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Correspondence.

Spicy News Items Gathered by Gazette Correspondents.

Frederickton Junction.

The hall at Frederickton Junction, where the Church of England services are held, and which was tastefully prepared for the occasion, was densely crowded on Wednesday evening to witness the marriage of Sterling L. Alexander, youngest son of Deacon Thomas Alexander, and Amanda F. Miller, daughter of Mr. J. Henry Miller. The bride elegantly attired in a cream colored gown, and accompanied by her bridesmaid, Miss Eliza Miller, and leaning on the arm of her father, entered the hall and advanced to the front, where, under a large floral bell, they were met by the groom, who was supported by his brother, Frank T. Alexander.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. H. E. Dibbles, rector of Burton. After the ceremony, the invited guests repaired to the residence of the bride's father, where a sumptuous marriage feast was spread, and the evening spent in merry making. The presents were numerous, ornamental and useful and included a fine piano, the gift of the bride's father.

The best wishes of the community, for their life-long happiness, accompany the happy pair.

Miss Dora M. Bailey, daughter of the late Luke Bailey, of Blissville, whose serious illness was noted in a late issue of the GAZETTE, passed to her rest on Sunday, Feb. 27th. The funeral, which took place on Tuesday, March 1st, was conducted by Rev. O. N. Mott, and bore testimony to the high esteem in which Miss Bailey was held in the community.

The roads are in a bad state, and any attempt to turn out is very likely to prove a "turn out" indeed. Dr. Murray had his sleigh damaged and harness broken today while making a professional call. As the doctor's horse is a spirited one, he was fortunate to get off with a little damage as he did.

Mr. Currie's mill is running again. Some eighteen car loads of lumber from Rossignish have arrived, and are being converted into material for a bridge.

A contract for building a pier in the Ormeo, east of the bridge, is said to have been made. If it is to be of use this spring the contractors will have to hustle. Special services are being held in the F. C. B. church, of which Rev. John Robertson is pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nason are receiving congratulations on the arrival of an olive-branch—a boy.

Chipman.

March 16.—The assessors met one day this week in Kings hall to perform the necessary but somewhat difficult task of apportioning the rates and taxes for the ensuing year. Before the noon hour arrived a pressing invitation was received for all hands to repair to Dr. Hay's for dinner. Being royally entertained by our generous host and his amiable consort, after ample justice had been done to the good things provided, the guests retired to another apartment. After the cigars were lit "Mine Host" in alluding to the ludicrous mistakes which sometimes happened gave the following as a graphic illustration: A few days ago a lad from out back came here for some medicine for his father. "I gave him a box of seidlitz powders, explained how they were to be taken and pointed to the directions on the box." After the lad reached home, the old man took all the large powders contained in the white papers in one dose, and the powders in the blue papers soon after. Not feeling quite comfortable it now occurred to him to look at the directions on the box, when to his great dismay he discovered his serious mistake. The boy hastened back after the doctor; but before medical aid could arrive, the patient was writhing in agony, making rapid gyrations round the room, when by a sudden jactitation of the upper maxillary, the accumulated gas found vent from its imprisoned walls, to the great relief of Uncle Charlie and his friends. As the jaw was not dislocated by the explosion nor other bodily injury sustained, Uncle Charlie is nothing out save the loss of a brand new cap which was literary blown to pieces.

Ex-Councillor McAllister said he could not aspire to the eloquence of the previous speaker; but what he had to relate was a reminiscence of former days: Early in the seventies an old neighbor of his, John O'Leary, died leaving his property by will to an only daughter and his son John, now living on the homestead. A provision was made in the will that a legacy of \$100 and a suit of clothes should be paid one Michael Duffy—now out west. As the ambiguous will did not specify who should pay the legacy, John O'Leary deputed Mr. McAllister, who was going to St. John, to obtain legal advice in the matter.

Before starting for the city, he met Squire Goldfinch and enquired of him if he knew of any honest lawyer in St. John! The Squire replied if there was an honest lawyer in St. John, that man was James J. Kaye.

To this gentleman, therefore, Mr. McAllister exhibited the eccentric will forwarded. Who should pay the legacy mentioned in the will, inquired Mr. McAllister? John O'Leary, instantly replied Mr. Kaye.

What is your charge Mr. Kaye? \$5 replied the learned counsel who gave receipt in payment as follows: \$5 St. JOHN, N. B., 11th May, 1876: Rec'd of Mr. McAllister five dollars for legal advice on will of the late John O'Leary.

Cody's Station.

The weather during the last week has been extremely unpleasant, the recent thaw has about spoiled the roads, but we hope for an early spring.

Our new mail service is giving general satisfaction with the exception of the uncertainty of the arrival of the train, each day which is due here at one o'clock, but gets in anywhere from that till four o'clock. Now there must be some pressure that could be brought to bear to remedy this difficulty. Another fact that we would call the attention of the people to is the way in which the new post office is conducted, the mails now of course are very ponderous and require much sorting, and Mr. Roberts is obliged to have an assistant in the person of Mr. S. Cabby Perry, now the point we are trying to get at is this, why doesn't the government make some suitable provision for subordinates; we feel assured that no more competent person could be found to fill this position than Mr. Perry, but on the other hand by whom does the aforesaid party expect to be remunerated, from Mr. Roberts's private salary or is the government expected to foot the bill, if the latter we will at once look for an increase of taxation, which would be just what we would expect from the present government. [During the Blair campaign, his agents passed through this section, showing promises numberless on the heads of office seekers everywhere; out of the many only two have materialized, and they with this one subordinate seem perfectly happy even over the increased freight tariff of the L. C. R., while the poor "ninty-and-nine" go about bemoaning their inability to get a hearing at Ottawa.

Your correspondent can vouch for the above statement he unhappily being one of the "ninty-and-nine."

The funeral of Mrs. Syla Northrop took place on Wednesday, Rev. E. K. Ganong preached a very powerful and touching discourse from the text "To die is gain." Mr. Ganong has spent the winter among us, and by his sympathy and kindness has gained a welcome in all homes irrespective of creed.

The hotels are undergoing their usual spring renovations preparatory to the summer business of our hotels. The leader Hotel de Cody will be more than ever attractive, its proprietor C. F. Cody no longer holding the office of postmaster will have more time to devote to the more lucrative business of entertaining travellers.

Mrs. Melicic Thorne who has been spending the winter in the city having her throat treated has gone to Gagetown to reside with relatives.

Mr. Allen and Miss Mary Perry from Swan Creek are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ovaris are being congratulated on the arrival of a son.

The mumps are still in this locality, Miss Jennie Belyea is a victim at present.

Mrs. M. B. Dunham is very ill and under the care of Dr. Brundage.

The Misses C. Roberts and S. Foster are making preparations to learn the dressmaking trade, we are in great need of workers in this line of industry and hope our friends will achieve great success.

We may say to the Editor of the GAZETTE that we would be well pleased to see a copy of his paper in every home in the county, and would suggest the advisability of placing an agent in each village to canvass up the paper and also to see that the correspondents are thoroughly reliable.

Summer Hill.

March 19.—The most enjoyable and pleasant party of the season was the dance last evening at the residence of Mr. James Russell. The night being fine and the roads in good condition, a very large number of young people were in attendance. Excellent violin music was furnished by Mr. Len. Dunn and others. Refreshments were served about midnight. Mr. and Mrs. Russell did all in their power to make the young people enjoy themselves. The party broke up in the "wee sma' " hours, all expressed themselves as having spent an unusually enjoyable evening and hope to have it repeated in the near future.

A very pleasant afternoon and evening was spent at the home of Mrs. James Hastings at a matheoking party on the 16th inst. The evening was spent in games and other amusements. All present enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

Miss Miss Corbett of Armstrong Corner is visiting friends in this place.

We are pleased to see so many of our young men returning home from the U. S. this spring. Among the latest arrivals are Messrs. William T. Sutton and Andrew Norwood.

Miss Maggie P. Scott returned home from Old Town, Me. yesterday.

Hibernia.

March 15th.—There has been a heavy thaw here but the wind has turned to the west and it is freezing quiet hard now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Puddington and daughter, of Carleton County are the guests of Mrs. G. H. Puddington.

The people here are busy hauling up their fire wood.

Edward Delong and Sam Davis are sawing wood at John McGee's.

Some of the young men and ladies of Lawfield and Brown Town and some of the ladies of Hillside met at the residence of Mr. William Rice on Monday night to hold a social dance. Mr. Rice thought that two dances a week at his house was too much. The party bade Mr. and Mrs. Rice good night and proceeded to Mr. John Dallar's and held their dance. Music was furnished by Dearcy Brown.

David Brown of Brown Town intends to start for the Klondyke this week. He will be much missed here.

Mrs. Herbert Roberts of Clarndon Station passed through here today on her way to Onabog.

White's Cove.

March 18.—Samuel F. Farris and Geo. Palmer left on Wednesday for Portland, Maine, where they will remain during the summer.

Wm. McCauley, of St. John, who has been visiting his brother, John, returned to his home on Tuesday.

John McCauley sold a fine horse a few days ago to D. J. Purdy, St. John.

Messrs. Reardon & Knight have started their sawing machine and are doing excellent work. Parties wanting their wood sawed in good shape and quick dispatch should give them a call.

Miss Bella Reece has gone to Portland, Maine.

Herbert Belyea, a former teacher, has charge of the school at present and we are glad to have Herb back with us again. Hon. L. P. Farris is expected home tomorrow.

The travelling on the roads is about done for sleds, unless we have snow shortly, wheels will be in order.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kelly are receiving congratulations—a little girl.

Walter Farris and Ernest Orchard expect to leave for the States next week, besides several other young men. It looks as if we were not going to have any young men left as they are all leaving.

Newcastle Bridge.

Mr. Hollie Bailey is recovering under the skillful treatment of Dr. Hay.

Miss Edna Upton has gone to visit friends and relatives in Portland, Maine.

Mrs. William Upton, who has been very sick, is slowly recovering under the skillful treatment of Dr. Earle.

Our school is rapidly advancing under the instruction of Miss Maggie Pickle, who is exceeding popular with both parents and children.

Mr. Thos. McEachern paid a visit to his home at Gaspereaux on Friday.

The people of Newcastle Bridge are about to send a petition to the member for Queens for a wooden man for a mail driver, and perhaps we could get our mails regular.

Cambridge.

March 22.—One of those events, that are always very pleasing to those who have not passed their majority, took place at the residence of Hiram Humphrey, merchant at Macdonald's Corner. On Friday, the 18th inst., a birthday party was given for his daughter Ethel. A large number of invited guests were present, who were received by Miss Ollie Humphrey. The table was neatly and beautifully arranged and seemed to grow under the weight of delicacies that were placed on it. After tea was over the young folks indulged in games of different kinds. Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey and family did all they could to make the evening one long to be remembered by those present. The general wish of all present was that Miss Humphrey may live to enjoy many more pleasant birthday parties similar to this.

A pie social and concert was held in the Temperance Hall at the Narrows, on Saturday evening, the 19th inst. The sum of eighteen dollars was realized from the sale of baskets and admission to the concert. The money is to be used in getting blinds and furniture for the school room at this place.

Miss Flossie Gilchrist, of Upper Hamstead, spent a few days with the Misses Belyea.

Mr. Ernest Straight, teacher at Lower Cambridge, who has been confined to his room for the last week with a slight attack of la grippe is again found at his post in the school room.

Miss Mabel Straight, teacher at Central Cambridge, had to close her school last week on account of all her scholars being sick with colds.

Mr. Charles Gilchrist, wife and family, of Gagetown, are visiting Mrs. Gilchrist's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Wilson.

Young's Cove Road.

March 18.—The weather for the past few days has been very fine.

The quilting bee at Mrs. Robt. Reid's proved a success.

J. Hartley Lewis arrived home on Friday last.

G. R. Slipp intends leaving for the Klondyke in a few weeks.

Miss Nellie Starkey was the guest of L. D. Farris on Thursday last.

Jno. McNamara arrived home on Tuesday last with his team weighing 1750 lbs each.

Mr. Beversford Babington passed through here on Friday last with a large load of hay.

A large crowd attends the daily mail at Young's Cove Road.

Mr. Chas. Wiggins left for Centreville on the C. R. R. this morning.

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