets in fancy holiday boxes.

Sweater Coats For Men and Boys' at all prices. Don't fail to see our special Sweater Coats for Men at \$1.00 and Boys' at 75c.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON

HOLIDAY GOODS

Groceries and Fruit

The following goods for Santa Claus:—

Fancy Table Raisins in one and two lb. boxes and 20 lb. boxes

" " Figs, 2 lbs. for 25c.

Candy in 5c. and 10c. packages, half-pounds and pounds. Also in bulk by pail and barrel.

See our Piggott Mixture, the best cheap hard mixture in town.

Oranges, good sweet ones 18c. per doz. up.

Nuts of all kinds at finest figures. Grapes, etc.

Also everything in the cooking line as Raisins, Currants, Dried Peels, etc.

China For Christmas Gifts

A full line of FANCY CHINA. Cups and Saucers from 10c. to 60c. The "BRIDAL ROSE" stock pattern. You can buy one piece at a time, any day and add to it until you have a complete set. The quality is as thin as Limoges and at one third the price. Let us show you and be convinced. It will pay you to have a look at our China display.

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The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar.

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